



THE FIRST MARTYR

Acts 6:8-7:60 // Dr. Ron Jones

“The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church.” TERTILIAN

“They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God.” JOHN 15:2 ESV

Disputing with Stephen (Acts 6:8-15)

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“And gazing at him, all who sat in the council saw that his face was like the face of an angel.” ACTS 6:15 ESV

Stephen’s Defense (Acts 7:1-53)

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“You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you.” ACTS 7:51 ESV

The Stoning of Stephen (Acts 7:54-60)

Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. ACTS 7:58 ESV

Lessons from the Martyrs

1. Expect _____.

1 PETER 4:12; JOHN 15:18-6:4

2. Glory in the _____ of Christ.

1 PETER 4:13

3. Offer yourself to God as a _____.

ROMANS 12:1