



## Sunday 23 April 2016

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Organised to Serve

Acts 6:1 - 7, 15.

1. What are you aligned with in your life? What are the things that have the greatest attraction in your life?

2. The early church had to come to grips with what they aligned themselves and their ministries. Note that in verse 1, it was the matter of their widows that brought things to a head. What was the main issue?

3. How did they solve this problem?

4. Take note of the growth of the church -  
Started with 12 disciples (Acts 1 : 13)  
At Pentecost 120 (Acts 1 :15)  
Peter preaches 3000 people (Acts 2 : 41)  
A great number (Acts 6 : 7)

5. What do you think were the reasons for the growth of the early church?

6. What was the more important task for the Apostles? (vs 2).

7. What was the criteria of the first appointed leaders? (vs 3)

8. Who made this decision? ( vs 2)

9. NewHope is a large church now with 7 services over 3 campuses. What do you think could be some difficulties that might arise?

10. How might these difficulties be overcome?

11. How can you play your part in overcoming these difficulties?

12. Rehearse the main mission of NewHope -  
Love God, Love others, serve the world.  
In the power of the Spirit, on mission, in community, through the disciplines (prayer,  
Bible reading, giving)

Note : Baptism and membership help us to be aligned with NewHope and what we believe God is calling us to do here.