

Prerequisites for a Prevailing Church

Week 3 – Prevailing Priorities

Acts 2:42-47

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

HOW THE EARLY CHURCH PREVAILED

1. Changed _____ (vs. 43)
2. Corporate _____ (vs. 44)
3. Kind _____ (vs. 45)
4. Deepened _____ (vs. 46)
5. Joyful _____ (vs. 46)
6. Evangelistic _____ (vs. 47)

Keep in mind...

- Results always have reasons.
- Characteristics always have causes.
- Products are dictated by priorities.

WHY THE EARLY CHURCH PREVAILED

1. They prioritized God's _____ as the foundation of their faith.

Titus 2:1, 2, 3, 7, 9

You must teach what is in accord with sound doctrine... Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance. Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good... In your teaching show integrity... Teach slaves to be subject to their masters ¹⁵ These, then, are the things you should teach.

1 Timothy 4:2, 13

Preach the Word... Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching.

John 17:17 - "Make them holy by Your truth; teach them Your Word, which is truth."

2. They prioritized interpersonal _____ as an essential to their faith.

3. They prioritized the _____ of Jesus Christ as the center of their faith.

4. They prioritized _____ as the key to their faith.

**What is true on a corporate level
needs to be true on a _____ level.**