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C. Reveals their <u>Spirituality</u>

B. Arises from Diversity

D. Impacts the Word Ministry

II. The Solution (2-6)

- A. The Leaders
- B. The <u>Congregation</u>
- C. The Servants

III. The Results (7)

- A. The Increase of the Word
- B. The Increase of <u>Disciples</u>

LET'S GO DEEPER:

- 1. Acts 6:1-2 show four angles to the problem the church faces: a threat to unity, arising from diversity, revealing their spirituality (caring for widows), that impacts the word ministry. Which part of this problem seems most challenging to address? Which can be the easiest to overlook?
- 2. Ephesians 4:11 says that Jesus gifts the church with officers to lead us. Read 1 Timothy 3:1-13. Who do you see in our church who could serve as a Biblically qualified elder or deacon?
- 3. Ephesians 4:12 says that leaders equip the congregation for the work of the ministry. What is one thing you could do this week to show care and concern for widows in our church?
- 4. Acts 6 shows us how unifying ministry spreads the gospel and grows the church. Pause now and pray that God would grant us great unity that holds up the proclamation of God's word.