



## **THE CHURCH: ACTS TO REVELATION 20**

Obviously, Acts to Revelation is a lot of ground to cover in one sermon. However, remember we are unraveling the story of God, Jesus, and us to get the big picture. While we aren't getting an exhaustive investigation this time, we are getting a stronger view of who God is and what he has been up to from the very beginning of creation. What we have learned thus far is that everything before and after Jesus's short life in our world points to him and him alone. It is and always has been about Jesus.

Think about your best experience of Christian community and what made it feel so meaningful.

**What was present in that season that you long for now?**

### **TALK ABOUT IT**

**[Read Acts 2:42-47.](#)**

This story describes a church that was devoted to teaching, fellowship, sharing meals together (including The Lord's Supper), and prayer.

**Which of those four feels most natural to you personally?**

**Which feels most challenging?**

Ebony called us to wonder (FOMO) what it would be like to do life together with other believers so fully and intentionally.

**What about living that way gives us a glimpse of what Heaven might be like?**

**[Read Acts 2:38-41.](#)**

Some incredible things were happening not long after Jesus left to be with the Father. This "new thing" called the Holy Spirit was turning their world upside down.

Verse 41 reveals that 3,000 people were baptized on that day alone.

**Why do you think that seems impossible today?**

## **APPLY IT**

Ebony talked about walking through a season of being deeply wounded by the church and choosing to hold onto Jesus even when the institution felt broken.

**If you have ever been that place, how did you navigate and get through it?**

The sermon draws a line between being a consumer and being a servant.

**Without putting anyone on the spot, what do you think moves someone from one to the other?**

**What shifted that for you?**

## **PRAY TOGETHER**

Pray for someone you know who doesn't either know or follow Jesus. He came for all of us. We aren't living out our purpose here without him.