

THE SPEECH

The Life of Stephen

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THE SANHEDRIN IN US

Fails to See God's Provision

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- God Moments are when we celebrate God doing big things in our lives...and we want to pray for God to do big things in our lives as well! When God answers these prayers, they become God moments! Go around your group and share your prayer needs or God Moments. [Leaders: pray for these as best fits your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The *Reminder* (required)

Read this section to review the Point for everyone

- This Weeks Point:
The Sanhedrin in Us Fails to See God's Provision
- This Week's Object Lesson:
Speedboat vs. Tour Boat
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: **Acts 7:9-16**
Because the patriarchs were jealous of Joseph, they sold him as a slave into Egypt. But God was with him (9, NIV)

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- What is the difference between a speedboat and a tour boat?
- Read **Genesis 37:3-11**, **Mark 11:18**, & **James 4:1-3**. What is the root of jealousy? What things make you jealous of others?
- How does jealousy fail to see what God *has* provided?
- In the Point, we looked at three ways that we miss God's provision:
 - *Misled by What Seems Good* (see **James 1:16-17**; **1 Tim. 6:6-8**)
 - How does the world define "good"? How do you define "good"?
 - How does that affect your view of God's provision?
 - *Misinterpret When is the Right Time* (see **Matt. 6:11**; **2 Cor. 9:8**)
 - When do you typically want things to happen? When does God?
 - How does understanding God's timing affect how you view God's provision in your life? How are these things connected?
 - *Misunderstand What We Need* (see **Philippians 4:19**; **Psalm 23:1**)
 - What things do you consider to be "needs"? How do you think God feels when we complain that we don't have what we *need*?
- Share a moment when you were like a speedboat. Share a time when were you like a tour boat. Which was better? Why?
- What do you need to do to become more like a tour boat?
- Do you need to confess to God that you were jealous of someone else because you failed to see what He has provided for you?

The Reinforcement (optional)

Use these questions for further discussion during your group, or at home

- Review the full story of Joseph in **Genesis 37-50**. List how many different times God continued to provide for Joseph and his family.
- Read **Acts 7:15-16**, **Gen. 50:26**, **Ex. 13:19**, & **Josh. 24:32** for the full saga of Jacob's burial. How many times was his "body" moved? How did this fulfill the promise God made to him in **Gen. 28:10-15**?