

## ***Deacon: Commissioned to Serve***

Acts 6:1-7 & 1 Tim. 3:8-13

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**Introduction:** As we ordain deacons today, we will focus on the biblical role of deacons in church life. They model Christian behavior and help produce disciples in an essential way: service.

### **Deacons Serve Through:**

- I. Caring for practical needs in the body,
- II. Loving,
- III. Unifying the body of Christ,
- IV. Modelling Christian behavior, and
- V. Helping the Church to stay on its mission of transformation into Christlikeness.

**Application:** As a team, the church is called to transformation, each of us becoming like Jesus and helping others do the same. What steps of obedience is the Holy Spirit putting on your heart for your own, personal transformation more into the likeness of Christ?

What role are you fulfilling in helping others in your church transform into his likeness?

What role are you fulfilling in helping the Santa Fe community meet Jesus and have a transforming relationship with him?

Deacons are set apart to serve, but Jesus calls all Christians to serve each other. Jesus washes his disciples' feet and says they must go and do likewise. How might you be involved in washing another's feet (It may not be actually washing their feet but doing a service that no one else wants to do)?