

# Acts 6:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

## Analysis

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'The word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied' - resolution of internal conflict enabled external growth. 'A great company of the priests were obedient to the faith' shows the gospel penetrating even religious leadership. Internal health promotes external witness.

## Historical Context

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Many priests served only during their assigned courses (Luke 1:8-9), living throughout Judea. Their conversion was remarkable given the high priest's opposition to Christianity.

## Related Passages

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**James 2:17** — Faith and works

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

## Study Questions

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1. How does resolving internal church conflicts affect external witness?
2. What does priests' conversion teach about the gospel's power to reach religious professionals?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ	ὁ	λόγος	τοῦ	θεοῦ	ἠΰξανεν	καὶ	ἐπληθύνετο	ὁ
And	G3588	the word	G3588	of God	increased	And	multiplied	G3588
G2532		G3056		G2316	G837	G2532	G4129	
ἀριθμὸς	τῶν	μαθητῶν	ἐν	Ἱερουσαλὴμ	σφόδρα	πολύς		
the number	G3588	of the disciples	in	Jerusalem	greatly	a great		
G706		G3101	G1722	G2419	G4970	G4183		
τε	ὄχλος	τῶν	ιερέων	ὕπήκουον	τῇ	πίστει		
and	company	G3588	of the priests	were obedient	G3588	to the faith		
G5037	G3793		G2409	G5219		G4102		

## Additional Cross-References

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**Acts 19:20** (Word): So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

**Acts 12:24** (Word): But the word of God grew and multiplied.

**Colossians 1:6** (References God): Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:

**Hebrews 5:9** (Parallel theme): And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

**Acts 14:22** (Faith): Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

**Romans 1:5** (Faith): By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

**Romans 16:26** (Faith): But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

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