THE CHURCH UNLEASHED

Life Group Discussion Guide

WEEK 2	A DEVOTED CHURCH
KEY SCRIPTURES Acts 2:42-47	**MAIN IDEA** A church devoted to Jesus doesn't just gather together—it shares life together, making faith visible through love, hospitality, and generosity.

30-MINUTE GUIDE · Use the questions as a guide, not a script. Prioritize honest conversation and the next step God may be inviting each person to take.

1. START HERE — CONNECT

- When you think of the word "devoted," what's something (big or small) you've found yourself devoted to—maybe a hobby, routine, food, or even a brand? How did that devotion show up in your everyday life?

2. DIG IN — UNDERSTAND

- Read Acts 2:42–47. What stands out to you about the way the early church shared life together? What are some ordinary things they devoted themselves to?
    - Follow-up: Why do you think sharing meals, fellowship, and prayer were so central to their community?
- In 1 Thessalonians 2:7–8, Paul says, "We were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well." What do you think it means to share your life with others, not just your beliefs?
- Jesus said in John 13:35, "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." What does genuine love look like in a church community?

3. GO DEEPER — REFLECT

- Our devotion to Jesus "rewires" how we live with others. Where have you experienced (or longed for) this kind of shared life, either in church or elsewhere?
    - Follow-up: What are some obstacles that keep people from moving beyond "just attending" to actually sharing life?
- The early Christians made room at their tables and in their lives for others, including people in need and those outside the faith. What might it look like to make room for someone in your current season of life?
- We "audit our devotion" by looking at where we invest our time, attention, and resources. If you did a quick "devotion audit," what's one area that might be hard to surrender or open up to God's work?

4. RESPOND — APPLY

- The sermon named three practical steps: open your Bible (make room for Jesus), open your table (make room for someone), and open your hands (make room to meet a need). Which of these feels most natural for you right now? Which feels most challenging?
    - Follow-up: What's one small way you could take a step in one of these areas this week?
- How could our Life Group help each other move from "just gathering" to truly sharing life together? What might that look like in practical terms?

MY NEXT STEP

Take a moment to consider: What is one specific, practical step you sense God inviting you to take this week? (It might be starting a new Bible habit, inviting someone to your table, reaching out to meet a need, or something else.)

If you're comfortable, share your next step with the group.

5. PRAY TOGETHER

- Pray that God would deepen our devotion to Jesus and to one another.
- Ask for courage to open our lives, homes, and hands to others—especially those in need or on the margins.
- Invite the Holy Spirit to make the ordinary spaces of our lives places where God's love and presence are seen and felt by others.