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The Question of All In  
Acts 6:6-7:1

Acts 6:6-7:1 *And Stephen, full of grace and power, was performing great wonders and signs among the people. 9 But some men from what was called the Synagogue of the Freedmen, including both Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and argued with Stephen. 10 But they were unable to cope with the wisdom and the Spirit with which he was speaking. 11 Then they secretly induced men to say, "We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses and against God." 12 And they stirred up the people, the elders and the scribes, and they came up to him and dragged him away and brought him before the Council. 13 They put forward false witnesses who said, "This man incessantly speaks against this holy place and the Law; 14 for we have heard him say that this Nazarene, Jesus, will destroy this place and alter the customs which Moses handed down to us." 15 And fixing their gaze on him, all who were sitting in the Council saw his face like the face of an angel. 7:1 The high priest said, "Are these things so?"*

The Question: What do you live for? Die for?

I. **Abraham lived for a** \_\_\_\_\_ . (Acts 7:2-8)

Acts 7:2-6, *And he (Stephen) said, "Hear me, brethren and fathers! The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, and said to him, 'Leave your country and your relatives, and come into the land that I will show you (Gen 12:1)'... But He (God) gave him no inheritance in it, not even a foot of ground, and yet even when he had not child, He promised that He 'would give it to him as a possession, and to His descendants after him.' (Gen 12:7). But God spoke to this effect, that his 'descendants would be aliens in a foreign land, and that they would be enslaved and mistreated for four hundred years.' (Gen 15:13)"*

II. **Joseph lived for a** \_\_\_\_\_ . (Acts 7:9-16)

III. **Moses lived for a** \_\_\_\_\_ . (Acts 7:17-44)

IV. **David lived for a** \_\_\_\_\_ . (Acts 7:44-50)

Acts 7:51-53 *"You men who are stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears are always resisting the Holy Spirit; you are doing just as your fathers did. 52 Which one of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? They killed those who had previously announced the coming of the Righteous One, whose betrayers and murderers you have now become; 53 you who received the law as ordained by angels, and yet did not keep it."*

Main Idea:



**Doggy Bag:** Something to take home and chew on!

1. When are you prone to trust in yourself (what you possess)? When do you trust in God's promises?
2. What are you living for? What are you pursuing in life? Is it something that is eternal or temporal? Are you seeking it through your own abilities alone or through the grace of God?

Reflect:

3. As we close this series take a moment and consider where Christ is calling you to go *All In*? Where is Christ calling you to take a risk for your faith? Where is Christ calling you to live for a promise of what is to come?

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