

## "Character Counts" Qualifications of Deacons

## INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday Morning: 10:30 am
Scripture Reading: 1 Tim 3: 8-13

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overseers and the <b>d</b> ." Deacons are an important part of church leadership!
I. DEACON'S AND THEIR WORK.
A. Definition: "Waiter, attendant, <b>s</b> , or minister."
B. They serve under the oversight of elders but have delegated authority to act. It is a work of active service, not just a title.
II. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS OF DEACONS (I Tim 3:8-13).
A. Grave –" <b>S</b> minded, dignified, honorable, not flippant, worthy of respect."
B. Not <b>d</b> tongued –"One who says one thing to one person and contradictory things to another."
C. Not given to much <b>w</b> Literally: "Not a drinker."
D. Not fond of sordid gain – "Not <b>c</b> "
E. Holds the mystery of the faith in a pure $c$ (vs 9).
F. Blameless – "A man so lives so that no charge of <b>g</b> can be sustained against him." Not perfection (I Jn 1:8).
III. SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS OF DEACONS.
A. "Husband of one <b>w</b> " Must be married.
B. "Rule their <b>c</b> and their own house well."
IV. QUALIFICATIONS OF CHURCH OFFICER'S WIVES.
A. Grave – "Prudent, <b>d</b> , serious, not giddy."
B. Not slanderers – "Not speaking against others."
C. Sober – "Controls herself, able to exercise good judgment."
D. <b>F</b> in all things – "Trustworthy."
<b>Con:</b> Deacons must meet these qualifications. <i>Choose</i>

SCRAMBLED ANSWERS
Faithful dignified
servant Serious
guilt conscience
wine double
covetous wife
children