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“What it has meant and might mean to be ‘The Church of the Poor’ after the early chapters of Acts”

1. *Acts 2:42-47 and Acts 4:32-36: Early reception*
2. *High Medieval Interpretation: Hugh of St Cher; Nicholas of Gorran*
3. *Early Franciscan concerns about property and poverty*
4. *Acts 2 and 4: the Franciscans and Peter of John Olivi*
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