



Acts of the Apostles

Witness to the World

Lesson 5

The Native Hebrews	The Hellenistic Jews
Spoke Hebrew as their primary language.	Spoke Greek as their primary language.
Born and raised in Palestine.	Born and raised in Gentile countries.
Both groups were of Jewish ancestry and both had come to trust in Jesus.	
Their widows were being fed in a daily service.	Their widows were inadvertently overlooked.

- Church Leadership
 - Organization is not a dirty word.

- Stephen

James 1:27 *This is pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father, to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world. .*

Ephesians 4:11-12 *And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ .*

Num 27:18 *So the LORD said to Moses, “Take Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him.*

1Ki 8:27 *“But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built!*

Deuteronomy 17:7 *The hand of the witnesses shall be first against him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. So you shall purge the evil from your midst.*

Act 22:20 *And when the blood of Stephen your witness was being shed, I myself was standing by and approving and watching over the garments of those who killed him.’*