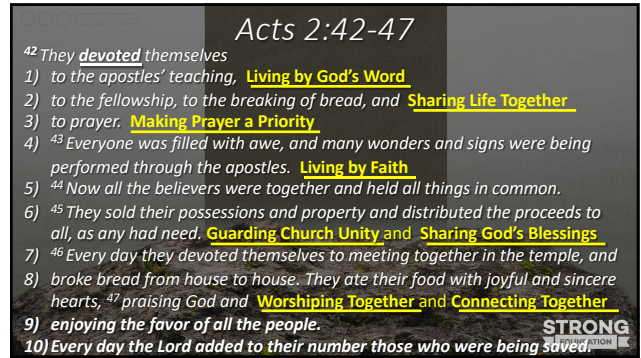




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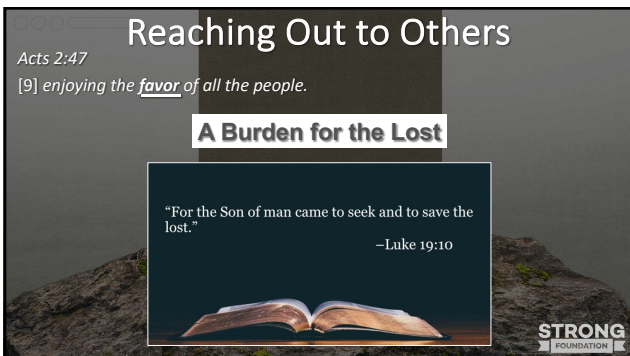
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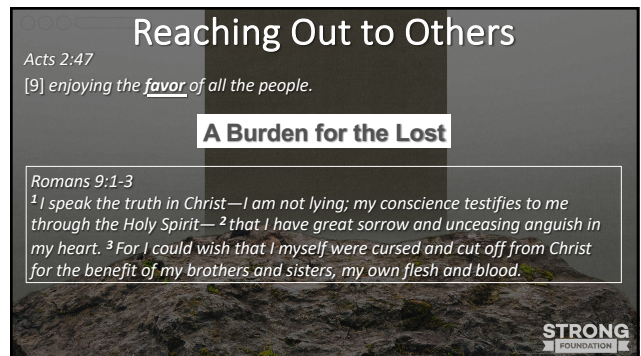
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Reaching Out to Others

Acts 2:47
[9] enjoying the favor of all the people.

A Burden for the Lost

Always Look for Opportunities to Talk About Jesus

1 Peter 3:15
In your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

A Testimony Has 3 Parts:

1. Your Life Before Jesus
2. How You Came to Know Jesus
3. The Difference Jesus Has Made in Your Life

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Welcoming Newcomers

Acts 2:47
[10] Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts 21:20
When they heard it, they glorified God and said, "You see, brother, how many thousands of Jews there are who have believed."

Historians estimate somewhere from 65,000 to 100,000 saved in the first 6 months!

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Welcoming Newcomers

Acts 2:47
[10] Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Treat People Like You Would Treat Jesus

Matthew 18:5
And whoever welcomes one child like this in my name welcomes me.

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Matthew 25:35-40³⁵ "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger and you took me in; ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you took care of me; I was in prison and you visited me."³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?' ³⁸When did we see you a stranger and take you in, or without clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick, or in prison, and visit you?' ⁴⁰"And the King will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

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[10] Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Treat People Like You Would Treat Jesus

Welcome People Who Are Not Following Jesus Yet

John 1:14
The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed his glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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Religious People

You must first believe, then you must change, then and only then will we welcome you.

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We're going to welcome you; then over a process of time with you, we know that you will come to believe and then Jesus will change you.

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