

#3 Gospel Formed Community

**The Gospel Of Jesus Christ
Has The Power To Transform Our Relationships
Within The Church—How We See And Relate To
Others In Our Spiritual Family!**

Acts 2:1-4 (ESV) *When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.*

⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Leviticus 23:22 (ESV) *And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, nor shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.*

1. The Gospel of Jesus not only shapes the identity of individuals who believe it, but also brings believers together to share their lives in **COMMUNITY**.

Acts 2:5-13 (ESV) *Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?*

⁹ *Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,*

¹⁰ *Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians--we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine.*

2. Gospel Community gives both believers and non-believers a **FORETASTE** of what life will be like in the future Kingdom of God under the gracious reign of King Jesus.

Acts 2:42-47 (ESV) *And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.*

3. While we will not be perfect until we meet Jesus, relationships within a true Gospel Community will increasingly reflect **KINGDOM ATTITUDES** now.