

**Deane Parish Church Home Groups
w/b Sunday 20th July 2014**

God's House – Acts 7

This is a long chapter to read! It is worth reading it all at some point, but today we will be focussing on 7:44-53. You may also find it helpful to look at 6:8-15 for the context of the passage.

1. Why was the Temple and Moses so important for the Jews?
2. How important do you think the Temple (in Jerusalem) was to Stephen?
You may want to consider where and how God had spoken to his people. (v1, v9, v30, v38)
3. How does this affect the way we think about:
 - i) the church building
 - ii) where we meet with God
4. What did Stephen accuse the Sanhedrin of? (v51-53)
In what way does this 'run in the family'? (v9, v25-27, v39-40)
5. How does this passage warn people who have been regular attenders at Deane for a long time?

Prayer Points

- Pray somewhere you have never prayed before!
- Pray for Christians who are persecuted for obeying Jesus and not earthly rulers .