

All the believers were one
in heart and mind.
No one claimed that any
of their possessions
was their own,
but they shared
everything
they had.

Acts 4:32

“A SEAT AT THE TABLE: THE CHURCH SHARES”

Sermon Outline:

I. Church shares when it is united (v. 32a)

II. Church shares when it lives as a family (v. 32b)

III. Church shares when it knows the surrounding needs (v. 34-35)

Application:

Biblical stewardship is understanding that God owns everything, living generously by His Spirit's directions to fulfill God's kingdom agenda of making disciples of all nations.

1. Look around for the needs within the church, ask Him to show you how to join Him.
2. As the church shares, the unbelievers will see the love of God.
3. As we move forward during Covid, outside needs will be even greater, be ready to step in.
4. When you share materially, remember to share verbally the gospel-the resurrected Christ.
5. As you invest in God's kingdom by supporting CBC, your impact is not only local but national and global, as CBC participates in the Cooperative Program and World Missions



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Discussion Questions:

1. How does the description of Christian community in v. 32-37 seem unattainable today?
2. What aspects of this Acts community reflect your experience in CBC?
3. What would bring about a group of Christians living with one “heart and mind”?
4. How might the principles of living as God’s family transfer to a generous church life?
5. How sensitive are you to the needs of others – spiritually, emotionally, materially – and to the voice of the Holy Spirit in directing you to give (both locally and globally)?
6. In what ways do you CBC family grow in the maturity of Biblical stewardship and thus being a faithful Gospel-driven community in Houston?
7. Determine to pray for your own community and for CBC, to be unified, living together “one heart and mind.”
8. What one new thing did you learn about the Cooperative Program?
9. Write one way you cultivate a lifestyle of generosity for the Lord this week:

Resources to learn more about how Southern Baptist churches partner by sharing their resources to fulfill the Great Commission, through the Cooperative Program

National and International Level: <https://www.sbc.net/missions/the-cooperative-program/>

State Level: <https://www.texasbaptists.org/cooperative-program>