

## THE CHURCH THAT BEGAN ON PENTECOST

Text: Acts 2:41-47

I. A LEARNING CHURCH, vs 42-43.

II. A SHARING CHURCH, 2:44-45; 4:32-35

III. CHURCH THAT TOOK THE LORD'S SUPPER  
REGULARLY. "That day," MT 26:29; MK 14:25

A. Next mention, Pentecost, Acts 2:42, which always fell on  
the first day of the week, Lev 23:15-16.

B. Next mention, Acts 20:7.

C. Next mention, Paul's first letter to Corinth.

READ I COR. 10:16-17, 21; 11:20-26

NOTE: Their day of assembly, 1 Cor 16:1-2

D. The practice was the same among the churches of Galatia.

E. Early uninspired writings confirm that this was the practice  
of the early church.

IV. A PRAYERFUL CHURCH, vs 42; 3:1; 4:24, etc.

V. A CHURCH THAT FEARED GOD--RESPECT, vs 43.  
I can't imagine one of the apostles referring to God as "The  
man upstairs." They respected His power, His providence, His  
sovereignty.

VI. A JOYFUL, HOSPITABLE CHURCH, vs. 46.

VII. A CHURCH THAT PRAISED GOD, vs. 47.  
Prayer, hymns. Heb 2:12; Acts 16:25; James 5:13

VIII. A CHURCH MADE UP OF LIKABLE PEOPLE, vs. 47.

IX. A GROWING CHURCH, vs. 47; Acts 4:4; 6:1, 7

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