



Acts: The Gospel in Motion
Gathered. Equipped. Sent.
Acts 6-8:3

Discussion Questions

1. Stephen's natural talents, abilities & gifts were serving and helps based. Share how you feel about the gifts God by His Spirit has given you. Do they seem consequential? Why or why not? Have you chosen to consistently move in them? Why or why not?
2. By moving in their gifts, the 7 diffused a difficulty. What did their serving unleash?
3. In 6:8-10, Stephen "crossed-over" and moved in Spirit-filled ways unseen for him. What do you suppose might have caused him to pause before stepping out in all new ways?
4. How might the enemy, try and silence you from moving in your giftings? See vs. 11-14.
5. In 7:1, the High Priest asked Stephen a question which he ignored, and launched into a "super sermon". What risk-taking are you fearful of? In vs. 51-53 he spoke to the whole Sanhedrin as one wholly filled with the Spirit? Would you do the same if led? Discuss
6. Chaos broke out when Stephen "really lived" and moved in the Spirit and his giftings? The price he paid was the ultimate? Would you use your gifts if you were so led?
7. In 8:1-3, what two impacts did Stephen's short serving life have? How consequential were those? What will it take to challenge you to get on board w/loving and making disciples, using your gifts and talents like Stephen?

Closing Questions:

- A. What did the Holy Spirit TELL YOU during the teaching Sunday?
- B. What did the Spirit tell you to DO about it?
- C. How can we HELP YOU by our prayers and support?