

Acts: O Church, Arise!
January 11, 2025 – Acts 6:1-7
The Priority of the Word

Message for today – God does not neglect our daily needs, but He does prioritize His kingdom through the ministry of His Word.

Setting

Disciples were increasing in number

A complaint arose

Response of the apostles

Resolved to prioritize preaching

Careful to appoint faithful servants

Devoted to prayer and Word ministry

Result

Seven men provided and commissioned

The Word of God increased

Disciples increased greatly, even among the priests

Reflections
Acts 6:1-7

Hear the Word

1. What is this passage telling me about who God is (His character, actions, attributes, Word)?
2. What does it tell me about the original audience, or about the nature of sin?
3. What actions are being commanded, encouraged, celebrated, prohibited, or warned against?
4. What is the main purpose of this passage, and does it bring other passages to mind?
5. How does this passage point me to Jesus, and help me to see the gospel more clearly?

Do the Word

1. How do my actions, thoughts, words or emotions need to change in light of this passage?
2. How does my prayer life need to change as a result of this?
3. What relationships has God brought to mind that need to change?
4. Do I see any other way that this should impact my worship of God?

Next Week: Acts 6:8-15