

Spiritual Growth Track – 4 “Breaking Bread”

Acts 2:40-47

vs. 42 = Spiritual Growth Track

Apostles’ Doctrine, Fellowship, Breaking Bread, Prayers

1. Progressive path (track) of maturity and growth
 2. They are cyclical
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[Breaking Bread]

1. Is this Communion or having a meal?
YES!
 2. Passover was a meal.
Communion (The Lord’s Supper) was a meal.
 3. To the Hebrews, a meal was a mini-covenant.
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MEAL = represents your labor, love life

“To eat at my table was to participate in my labor, love and life.”

COMMUNION = Labor of the Lord (Cross)

= Love of the Lord (came to serve)

= Life of the Lord (ransom for many)

4. Luke 5:30 (KJV)

Luke 15:2 (KJV)

It was offensive to them

5. When our faith is understood in terms of covenant with God, maturity is the result

a) Ex. 24:1 70 elders and Moses

Ex. 24:11 Ate and drank

b) Lord’s Supper (Luke 22:1-20)

c) After resurrection

(John 21:9-15) a meal together

Covenant = Unbreakable agreement

Unending loyalty and faithfulness

All assets, liabilities and responsibilities are held mutual

Two become one in a sacred oath

Ps. 89:3-4 (KJV)

Ps. 89:28 (KJV)

Ps. 89:34 (KJV)

When God promises something, He binds Himself to it in covenant

[Growth and maturity develop when we understand covenant with God and one another]

1. With God

Heb. 8:6-13 (Heb. 10:16-18)

“God is merciful to our unrighteousness and our sins and iniquities, He remembers no more.”

2. With each other

a) Covenant of marriage

(Mal. 2:14)

b) Covenant of our leaders

1. We will submit to spiritual authorities
2. Never cause division or discord – no church splits/ unity of the Spirit....
3. Divorce is no option – walk and work things out
4. Work offenses out internally (5 days)
5. Serve one another vs. hurt or harm
6. Promote God’s Kingdom vs. our own
7. Receive correction from those who love us
8. Never receive an accusation against one another except by 2 or 3 witnesses