

# Message Notes

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*Unsung Heroes - Stephen*  
Acts 6-7  
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## Who is Stephen:

◆ Stephen was a hero in God's eyes, because he \_\_\_\_\_.

Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom. (Acts 6:3)

◆ Stephen was full of the \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 6:3, 5, 10; 7:55)

◆ The Holy Spirit is also called the Spirit of \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 16:7; Phil. 1:19)

◆ Full of the Holy Spirit = to be under the \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 4:29-32)

Lord, do not hold this sin against them. (Acts 7:60)

## The Motive To Forgive:

◆ Jesus' forgiveness of \_\_\_\_\_ is our motive to forgive \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Mt. 18:21-35)

◆ Forgiven people \_\_\_\_\_. (Mt. 6:12, 6:15; 18:21-35)

◆ Jesus paid a \_\_\_\_\_. He did not owe, because we owed a \_\_\_\_\_ we could not pay. (Mk. 10:45; Jn. 19:30; 1 Cor. 6:20, 7:23; Heb. 9:15; 1 Tim. 2:5-6)

◆ We are to forgive \_\_\_\_\_ Christ forgave us. (Mt. 6:14-15; Mk. 11:25)

## How We Forgive:

◆ Biblical forgiveness is NOT:

◆ Biblical forgiveness is a \_\_\_\_\_ to cancel a \_\_\_\_\_.

◆ Forgiving doesn't make the offense all right, it makes \_\_\_\_\_ all right.

- ① Embrace God's forgiveness of you.
- ② Identify who you need to forgive.
- ③ Determine what they owe you.
- ④ Decide to cancel the debt.

◆ Is there someone you need to \_\_\_\_\_ today?

# Unsung Heroes

(A review of our 8-week study)

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## **Week 1: Ananias** (Acts 9:1-19)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to be available to join God in His work in this world.

## **Week 2: Hosea** (Hosea 3)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to be faithful.

## **Week 3: Jonathan** (1 Samuel 23:16-17)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to be a loyal friend.

## **Week 4: Nathan** (2 Samuel 12)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to speak and receive the truth in love.

## **Week 5: Job** (Job 1:1-22)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to suffer well.

## **Week 6: Barnabas** (Acts 4, 9, 11, 15)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to encourage others.

## **Week 7: Abigail** (1 Samuel 25)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to reverse revenge.

## **Week 8: Stephen** (Acts 6-7)

A hero is a person who by faith answers God's call to forgive.