

***The Need for Credible &
Effective Deacons
in the Church***

Acts 6:1-7

- 1. A need arose in the early church.**
 - A. Certain widows were not being cared for properly.**
 - B. The leaders in the church were already struggling to keep up with the demands of a growing church family.**

Luke 19:23

**“Wherefore then gavest not thou
my money into the bank, that at my
coming I might have required mine
own with usury?”**

Matthew 21:12

“And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves.”

- 1. A need arose in the early church.**
- 2. The answer to that need was deacons.**

- A. Deacons are men chosen by the assembly.**
- B. Deacons are men chosen from the assembly.**
- C. Deacons are chosen because of their Godly character, their wisdom, and their heart for God.**

- D. Deacons help and support the pastor(s) in various ways.**
- E. Deacons give particular attention to the physical and material aspects of the ministry.**
- F. Deacons must be sensitive to the needs of the people.**

G. Deacons must be sensitive to inequity, disgruntlement, interpersonal tensions, etc.

H. Deacons appropriately serve God and the church in many other ways, as well.