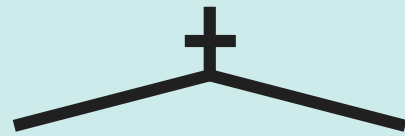


# Mastering The Master's Church



## The Essentials

Enter Acts 2:41-47

# 1) They were devoted:

Devoted: steadfast and single-minded fidelity to a certain course of action. To apply to a particular pursuit, purpose, cause. Loyal, dependable.

What are the four essentials of the church?

1 Peter 2:2; *“As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that you may grow thereby:”*

2 Timothy 2:15; *“Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed.”*

# The Benefits:

- It gives substance to our faith
- Stabilizes us in times of testing and trouble
- It enables us to know how to handle God's Word correctly
- It gives us the confidence that we need while walking in this world
- It calms our fears when walking into the unknown

## 2) They were Devoted to Loving Each Other: v.42

Koinonia happens when God's  
people come together in the spirit of  
sharing, when full hands and full  
hearts reach out to fill empty ones.

### 3) They were Devoted to Worship: v.46-47

That is what worship is: a human  
response involving our hearts and  
our minds to divine revelation.

Romans 12:1-2; *“I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God to present you bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable, or well pleasing and perfect.”*



## **Our Motivation to Worship:**

“The mercies of God”. The mercies of God is Him giving us everything that we really don't deserve.

## **Our Manner of Worship:**

“To present our bodies a living and holy sacrifice.”

## **The Means of our Worship:**

“By the renewing of our minds.” It is truth that brings about conviction and conviction that brings a response.

True worship is Christ-centered and is a response to all that He is doing in and through our lives!!!

4) They were Devoted to  
Prayer: v.42