



“Deacons”

More than a Title
I Timothy 3:11-16

Serving that impacts our:

I. Conduct – “Even so must their wives be” (vs. 11-12)

Conduct that is:

- A. **C** _____ – “be grave”
- B. **C** _____ - “not slanderers”
- C. **C** _____ – “faithful in all things”

II. Confidence – “faith which is in Christ Jesus” (vs. 13-15)

Confidence from:

- A. **Ap** _____ – “For they that have used the office of a deacon”
- B. **Ap** _____ - “purchased to themselves a good degree”
- C. **As** _____ – “great boldness in the faith”

III. Catechism – “And without controversy” (vs. 16)

Catechism that is:

- A. **M** _____ – “great is the mystery”
- B. **M** _____ – “the mystery of godliness”
- C. **M** _____ – “God was manifested in the flesh”

Sentence Sermon

*Serving God draws others closer to Him
while at the same time strengthening our faith.*

Additional Verses

- **Titus 2:1-5**
- **Acts 6:1-7**
- **John 13:11-17**
- **Mark 10:42-45**
- **Ephesians 4:10; 5:32**
- **James 1:26-27**
- **Romans 15:25**
- **II Corinthians 8:3-4**
- **I Timothy 3:8**
- **Luke 22:27**
- **Matthew 24:25**

Questions to Ponder

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. What is different about the expectation of deacons' wives from deacons?
4. What does it mean for a man to “use” the office of a deacon or to serve well?
5. What is the result of individuals serving well in the church?
6. What function does the church have in relation to the truth?
7. What is so mysterious about godliness?
8. What is your favorite part of the truth found in verse 16?
9. How has your quality of life benefited from Elders and Deacons?
10. Would you meet the qualifications for being a deacon or deacon's wife?