



People who are **EXTREMELY DEVOTED TO GOD:**

▲ Develop big thoughts about God.

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THINKING ABOUT GOD

- Works of God
- Attributes of God
- Names of God

▲ Give attention to God through prayer .

▲ See the sweetness in suffering.

Getting Started: What hobby, sport, skill, career, or educational pursuit have you devoted a significant amount of time and energy to? Talk about the process of gaining proficiency in this area. Are you still involved in this pursuit? Why or why not?

Digging In: Read Acts 2:42-47. Make a list of the things these first believers devoted themselves to. According to Acts 2:5,14, 22, 29, 37 who was Peter preaching to? How did the religion and culture of the Jews provide a foundation for the practices seen in Acts 2:42-47? How would you describe the intensity of these new believers' relationship with God? What insight do these verses (Mt 13:18-23; 22:37-40; Lk 7:36-50; Php 3:7-14; Rev 3:14-17) give about God's desire for our devotion to Him? Give one chapter of Acts to each member of your group and observe how often devotion to God is expressed by giving attention to Him through prayer. Observe the response to suffering in the book of Acts (5:38-42; 7:57-60; 13:50-52; 14:14-22; 20:18-25; 21:12-14). How do you explain this?

Living It Out: Who is someone you would describe as becoming extremely devoted to God? In what ways do you see them giving attention to God? Rate your desire to be extremely devoted to God on a scale of 1 to 10. Share about a time when you were able to rejoice in difficulty, pain, or suffering. What enabled you to do this? How will you seek to give attention to God this week?

NORTHWEST BIBLE CHURCH

Personal Action Plan

Name _____ Date ____/____/____

Home Phone _____ Email Address _____

I prefer to be contacted by... Email Phone

Passionate Pursuers of Jesus Christ...Extremely Devoted to God

I plan to attend the following service:
 8:30am Sunday 9:45 am Sunday 11:15 am Sunday

The best time for me to spend devotional time with God is: _____

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I am already a part of a:
 Singles Small Group
 Community Small Group

The leader of my current group is: _____