

House Church Acts 2:42-47

Introduction Making Disciples of Covenant With God

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An educational booklet journal companion to those who have been studying with Sister Lara's recent teaching(s) on Blood Covenant, a Biblical view.

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About

The pages you are about to read is an audio transcription to text from this link on our blog.

<https://beyondtheveilpropheticministry.blogspot.com/2025/10/House-Church-Resources-Acts-2v42-Introduction.html>

These pages introduce Scriptures that are shared about the House Church in the Book of Acts that offer: the structure of the House Church; the format of the House Church; and the importance of the elements of the House Church as a body ministry. While all of our ebooks are published worldwide and made available in Bookstores, we make them free in the House Church. The teachings are offered in the House Church Category on Sister Lara's Global Ebook Site.

<https://sites.google.com/view/sister-lara>

This series has approximately eight teachings, with eight booklets focusing on the House Church that are used for training for House Church Leaders, House Church Leader Assistants, House Church Scribes, and making disciples of Covenant with God.

What sets these teachings apart from other teachings on the topic of the House Church is that they are taught from a Covenant with God point of view. At the same time, Sister Lara shares from her personal experiences in her mistakes and strengths along the way to help others grow.

Welcome



Hello Everyone,

Welcome to another time together. Today, we want to begin our introductory teaching on the House Church Movement according to the New Testament principals. If you have a heart for the New Testament House Church then this is the place for you. But, at the same time maybe you are curious and you want to learn more about the role of the House Church: how a House Church operates; what is the function of the House Church. Along with [maybe] growing in the House Church to train others to be disciples of the message and cause of the Gospel of Christ Jesus, Covenant with God -then this video is for you.

Pause video at :58 House Church Discussion Group

What is your desire to be part of the House Church?

Why is that important to you?

Begin video at :58

Let's get started and open up in prayer.

Father, we just thank You for all that You are doing in the heart of your people. Father, we pray today that if there be any need among those that are watching, we thank You Father that You already live in them. You know their desire before they open their mouth to speak to You. You know the events of their life before they even speak about them and think about them. That is the place that we touch and agree asking You that Your Love will flood those desires; those concerns; and melt away all of those cares of the world that hearts and minds will truly rest in You. In Your Peace. Through Jesus' name we pray. Amen!

And they all said? Amen.
Well, Hallelujah!

If you are watching this in a House Church and you are part of the Leadership, or in Training, give yourself a pat on the back. Welcome. If you are new to our House Church's we want to welcome you and give yourself a pat on the back. It is so great to be here with you today.

Stop the audio at 2:22 House Church Discussion Group

Is there anyone who is new with us today? Or, if you are a Host Leader, or a Host Leader in training, kindly tell us who you are and introduce yourself. Also, tell us why you came and how you found out about this House Church Meeting.

House Church Scribe [Person, or persons who takes notes of the House Church Meeting and record of discussions to learn of growth and how God is moving in your midst.

Scripture Keywords to Notice

Well, let us open up our Bibles and see what this House Church is all about in this area of teaching.

We want to turn over the Book of Acts 2. If you are wondering how to use this free Bible Software, then get with your House Church Leader and they will be sure to help you learn how to use it, and how to study it. As you begin to learn how to study the Word of God, ask your House Church Leader about maybe being trained to be a Leader of our wonderful House Church Movement. Well, praise God.



We are going to start out in the Book of Acts 2.

It is the chapter where the first time during the Feast of Pentecost, there

was a sound of a rushing mighty wind. This sound came and filled the house where all the disciples were.

Those that were with them, about 120 people, for the first time tongues of fire sat upon their heads. Cloven tongues of fire sat upon their heads and they began to speak in other languages.

The Bible says that there were thirteen different Nations that heard them speaking in their language,

and, all that heard this heavenly language in their own language [according to their own Nations and Tribes] they were heard and they were saved. About three thousand people were added to the church. This is kind of where we pick up in the Book of Acts 2.

Stop the Audio at 4:35 House Church Discussion Group

As you listen to the background of the Book of Acts, “What comes to mind?”

House Church Scribe

If you picture yourself there, the House being with them in the Upper Room, and that happened to you, “How would you feel about what happened?”

House Church Scribe

Do you believe this still happens today? If so, why? If not, why?

House Church Scribe

Begin the audio at 4:35 House Church Discussion Group

Acts 2:42 continues

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of the bread, and in prayer.

[There are printable notes below, or in a booklet if you are reading about it.] you see that we want to point out the words:

Continued steadfastly
The apostles doctrine
Fellowship
Breaking of bread
[And] in prayers.

