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What are you doing to "live a Godly life out loud" like our brothers and sisters in Acts 2? Is there anything you feel the Holy Spirit prompting you to start doing that you're not doing now?

Prayer:

***Father, thank you for always being with us. Thank you for setting a clear, very practical example of what you want the lives of people who follow you to look like. Help those of us who love you to order our lives around you, and around each other, so that the world around us might see us and want what we have. Lord, may we be an attractive light for your kingdom in our dark world.
In the name of Jesus, amen.***



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