

**Acts: Reaching the World**  
**August 21, 2022**

**The Birth of Deacons, the Death of Stephen**  
**Acts 6 & 7**

Church growth isn't always \_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes real \_\_\_\_\_ surface that must be \_\_\_\_\_.

We see the \_\_\_\_\_ of the early church created a need to \_\_\_\_\_ those who were watching to begin \_\_\_\_\_ in ministry.

**The Birth of Deacons**

The Original Deacon Ministry

- Good \_\_\_\_\_
- Full of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- Assist in \_\_\_\_\_ for Widows

Pastors serve by \_\_\_\_\_; deacons lead by \_\_\_\_\_.  
Smethurst, Matt. Deacons (9Marks Building Healthy Churches) . Crossway.

**Stephen is Killed**

Stephen, a life lived like Christ.

- Stephen was \_\_\_\_\_ with the Holy Spirit and had a \_\_\_\_\_ witness. (6:8)
- Stephen spoke with \_\_\_\_\_. (6:9-10)
- Stephen's words were \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ we made about him. (6:11-15)
- Stephen \_\_\_\_\_ truth. (7:1-53)
- Stephen was killed for \_\_\_\_\_ Christ. (7:54-60)