

ACTS - FROM RESURRECTION TO REVELATION

Lesson 11

Review: *By preaching to the people "all the words of this life", the Life of Deliverance thru the Resurrection, many are delivered from the Bondage of Self, the Bondage of Sickness, and the Bondage of Life's Struggles. Such a message brought many more into the Church.*

I. When The Numbers Multiply, The Needs Multiply - Acts 6:1-7

A) 12 Apostles ministering to 8-14,000 new converts

- 1) TEACHING and PREACHING daily
- 2) Receiving and distributing the OFFERINGS
- 3) Serving the POOR and WIDOWS

B) Satan attacks multiplication with DIVISION

- 1) Based on perceived SLIGHTS
- 2) Based on perceived BIASES

C) Solutions to a division problem: REBUKE or REMEDY

*There is division that is sown to create problems
There is division that grows to reveal problems*

II. Subtracting Division From Multiplication May Require Some Addition - Acts 6:2

A) The solution to this division was not further DIVISION

- 1) Not because they were too IMPORTANT to do it
- 2) Because what they did was too important to STOP
- 3) Because the problem would not get SMALLER

B) The solution was the addition of a new level of ADMINISTRATION

- 1) To protect the ministry of PRAYER and PREACHING
- 2) To perform the ministry of PRACTICAL helps
- 3) To provide the ministry with future LEADERSHIP

III. Choosing Leaders That Focus On Serving - Acts 6:3

A) High QUALIFICATIONS for a common SERVICE

- 1) The qualification of RELIABILITY and INTEGRITY
- 2) The qualification of being Spirit CONTROLLED
- 3) The qualification of being spiritually PERCEPTIVE

B) All ministry is SPIRITUAL ministry - 1 Pet. 4:10-11