

Sometimes It's OK to Dance in Church

Ac 3:1-22

Where's the JOY?

Review: Fourfold devotion (42)

Food = *the Apostles' teaching*

Family = *the fellowship*

Focus on Jesus = *the breaking of bread*

Intimacy with God = *the prayers*

What caused the lame man to come leaping into the temple?

What would we do if someone came leaping?

Don't pull a "Michal" (see 2 Samuel 6:12-23)

Hurting people often don't even know what to ask for.

Most hurting people have no greater vision than to be **released** from the immediate problem that binds them.

God knows what we really NEED.

Often we can meet the immediate need by meeting a **greater** need.

Look beyond the request to the **real** need.

Don't limit yourself by the **resources** immediately apparent.

2 views of God's provision

1. Take my burden **away**.

2. Give me strong back to **carry** the burden.

It's easy to go running & jumping & praising God when we get what we think we want.

We're often not as enthused when God meets our **real** need, not just our felt need.

Take it Home