

Stephen, pt. 2
January 30, 2022
Acts 7:17-43

Review:

- Israel's Identity
 - Land
 - Law
 - Temple

Acts 7:17-43 Stephen's Defense: Moses and the Law

- Israel in Egypt (17-19)
 - Fulfilled God's Word (See Acts 7:6)
- Birth and Childhood of Moses (20-22)
- Moses' first attempt at deliverance (23-29)
 - Rejected by the people
- Moses and the Presence of the LORD (30-34)
 - Holy Ground! (Outside of the LAND!)
- Moses the deliverer! (35-36)
 - Moses performed wonders and signs.
 - See Jesus (Acts 2:22), Apostles (Acts 2:43), Stephen (Acts 6:8)!
- The coming prophet and the Law (37-38)
 - Deut 18:15 – God will send a prophet like Moses (Jesus!).
 - Giving of the LAW on Mt. Sinai!
 - Remember the accusation – destroying the customs of Moses.
- Our father's response to Moses – they refused to obey! (39-43)
 - Wanted to go back to Egypt!
 - Immediate rejection of Moses and Divine Revelation!
 - Pattern continued...
- Key: The connections between Moses and Jesus
 - Did signs and wonders...
 - Giver of the Law (See Matthew 5-7)
 - Rejected as Deliverer!

Application:

- You aren't who you think you are...
 - If I was there, I would have..... failed just like they did.
- Jesus changes everything!
 - Land -> Whole world!
 - Law -> No longer under the Law. (Galatians 2:16; 3:24-25)