

# **Sermon Notes**

## **March 4, 2018**

### **“Worth Dying – and Living – For”**

#### **Acts 6,7**

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Is there something or someone you value so much that you would willingly die for them? Why do you think Stephen – and martyrs in history and today – consider Jesus worth dying for? What clues can you glean from this passage (see especially Acts 7:52-60)?

Why were Stephen’s religious opponents so upset with him (see Acts 6:13-14)? In what sense would Stephen’s review of Israel’s history have confirmed their view? Challenged it? What was it about Stephen’s words in Acts 7:51-59 that incensed them enough to kill him?

If Jesus is truly worth dying for then he is also worth living for. What is one specific way this week in which you will live more fully as a follower of Jesus? Consider this in terms of one of the following:

- The use of your time in Scripture or prayer.
- A relationship with someone you see regularly.
- Your use of money.
- An act of service.
- Someone who needs your apology or forgiveness.