<u>The Best Place on Earth (Part 4):</u> <u>Miracles, Signs, and Wonders</u> <u>September 24, 2023</u>

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many **wonders and signs** performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. 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, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. (Acts 2:42-47)

A. The Church experienced...

1. Radical ______.

"...they sold property and possessions to give to anyone in need..." (Acts 2:45)

2. People being ______.

"... And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being **saved**." (Acts 2:47)

3. People experiencing ______.

"Everyone was filled with awe at the many **wonders and signs** performed by the apostles." (Acts 2:43)

"Stephen who was full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people." (Acts 6:8)

4. Jesus as the ultimate ______.

"... with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people." (Acts 2:46b-47a)

"And the Pharisees and Sadducees came, and to test him they asked him to show them a sign from heaven. He answered them, "When it is evening, you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red.' And in the morning, 'It will be stormy today, for the sky is red and threatening.' You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, **but you cannot interpret the signs of the times.** An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah." So he left them and departed." (Matthew 16:1-4)

B. Reflections

- 1. How has someone shown you the radical generosity of Jesus in your life (Share a story)?
- 2. How can you practice the radical generosity of Jesus to someone this week?
- 3. How can you show Jesus, the Sign of all signs, to others this week?