



### Coming Together

- How were arguments settled in your home growing up?
- If God said to you, “You get to choose your dream ministry assignment.” What would it be and why?

### Growing in Our Understanding

- Read Acts 6:1-7. These verses give us an illustration of some “stuff” going on in the early church. What is going on? If it is not solved in a healthy manner, what do you imagine would happen to this church startup?
- What is the difference between Hellenistic or Grecian Jews and Hebraic Jews?
- Who is selected to help solve the issue of the appropriate distribution of food? What are the criteria used for their selection?
- According to Acts 6:7, what was the outcome of the way the Early Church choose to solve their “stuff”?

### Unwrapping God’s Principles

- Reread Acts 6:2-4. We are told the Twelve made a choice about ministry. Why do you think the Twelve choose prayer and teaching over caring for the poor and needy? From this choice, what principles can we apply to our lives today?

*Every believer is a minister*

*Every ministry is important*

*Every church is filled with interdependent people*

*My ministry should be based upon God’s design for me and God’s power through me.*

### Deepening Our Hearts for God

- The truth of Acts 6:1-7 is a testimony that not all was well in the Early Church. They, like all churches, had some “stuff” to deal with. Why do you think God wanted us to read about some of the issues in the Early Church?
- What can we at Plain Community Church learn about resolving our “stuff”?

### Looking Ahead

Read Acts 6-8. What impresses you about Stephen’s faith and actions in these chapters?

