

# Growing PRAISE

EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

26 July — 1 August 2020

## THEME VERSES - Acts 2:46-47a & John 13:34b-35

*“They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord’s Supper, & shared their meals with great joy & generosity—all the while praising God & enjoying the goodwill of all the people.”*

*“Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”*

### TABLE GRACE

*For food in a world where many walk in hunger;  
For faith in world where many walk in fear;  
For friends in a world where many walk alone;  
We give you humble thanks O Lord.  
Amen.*

### 5 POINT CHECK UP

1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
2. Read a verse from the Bible.
3. What do you find “best” in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do ?
4. Pray for one another (Praise God, Thank Jesus, Ask the Holy Spirit).

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*“Nothing can be more cruel than the leniency which abandons others to their sin. Nothing can be more compassionate than the severe reprimand which calls another Christian in one’s community back from the path of sin.”*  
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Living Water Fellowship, Wagga Wagga

Come...Grow...Go...Show



## let's TALK

1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Acts 2:42-47 & John 13:31-35. What strikes you as you read these verses?
2. Share a time you experienced a positive community (eg sports team, family, church) What are some of the joys of being part of a community? What are some risks?
3. What kind of impact do you think this pattern of teaching, fellowship, bread-breaking & prayer made on the people seeing this emerging movement. What do you think their reactions might have been?
4. Look at verse 42. What are the marks of the Church here. What are the risks to the local church if any of these are absent? “Fellowship” (koinōnia) is more than a shared meal or morning tea. It is a recognized closeness where people share life & contribute to the cause of Christ. In the early church, Jesus was the central reason for their gathering. How much time do you spend time with others where Jesus is the central reason for meeting?
5. What do you think people notice most about your life? ...about Living Water? What effect did true koinōnia have on those who were watching but not yet believers in Christ (v. 47)? On whom would you like to have that effect? Pray & live for it daily with other believers.

## let's READ

Sunday	Hebrews 10:23-25	Thursday	Romans 12:3-9
Monday	John 17:20-21	Friday	Ephesians 4:11-13
Tuesday	Matthew 18:19-20	Saturday	1 Corinthians 12:12-14
Wednesday	Ephesians 4:1-6	BONUS	Colossians 3:13-14

## let's PRAY

*Father prepare me  
for whatever you require today &  
lead me in faith wherever you call me to go.  
In Jesus' Name...Amen*

## let's BLESS

*Make the sign of the cross on each other as you say:*

*(Name), † child of God,  
the Father claims you for his family!  
Amen.*

