

## C.H.U.**R**.C.H Adult Guide

### R is for Resilient Devotion to Scripture

#### Day 1 Acts 2:42

Before we jump in let's define our terms.

**Resilient**- able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult situations, rebounding

**Devotion**- 1. The state of being dedicated, consecrated, or solemnly set apart for a particular purpose.

2. A solemn attention to the Supreme Being in worship; a yielding of the heart and affections to God, with reverence, faith and piety, in religious duties, particularly in prayer and meditation; devoutness.

As we study the church in Acts we see that the believers were devoted to studying the scripture. They studied.

They studied together.

They put themselves in position to fall in love with God's Word. We want to position ourselves in the same way.

Acts 2:42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching.

How are you currently positioning yourself to fall in love with God's word?

Are you studying it with devotion?

Are you studying it with fellow believers?

Proverbs 27:17 Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

We know that community makes us better. We spur one another on.

How are you helping to spur on your brothers and sisters in Christ to be resiliently devoted to the Scriptures?

## **Day 2 Acts 17:11**

In Acts 17:11 we see the Bereans were also examining the apostles' teachings against the scripture. "Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessolonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so."

We see that the Bereans took it a step further. They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and they examined those teachings against the Scriptures. They knew their Bible! Because they knew what the Scriptures said their faith in Christ was enhanced! They were not going to be swayed by false teachers!

When you check opinions and cultural issues do you base it off of what you "know" or do you search the scripture?

If you feel you are currently devoted, what fruit have you experienced from your devotion and how do you keep the fire stoked?