

Stephen, pt. 1  
Acts 6:8-7:16  
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Stephen Seized 6:8-7:1

- Stephen's Ministry 8-10
  - Spirit empowered
  - Opposition
- The Frame-up 11-13
  - False witnesses (See Mark 14:56-59)
- The Accusation 14
  - Twofold attack -
    - This place – Temple (or possibly Land)
    - The Law – “Customs Moses handed down to us”
- The Defendant 15
  - His face was like the face of an angel...
    - See Moses – Exodus 34:29-35
    - See Jesus – Luke 9:29
- Called to the Witness Stand 7:1

Stephen's Defense, pt. 1 – Land 7:2-16

- Father Abraham 2-8
  - Go! 2-3
  - Arrival & Prophecy 4-7
    - KEY: Didn't receive any inheritance – Not even one foot!
  - Circumcision = Obedience
  - Key: Obedience of Abraham even without the LAND!
- Patriarch Joseph 9-16
  - Sold into slavery, but God was with him 9-10
  - Sojourn in Egypt 11-15
  - Burial in Shechem 16 (Not the “Land!”)
  - Compare: Joseph & Brothers/ Patriarchs

Application:

- Acts 6:15 - Miracles and Signs will not change a hardened heart...
- Acts 7:5 – God is faithful to all His promises.