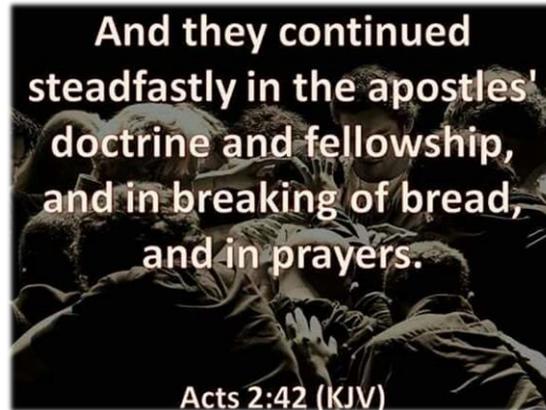


Our Fellowship with God and Others
Continuing in Fellowship
Acts 2:42



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“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.”

Continued Steadfastly – *proskartereoo* (Greek - προσκαρτερω)

To be strong or firm towards anything, to endure or persevere in or with

Romans 12:12: Instant in Prayer: – *proskartereoo*

There are 4 key elements in this verse.

1. Doctrine – *didache* (Greek - διδαχη): teaching, the thing being taught
2. Fellowship – *koinonia* (Greek - κοινωνια): the act of partaking, sharing, e.g. full-sharing
3. Breaking of Bread also in v. 46 “and they continued daily with one accord: (*proskartereoo*)...and breaking bread from house to house...”
4. Prayers – literal

The number 4 has an important meaning.

According to E.W. Bullinger’s “*Number In Scripture* (Kregel Publications Published 1998) the number 4 means “material completion and is significant as illustrated:

4 directions: North, South, East, and West

4 Seasons: Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring

4 Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

4 Days: The heavens and the earth were completed in four days (Genesis 1:19).

Conclusion:

We are to continue in fellowship by letting (our decision) the Word of God dwell (reside) in us richly. One key to accomplish this is by implementing these four keys:

Doctrine, Fellowship, Breaking of Bread, and in Prayers.

Colossians 3:16.