

BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS
PART 2
ACTS 2: 41-47
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SERIES: "DEVIATE"

- I. THE COMMITMENT BARRIER. VS. 41.**

- II. THE COMMUNITY BARRIER. VS. 42-47.**
 - A. NEW CHRISTIANS NEED AN ENVIRONMENT THAT ENCOURAGS GROWTH.**

 - B. THE 1ST CENTURY CHURCH PROVIDES A MODEL FOR CREATING THE RIGHT CLIMATE FOR GROWTH AS A BELIEVER.**

 - C. A HEALTHY COMMUNITY IS A PLACE FOR:**
 - 1. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT.**
 - 2. HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS TO BE DEVELOPED.**
 - 3. UNITY TO BE EXPERIENCED.**
 - 4. THE POWER OF PRAYER TO BE EXPERIENCED.**
 - 5. FAITH TO BE EXERCISED.**
 - 6. SACRIFICE TO BE LEARNED.**
 - 7. PREPARATION TO TAKE GOD INTO YOUR WORLD.**

 - D. THE CHURCH MUST BE CAREFUL IT DOESN'T GET OFF COURSE.**
 - 1. BEING OFF COURSE BY JUST A LITTLE CAN BE DISASTROUS.**
 - 2. WE MUST BE CAREFUL:**

- a) **LEGALISM IS NOT SUBSTITUTED FOR TRUE SPIRITUAL GROWTH.**
- b) **FUNCTIONS DON'T REPLACE AUTHENTIC FELLOWSHIP.**
- c) **UNITY IS NOT REPLACED BY SELFISHNESS.**
- d) **SACRIFICE IS NOT REPLACED BY STINGINESS.**
- e) **PROGRAMS ARE NOT SUBSTITUTED FOR PRAYER.**
- f) **THAT ISOLATION DOESN'T REPLACE ENGAGEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY.**