

Sermon Discussion Guide

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Stand Firm
November 30th - Acts 7:54-8:3

To Start:

- **Ice Breaker:** Share a time when you had to stand firm under pressure. What helped you stay grounded?

UP

"Life on Life"

- How does Stephen's vision of Jesus "standing at the right hand of God" (Acts 7:55-56) shape our understanding of Christ's presence in our trials?
 - God sovereignly allowed Stephen's suffering for gospel advancement. How does this truth help you trust God when He allows hardship?
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IN

"Life in Community"

- How can the church today encourage one another to stand firm when facing spiritual opposition or cultural pressure? What are some examples of where this kind of opposition might be common?
 - Why is it important for believers to remind each other that suffering for Christ is not meaningless, but has purpose in God's plan?
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OUT

"Life on Mission"

- Stephen proclaimed truth boldly even when it provoked hostility. How does his example challenge your own boldness in sharing the gospel?
- The religious leaders "stopped their ears" (Acts 7:57) to avoid hearing the truth. What signs of spiritual resistance do you see in the world today, and how should believers respond?