

DIGGING DEEPER



These questions are designed for use in our Life Groups, but they also can be used in personal and family devotions.

Series: Lights, Camera, ACTS-ion
Sermon: “*Houston, We Have a Problem*”
Scripture: Acts 6:1-7

Getting Started

Imagine that you are in a leadership position at Life Spring. It is brought to your attention that a certain segment of the church’s membership feels neglected. How would you, as a church leader, respond?

Bible Study Questions

1. What was the reason that a disagreement had arisen within the Jerusalem Church (v. 1)?
2. What is meant by the term “ministry of the word” (v. 2)?
 - Why did the Apostles’ deem the “ministry of the word” so important?
3. What role did the church itself have in selecting people to fulfill the duties prescribed by the Apostles?
 - Why is it important for the church body to be involved in major decisions of the church (or is that important)?
4. What qualifications were the people chosen to oversee this ministry to possess (v. 3)?
 - Why do you suppose such qualifications as “organizational ability” or “time management skills” were not included?
5. How did the church as a whole react to the instructions proposed by the Apostles (v. 5)?
6. The names of each of the men chosen to fulfill these duties (v. 5) is Greek, suggesting that perhaps all seven of them were Grecian Jews. If that is true, what wisdom do you see in their selecting only Grecian Jews to oversee this ministry, given the complaints that started all this?

Apply It

What role can you play in helping to keep problems from distracting the church from its primary mission?