# STUDY GUIDE

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### [set up]

Share a time when you experienced the church (the body of Christ) being effective at glorifying God and making a difference in this world.

What helps the church in being effective and what hurts the church from being effective?

#### [digging deeper]

#### Read Acts 2:42-47.

What observation stood out to you most?

What in this passage seems descriptive? What seems prescriptive?

Which verses indicate that an empowered community grows spiritually? (Additional support verses to look at are 2 Peter 3:18 and Colossians 3:16.)

Which verses indicate that an empowered community shares generously? (Additional support verses to look at are Acts 20:35 and Proverbs 11:24-25.)

Which verses indicate that an empowered community lives relationally? (Additional support verses to look at are Hebrews 10:24-25 and 1 Corinthians 12:25-27.)

Which one of those three do you think is a strength in your life right now? A weakness?

What habits do you need to break and what habits do you need to make to be more effective in these areas?

## [living it out]

#### Revisit the Habit challenge from last weekend:

- Habit 1- Be in the Word & in prayer daily.
- Habit 2- Bless two people a week (one inside and one outside the faith).
- Habit 3- Eat with 2 people a week (one inside the faith and one outside the faith).

Which of these habits has already been fairly formed in your life? Which one will be the most challenging habit to form in your life?

If in a LifeGroup, ask each other how you are doing in these habits this week.

Pray for one another to be motivated and faithful to implement these habits in your lives so that we can be more effective at glorifying God and making a difference in this world.