

Acts 2:37-47

Response to Peter & Pentecost

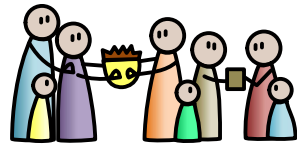
2:37-41 – Initial response to Peter’s Sermon

“They were cut to the heart . . . and said, ‘What shall we do?’”

“About 3,000 were added to their number that day” – conservative estimates put the population of Jerusalem at this time around _____

Why is this number given? Does it set a precedent for membership rolls?

2:42-47 – Early Communal Instincts



“they were together, and had all things in common . . . selling their possessions, sharing with whoever had need”

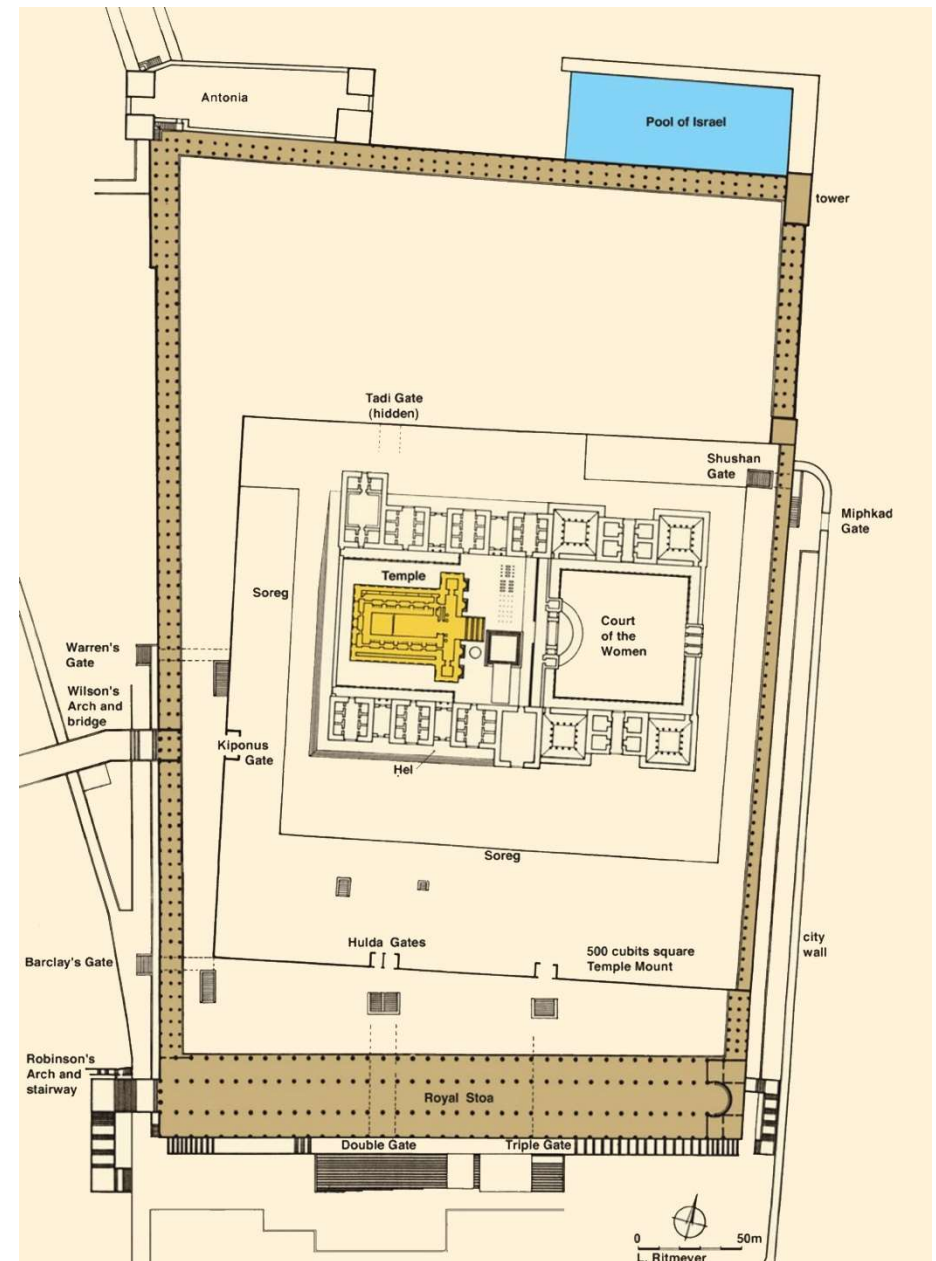
Does this teach communal living?

Why were the early believers hanging out in the temple?

Final Thoughts

The Holy Spirit is at work, using the words of Peter and the actions of the other believers to draw people to himself.

The conversion of the hearts of the people who believed is evident from their actions.



To give an estimate of the size of the temple and surrounding area, the Court of the Women covered an area of about 53,000 ft². This could have easily held six thousand worshipers. The courts outside of this were much larger. Plan from Leen Ritmeyer, *The Quest: Revealing the Temple Mount in Jerusalem*, p338.