FAITH AND JUSTICE LESSON #3 3/16/21

Does God Really Expect Us to Stand Up for Things When Doing So Could Put Us in Danger?

BIBLE passage: ACTS 6:8-8:1

Lesson Objective: To explore how we can stand up for something or to stand up against something.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Although today we don’t stone people who share their ideas/opinions, what other ways do we show our displeasure with those that we disagree with?
2. What is the difference between standing up for and standing up against something?
3. What injustices bother you enough to vocalize your discontent?
4. What sorts of dangers, discomforts, or sacrifices might you face for standing up for or against injustices? Give an example.
5. What are some injustices do people often ignore? Why do you suppose they ignore them?
6. Could Stephen have stood up for his faith without putting himself in danger?
7. How do you think Saul justified his participation in Stephen’s stoning? Is Saul’s reasoning similar to ours today?
8. Which is more impressive, someone who dies for a cause, or someone who lives their whole life for a cause?
9. What are some ways to show support or inspire action for justice?
10. What are the dangers of not standing up for justice? What are the dangers of standing up against justice? Which is more dangerous and why?