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## The Acts of the Apostles "To the end of the earth" Acts 1:8

## "God and Widows" Acts 6:1



Acts 6:1, "Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution.

Acts 6:2, "Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, 'It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables.'

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μαθητής mathētēs

a learner, a student, an apprentice, someone who came to be taught, a scholar, one who followed a respected teacher

Ex. 22:22, "You shall not afflict any <u>widow</u> or fatherless child.

Ex. 22:23, "If you afflict them in any way, and they cry at all to Me, I will surely hear their cry;

Ex. 22:24, "and My wrath will become hot, and I will kill you with the sword; your wives shall be <u>widows</u>, and your children fatherless."

Deut. 10:17, "For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality nor takes a bribe.

Deut. 10:18, "He administers justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the stranger, giving him food and clothing.

Deut. 10:19, "Therefore love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt."

Deut. 14:28, "At the end of every third year you shall bring out the tithe of your produce of that year and store it up within your gates.

Deut. 14:29, "And the Levite, because he has no portion nor inheritance with you, and the stranger and the fatherless and the widow who are within your gates, may come and eat and be satisfied, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hand which you do."

Deut. 24:17, "You shall not pervert justice due the stranger or the fatherless, nor take a <u>widow's</u> garment as a pledge."

Deut. 24:19, "When you reap your harvest in your field, and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.

Deut. 24:20, "When you beat your olive trees, you shall not go over the boughs again; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow."

Psa. 68:5, "A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy habitation."

Psa. 146:9, "The LORD watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; but the way of the wicked He turns upside down."

Isa. 1:17, "Learn to do good; seek justice, rebuke the oppressor; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow."

Mal. 3:5, "'And I will come near you for judgment; I will be a swift witness against sorcerers, against adulterers, against perjurers, against those who exploit wage earners and widows and orphans, and against those who turn away an alien—because they do not fear Me,' says the LORD of hosts."

Luke 20:47, "who devour <u>widows</u>' houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. These will receive greater condemnation."

1 Tim. 5:3, "Honor <u>widows</u> who are really widows."

1 Tim. 5:4, "But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God.

1 Tim. 5:5, "Now she who is really a widow, and left alone, trusts in God and continues in supplications and prayers night and day."