



Acts 2: The Infant Church
Acts 2:40-47

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How do we know when we are “doing church” God’s way?

The Infant church:

Continued to meet *Acts 2:46*

1 Timothy 4:13, Acts 5:42, Acts 12:12, Acts 20:20, Colossians 4:15

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Was joyful

Was real

Worshipped. *Acts 2:47*

Had good reputation.

The infant church multiplied.

What would happen if the Church was just the Church?

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Matthew 28:19-20 NLT Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

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Devoted to Teaching. Devoted to Fellowship. Devoted to breaking of bread. Devoted to prayer.

Acts 2:40-47 NIV With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common.⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.⁴⁶ 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,⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

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The Infant church continued to meet.

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1 Timothy 4:13 NIV Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching.

Acts 5:42 NLT And every day, in the Temple and from house to house, they continued to teach and preach this message: “Jesus is the Messiah.”

Acts 12:12 NIV When this had dawned on him, he went to the house of Mary the mother of John, also called Mark, where many people had gathered and were praying.

Acts 20:20 NLT I never shrank back from telling you what you needed to hear, either publicly or in your homes.

Colossians 4:15 NLT Please give my greetings to our brothers and sisters at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church that meets in her house.

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The Infant church ate together.

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The infant church was joyful.

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The infant church was real.

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The infant church worshipped.

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The infant church had good reputation.

2019 American people's confidence in different institutions.

The military 73%. Small business 68%. The police 53 %. The presidency 38%. The U.S. Supreme Court 38%. Church 36%. Medical system 36%. Banks 30%. Public schools 29% Organized labor 29%.

Criminal Justice system 24%. Newspapers 23%. Big Business 23%. Television news 18%. And Congress 11%.

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The infant church multiplied.

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