



REALife Application

Stephen: A "No Spin" Life Acts 6:8-8:1a

Are you living a "no spin" life? vv. 6:8-15

Are you telling a "no spin" truth? vv. 7:1-53

Are you suffering with a "no spin" grace? vv. 7:54-8:1

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

1. Define the words "authenticity" and "integrity". What does it look like to live a "no spin" Christian life? How are you doing with this?
2. Read through the story of Stephen and find as many parallels to Jesus as you can. Why are some people so opposed to the truth? Give an answer from the bible.
3. What are some settings or situations where you have held back from telling people the truth about Jesus? What held you back?
4. God doesn't always deliver us from suffering. What do we learn about God's plan for suffering from the life of Stephen?



Memory Verse

When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. 1 Peter 2:23

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