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NOTES:

Acts 6.1-7 // August 7, 2022

#### LIVING WATER

In **Acts 6**, we see that the church grew, but what we should not miss is what came before that growth. Luke tells us that due to the church's response to the problem, the Apostles were able to keep their focus on the Word and prayer, and therefore, the "Word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem."

We can't have the end result we desire... without having the very thing, and the only thing, that has the power to bring it into existence.

Hebrews 13.17, 18

#### THE BODY WORKING TOGETHER

Exodus 18.13-23

Like the church in **Acts 6**, Moses in **Exodus 18** had a similar problem on his hands. But God has raised up a church to be a body and to fill the needs when they arise.

Church families will have seasons where they may be more of an army, a school, or a hospital, but the hope is that they are always a family.

1 Corinthians 12.12-26 // Ephesians 4.11-16 // 1 Peter 4.7-11 // Romans 12.9-13

Being blessed by the church comes from being a blessing to the church.

### THE WORD AT WORK

Hebrews 4.12, 13 // 2 Timothy 3.16, 17

Everyone in the church of God has a purpose. We are to put ourselves in a position to be utilized, though we may not yet know what some of those purposes are. Our responsibility is to make ourselves available to the body of Christ for the glory and service of Christ.



# This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

#### John 16:33

I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.

# **ARE YOU NEW HERE?**

#### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to fill out a Connection Card so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the Connection Booth outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

#### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our 6th - 8th graders begin each Sunday by worshiping with the adults and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our 9th-12th graders stay in the service with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv.

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# **COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK**

Before group starts, who can share the Memory Verse?

Read **Acts 6.1-7.** What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

### **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself**

How does the picture of us being various body parts, with Christ as the Head, encourage you and motivate you towards Gospel growth?

#### Your Life Mission

You have a unique place in the body, and the body needs you, just as you need the body. What do you need specific prayer for as it pertains to the specific ways that God is calling you into certain relationships or circumstances for the sake of the Gospel?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself (Matthew 6.9, 10)

o Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.

# • Repent and Confess (Matthew 6.12)

Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don't need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.

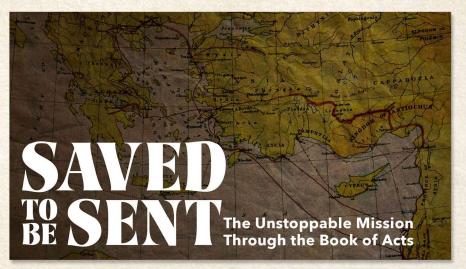
#### • Ask for Provision (Matthew 6.11-13)

o Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.

### • Yield with Thanksgiving (Matthew 6.10)

o End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.





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