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**Date:** September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Primary Biblical text:** Acts 7:54-60

**Additional Scripture:** Acts 7:51-53, Ephesians 1:20, Matthew 26:64 Luke 23:34,46  
Romans 5:1-5, 1 Corinthians 16:13

————— ∞ *Reflection and Discussion Notes* ∞ —————

† Considering Courage

† In the conclusion of Stephen's story, we see the *nature* of his courage, but more importantly, we see the SOURCE of his courage. The source that is still OUR source of courage today.

† A Portrait of Courage

† Seeing the Glory of God

† Defining moment! The core issue from this point on would become the question *who is* JESUS?

† Stephen's last breath

† Bringing it back to us

In Stephen's moment of truth, his courage came from the LORD

† When we are filled with the Spirit, living out of our relationship with Christ, God WILL lead us into situations that require great courage! And when God does this, HE will be the source of the courage we need.

† The question: How is God leading you to stand and act with courage, right now, in the midst of your life as it really is?