

# Message Notes

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*Onward: A Study in the Book of Acts*  
*Growing Pains (Acts 6:1-7)*  
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◆ The church now faces one of its greatest \_\_\_\_\_ yet: \_\_\_\_\_.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

◆ How can a \_\_\_\_\_ church function to keep fulfilling its \_\_\_\_\_?

## Growth Problems

So the Twelve called a meeting of all the believers. They said, "We apostles should spend our time teaching the word of God, not running a food program." Acts 6:2

① The \_\_\_\_\_ people \_\_\_\_\_ about the \_\_\_\_\_ people & vice versa.

◆ As a church \_\_\_\_\_ there is \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ is hard. (Jn 15:1-2)

② The church can tend to \_\_\_\_\_ too much on a \_\_\_\_\_ leaders. (Ro 12:4-5)

◆ The \_\_\_\_\_ can also be \_\_\_\_\_ to become "the \_\_\_\_\_."

## Growth Solution

◆ They \_\_\_\_\_ the ministry with more \_\_\_\_\_ people. (Ac 6:3; 1 Co 12:7)

◆ One \_\_\_\_\_ with many \_\_\_\_\_ serving \_\_\_\_\_ for one \_\_\_\_\_.

◆ We're meant to be \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.

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 6:7

◆ With the \_\_\_\_\_ solved, the church \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_!

① Have we \_\_\_\_\_ sight of the bigger \_\_\_\_\_? (Mt 28:19-20; Lk 15; Ac 1:8)

② Am I \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ in continuing Jesus' mission? (1 Cor 12:7-31)