

Small Group Questions | May 7th, 2017

Serving a Movement: Movement and Its Problems (Acts 6:1-7)

Sermon Recap: Rich spoke on the early church, in Acts 6, having some big problems. Neglecting widows, showing favoritism, and grumbling were among them, but the biggest was silencing the Word of God. He said Luke wants us to see that the movement of God multiplies the Word of God and no matter the persecution we face, the goal is to silence his Word. Rich said we must serve and share the Word in partnership, become the solution through ownership, always being willing to sacrifice for Him.

Hook: These questions can help introduce the topic.

1. How has the approach of “preaching Christ at all times and when necessary use words” worked in your life? Do you feel a tension between serving and speaking the Word?

Look: Read the sermon passage. Answer the following textual questions.

2. Where do you see the problems of neglecting, showing favoritism, and grumbling in the passage?
3. How did the disciples tackle the main problem? What was the result of their movement initiative and focus?
4. Why do you suppose “what they said pleased the whole gathering?” Where do you see solution steps playing out in the passage?

Took: Applying the message to our lives.

5. Which of the minor problems (neglecting the marginalized, showing favoritism, and gossiping/grumbling) do you struggle with?
6. When was the last time you spoke openly about Jesus with someone who did not know him?
7. Can you think of someone in your life that you need to take God’s Word to (in love) who may never have heard it? What is stopping you from following through?
8. Is there a problem you have identified in the church or workplace that you can help find a solution to?

Prayer/Verse: “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 – Acts 6:7