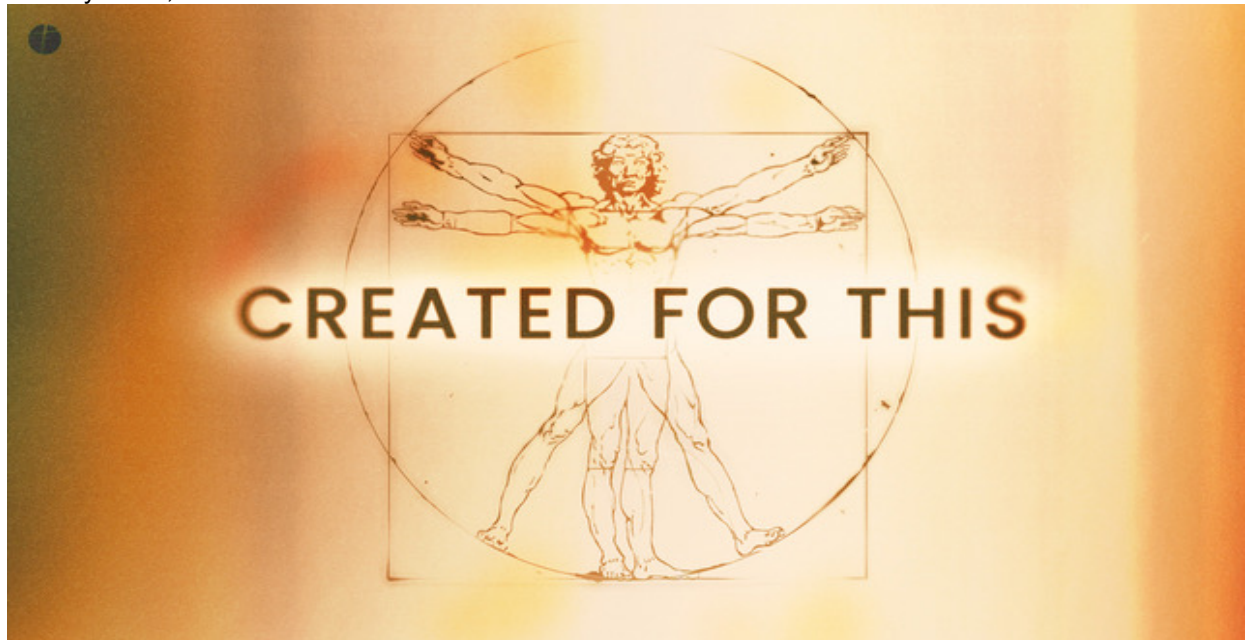


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## **Created For This – Week #2 Community**

Acts 2:41–47 (NIV)

*Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. <sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup> They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.*

You were created for community!

Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV)

*Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.*

Community: Believers that are bonded together for the battle!

## **I. The Cost of Community:**

### **1. The cost of community is consistency! (Acts 2:42)**

- We were created to devote ourselves to something.
- Who are my refrigerator friends?

### **2. The cost of community is selflessness!**

- True community will cost you your “only child” mentality! (Acts 2:44–45)
- True community is often born out of crisis!

### **3. The cost of community is vulnerability!**

James 5:16 (NIV)

*Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.*

- True community will allow you to experience the supernatural! (Acts 2:43)