

# Worship Today

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## The way to glory through suffering

Acts 7:54-60 -- Acts booklet page 55

### What Stephen \_\_\_\_\_

- “They (spiritual ancestors,) killed those who prophesied the coming of the Righteous One, and now you have become his betrayers and murderers.

### What Stephen \_\_\_\_\_

- <sup>54</sup>When they heard these things, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. <sup>55</sup>But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed up into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>He said, “Look, I see heaven opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”

*“All that remained was the endless argument with myself;  
this pointless litigation of existence before an empty bench.” -- After the Fall*

- “There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” (Romans 8:1)

*“Life is about ordering your loves properly.” -- Augustine*

### What Stephen \_\_\_\_\_

- 8:1, “On that day a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem and all except the apostles were scattered.”
- <sup>55</sup>But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed up into heaven and saw the glory of God.
- <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!” <sup>60</sup>Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” After he said this, he fell asleep.