

The First Deacons Acts 6:1-7

### **Objectives of Series:**

- That we embrace, welcome, the 3<sup>rd</sup> person of the Trinity, the HS; that our fears of the HS would be replaced by our friendship with the HS.
- 2. That we become reliant upon the power of the HS so that our verbal witness of Jesus might be filled with the HS.
- 3. That we be re-invigorated by the HS so that we might be useful for the purposes of the HS, whatever that might be.

# Main Idea:

The early church overcame the growing pains of finding unity with the joining of different people and cultures. We, today, are called to strive towards that same unity through the gospel.

Outline:

- **1.** The Complaint (1)
- 2. The Decision (2-6)
- **3.** The Blessing of The Holy Spirit (7)

## 1. The Complaint

- -Verse 1
- -The Church is growing
- -Growing pains in the Church
- -Hellenists vs Hebraic
- -A clear command from Scripture

## 2. The Decision

- -Verses 2-6
- -The disciples convene
- -Too righteous to serve?
- -An opportunity for spiritual maturity
- -The Spirit giving wisdom in the midst of decisions

# 3. <u>The Blessing of The Holy Spirit</u>

-Verse 7

-Their number grew greatly...

-Continued persecution and issues in the church still leading to growth

-"Priests"



1. Continue reading the book of Acts for this series.

- 2. Keep a journal of what the HS says to you during your readings.
- **3.**Continue memory verses