# PREACHING CURRICULUM

## THE FIRST OF MANY MARTYRS
## ACTS 6:8-7:60

*''...speak the truth...maintain your composure...fear not...and remain steadfast...'*

## 1 REVIEW THE SERMON

What were the characteristics that Stephen exemplified? Why were the enemies unable to overcome Stephen's arguments? _____
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What did those that opposed Stephen do when they could not refute the message God shared through him? ____
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How was Stephen's resolve an example of Christ's words on the cross? How did Stephen maintain this resolve through his stoning? _____
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## 2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

In what ways have you paid a price for your faith? If you haven't paid a price, why do you think that is? If it came down to it would you pay the ultimate price for Christ? _____
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How do you present the gospel message succinctly, with both the good and the bad news, when given the opportunity?_____
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Stephen was faithful in the small things. It's what gave him the strength to stand to the very end. How are you being faithful in the small things that Christ is asking of you? _____
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# 3 APPLY THE TRUTH

What steps do you take on a daily basis to ensure you have a lasting resolve to stand strong to the end?_____
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How would you handle the persecution brough on by those in power? What would you say to leaders of power who use lies and tactics to bring you down? What are some examples of this in our time? *(focus more on the application over examples)* _____
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How have you maintained your composure to the evil around you? Do you have enough resolve to forgo the tactics of the wicked?_____
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# 4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

Will you commit to speak the truth, maintain your composure, fear not, and remain steadfast in your faith this week?
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# 5 PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

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| PERSON | REQUEST | ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT |
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