

# Stephen's Message and Martyrdom

Acts 6:8 - 8:1

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## I. Stephen's Arrest (6:8-15)

### A. His "Crimes" (8-14)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### B. His Appearance (15)

## II. Stephen's Defense (7:1-53)

### A. Importance of the Speech

### B. Overview of the Speech

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

## C. Content of the Speech: Evidence Against Israel

1. Evidence from Abraham's Life (2-16)
2. Evidence from Joseph's Life (8-16)
3. Evidence from Moses' Life (17-43)
4. Evidence from the Time of the Tabernacle and Early Temple (44-50)
5. Final Accusation: Rejection of The Messiah (51-53)

## III. Stephen's Death (7:54-8:1)

### A. He saw Jesus standing. (cf. Ps. 116:15)

### B. He forgave his murderers. (59-60)