That might sound like a lot, but that is the structure that the House Church functioned in.

Stop the audio at 5:19 House Church Discussion Group

As you read the keywords in this verse, “What do they mean to you?” Why are they important?

House Church Scribe

Continued steadfastly

The apostles doctrine

Fellowship

Breaking of bread

[And] In prayers

When you compare the keywords to the plan and purpose of the House Church, “What is different from what you have experienced in church you have been to? Why is this important to you?”

House Church Scribe

Begin audio at 5:19 House Church Discussion Group

This is kind of the mission that they aimed at every time they met in the House Church. We are going to see in a moment, that they are going to re-define it a little bit better in the verses ahead, so that we can get a focus on exactly what the House Church is all about.

It says in verse 43 [forty-three], “Fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.”

Now, there is the apostles; prophets; evangelists; pastors; and teachers. The New Testament church is a body ministry where everyone ministers to one another. We will see that as the series goes on. The word apostles represents those that were with Jesus who saw Him after His resurrection. They were sent to preach; and they were sent ones.

When you look up the word apostle: they saw Jesus; He breathed on them after His resurrection, and He sent them

with a very specific message. That was to “Go ye into the world and baptize in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.” The God-Head, three in One, “Preach the Gospel.” Hallelujah!

So, those are qualifications of what apostles are. “Do apostles still exist today?” Yes, “Jesus still appears to people. Jesus still breathes on people after His resurrection.” At the same time, “Jesus still commissions people to go and preach the Gospel.”

Now, it says here in verse forty-four [44], “All that believed were together and had all things in common. They sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.”

I love that! The New Testament Church made sure that everybody had all things in common. “What does that mean?” Well, “If they went to your house and you needed a bed and someone had an extra bed. *That would be all things in common.* If someone went to your house and you needed food, then the food, “If you had extra you would give the food away.” See, all things in common. If they didn’t have all things in common they were so excited about continuing in the Mission of the Lord’s work that they sold everything that they had. They sold their possessions so that everyone’s needs were met.

Stop the audio at 8:44 House Church Discussion Group

House Church Scribe

How are these examples different from what you have

experienced as a way of giving?

Why is this important to you?

Scripture Reading and Sharing

Begin the audio at 8:44 House Church Discussion Group

Notice that all the needs; all of the possessions; all of the goods did not go to one person. They went to the body. That is what I love about the House Church, “They ministered one to another. It is a body ministry.”

In verse 46, “They continued daily in one accord.” See, they were in one accord in the upper room and now they are continuing in one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house.

There is the “House Church Movement.” they ate their meat with gladness and with singleness of heart. We are going to take some time to really get into this.

Personally, I began to plant House Church’s in as early as September in 1990. Think about how years ago that was. It was during that time that the House Church wasn’t even heard of. We are beginning to hear more and more about the House Church where people are talking about the House Church; moving at the House Church.

However, the House Church is for the people who are unchurched. The people who may not have a place in the local place of fellowship. It is more of a planting; a harvesting; a going forth where you are in your community. Many people use this as a plan of Missions, “Whether where you are, or overseas.”

But, the thing is, “I want to back up for just a moment and take a look at these Scriptures and let you know that these are Scriptures that we are going to take a closer look at our next teaching.

As I began to go forth in the House Church meetings back in the early 1990's; I started out in one House Church and it over grew to another State. I was traveling to another State to help people be raised up. Then, the House Church continued to grow and I was meeting in another State. It was three nights a week, maybe four, that I was traveling from house to house.

I made a lot of mistakes because I really did not know what I was doing, I was just going. I did not have the understanding that I have now. So many years later these are things that I want to teach you and help give you some shortcuts that make it easier to understand.

So, closing out today our purpose was just to read these Scriptures and get a solid foundation. We are going to come back in our next teaching and break these down a little bit more.

Hopefully, understand where to pinpoint these today so that we can begin to get a better understanding of what the House Church movement is.

Thanks for looking in with us today. I will see you in on the next teaching session. I am Sister Lara. Welcome to the House Church's. We are so glad you are here with us.

House Church Discussion Group

What did you think today as Sister Lara shared these Scriptures? What stood out the most to you?

Why is that important to you?

How has your vision grown for the House Church since you have read these Scriptures?

House Church Scribe

Here, the House Church Host asks if anyone needs prayer.

Closing Prayer

Here, the House Church Hosts asks someone to close in prayer.

Personal Journal



What is God speaking directly to you?

How can you act upon what God is speaking to you?
