

The background of the image shows two hands, one on the left and one on the right, holding a dark, textured sign. The hands are rendered in a dark, almost black color with visible skin texture. The sign is a dark, textured rectangle with a white dotted border. The text on the sign is centered and reads:

Deacons

Their Qualifications

Part 2



Special
Servants

Review

- This Is An Exciting Time For Our Congregation
- As God Continues To Bless Us With Growth, We Have Ever Increasing Opportunities To Serve One Another
- Deacons Are Special Servants Of Local Congregations - **Philippians 1:1**
- Like Elders, They Are To Meet Specific Qualifications - **1 Timothy 3:8-13**



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1 Timothy 3:8

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- Each Qualification Must Be Met And Maintained Before He Can Be Appointed And Continue To Serve As A Deacon
- A Deacon Is To Be Known And Respected For His Integrity
- A Deacon Cannot Be One Who Says One Thing With One Person And Another Thing With Someone Else
- A Deacon Is Not A Drinker Nor Someone In Need Of Constant Medication That Might Impair His Ability To Serve



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1 Timothy 3:8-13

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“Aischrokerdes”

“Eager for base gain, greedy for money”

1 Timothy 3:3

1 Timothy 6:9-17



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“Echo”

“To have (hold) possession of the mind, to hold fast, keep.”



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“Dokimazo”

“To test, examine, prove, scrutinize (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), to approve, deem worthy.”



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“Anegkletos”

“That which cannot be called into to account, above reproach, un-accused.”

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“Aner Mia Gune”

Basically a “one woman man.”



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“The Husband Of One Wife”

The Stance Of The Eldership At Custer Road

- A Deacon Must Be Scripturally Married With At Least One Child
- A Widower Is No Longer Married (Romans 7:1-3) And Therefore He Is The Same As A Single Man Or One Who Is Divorced
- A Man Who Has Scripturally Remarried (Widowed Or Divorced) Has Been The Husband Of More Than One Wife Even Though He Is Currently Married To Only One



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“The Husband Of One Wife”

The Stance Of The Eldership At Custer Road

- This Eldership Chooses To Only Appoint Those Currently Married To Their One And Only Wife
 - There Is 100% Certainty Of This Position Meeting This Qualification
 - This Eliminates Questionable, Controversial, Or Conscience Violating Principles (eg. “Blameless”)
 - We Do Not Believe Ourselves To Be Out Of Fellowship With Congregations Allowing Remarried Men To Serve



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“Proistemi”

“To set or place
before, to set over,
to be over, to
superintend, preside
over.”

Ephesians 5:22-33

Ephesians 6:4

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“Bathmos”

“Denotes a step, primarily of a threshold or stair; figuratively, a standing, a stage in a career, position, degree”

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**Are You Praying
For The Men Who
Meet These
Qualifications?**