

The Biblical Model of The Deacon and The Deacon Ministry

What does the Bible say about **who** a deacon is and **what** a deacon does?

1. The Bible tells us that a deacon is ...

- a. A deacon is ... to be worthy of _____.
- ... deacons are *to be worthy of respect*, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons. (1 Timothy 3:8-10)
- ... choose ... men from among you who are known *to be full of the Spirit and wisdom*. (Acts 6:3)
- b. A deacon is ... to be married to a woman of like-_____.
- In the same way, the women are *to be worthy of respect*, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything. (1 Timothy 3:11)
- c. A deacon is ... to be a good manager of his _____.
- A deacon must be *faithful to his wife and must manage his children and his household well*. (1 Timothy 3:12)
- * He should become a deacon when he is ... Biblically _____.

2. The Bible tells us that a deacon does ...

- a. A deacon does ... things that _____ the members of the church through encouragement and assistance.
- ... when the number of disciples was increasing ... widows were being overlooked ... So the Twelve ... said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the Word of God in order *to wait on tables* ... choose ... from among you ... We will turn this responsibility over to them" (Acts 6:1-3)
- b. A deacon does ... things that _____ the leaders of the church so they can give their attention to prayer and the ministry of the Word.
- "and [we] will *give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the Word*." The proposal pleased the whole group ... They presented these men to the apostles ... So the Word of God spread. The number of disciples ... increased rapidly ... (Acts 6:4-7)
- * He should become a deacon when he does ... what is _____.

Those who have *served well* gain an _____ standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus. (1 Timothy 3:13)

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