

# ACTS OF GOD

*Acts 6:1-7*

**Let's Love and Serve Each Other  
and All Do Our Part**

*Two reminders for faithful service in the body of Christ*

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<sup>1</sup> Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty.

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<sup>4</sup> But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” <sup>5</sup> And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. <sup>6</sup> These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

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<sup>7</sup> And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

# *1. Our love and service in the body should be impartial, just as God is impartial.*

- We are all different from each other to one degree or another.
- God shows no partiality, so neither should we.  
(Romans 2:9-11)
- May the church become on earth as it is and will be in Heaven. (Matthew 6:9-10)

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## *2. If we all do our part, we each get to serve where we're gifted and get gifted where we serve.*

- We should be unconditionally willing to serve when God gifts us and/or calls us.
- If we all chip in and do our part, things will get done, we'll all be blessed, and no one will get burned out.

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