

Obedient To Our



## *“The Transformers”*

Heavenly Calling

Acts 6:8-15  
PART 19

### INTRODUCTION

- an unchanging gospel...bringing untold changes
- the gospel wrapped up in human personality
- introduction to Stephen

### *1. Stephen’s character* (6:8)

- “full of grace”
- “full of power”

2 Tim. 4:20

### *2. Stephen’s condemnation* (6:9-14)

- the source of opposition
- Stephen’s irrefutable arguments

Lk. 21:15

- the smear campaign

- accusation #1: destroying the temple

Mk. 14:58; Jn. 2:19-21; Mt. 12:6

- accusation #2: disregarding the Law

Ex. 20:8; Mt. 5:17

### *3. Stephen’s courage* (6:15)

- the embodiment of evil?
- response to injustice and hostility

### CONCLUSION

“Must one point out that from ancient times a decline in courage has been considered the beginning of the end?”

– Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn