

**CHURCHatHOME**

**“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.”**

**Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” — Acts 2:42-47**

Who are “they”?

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**Who and What is the Church?**

a grassroots, global movement

**Ekklesia: Assembly or Gathering**

**My desire is that this series will empower you, make you ready and responsible to lead and contribute to the original church, home.**

**“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.” — Ephesians 4:15-16**



Many times, the “more of God” we want is found within the family of Jesus, and not in an isolated and independent experience with God.

**What do the New Testament writers and Jesus tell us about the church?**

- a. It's powerful because of Christ. (Matthew 16:18)**
- b. Its origin is in Heaven. (John 17:14, 18:36)**
- c. It displays the manifold wisdom of God to the rulers in heavenly places. (Ephesians 3:10)**

**Church**: A born again community gathered and assembled around the living Jesus and joined together with one another for the purposes of God in the world.

## **6 Attributes of the Church:**

**1. We exist for the glory of God. (Doxological)**

**2. We are centered around Christ & His word.  
(Logocentric)**

**3. We are the handiwork of the Holy Spirit.  
(Pneumadynamic)**

## **6 Attributes of the Church:**

**4. We are fully devoted to God and each other.  
(Covenantal)**

**5. Our personal and common confession in Christ binds us together. (Confessional)**

**6. We are called and sent witnesses to proclaim the gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Missional)**

# How can I take responsibility for this message?

1. Consider the following questions.
2. Answer the following questions.
3. Act upon the following questions.

## **6 Questions for being the CHURCHatHOME:**

- 1. In what way are you intentionally experiencing God in your home? (Doxological question)**
- 2. How are you engaging the word of God as a family? How is it shaping you? (Logocentric question)**
- 3. In what ways are you being formed by the Holy Spirit and how are you practicing your spiritual gifts to help form another? (Pneumadynamic question)**

## **6 Questions for being the CHURCH at HOME:**

**4. What is the love God doing within your relationships? (Covenantal question)**

**5. What's the confession of your heart in the presence of others? (Confessional question)**

**6. How are you demonstrating a gospel witness with your significant relationships and neighbors?  
(Missional question)**



**We fill our city with the presence of  
Christ through people, not programs  
or buildings.**

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