

Series: Built on Prayer  
Sermon: The Word to Increase  
Speaker: Jerry Gillis

Monday: Acts 6:1-7

Tuesday: 1 Timothy 3:8-13

Wednesday: Ephesians 4:1-13

Thursday: Acts 12:18-24

Friday: Colossians 1:3-12

Saturday: Acts 2:42-27

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about prayer? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. Is there a particular group in our church or in Western NY who's physical or spiritual needs are overlooked? How can we help all generations and socioeconomic classes feel valued and ministered to within the church?
  - How can you/we personally aid in this?
4. Read 1 Timothy 3:8-13. According to the apostle Paul, what are qualifications for being a deacon?
  - As you reflect on Acts 6:1-7, in what ways was serving necessary for the church? How is serving necessary in the church today?
5. In what ways can you further the mission by using your gifts and skills in the church (therefore, allowing others to freely use their gifts and skills)?
6. How can we as a Community Group continue to prioritize and savor the Word of God?
7. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

### **Action Step**

Pray these prayers daily this week:

- Lord Jesus, let the power of the Word land on hearts in a unique way today. Let the Word take root in my life today, and in the lives of believers and unbelievers. Let my friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers have a heart's soil ready to receive the Word.
- Father, expand the impact of the Word. Let your Word be translated so that people of all tribes and tongues may receive it. Increase the scope of your Word according to your will.