



Servants of the Holy Spirit (Acts 6:1-7)

Questions: Week Thirteen

The Choosing of the Seven - [Acts 6:1-7](#)

Topics: [Bible](#), [Church](#), [Complaining](#), [Growth](#), [Holy Spirit](#), [Leadership](#), [Ministry](#), [Neglect](#), [Prayer](#), [Responsibility](#)

Open It

1. When working as part of a team, do you prefer to "do the work" or to lead and coordinate others?
2. *If you could spend next Saturday morning doing anything you like, what would you do?
3. If you had to spend next Saturday morning leading a Bible study, praying with other Christians, or serving breakfast to a group of widows, which activity would you choose? Why?

Explore It

4. *What complaint did the Grecian Jews make? ([6:1](#))
5. *What did the apostles—the Twelve—do in response to criticism? ([6:2-4](#))
6. Why did the Twelve choose prayer and teaching over caring for the poor? ([6:2-4](#))
7. What did the Twelve tell the other believers to do? ([6:3](#))
8. *How did the group respond to the apostles' proposal? ([6:5](#))
9. Who was selected to serve the widows? ([6:5](#))
10. Who chose the seven candidates? ([6:5](#))
11. How were the men given authority to do their task? ([6:6](#))
12. What was the effect of the appointment of certain people to serve the widows? ([6:7](#))
13. How did the church fare after the apostles delegated the serving of food to others? ([6:7](#))

Get It

14. In what ways do the people of your church differ from one another?
15. What different ethnic or cultural groups are there in your church?
16. How can differences among believers cause friction?
17. What benefits and challenges arise from having different kinds of people in your church?
18. *How should we deal with tensions arising from differences between church members?
19. What qualities must Christian leaders have to resolve differences between believers?
20. How could your church ensure that no one group of people is neglected?
21. About what do we tend to complain most?
22. What complaints arise in your church most often?
23. *How can we learn to channel our complaints into solutions?
24. In what ways can you use your gifts and skills in your church?

Apply It

25. How can you help free your church leaders to focus on their mission of prayer, evangelism, and teaching?
26. *What could you do this week to help resolve a conflict between believers?