

DISCUSSION GUIDE
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GAME
CHANGERS
TACKLING THE BASICS

 **pathwaychurch**

FOLLOWING JESUS • IN COMMUNITY • FOR OTHERS

Play As A Team

ACTS 2:42-47 | WEEK 3

Opening Questions

1. Consider the fact there has been no net growth in Christianity in America for the last 20 years. Why do you believe this is true? Is there such a gap between culture and church in the U.S.? If so, what is it?
2. Describe how you would rate your Home Team in being an authentic Christian community. What is its greatest strength? Where is its greatest growth area?

In the Word

1. Read [Luke 24:36-53](#), look over [Acts 1 & 2](#), then read [Acts 2:42-47](#).
2. How does Luke write the beginning of Acts so that it is directly tied to the end of Luke?
3. List the specific things Jesus teaches in [Luke 24](#) that carry over to [Acts 1 & 2](#).
4. In [Acts 2](#), how would you summarize the main point of Peter's sermon ([verses 14-40](#))?
5. List the features of this first church described in [Acts 2:42-47](#). Which seem incredible or amazing? Do any seem difficult to imagine or believe? Why?
6. Describe what must have been most attractive about this new community of believers to those living in and around the city of Jerusalem.
7. In what ways does this new church embody and reflect Jesus' earthly ministry?

Making It Personal

1. Looking at your Home Team and Pathway Church as a whole, describe some similarities with the Christian community in [Acts 2](#). What are the largest growth areas?
2. What quality about Jesus' life and ministry is our culture and city most wanting to see in the church and in smaller groups of Christians?
3. As a group, discuss how your Home Team can pray and grow in one specific quality described in [Acts 2:42-47](#). Set some simple steps that lead toward this goal. Check your progress in the future.
4. Share prayer requests within your group and spend time praying for your Home Team, all Home Teams, and Pathway Church.

Continued Learning

1. Scan through the next several chapters of Acts (3-10). What more do we learn about the early church and these early believers? Describe challenges and inherent dangers they soon faced.

Additional Notes