

2. The following chart identifies some activities of the early Christians. Which ones are you involved in?

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Acts 2:42		
Listening to God's word	Doctrine or teaching was part of their worship service.	✓
Fellowship	Sharing the truth and qualities of the Lord Jesus Christ with one another.	
Eating together	This means the Lord's Supper (Communion) and sharing in a communal meal.	
Praying together		

3. List the results of these activities in the early church (v 43-47).

4. What other kinds of service could we do together that would be 'acts of worship' toward God?

In fact, any devotion toward God or activity done in his name is an act of worship.

5. Out of the wonder of seeing God at work came a spirit of generosity. What did they share? What was their basis or criterion that determined how they distributed their donations?

6. As they continued to meet together daily, they were filled with praise. What did God do in their midst as they shared in these ways?

"And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." Fellowship, or sharing together in Christ, attracted others like a magnet!

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another. . . Hebrews 10:24,25*

Worship is directed toward God. Although we can do that alone, none of us can worship if we are defeated and discouraged. We need each other.

7. Hebrews 10:24-25 tells us that we meet together to \_\_\_\_\_ one another toward \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

As we do that, we heighten our ability to worship, both verbally and with our lives. In that way, the vertical and horizontal dimensions are simply two sides of the same coin. Both express the incomparable worth of God and the Lordship of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.