

Stephen Preached

HOW IS IT DIFFICULT

Sometimes Christians face difficult times when they tell about Jesus.

A <u>missionary</u> is a Christian chosen by God who obeys and goes to tell another group of people the good news about Jesus.

What difficult times might each face when telling others about Jesus?

Missionaries

Kids

According to John 16:33, write in the box who has conquered or overcome the world.

UNIT VERSE

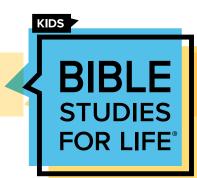
For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

ROMANS 1:16 (ESV)



What can I remember that Jesus tells me to do in John 16:33?





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CONVERSATION

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ACTS 6:8-7

Stephen was a Christian with great faith. The Holy Spirit was with him. He taught many people about Jesus. God helped Stephen to do many amazing things. But some people did not agree with Stephen. They tried to argue with him, but the Holy Spirit gave Stephen words that were wise. Some

people turned against him and took him

before a court of Jewish leaders. The people told lies about things that Stephen preached. "Are these things true?" asked the High Priest.

As Stephen stood before the court, he began to preach about Jesus. Stephen preached many things that were true about how God helped Abraham, Joseph, Jacob, Moses, and others. He preached about God living in heaven and sending His Son, Jesus, to earth. Then Stephen accused the Jewish leaders of putting Jesus to death. When they heard what Stephen said, the men became very angry. But the Holy Spirit was with Stephen. Stephen looked into heaven and saw the glory of God. He saw Jesus standing at God's right hand. "Look!" said Stephen. He told the men what he saw. The men became so upset that they screamed loudly and rushed toward Stephen. They dragged him out of the city and began to throw stones at him. The robes that the men had been wearing were laid at the feet of a young man named Saul.

Stephen called out to Jesus as the rocks were hitting him. With a loud voice, he asked Jesus to forgive the men who were stoning him. After Stephen said this, he died.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: John 16:33

LIFE POINT: Sometimes Christians face difficult times when they tell about Jesus.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Today your child heard about Stephen, a believer who faced difficulties and death because he told others about Jesus. Sometimes Christians encounter difficulties and challenges when they tell about Jesus.



LIVE IT OUT

Explain that sometimes believing in Jesus costs people their freedom or their lives. Lead your child to pray for missionaries serving in difficult places around the world so that all people can hear about Jesus and trust Him as Savior.



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Christians are called to tell the people all over the world about Jesus.



DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: John 16:33 Monday: 1 Peter 3:14

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 4:17 Wednesday: 2 Timothy 3:12 Thursday: Isaiah 43:2

Friday: James 1:12 Saturday: Psalm 34:19



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