



Living a Legacy Life
Message 11—Leadership For Today

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Acts 6:1-7

¹In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Grecian Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. ²So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, “It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables.

³ Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them ⁴ and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word.” ⁵This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism.

⁶ They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. ⁷ So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith. NIV

Key Truth: Leadership has earthly requirements.

Key Truth: Leadership can have eternal rewards.

1. Other-centered

Matthew 20:28

“...just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” NIV

2. Open to Criticism

Proverbs 27:6

Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses. NIV

3. Humble

Matthew 23:12

For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. NIV

Philippians 2:8

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself... NIV

