

portrait of a martyr

Acts 6:8–8:2

I. He Ministered in the Power of the Spirit (6:8–7:1).

II. He Spoke with Boldness for God (7:2–53).

- A. The central message of Stephen's sermon.
- B. The significant method of Stephen's defense (7:2–53).
 - 1. Historical record (7:2-50).
 - a. Abraham, Joseph, and Moses (7:2–43).
 - b. Joshua, David and Solomon (7:44–50).
 - 2. Personal _____ (7:51–53).

III. He Died for the Glory of God (7:54–8:2).

- A. He saw _____;
they saw a _____ (7:54–56).
- B. They resorted to _____;
he to _____ (7:57–8:2).

Stephen's death did not mean he failed in his mission, but that God was about to use another servant to further gospel work.