

1 ☐ **THE KINGDOM IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

...WE ARE THE PARALLEL SYSTEM

CHAPTER #9

HE SAID, "FOLLOW ME"

EQUIPPING EKKLESIA

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2 ☐ **ACTS 6:8-15 & 7:51-60 ESV**

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BIBLE STUDY

Jesus called the first disciples with two words, *"Follow Me."*

Stephen's life fully demonstrates what it means to be a Christ Follower

✓ Jesus came as a servant. Matthew 20:28

✓ Stephen served the needy Acts 6:1-2

✓ Jesus' life was full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom Luke 2:40

✓ Stephen's life was full of the Holy Spirit and faith Acts 6:5

✓ Jesus performed signs and wonders John 20:30

✓ Stephen performed signs and wonders Acts 6:8

✓ Jesus called the Jews sons of the devil John 8:44

✓ Stephen called the Jews stiff-necked and uncircumcised of heart Acts 7:5

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✓ Jesus was wrongfully accused Matthew 26:59-61

✓ Stephen was wrongfully accused by false witnesses Acts 6:12-13

✓ Jesus was crucified by the Jews Matthew 27:20-23

✓ Stephen was stoned to death by the Jews Acts 7:58

✓ Jesus' final words: 'Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." And they divided His garments and cast lots. ' And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.' " Having said this, He breathed His last.' Luke 23:34 & 46 NKJV

✓ Stephen's final words: 'And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.' Acts 7:59-60 NKJV

5 ☐ **PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE TO TAKE AWAY**

1. The Beast Systems (both the religious & political) hated Jesus and His Followers.
2. The Beast Systems killed Jesus and His Followers

3. The Beast Systems (both the religious & political) are still active and are in control of our entire world today.
4. Dream: 3/8/22 *"They are Coming"*
5. We must consider seriously the cost of being a Christ Follower today.
6. We must be prepared for the unveiling of the prophecies of The Revelation.
7. We must be determined and covenant together to overcome to the end.
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6 CLOSING STATEMENT

"But the one who endures to the end will be saved." - Jesus Matthew 24:13

The word *OVERCOMES*, *OVERCOMER*, and *OVERCOMETH* appears 15 times in The Revelation.

The Book of Revelation is the Overcomer's Manual!

We, the remnant, the Ekklesia, the parallel system, are those OVERCOMERS!

HALLILUJAH!