

Deacons: Qualified Minister

1 Timothy 3:8-13

What is a “deacon”? Where did this role come from?

What is the role of deacon today?

Qualifications of “Diakonos” - male deacons (vs. 8-10)

1. Deacons are to be "dignified"
2. Not “double-tongued."
3. Not to be "addicted to much wine."
4. Not “greedy for dishonest gain.”

Deacon’s track record (vs. 9-10)

1. They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience.
2. Deacons are to hold it in "a clear conscience."
3. Deacons are “be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless.”

Qualifications of “Diakonos” - Female deacons (vs. 11-13)

1. Be "dignified.”
2. “Not slanderers."
3. "Sober-minded."
4. "Faithful in all things."

Conclusion