

# The Church Reaches Out

Acts 3:1-11; 6:1-7



## Here's what happens...

Peter and John see a man who can't walk begging for money. Instead of giving money, they help him walk! Then they find out some of the widows aren't getting food, and they appoint a committee to make sure everyone gets food. As they reach out and serve others, more people join God's family.

#### **Bible Point:**

God's family serves others.

"Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself" (Ephesians 2:20).

## **Family Together Time**

- As a family, look for needs around you.
- You might walk around your neighborhood to see which neighbors need their yard raked, snow shoveled, or weeds pulled.
- You might do a search online for local charities in need of volunteers.
- You might consider people you know from work, school, or church who need assistance.
- Choose one person to serve, and find a simple way to serve that person together.

One key attribute about God's family is the burning heart and passion we have toward serving others. Serving in God's family can be as simple as helping out at a homeless shelter or ushering in a church service. Throughout all forms of serving, we must remember not just to serve and help those in need, but to speak about the Gospel. In this world, there is a famine of truth and love so we must press forward and advance God's word and kingdom. What's a better way to share truth and love than serving others for God?

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### Talk About This...

What are some jobs that involve serving others? Explain.