

FATHOM CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **GOING DEEPER PODCAST** Does it matter what happens to a body after death? Should Christians bury or cremate our dead? Let's talk about this complicated topic!
fathomchurch.org/deeper/
- **MEMBERSHIP CLASS** If you have made Fathom your home church, and are not yet a Covenant Member, your next step is to attend our Membership Class on Sunday, October 6 from 11a-1p. LUNCH IS PROVIDED. Sign up at fathomchurch.org/members
- **FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE** We're starting a monthly first Sunday food drive. Please bring food donations to the Missions Table on Sunday, October 6, to be donated to local food pantries.

QUESTIONS:

1. Have someone in the group summarize the main point/sub points that were preached from Sunday's text. Were there any big things that the Lord revealed to you as you listened and reflected?
2. **SUBMIT TO THE WORD** When you hear the elders, in Acts 6:2b, say, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables," what does it stir up inside of you? What do you think of the idea of deacons in a local church who support the elders and minister to the church family?
3. **RESPOND IN WORSHIP** The word *deacon* in the Greek really means one who serves. How do you think God has gifted you and has empowered you to serve your church? Are there ways you aren't currently serving that you would like to pursue?
4. **LIVE IN COMMUNITY** Why is it important for a church community to have elders, deacons, and a focus on every member serving in ministry? What do you think would happen in the community of Fathom if we all took these service opportunities seriously?
5. **JOIN ON MISSION** What does the final point Eric made concerning the call for church leadership in 1 Timothy 3 being unexceptional, do for you? How does that encourage/discourage you? Have you experienced God working on your heart as you serve?

