

The Community of the Holy Spirit (Acts 4:32-37)

Questions: Week Ten

The Believers Share Their Possessions - Acts 4:32-37

Topics: <u>Believers</u>, <u>Church</u>, <u>Encouragement</u>, <u>Fellowship</u>, <u>Generosity</u>, <u>Jesus Christ</u>, <u>Lifestyle</u>, <u>Possessions</u>, <u>Power</u>, <u>Resurrection</u>, <u>Teamwork</u>, <u>Toleration</u>, <u>Witnessing</u>

Open It

- 1. *If you had a successful yard sale, what would you do with the profits?
- 2. When have you worked with others to raise money for a worthy cause?
- 3. What possessions would you be willing to part with to help a friend in need?

Explore It

- 4. *What attitude did the believers have toward one another? (4:32)
- 5. How did the Christians show their unity? (4:32)
- 6. How effective was the apostles' witness? (4:33)
- 7. What godly quality enhanced the unity and service of the early Christians? (4:33)
- 8. How was the command of <u>Deuteronomy 15:4</u> exemplified by the members of the early church? (4:34-35)
- 9. *What did some better-off Christians do from time to time? (4:34-35)
- 10. Why were there no needy persons among the members of the early church? (4:34)
- 11. Who dealt with the common fund of the church? (4:35)
- 12. How did the early wealthy believers disburse the money they got from selling their lands or houses? (4:35)
- 13. Who was Joseph? (4:36)
- 14. Who was Barnabas? (4:36)
- 15. *What was exemplary about Barnabas? (4:36-37)
- 16. How was Barnabas' generosity singled out? (4:36-37)
- 17. What did Barnabas do? (<u>4:37</u>)

Get It

- 18. *What is difficult about sharing the things we have?
- 19. How do the members of your church care for each other's physical needs?
- 20. How can you be generous toward your Christian family?
- 21. In what ways can you help your Christian leaders meet practical needs of people in the community?
- 22. *How can we copy Barnabas's example?
- 23. Where does generosity need to become more evident in the life of your church?
- 24. Which member of your congregation stands out as a true "Barnabas" in your view?

Apply It

- 25. What is one change you can make to improve your relationships with others in your church?
- 26. *What can you do to show Christian generosity to someone in need this week?