

## WHITES RUN BAPTIST CHURCH

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### Announcements

- **Sunday Nights @ 6:00** "What in the World Is Going On?" Join us to understand what is going on in the world and how the church can not only survive, but thrive.
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

### Following Jesus, Acts 6:8-8:4

#### Introduction

- Stephen's sermon shows from the scriptures the Israelite pattern of rejecting God and ignoring His predictions of the future Messiah.
- R.C. Sproul, "No man was ever more loving than Jesus Christ, yet even His love made people angry."

#### Stephen Was...

- Of good repute. Acts 6:3.
- Full of the Spirit. Acts 6:3, 10, 7:55.
- Full of Wisdom. Acts 6:3, 10; 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:16.
- Appointed to serve. Acts 6:3-6.
- Full of Grace. Acts 6:8, 7:60.
- Full of Power. Acts 6:8, 10.
- Doing great wonders and signs. Acts 6:8.
- Slandered. Acts 6:11-14.
- Innocent. Acts 6:15.

- Bold. Acts 7:2-53.
- Skilled in the scriptures. Acts 7:2-53, 7:42-43, 7:49-50; Amos 5:25-27; Psalm 11:4; Isaiah 66:1-2.
- Right. Acts 7:51-53.
- Faithful. Acts 7:55-56; Psalm 72:14, 116:15.
- Killed. Acts 7:60, 8:1, 22:20; Romans 1:32.
- Like his Savior in His death. Acts 7:60.

#### Stephen's actions precipitated...

- The rage of the opposition. Acts 7:54, 57-58, 8:1, 3.
- The spread of the gospel. Acts 8:2, 4.
- The saving of many souls. Acts 8:4-40.
- The approval of his Savior. Acts 7:55-56, 59-60; Matthew 25:21.

#### Encouragements

- Understand and trust Jesus' love for His people.
- Do not reject the continuing witness of God.
- Faithfulness is God's standard for His people.
- Faithfulness is rewarded with the glory and presence of God.
- God will see to the results.
- Go and make disciples.

Check out the true story behind the hymn, "I have decided to follow Jesus."

<https://believersportal.com/the-true-story-behind-the-hymn-i-have-decided-to-follow-iesus/>

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