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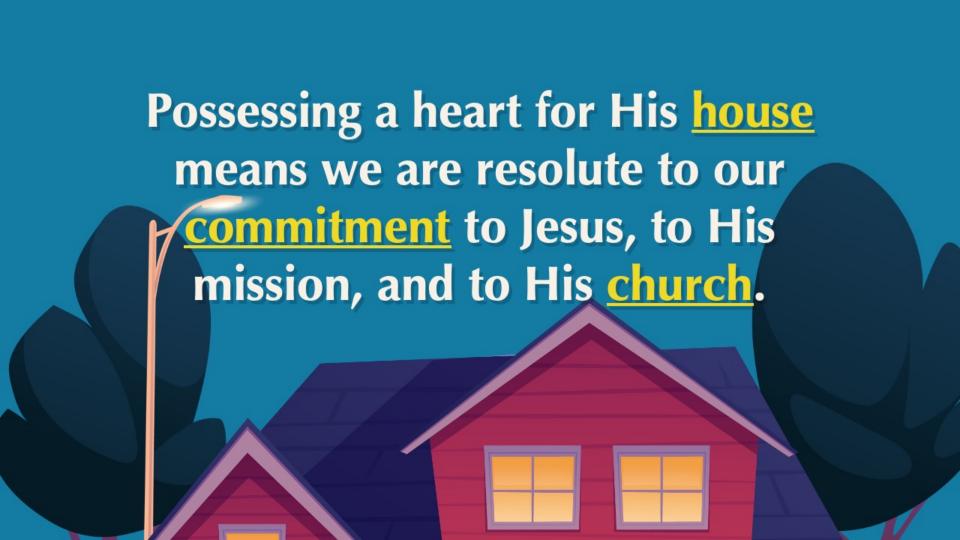
to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs

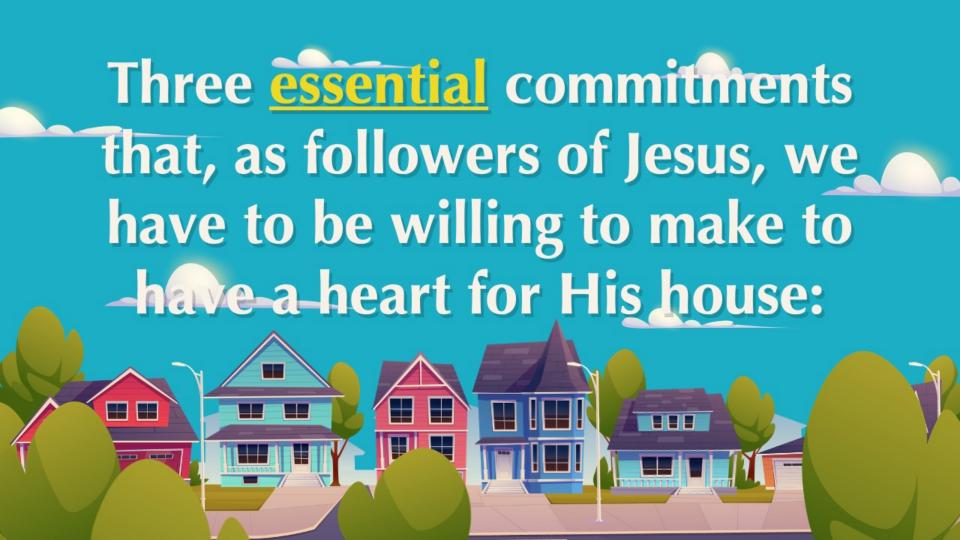
performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.

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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.







The last thing we need is for people to come to church looking for Jesus and all they find is us.

1 Corinthians 1:22-24 NIV

²²Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Colossians 3:16 NIV

¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.



Acts 4:12 NIV

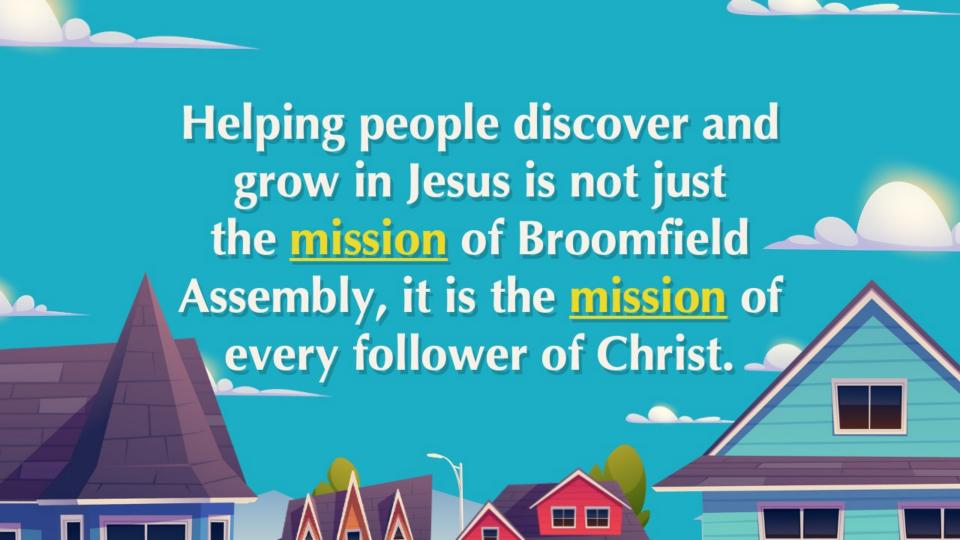
¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."





Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

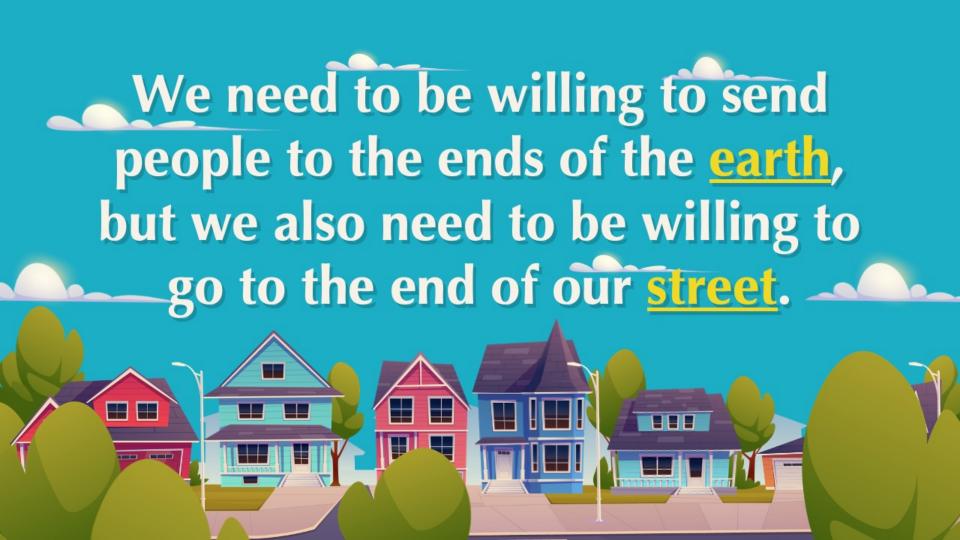
¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



Acts 1:8 NIV

⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."







John 13:34-35 NIV

³⁴"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."



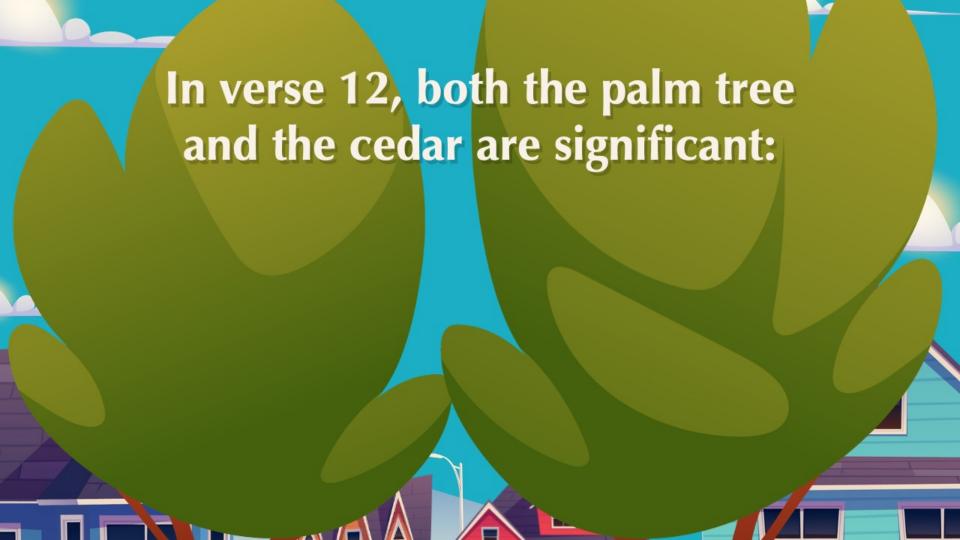
Hebrews 10:23-25 NLT

²³Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise. ²⁴Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.



Psalm 92:12-15 NIV

- ¹² The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon;
- ¹³ planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God.
- 14They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green,
- 15 proclaiming, "The Lord is upright; he is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him."





Palm tree represents victory, life, vitality, shade regardless of the environment it is found in.

In verse 12, both the palm tree and the cedar are significant:

Palm tree represents victory, life, vitality, shade regardless of the environment it is found in.

Cedar tree represents strength, durability, a large and elaborate root system, and healing and purification qualities

