

Last week, we heard a lot about *koinonia* (participation, sharing, communion, partnership, fellowship). **Where do we go from here?** Much will depend on...

And they _____ themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. (Acts 2:42)

Devote: to concentrate on and commit to a particular pursuit, purpose, or cause. The real meaning becomes clear when we see how it's used:

- "He told his disciples to _____ a boat _____ for him because of the crowd." (Mark 3:9)
- "And day by day, _____ the temple together..." (Acts 2:46)
- "But we will _____ ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." (Acts 6:4)
- "Simon himself believed, and after being baptized he _____ with Philip." (Acts 8:13)
- "...a devout soldier from among those who _____ him." (Acts 10:7)
- "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be _____ in prayer." (Rom 12:12).
- "_____ in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving." (Col 4:2)

When I'm **devoted** to **the fellowship**, I say (with my mouth and with my life)...

- "I want to _____." (Acts 9:26-31)
- "I want to _____." (Eph 4:11-16)
- "I'm willing to hold others and be held _____." (1 John 1:5-7)

Such **devotion** will shine like a light in a darkened consumeristic culture wherein everything is tailored to meet *my* needs and satisfy *my* preferences.



- Am I _____ to *koinonia*?
- Am I *koinonia* _____?
- Am I *koinonia* _____?
- With _____ am I *koinonia* continuing?
- Who needs *koinonia* _____?
- Who needs *koinonia* _____?
- How am I going to _____ steadfastly in *koinonia* from now on?