

WEEK 1

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

Life Group Curriculum

LENT: A LIFE OF SERVICE: Responding to Conflict

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INTRODUCTION ACTIVITY

God Encounters:
Share some way
you saw God
interact in your
life this week.

2

MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 25:31

"When the Son of
Man comes in his
glory, and all the
angels with him,
then he will sit on
his glorious throne."

3

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 6:1-7

*"Yes, I see the
Church as the
body of Christ.
But, oh! How we
have blemished
and scarred that
body through
social neglect
and through fear
of being
nonconformists."*

-Martin Luther

Discussion Questions

1. Read through the entirety of the section we are going to be covering over the next several weeks. Answer the question: What stands out to you?
2. When you read about the "neglect" being experienced by the Hellenistic Jews, how do you feel? Does your mind run to who to blame? Why is that?
3. There seems to be an expectation that the church would care for widows and that it was a priority of the church. How do we do this now?
4. What other groups are there mentioned in the scriptures that the church is supposed to take special care for? How are we doing that?
5. Why is the care for marginalized people such an important aspect of living as God's people?
6. How is care for those in need a proclamation of the Gospel of the Kingdom? [Hint: Look how Jesus proclaimed His Kingdom].

