SERMON NOTES

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Think what a local church would look like if its people were radically devoted to Christ, irrevocably committed to each other, and relentlessly dedicated to reaching those outside God's family with the gospel of Christ. That's what "church" looked like in Acts 2. Over the next several weeks, we'll encourage one another to move beyond just *going to church*. We want to *BE THE CHURCH*.

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