

Signs of a Healthy Church

Acts 6

1. Ministers to People's Needs (v. 1)

Acts 4:34-37; Acts 5:14; Galatians 6:10

2. Experiences Problems (v. 1, 2)

- a. Widows are being neglected;***
- b. Apostles were neglecting their priorities - prayer and ministry of the Word.***

...many/most problems in a local church are because the pastor has not done their job.

3. Has Effective Leadership (vs. 2-4)

- a. Unselfish, focuses on the important work first;***
- b. Believes in people, trusts people, gives people responsibility;***
- c. Determines the real problem, then identifies solutions;***
- d. Proper qualifications;***
- e. Focuses on proper priorities.***

Deacon's Priorities

- *Assist the Pastor;*
- *Ministers to the needs of the people.*

Pastor's Priorities

- *Prayer;*
- *Ministry of the Word;*
- *Vision/Direction for the church;*
- *Equipping the people to do the work of the ministry;*

4. Is Willing to Change (vs. 5,6)

Ephesians 5:18; Matthew 14:15

5. Equips People for Ministry. (vs. 3-7)