

Sermon Questions for Life Groups

Communion & Deacons Acts 6:1-7

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*These questions are generated by several authors for Life Group discussions
or family or personal devotions*

1. Will you be attending and/or bringing friends to the Chinese Lunar New Year Celebration?
2. Before yesterday's message, how did you understand the role and purpose of deacons in the Church?
3. Read 1 Peter 5:1-4 and consider the description of a role of elder. Then read Acts 6:1-7 and discuss the role of deacon. How does this apply in our church?
4. In the Acts 6 passage, the seven men chosen to act in the capacity of deacons were full of the Spirit and Wisdom; why was this important for people who were to essentially "wait on tables"?
5. As the apostles dealt with the troubles of 6:1, what were the benefits to the widows, the newly appointed deacons and the Twelve? What lessons can we learn from their handling of this situation?
6. How do these benefits make the Church different from a typical corporation?

7. For the rest of us who are not deacons or elders, how do you serve God and the church?

8. How do you support your elders and deacons?

9. Is there is someone in your group who is a deacon? Ask them to share about their role and then pray for them and their work.

Church-Wide Prayer Needs this Week:

1. Pray for our Deacons, as they use their gifts and abilities to serve the people of West Highland, usually working diligently for many hours a week, behind the scenes. Pray that their ministry will be effective and the Church will be edified through their efforts.
2. Pray for the final preparations for, as well as the Chinese Lunar New Year Celebration and that God would prepare the hearts of those who will hear the Gospel, many in their own language.
3. Pray for Pastor Don and his dear wife Grace, as Don is struggling with some health issues. PTL - Their family is taking great care of their needs!