

Church on Purpose
Part Three: Growing
Acts 2:42-47 and other texts
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1. From the beginning, Jesus' church has consisted of people that the Lord saved (Acts 2:42,47)
2. Salvation begins a life-long process of spiritual growth. This is accomplished through:
 - Regular instruction from pastor/teachers (Acts 2:42; Ephesians 4:11-12a)
 - ✓ To train you for ministry.
 - ✓ To ground you in sound doctrine.
 - ✓ To help you become more Christ-like.
 - Investment from other believers (Ephesians 4:12,16)
 - ✓ Edification.
 - ✓ Love.
 - Faithful interaction with the Lord
 - ✓ Prayer (Ephesians 6:18)
 - ✓ Bible Intake (Acts 2:47; Psalm 119:9-11,15-16)
 - The right response to hardship
 - ✓ Endurance despite suffering (Hebrews 2:10-11; James 1:2-4)
 - ✓ Chastening for sin (Hebrews 12:5-11)