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Becoming Like Jesus

Faith in God looks like something.

I am practicing my faith

[Acts 2:40–42](#) (NASB95)

40 And with many other words he solemnly testified and kept on exhorting them, saying, “Be saved from this perverse generation!”

41 So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.

42 They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

43 Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles.

They studied the apostles teaching when they were bored. They had Christian fellowship when they could fit it in. They prayed when they needed something and got lunch together every now and then. They never really saw God do anything miraculous and they were fine with that. They sometimes talked about generosity but never actually were generous. Two out of five Sundays they came to church. They didn't invite people into their homes and rarely talked about Jesus outside of church. In fact, they didn't really look different than their coworkers and every now and then, someone was randomly saved.

The church has been teaching people what to think instead of teaching how to think.

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I cannot know myself by myself.

Our Father who is in heaven

Give us our daily bread

Forgive us our sins

As we forgive

Keep us from temptation

Deliver us from evil

John 17:3 NASB95

³ “This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

1 Corinthians 1:9 NASB95

⁹ God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 Peter 1:3-4 NASB95

³ seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. ⁴ For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

Fellowship with God is always connected with fellowship with believers

When you fellowship with God you will be connected to God’s people.

Serve the Church and protect her unity.

[Acts 8:3](#) Saul began ravaging the church, not Christians.

Honor the Church as the Bride of Christ

Create an atmosphere where the people God is calling feel welcome to meet God.

Questions:

Have you always protected the Church unity as the Bride of Christ?

What opportunities do you have to practice your faith.

How is Holy Spirit convicting you to honor the Church?