

Main Idea: God is inviting you to play your part in changing the world.

In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food.² So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables.³ Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them⁴ and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word."⁵ This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism.⁶ They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.⁷ So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith. Acts 6:1-7 NIV

Point #1 Identify a Problem

1. Joan of Ark was told by God
2. The other day I saw someone who needed food.

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Point #2 Collaborate and Pray

1. Work together on an activity, especially to produce or create something.
2. Talking with God

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Point #3 Eliminate the Problem

1. The problem isn't "just part of life"
2. See Jesus didn't die on the cross so you sit on the couch
3. If the devil can't convince you he's real he'll try to convince you to do nothing

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