

Grace Group Notes

To be used in your Grace Group this week...

Our Spiritual History and Why it Matters

Week of February 17, 2019

Welcome

Let's get to know each other. You can use this question during your meal together.

*What makes a speech or sermon interesting to you?

Worship

Let's enter the presence of God together.

Songs led by worship leader or worship resource or read Isaiah 66:1-2. Pray for each other for humility and a hunger & thirst for God and His Word.

Word

Let's interact with God's Word.

Read Acts 7:1-53 (leader may want to summarize and share highlights)

- 1. Why does Stephen spend the bulk of his history lesson talking about Moses? What parallels does he draw between Moses and Jesus? How does this relate to the charges against him in 6:13-14? How does the quote in verse 37 begin to turn the tables on his accusers (regarding who is really rejecting Moses)?
- 2. From verses 44-50, what is his point about the temple and God's presence? How is he turning the tables against his accusers once again?
- 3. Of what does he accuse them in verses 51-53? How does his charge reveal the reason why he gave them this history lesson?
- 4. Considering the oppressive situation (see 7:54-60), what type of person is Stephen?
- 5. To fully understand Jesus, what is needed in your life besides well-rehearsed knowledge?

Witness

Let's focus on who we can reach out to -maybe create a prayer poster and pick I friend or neighbor to pray for/invite to the group-. *Questions adapted from The Serendipity Bible, Zondervan Pub.