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WE ARE MEMBERS OF GOD'S FAMILY Rick Warren

"In Christ, we who are many form one Body, and <u>each member belongs</u> to all the others." Rom. 12:5 (NIV) "...let us do good to all people, especially those who belong to the family of believers." Gal. 6:10 (NIV) THE GROWTH OF THE 1st CHURCH (JERUSALEM) Acts 1:15 "120 believers" Acts 2:41 "3000 were added to the church that day" Acts 2:47 "the Lord added daily those being saved" Acts 4:4 "the number of men grew to 5,000" Acts 5:14 "more & more believed & a multitude was added" Acts 5:28 "you've filled Jerusalem with your teachings" Acts 6:1 "the number of disciples <u>rapidly multiplied</u>" Acts 6:7 "the number of believers increased rapidly" Acts 21:20 "tens of thousands have become believers" II. WHERE DID THEY MEET? "(They met) day after day, in the <u>TEMPLE COURTS</u> AND from <u>HOUSE TO HOUSE</u>..." Acts 5:42 • LARGE GROUP _____ "They met together at the Temple Courts..." Acts 2:46 (NLT) SMALL GROUP _____ "Greet the church that meets in their home." Rom. 16:5 (NLT) ADVANTAGES: Homes are... 7 MARKS OF A HEALTHY GROUP: ACTS 2:42-47 1. "They devoted themselves to the apostles teaching..."

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"They devoted themselves to the fellowship"
"They ate together with glad and sincere hearts"
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"They devoted themselves to the breaking of bread"
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"They devoted themselves to prayer"
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"They gave to anyone as he had a need"
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"They praised God and enjoyed the favor of all the people"
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"Everyday, the number in their group continued to grow as the Lord added those who were being saved"
Each One Reach One – Easter, April 4