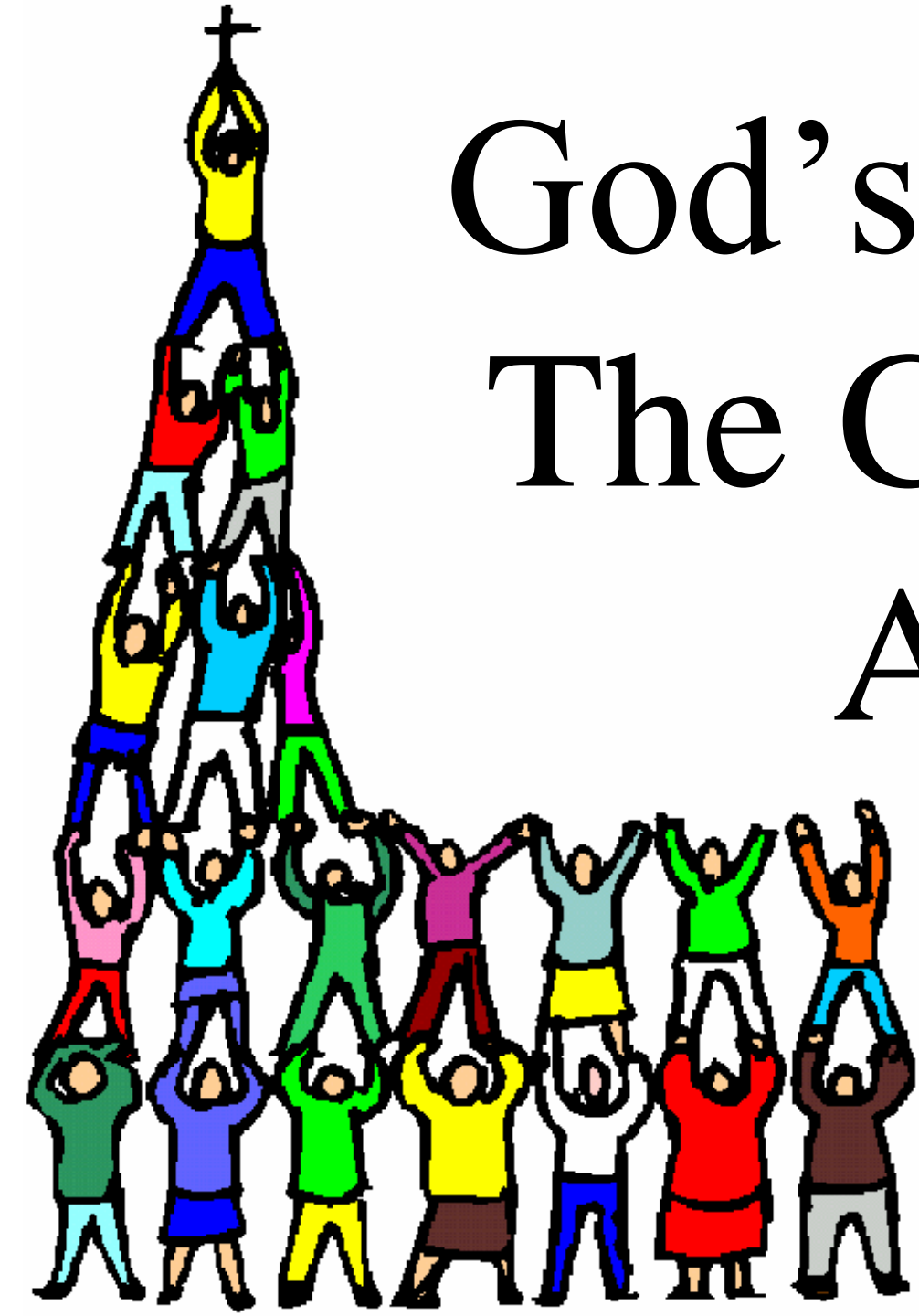


# God's Salvation Story: The Church in Action Acts 2:42-47



100 years ago there  
were many people  
who lived in the  
country as farmers  
And there were  
buildings that the  
Christians gathered  
in



- The church is God's people
- All who have put their faith in Jesus
- The church is not a building



- What did God want the church to look like?
- Today, we will look at what the church does, how the church interacts and how you can tell that a church is in action



# I. Devoted to the Bible



- The Apostles listened to Jesus' teaching for 3 years, and they were filled with the Holy Spirit
- There was so much rich teaching that the Christians heard



- The Christians devoted themselves to the teaching of God's Word
- They wanted to hear how the Christian life was to be lived

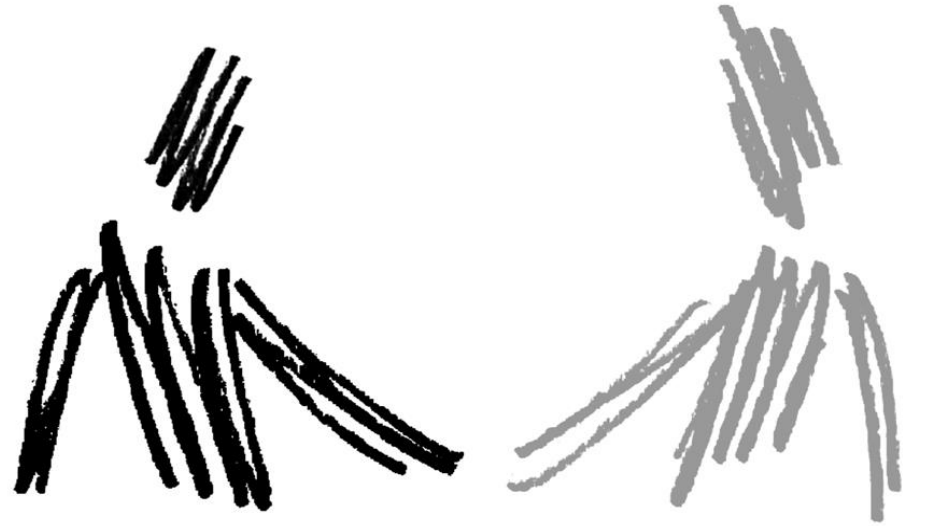


# II. Devoted to Fellowship





- Fellowship includes God in the relationship
- It is to share life together, it is to share our relationship with God



sharing **life**

# III. Devoted to Communion and Prayer



- Jesus started something new, it's called the Lord's Supper
- It's also called Communion and it is something that Christians will do until Jesus comes to the earth again.



- Communion remembers that Jesus suffered with his body-the bread
- It remembers that Jesus shed his blood and died for us-the wine



- The early Christians got together for a meal
- They had fellowship together and then had Communion together
- It was not only a social gathering, it had deep meaning for them



- And they prayed when they were together
- They had fellowship with each other and God



# IV. Devoted to Giving







- Christians have always been giving people
- This was voluntary and it was generous



# **V. Devoted to Liking each other Sincerely**



- The church is a group of people that may be very different
- But they get along and enjoy each other's company



# VI. Devoted to Praise





- Praise is giving thanks to God for who He is and what he does
- Jesus had just completed the work of salvation
- And God was doing another great work, forming the church

- Maybe you have been watching and listening to the Christians of ICC for a long time
- You see that Christians are genuine and loving



- I invite you to put your faith in Jesus
- Ask Him to forgive you of your sins
- Become a part of the family of God, the church

