Acts 7 – In the Shadow of Death

Stephen's "Crime"

Who is Stephen?

6:8 or 6:13

A Sad History

Promises to Abraham to show that God was establishing a future with a people who would belong to Him, living in his place, living under God's rule

- Joseph rejected by the sons of Israel (v.9) – their rescuer
- Moses rejected by the Israelites (v.25-29, v.35-36) – their rescuer
- Moses rejected by the Israelites (v.39) – living words from God
- God's meeting place misunderstood by the Israelites (v.48)
- God's prophets rejected by the Israelites (v.52)
- God's Righteous One rejected by the Israelites (v.52)

Man made religion

Fearless Conviction

A man who truly imitates the greatest man of all men – the Lord Jesus

Who is Stephen?

Knows God's plan, God's path – and he walks along that path to the end, not deviating to the right or to the left

Who are you?