

Today's Theme:

“The Servant Who Shined”

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Series: The Book Of Acts- Part 14

Acts 6-7

“But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 56 “Look,” he said, “I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.” Acts 7:55-56

Now The Spotlight Shines On A Man- Who Wanted No Fame- Just Serving & _____ To Jesus!

1. A _____ Dilemma Gives Us Our First Glimpse Of The Man- Stephen. Acts 6:1-7

- Acts 6:1- The fast-growing church has serving issues-certain _____ were being ignored daily!
- Acts 6:2-3- The 12 saw the problem- delegated to the Greek believers- choose 7 _____!
- Acts 6:5- The godly men chosen were: _____, Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas & Nicolas from Antioch- Greek speaking converts!
- Acts 6:6- The apostles _____ on these men and commended them to their serving duties.

But, Stephen's Also A Powerful Believer... He Gets Into Debates With Contentious Jews & They Could Not Out- Debate Him... So:

Acts 6:8-15

2. _____ Stephen To The Rel. Leaders.

- It's a favorite tactic of the _____ we all may face this one day! Jn. 8:44; Matt. 5:11-12

Now We Get To See Stephen's Finest Hour!

1. Stephen Gets His Chance To Respond To The False Charges & He Gives Us A _____ To Follow.

2. So, Stephen Starts... At The _____!

- ##### 1). He explains _____ & his calling- Vs 7:1-7
- The forecasting of _____ for His people!
 - And His family- & the 12 _____ - Vs. 8
- Then Joseph & Israel moves to _____ Vs.8-16

2). Then he describes Moses, raised by Pharoah, has his fall & 40 years of herding- then God draws him & Moses comes to _____ his people! Vs. 17-36

- The _____ Miracle- Vs 37-41
- The Babylonians _____ is coming- Vs. 42-43
- The Jews Had the _____ & the Temple- Vs. 44-47
- God doesn't live in _____ things- Vs.48-50

3). Stephen calls them stiffed necked people- They _____ the truth...but refused to _____. Vs.51-53

Stephen Makes His Case- And Pays The Heavenly Price- Vs. 54-60

1. Stephen's Is killed... for telling the _____.
2. He gives us a great look into _____ - Vs. 55-56
3. Notice- a man- _____ - is involved in the stoning!
4. His shining hour: Stephen _____ his murderers.

What Do We Learn From Stephen?

1. We've got an important _____ to tell others.
2. Steven teaches us how to _____ & to _____ for Jesus.