

Lomax Temple A.M.E. Zion Church Sunday School

Topic: When the World is Against Us

March 24, 2024 – Acts 6:7-15 (NRSV)

**Sunday School 9:15 A.M. – 8 minutes per section
5 minutes General Discussion**

1. Read Acts 6:7-8. A) Answer the Who, What, When and Where of the Book of Acts. B) Explain why was the Church growing so rapidly during this time? C) Who was Stephen; what was his role and purpose to the Jerusalem Church.
2. Read Acts 6:9-10. A) Explain the identity and role of the “Freedmen”. B) What caused this group to have such a disagreement with Stephen? C) Read Heb. 2:3-4 and tell why Stephen was chosen to be a deacon and how this could apply in the Christian Church of today.
3. Read Acts 6:11-12. A) Read Exodus 20:7 & 22:28 then explain what is going on in this passage with this group. B) What were the accusation and consequences for Stephen? C) Explain what is meant by “The Council” and how this also related to Jesus.
4. Read Acts 6:13-15. A) In your opinion what made Stephen so bold and unwavering to speak out? B) How did Stephen suffer for doing good? C) Explain what the Sunday School commentary says about, “fierce opposition”!

Application: (answer the following questions)

- 1-Who are the people you will interact with in the upcoming week?
- 2-What opportunities will you have to boldly share the gospel with them?
- 3-What are possible worst-case scenarios that could result from your gospel presentation?
- 4-How would you respond to these results?
- 5-How should believers respond when facing opposition to the gospel?

A. Review questions in ENGAGE on page 20; “Elevate” on page 21.

B. Review questions in “iThink” on page 21.

Homework – Worksheet Activity “Living In Faith”