

**“Understanding the Basic Functions of a Spirit-led Church” 11-29-09**

**Acts 2:42-47**

**Sermon Series- “Understanding the Nature and Function of the Church”**

**Background of Series- Why the church matters, Oneness of the body, gifts of the body, our witness to the Gospel, Worship, Acts 1:8**

**POINT 1-** The Spirit-filled church was noted for their ATTITUDE

- A. Their attitude showed that they were adamant in learning DOCTRINE  
(2 Tim 2:15; 4:1-5; 1 Peter 2:2; Matthew 4:4; Hosea 4:6)
- B. Their attitude showed that they were adamant in FELLOWSHIP  
(John 13:35; Heb 10:23-25; Gal 6:1-2; Rom 12:15; Col 3:16; 1 Thess 5:11)
- C. Their attitude showed that they were adamant in OBEDIENCE  
(Luke 22:19; 1 Corinthians 11:24; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:38-41)
- D. Their attitude showed that they were adamant in PRAYER  
(Acts 1:8-14, 24; 4:24; 1 Thess 5:17; Rom 12:12; 1 Peter 4:7; Luke 21:36)

**ARE WE AS STRONG AS WE COULD BE?**

**Going** God wants you to seek this attitude and the actions it produces!  
**Deeper**

**POINT 2-** The Spirit-filled church was noted for their ACTIONS

- A. The actions of the church opened their hearts to the AWE OF GOD  
(Luke 1:12, 65; 7:16; Acts 5:5, 11; Acts 19:17; “Reverential Fear”)
- B. The actions of the church were obvious in their SHARING  
(Acts 2:44-46; 2 Corinthians 8:13-15; 1 John 3:16-18; 1 Tim 6:18)
- C. The actions of the church show it to be one filled with joy and PRAISE

**Going** God wants us to strive to love/fear Him and love/care for others!  
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**POINT 3-** The Spirit-filled church was noted for their AFTEREFFECTS

- A. The aftereffects included being given GRACE
- B. The aftereffects included being given souls into the KINGDOM

**Going** God wants us to focus on our part while He does His part!  
**Deeper**