

The Christian Winning by Losing

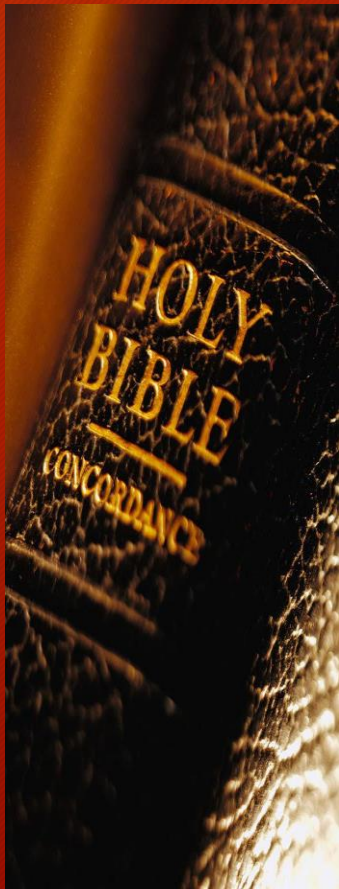
Acts 7:59-60

Ephesians 6:10-12

Stephen's Service

Acts 6:1-8

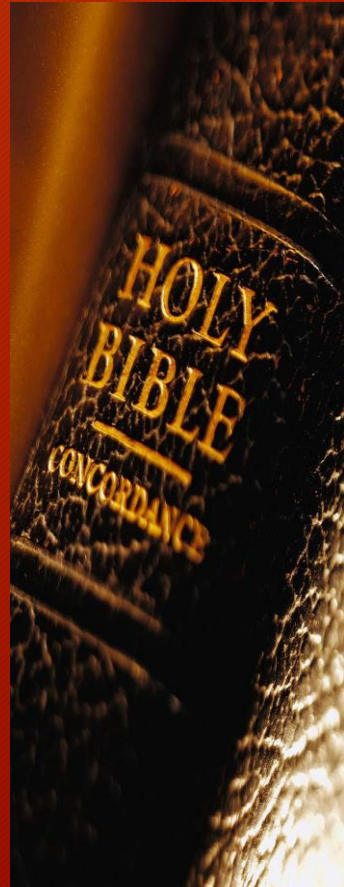
- **A problem arose in the church at Jerusalem**
 - Acts 2:44-45
 - Acts 4:32-37
- **Apostles offered a solution to the problem**
 - Acts 6:2-4
 - 1 Timothy 3:8-13
- **Stephen was one of seven selected**



Stephen's Sermon

Acts 6:9-7:53

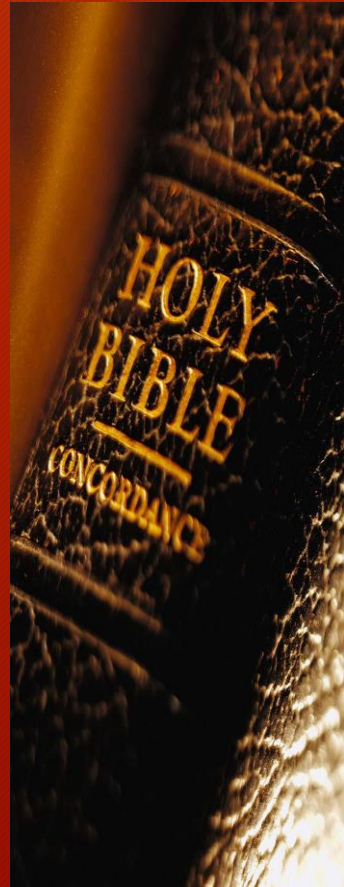
- **Stephen's controversy with the Jews**
 - Acts 6:9-15
- **Speech before the Sanhedrin**
 - Acts 7:1-53
- **Point of Stephen's speech**
 - John 4:21-24
- **Stephen's charge**



Stephen's Sacrifice

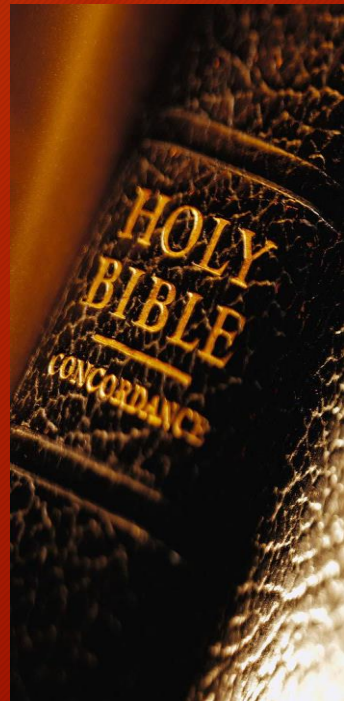
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- **Response to Stephen's speech**
 - Acts 7:54-56
- **Stoning of Stephen**
 - Acts 7:57-8:2
- **Result of this mob lynching**
 - Acts 11:19-21



Conclusion

- Saul and Stephen
- Christians are promised a “victory” in Christ!
 - Matthew 10:39
 - Revelation 2:10
 - Romans 8:35-39
 - 2 Corinthians 6:4-10



May we learn to distinguish between true success and failure