

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel? 2. What does this story teach me about myself? 3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good? 4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God? 5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



THE CHURCH HANDLED A PROBLEM
Acts 6

WHY DID JESUS BECOME HUMAN? JESUS BECAME HUMAN TO OBEY HIS FATHER'S PLAN AND RESCUE SINNERS.

In the time after Jesus' resurrection and return to heaven, more and more people believed in Him. But some of the believers complained. The Greekspeaking Jews thought the widows were being overlooked when the daily food was given out.

The twelve apostles said, "It isn't right for us to stop preaching about God to take care of all these daily concerns. So, brothers and sisters, choose seven men to take care of this."

The apostles said that the men should be men of good character. These seven men would take care of the daily business of the believers. Then the apostles could devote themselves to prayer and to preaching. Both jobs were important.

Everyone agreed that this was a good idea. So they chose seven men. These men stood before Jesus' apostles, who prayed for them and laid their hands on them.

So the twelve apostles kept preaching about God. More and more people heard the truth about God, and more and more people in Jerusalem believed in Him. The church in Jerusalem grew as more disciples were made.

Christ Connection: The apostles believed that everyone in the church had an important job to do to serve God's people and help spread the gospel. Jesus wants us to serve others so that the message of His death and resurrection can be heard and believed all over the world.