

July 19, 2026 "How the Light Gets In"
Small Groups

Acts 6:1-7

Discussion Questions

- 1. Acts 6 shows that even the Spirit-filled early church had people who "fell through the cracks." Why do you think Luke chose to include this story? What does it teach us about the church and God's work through imperfect people?**
- 2. The neglected widows were from a cultural and linguistic minority within the church. Who are the people in our churches or communities today who are most at risk of being overlooked? Why do you think that happens?**
- 3. The apostles responded by sharing leadership rather than trying to do more themselves. What does this passage teach us about the relationship between the ministry of the Word and the ministry of practical service?**
- 4. The sermon argued that "everyone here is a minister." How have you seen ordinary members of the church use their gifts to help others experience God's kingdom? What gifts has God given you to contribute?**
- 5. The sermon began and ended with the story of a newcomer who was unintentionally hurt by the church but chose to become part of the solution. What stood out to you about his response? How does it challenge the way we respond when we experience disappointment or see problems in the church?**
- 6. If our church is meant to be a "signpost of the kingdom," what is one practical way you could help ensure that someone doesn't fall through the cracks this week?**