

# LIFE GROUPS

## SERMON NOTES



### **A Faith Worth Dying For - Part 1**

*Acts 6:8-15 December 11, 2022*

**START TALKING** | asking questions to get you thinking.

1. Define a martyr.
2. Apart from Stephen, name some other martyrs throughout church history and describe what happened to them.

**START SHARING** | asking questions that engage with the message.

Read Acts 6:8-15

3. Pastor Steve said, "Living the real Christian life is really difficult." In the following verses, describe the high cost of following Jesus and living the real Christian life:
  - a) Luke 9:57-62
  - b) Luke 14:25-27
4. In Acts 6:8, what was it that set Stephen apart and what were some examples Pastor Steve gave that make our lives stand out today as signs and wonders? See Matthew 5:14-16.
5. When we are living the real Christian life, there will be opposition to us. Why were those in verses 9-10 disputing with Stephen? Why are we, when we are living the real Christian life, opposed even today? See John 3:19-21.
6. Pastor Steve said, "Living the real Christian life also means we have a divine confidence." Describe the divine confidence that we are given through His Word. See John 11:25-26 and Ephesians 1:13-14.
7. Read Acts 6:11-14 again. What were the false accusations against Stephen and how were they like false accusations against Jesus? See Matthew 26:59-61.

**START LIVING** | asking questions that apply God's Word to daily life.

8. How are we to respond when we are falsely accused and what encouragement does Jesus give us? See Matthew 5:10-12.
9. How can your Life Group encourage one another to stand firm in the beliefs worth living for and convictions worth dying for and help each other live the real Christian life?