Are We Having Fellowship Again?

When You've Said Fellowship...?

Have we missed having Fellowship?

Yes? Yes and No? No?

Acts 2:42

They <u>devoted</u> themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Have We?

- "...stedfastly continuing"
- "...continually devoting"
- "...with prevailing strength"
 - "...remaining firm"
 - "...attending constantly"
- "...continued to do with intense effort, with the possible implication of despite difficulty"

What Is It? Definition?

Yonghe Hahn Lit. = partnership

- (a) Contributory help, participation
- (b) Sharing in, communion
- (c) Spiritual fellowship, a fellowship in the Spirit

(Thayer)

Partnership

Philippians 1:3-5 "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

Participation

Philemon 1:6

"I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good things we have in Christ."

Communion

1 Corinthians 10:16 "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a communion with the blood of **Christ? And is not the bread** that we break a communion with the body of Christ?

Spirit Intimacy

Philippians 2:1-2

If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any intimacy with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

What Is It? Declared?

1 John 1:1-3

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched – this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us."

What Is It? Divine?

1 John 1: 3

"And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ."

"Here the tie that makes us one with the apostles is the knowledge that life has come into our dead world, and that this life may be ours."

(C. Watson, D.D.)

Fellowship is...

God's Divine Design For Our Lives