



Worship Guide for January 5, 2025

## Sermon Notes

### **Deacons: The “Git-R-Done” Guys for the Church**

1 Timothy 3:8-13; Acts 6:1-7

The Bible gives us two leadership roles for the Church: Elders/Pastors and Deacons. Westwood is a Elder-led, congregationally-governed church. The Elders are to pray, preach, equip, and shepherd the congregation. The Deacons have a totally different, but extremely important role to play to help the Church in a healthy and Gospel-focused way.

1. The Deacon is to be a Model Servant - A Consistent Man of Character & Faith - The “Jesus Freak”
2. The Deacon is to be a Servant Model - A Servant who serves first, Serves well, and lead others to serve - “The Shock Absorber”
3. The Deacon guards the Unity of the Body - “The Glue Guy”

## Sermon Reflection Guide

"Let the *Word* of Christ *dwell* in you(all) *richly*  
*teaching* and *admonishing* one another in all *wisdom...*"

- *Colossians 3:16a*

### Focus #1: GOD

1. What does this passage reveal about the character or nature of God?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's eternal plans and purposes?
3. What does this passage reveal about how God interacts with his creation?

### Focus #2: ME

4. How does this passage reveal sin in my own mind, heart, or life?
5. In what ways does this passage help us to see how we need to be aligned with God's will?
6. What is one tangible and measurable way that the Spirit is leading me to respond to his Word?

### Focus #3: OTHERS

7. What is one truth that I can share meaningfully with someone, and with whom?
8. How can I specifically encourage someone or everyone in my Life Group or church family from this passage?

Three contributions (reflections, questions, observations, etc.) I plan to include in our next Life Group discussion:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

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### JANUARY

8 Life Together "Soup Together" @ 6:30pm

9 Ladies Spring Bible Study begins

12 CentriKid Interest Meeting

13 GriefShare: Loss of a Spouse @ 6:30pm

18 Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ 7am

20 GriefShare 13-week Seminar begins

23 Red Cross Blood Drive 10:30am-3pm