



Looking for a Few Good Women

Building the Church with a Lasting Structure



I. The Mission of the Church



"Eternity should capture our imagination. The mundane details of our lives are saturated with divine realities. Our world is dripping with God's presence and calling us to worship him alone. But our eyes are dim and our understanding is darkened. Eternity is lost in the immediacy of our world." -Kyle Strobel

Matthew 5:8 (ESV)

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.



I Corinthians 13:12 (ESV)

For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.



I John 3:1-2 (ESV)

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.



I John 3:1-2 (ESV)

² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.



2 Corinthians 4:4-6 (ESV)

In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.



2 Corinthians 4:4-6 (ESV)

⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.





III. Looking for a Few Good Women





IV. The Role of Deacon



1 Timothy 3:8-13 (NASB)

Deacons likewise must be men of dignity, not double-tongued, or addicted to much wine or fond of sordid gain, 9 but holding to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. 10 These men must also first be tested; then let them serve as deacons if they are beyond reproach.

1 Timothy 3:8-13 (NASB)

Women must likewise be dignified, not malicious gossips, but temperate, faithful in all things.
Deacons must be husbands of only one wife, and good managers of their children and their own households.



¹³ For those who have served well as deacons obtain for themselves a high standing and great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.



V. What Sort of People are Deacons?









