


Christians On Call

Acts 2:42

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers."

Introducing the "apostles' doctrine..."



The Story

- **Matthew 16:18** 8 Binding words foretold
- **Matthew 28:19** 20 Commanded to "Go"
- **Acts 1:4** 5 Commanded to "Wait"
- **Acts 2:1** 4 Arrival of the Holy Spirit
- **Acts 2:14** 4 Beginning of the...
 - Apostles Binding Doctrine
 - Lord's Church/Kingdom



"They continued steadfastly..."

- "adhered to"
- "devoted to"
- "stuck tight to"
- "held on to"
- "constantly ready"
 - 24 hours a day
 - 7 days a week

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1. Doctrine taken to the world

- **Acts 5:28**, "...ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us."
- **Acts 17:19**, "May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest." (Athens)
- **1 Timothy 1:3**, "...teach no other doctrine..."
- **1 Timothy 4:6**, "...be... nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine..." (Ephesus)

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- Importance of the doctrine
 - **2 Timothy 3:15**, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine..."
 - **2 Timothy 4:2**, "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine."
 - **2 John 9**, "He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son."

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- Warning by Apostle Paul
 - **Galatians 1:6** 9 "I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed."

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2. Fellowship In CHRIST

- **1 Corinthians 1:9**, “*God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.” (Corinth)*
- **Philippians 2:1-2** “*If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.*” (Philippi)

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□ Fellowship In Christ, cont.

- **Philippians 1:5**, “*...fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now...”*
- **1 John 1:6-7**, “*If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.”*

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□ Fellowship In Christ, cont.

- **Galatians 2:9**, “*...when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship...”*
- **Ephesians 5:11**, “*...have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.*”
- **2 Corinthians 6:14**, “*Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness?”*

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□ Fellowship In Christ, cont.

- **2 Corinthians 8:4-5** Macedonians pleaded, “*...receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves...”*
- **Matthew 25:40 & 45**, “*Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it (not) to one of the least of these, ye did it (not) to me.*”
- **Galatians 6:10**, “*Do good unto all men...”*

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3. Worshipping God

- **John 4:24**, “*God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”*
- **Hebrews 10:25**, “*Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”*
- **Acts 20:7**, “*...upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them...”*



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□ Worshipping God, cont.

- **1 Corinthians 11:24** **23** “*Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.”*



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□ **Worshipping God, cont.**

- **1 Corinthians 16:1-2** *“Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.”*
- **1 Corinthians 14:15**, *“I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.”* **Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16**



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4. Praying to God

- **1 Thessalonians 5:17** **℣**, *“Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”*
- **James 5:16**, *“Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”*
- **Hebrews 4:16**, *“Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.”*



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