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"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers"

Acts 2:42

#### 2. The gifts given from above are for the edification of the Church

"How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification "

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## 3. We ought to learn how to help others to succeed and rejoice when they do

"Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers. For I rejoiced greatly when brethren came and testified of the truth *that is* in you, just as you walk in the truth."

3 John 2-3

## 4. It is crucial to our salvation to learn how to accept others and to strive to bring them to the knowledge of the True God

"When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, 'Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life."

Acts 11:18

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"All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours."

Luke 4:6-7

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