



Application Questions



1 Timothy 3:8-13

Deacons: The Servants of Christ's Church (Part 1)

1. Why does it matter that the church is more the people than the organization? How does this change your view of what it means to be a part of a church?
2. Why do you think serving is such an important part of church membership? How could you better serve other members of the church?
3. Have you considered recently how much God loves you that he designed the church with both leaders and servants? Have you made your needs known to both the elders and deacons so they can help you?
4. Have you considered whether God wants you to be involved as a deacon? Have you considered how you may be able to help our deacons even if you are not one?

Next Week's Preparation Questions

1 Timothy 3:8-13

Deacons: The Servants of Christ's Church (Part 2)

1. What is the difference between an elder and a deacon? What word in this passage shows that there are similarities in their qualifications?
2. How optional are these qualifications? What word tells you this? What is a "double-tongued" person and why wouldn't they be qualified to be a deacon?
3. How can women fulfill their role of service even if a church's tradition doesn't allow for female deacons?
4. What does Paul say is the reward for deacons who serve well according to verse 13? Why do these two things matter?