

ACTS

OF THE APOSTLES

STUDY 26

ACTS 7:30-43

FORMER ADVENTIST FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY

Stephen moves from the first 40 years of Moses' life to the second forty.

- 1. Stephen now jumps to the turning point in Moses' story. He quotes from Exodus 3 and tells of Moses encounter with God on Mt. Sinai. How do we know Mt. Sinai and Horeb are probably the same mountain?**

Exodus 3:1 _____

Exodus 3:11-12 _____

1 Kings 8:9-11 _____

1 Kings 19:4-8 _____

Psalms 106:19-23 _____

Malachi 4:4 _____

- 2. Stephen implicitly, rather than explicitly, talks about Moses as a type of Christ. He connects Moses to miracles, signs, and wonders and emphasizes the Israelites' continual complaints and rejection of him. In verse 30 he says an angel spoke to Moses from the burning bush; how do we know this angel, or messenger, was the pre-incarnate Christ?**

Exodus 3:2-6 _____

Isaiah 63:7-9 _____

Exodus 23:20-26 _____

Exodus 33:12-17 _____

- 3. In verses 35-40 Stephen summarizes Israel's disrespect and rejection of Moses and Moses' God-appointed work on behalf of Israel. In what specific ways is Stephen connecting Moses with Jesus as God's promised one to Israel?**

- 4. Why does Stephen say an angel was speaking to Moses in the thorn bush (v. 35) and on the mountain (v. 38)?**

Verse 52-53 _____

Galatians 3:19 _____

Hebrews 2:1-4 _____

5. In verse 36 Stephen makes the point that Moses performed wonders and signs in Egypt, at the Red Sea, and in the wilderness. He also received and delivered living oracles to pass on to Israel. Compare and contrast Israel under Moses with the Jews of Jesus' day.

Verses 35-39 _____

John 9:24-34 _____

John 10:25-39 _____

6. Stephen emphasizes that Moses was known for signs and wonders, and this fact was part of his being a foreshadow of the Lord Jesus. According to Jesus, what was the actual purpose of His works from the Father which he performed?

John 10:25-26 _____

John 10:37-38 _____

John 14:10-11 _____

7. Stephen recounts that God "turned away and delivered them up to serve the host of heaven." In what other circumstances did God tell Israel He would turn away from them?

Joshua 24:16-24 _____

Isaiah 64:10-14 _____

Ezekiel 20:35-41 _____

8. Stephen recounts Israel's apostasy from the time of the golden calf at Sinai until God warned them of their coming Assyrian exile because of their taking Mesopotamian deities. Stephen quotes Amos 5:25-27, but he replaces "Damascus" with "Babylon" because the Babylonian exile was the final exile from the Promised Land. What were the deities which Israel adopted, and what did God say He did to those who worshiped images of creation?

Amos 5:25-27 _____

Revelation 9:20-21 _____

Romans 1:18-32 _____

MEDITATE

How is the Lord Jesus asking you to trust Him in your own life? What are you needing to believe instead of bargaining or defending yourself? He is faithful; He completes what He begins in us.
