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What are the Christians from our story like?

What can we learn from the people in our story?

How did the Christians spread the Good News of Jesus?

What are some things the early Church did together?

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