

CONVERSATION STARTERS

SOUTHRIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

September 29, 2024 | The Making of a Movement

EAT TOGETHER | *Showing up regularly to share life and build relationships*

1. As we kick-off our Life Groups this fall, let's be in prayer for how Jesus wants to grow our connections and share connection with others. If your group could invite some new folks to join you this fall, please reach out to your Location Pastor to make a connection!
2. We'd love your group to join us at our [Prayer Night](#) on Monday, October 7th in our Vineland location.
3. **Icebreaker:** What's your very first memory of a church? Did you go to one when you were young? Did you know people who were part of a church? Was your first memory positive or negative?

PRAY TOGETHER | *Joining in on conversations of life and faith*

1. What stood out to you in [this week's service](#)? Was there something that made you pause and contemplate? Feel free to watch the [message recap](#) to review the big ideas of the message.
2. Read [Acts 2:42](#). After putting their faith in the resurrection of Jesus and receiving the Holy Spirit, the very first church devoted themselves to four things: *the apostles' teaching, fellowship, the breaking of bread, and prayer*. What did you learn about these commitments in this week's message? Which of these commitments did you find most interesting or inspiring?
3. Read [Acts 2:43-47](#). This is the picture of what life was like for the very first church as a result of their devotion to Jesus. What stands out to you in this description? What do you find compelling? Is there anything you find confusing? Have you experienced anything like this in church before?
4. [Verse 47](#) ends with, "And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." What does "saved" seem to refer to in this passage, based on everything the people were experiencing together? Why do you think people were so attracted to this very first church?

LOVE TOGETHER | *Being real to care and make a difference*

1. What are our lives most devoted to? If you think about how you spend most of your time or money, what you talk about with your friends or family, or what your goals and ambitions are, what is your life most devoted to? What would it look like to take a step of devotion toward Jesus?
2. How can our devotion to Jesus inspire others to want to know him and experience his saving work in their lives? What would it take for our church to become more like the very first church?
3. Consider watching these [baptism stories](#) from members of our community who are taking steps of devotion toward Jesus. What do you find most inspiring about these stories? If you're interested in taking the step of baptism, check out southridgechurch.ca/baptism.