

LESSONNOTES

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All for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.

1 Corinthians 12:27

"You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind."

Jesus in Matthew 22:37

May you always be filled with the fruit of your salvation—the righteous character produced in your life by Jesus Christ—for this will bring much glory and praise to God.

Philippians 1:11

1. **Central is a learning church.**

⁴¹Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all. ⁴²All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching.

Acts 2:41 – 42

"When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth."

Jesus in John 16:13

¹⁹"Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you."

Jesus in Matthew 28:19 – 20

¹⁴You must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. ¹⁵You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. ¹⁷God uses it to prepare and equip His people to do every good work.

2 Timothy 3:14 – 17

2. Central is a fellowshipping church.

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship.

Acts 2:42

They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity.

Acts 2:46

"Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are My disciples."

Jesus in John 13:35

- The church is like a body.
- The church is like a building.
- The church is like bread.
- The church is like a bride.
- Fellowship meets our need for love.

"I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other."

Jesus in John 13:34

- Christian fellowship meet our need for encouragement.

²⁴Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of His return is drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24 – 25

⁹Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. ¹⁰If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But

someone who falls alone is in real trouble. ¹¹Likewise, two people lying close together can keep each other warm. But how can one be warm alone? ¹²A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.
Ecclesiastes 4:9 – 12

- **Christian fellowship meets our need for accountability.**

As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.
Proverbs 27:17

- **Christian fellowship meets our need for a strong witness.**

3. Central is a communing church.

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper).
Acts 2:42

On the first day of the week, we gathered with the local believers to share in the Lord's Supper.
Acts 20:7

"Anyone who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise that person at the last day."
Jesus in John 6:54

²²What am I supposed to say? Do you want me to praise you? Well, I certainly will not praise you for this! ²³For I pass on to you what I received from the Lord Himself. On the night when He was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread ²⁴and gave thanks to God for it. Then He broke it in pieces and said, "This is My body, which is given for you. Do this to remember Me." ²⁵In the same way, He took the cup of wine after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant between God and His people—an agreement confirmed with My blood. Do this to remember Me as often as you drink it. ²⁶For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord's death until He comes again. ²⁷So anyone who eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord unworthily is guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸That is why you should examine yourself before eating the bread and drinking the cup. ²⁹For if you eat the bread or drink the cup without honoring the body of Christ, you are eating and drinking God's judgment upon yourself. ³⁰That is why many of you are weak and sick and some have even died.

1 Corinthians 11:22 - 30

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