

The Church Of The First Century

Acts 2:37-47

The Church Of The First Century WAS:

- Studious Acts 2:42, 44-45; 4:34-37; 5:42; cf. Matthew 11:28; John 8:32; 2 Peter 3:18
- Rich in faith. James 2:5; Luke 17:5; Hebrews 11:6; Romans 10:17; Genesis 12:1-5; Hebrews 11:8-10; Genesis 22:1-4; Hebrews 11:17-19

The Church Of The First Century WAS:

- A defensive organization. Acts 4:17-33; 5:17-42; Acts 6-7; Philippians 1:17; Jude 3
- Full of zeal. Acts 8:4; Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 2:2

The Church Of The First Century HAD

- A converted membership ... a changed people. Acts 2; cf. Matthew 27:22ff; Acts 8-9; 1 Timothy 1:12-15; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Acts 19:18-20; Matthew 18:1-3; Acts 3:19; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Colossians 3:1-15
- A working membership ... Philippians 2:12; Acts 2:40; 1 Timothy 4:16; Matthew 9:37-38; Matthew 20:1; Hebrews 6:10-12; Hebrews 4:10; 2 Corinthians 6:1

The Church Of The First Century HAD

- Scriptural Leadership ... Acts 14:23; Philippians 1:1; Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:1ff; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9; 1 Timothy 3:8-10

The First Century Church DID

- Worship Spiritually and scripturally.
 - Met regularly. Acts 20:7
 - Worshipped God. Matthew 4:10; John 4:23-24
 - Acts of worship were teaching, singing, praying, Lord's supper and giving.

The First Century Church DID

- Work to fulfill its mission.
 - Evangelism – 1 Timothy 3:15; Philippians 4:14-16; 2 Corinthians 11:8-9
 - Edification – Acts 20:32; 1 Corinthians 14:26; Ephesians 4:16
 - Benevolence – Acts 2:44; 4:32; 6:1-6; 11:27-30; Romans 15:25ff; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; 2 Corinthians 8-9; 1 Timothy 5:16