GEARING UP WITH GOD FOR 2020 – Part 3 "Getting Back To The Basics"

Acts 2:42-47 (NLT)

1. COMMIT TO GROW WITH YOUR CHURCH

"They devoted themselves to the apostle's teaching. . . " v. 42a

- they were committed to spiritual growth

"And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." v. 47

- they were committed to numerical growth

it takes unselfish Christians to grow a church

2. COMMIT TO BE RELATIONAL IN YOUR CHURCH

"They devoted themselves. . . to the fellowship, and to the breaking of bread." v. 42b

"They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts." v. 46b

Healthy Christians build small group relationships within the church

Healthy Churches grow <u>larger</u> and smaller at the same time

3. COMMIT TO PRAY FOR YOUR CHURCH

"They devoted themselves. . . to prayer." v. 42c

"They all joined constantly in prayer." Acts 1:14a

Pray for:

- reaching the unchurched
- growth of new believers
- more involvement of members

- leaders

4. COMMIT TO GIVE TO YOUR CHURCH

". . . selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need." v. 45

"There were no needy persons among them. . . those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales, and it was distributed to anyone as he had need." Acts 4:32-35

Committed Christians give of their:

time treasure talent

5. COMMIT TO WORSHIP WITH YOUR CHURCH

3 measurements of life-changing worship:

- 1. Regular worship "Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts." v. 46a
- 2. Christ centered worship "... praising God" v. 47a
- 3. <u>Enjoyable</u> worship ". . . and enjoying the favor of all the people." v. 47b

6. COMMIT TO INVITE UNCHURCHED FRIENDS TO CHURCH

"And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." v. 47b

What basics do I need to get back to?