

A SERVANT, A SERMON, A STONE, & A SEED • ACTS 6:8-8:3

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Shaping Question: Where does your faith rest this week?
- 2. Read the description of Stephen in verse 8 and 10. What implications does this have for us in terms of personal holiness?
- 3. Now consider Stephen's response to his suffering. How should he be a model to us in our own suffering?
- 4. What are the two truths that Stephen continues to emphasize throughout his sermon?

 And what are the three big ideas that Stephen wanted his audience to pick up on?
- 5. In what ways are you tempted, like God's people in Stephen's sermon, to turn back to Egypt and make idols of things that only God can fill?

PRAY: Praise the Lord for the witness of Stephen, and for whoever faithfully shared the gospel with you. Confess of ways in which you are tempted to turn away from God, back to sinful habits and idols. Thank him for the death and resurrection of Jesus, which has enabled us to live lives of faithful obedience as children of God. Finally, pray that as we face suffering, like Stephen, we would be full of grace and power, displaying personal holiness.