

Saints Alive!
The Book of Acts



Body For Life

Acts 6:1-7

Acts 6:3

- ✿ “Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of **good reputation**, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this **business**.” NKJV
- ✿ “And so, brothers, select seven men who are **well respected** and are full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will give them this **responsibility**.” NLT
- ✿ “Therefore, brothers, choose from among you seven men with **good reputations** [men of godly character and moral integrity], full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may put in charge of this **task**.” AMP

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✿ *“You simply cannot escape this reality: Your body is the epicenter of your universe. You go nowhere without it. It is truly the temple of your mind and your soul. If it is sagging, softening, and aging rapidly, other aspects of your life will soon follow suit. I just don't believe that anyone in this world sets out on a journey to become fat and unhealthy, just as no one decides to become lonely or poor. What happens is, somewhere along the line, slowly and gradually, without even being aware of it, we give up. We give up our values and our dreams one at a time. When people let go of their bodies, it is, quite simply, the beginning of the end.”*

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✿ *“So what kind of person do you want to be and what kind of church do you want?...Are you content with business-as usual church? Church that can be explained? Church that has to entertain? Church that relies of the nest slick marketing tool to attract a lost world?”...For all out good intentions, each year thousands of churches close their doors (most studies say over 6,000 a year). Hundres of pastors leave the ministry*

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✦ *every month, and more than 75 percent of American churches are not growing. Although there are many wonderful, vibrant churches, our nation's moral and spiritual condition shows the effects of a weakened church. We are having little effect on society and society is having a massive effect on us. We have crossed a tipping point."*

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Acts, Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament

✿ *In sum, this unit shows the community using its own people to solve its own problems. The community hears the complaint, owns up to the problem, allows those closest to it to solve it, delegates the authority to get it done, and then goes to work. The issue is not denied or papered over but confronted directly as a community concern.*