



## May 2nd Discussion Guide

### **GIFTS - ACTS 6:1-7**

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This is a 12 week study through the Book of Acts. Content for this discussion guide is based on the sermon, so participation in weekly worship will enhance the conversation on this topic. If you want to watch the sermon it can be viewed at [Sermons Archive - Good Shepherd Church Naperville](#)

### Prayer

Open your group in prayer.

### Icebreaker (10 min)

Share funny or embarrassing Zoom moments. How have video meetings and gatherings affected you this past year?

## Discussion (45 min)

1. Read Acts 6:1 and Acts 2:42-47. What was happening in verse 1? How had things changed from Acts 2? What do you think people are complaining about today regarding the church? Who is being overlooked? How can you help?
2. Read Acts 6:2-6:
  - a. What was the problem? How did the 12 decide to solve the problem?
  - b. What were the requirements to serve? How do you try to live at this same standard in your daily life and work?
  - c. Read Acts 6:8, 8:4-8. Stephen and Philip were called to “serve tables”. What did they go on to do and what was the result of their service? How do you think they were able to do that? (see verse 6:4). How can devotion to prayer and the ministry of the word impact your service?
3. Read Acts 6:7.
  - a. What was the result of this new proposal?
  - b. How can church member support of Senior Leadership bring positive Kingdom results? (see verse 5a)
  - c. How are you being obedient to the faith and sharing the Gospel?
4. **Application question:** Where has God called you to serve? How is your service able to impact the larger Kingdom Agenda? Do you understand the value of each person in the body of Christ? How will this motivate you this week in your work?

## Closing Prayer

LORD, thank you for calling real people to real service that allows ministry to continue. Show us where You would like us to serve and reveal how that service is impacting lives to know and love Jesus. Help us be devoted in prayer and ministry of the Word in all that we do.