

High School Discussion Guide

Fully Devoted: For the week of April 18 - 24, 2021

Main Thought & Scriptures:

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." (Acts 2:42-47 NIV)

The disciples devoted their lives to follow Jesus and counted the cost of what it meant to live for Him. To be devoted and live for Jesus means to give up the majority of your time, talent, and treasure.

Here are three foundational keys to stay devoted to our faith:

• Jesus' Teaching.

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17 NLT)

• Fellow Believers in Jesus.

"Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts.." (Acts 2:46 NIV)

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:24-25 NIV)

• Connecting with God through constant prayer.

"God, examine me and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any bad thing in me. Lead me on the road to everlasting life." (Psalm 139:22-23 NCV)

"Never stop praying." (1 Thessalonians 5:17 NLT)

Discussion Questions:

- Why do you think it's important to be devoted to Jesus?
- On a scale of 1-10, how would you rate your devotion to Jesus in the three areas mentioned above? Why? Explain.
- If devotion to Jesus leads to seeing your family and friends come to relationship with Jesus, how are you doing in this area?

Application:

- Pray for the people that you want to share Jesus with.
- Invite them to your small group and to youth service.
- Ask them what they need prayer for and pray for them.