

**SCRIPTURE: Acts 6:1-7**

**SERMON: Select from Among You!**

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**I. THE IMPORTANCE OF THE TEACHING MINISTRY** (Acts 6:2; 2:42; 1Cor.12:28; Eph.4:11f; 1Tm.5:17; 2Tm.3:14f; Heb.5:1f)

**II. THE INDISPENSIBLE GRACES** (Dt.1:13; Acts 6:3; 1Tm.3:1f; Tt.1:6f; see Gal.5:22f)

**III. THE INDISPENSIBLE GIFTS** (1Tm.3:2; 4:12f; 5:17; 2Tm.2:2,24; Tt.1:9; Acts 6:2; 18:24; Eph.4:11f; see Ezra 7:10; Mal.2:7)

**IV. THE ROLE OF AN ELECTION IN DISCERNING GOD'S WILL** (Acts 1:23f; Lk.6:12)

**A. ASPIRATION: DESIRE TO SERVE** (hand raised; 1Tm.3:1(Hb.11:16) /Phil.2:20f, 26f; 2C2:4; 12:15)

**B. ELECTION: DESIRE TO BE SERVED BY** (hand extended (vote); Dt.1:13; Acts 6:3,5; 14:21-23; 2Cor.8:19; Tt.1:5; see Lk.19:14,27)

**C. ORDINATION-INSTALLATION: DESIRE TO SERVE WITH** (hand laid; Dt.1:13; Acts 6:3; see 1Tm.4:14; 5:22; 2Tm.1:6)

**D. SUMMARY: THREE INDEPENDENT WITNESSES** (Heb.5:4; see Dt.17:6; 19:15; Mt.18:16; 2Cor.13:1; 1Tm.5:19; Heb.10:28)

**V. SELECT FROM AMONG YOU!** (Acts 6:3; Dt.1:13; see Acts 14:23; Tt.1:5)

**A. WHO HAS THE INDISPENSIBLE GRACES & GIFTS?** (see 1Tm.3:1f; 4:12f; 5:17)

**B. WHO DESIRES TO SERVE YOU?** (hand raised; 1Tm.3:1 (Hb.11:16) /Phil.2:20f, 26f; 2Cor.2:4; 12:15)

**C. WHOM DO YOU DESIRE TO BE SERVED BY?** (hand extended (vote); Acts 6:3; Dt.1:13; see 1Th.5:12f; Heb.13:17f; 1Pt.5:1f)

**D. WHO DESIRES TO SERVE WITH?** (hand laid; Dt.1:13; Acts 6:3; see 1Tm.4:14; 5:22; 2Tm.1:6)

**E. WHAT ARE YOUR GIFTS & CALLINGS FOR SERVICE?** (Eph.4:10-16; 1Cor.12:4ff; 1Pt.4:10,11)

*Brethren, what shall WE DO?* (see Acts 2:37f)