

# MESSAGE NOTES

## **“Devotion”**

*Part one of the series: “Blessed”*

*Sunday, April 23, 2017 • Pastor Alfredo Canencia, Jr.*

### **Acts 2:38-44**

**Devote yourself to God and to following Him.**

*“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”*

*(Acts 2:38 ESV)*

*“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ <sup>23</sup>And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me...’” (Matthew 7:21-23 ESV)*

**Devote yourself to God’s word.**

*“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching...” (Acts 2:42 ESV)*

*“For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” (Hebrews 4:12 NKJV)*

**Devote yourself to share life in a family of faith.**

*“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread...” (Acts 2:42 ESV)*

*“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.” (Hebrews 13:16 ESV)*

**Devote yourself to prayer.**

*“And they devoted themselves...to prayers.” (Acts 2:42 ESV)*

***“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.” (John 14:12-14 ESV)***

**Devote yourself to sharing your faith.**

***“...praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.” (Acts 2:47)***