# <u>Virtual Sunday Club 24.05.2020</u> The stoning of Stephen Acts 6:7-8:3

### Big idea

The Jewish leaders killed Stephen because he told the truth, they had killed God's king. This made the good news about Jesus spread even further.

**Aim:** To reassure children that even when people push us away for telling the truth about Jesus, God will still win, even if it hurts us.

#### Questions from the video:

Take minute now to see if you can remember what Hilary taught us last week

Why did the Jewish leaders put the apostles in prison?

They were jealous

Who let them out?

An angel

What did the apostles refuse to stop doing?

To tell everyone the good news about King Jesus

### **Discussion questions:**

- 1 Who was telling the truth about Jesus? Stephen
- Who was nasty and telling lies about Stephen?

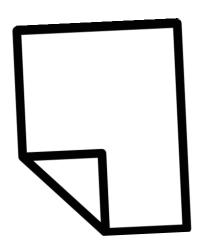
  The Jewish leaders
- Who helped Stephen to tell the truth and be brave? The Holy Spirit
- How did the Jewish leaders try to stop the good news about Jesus being told? By killing Stephen
- How did this make the good news spread even further?

  The friends of Jesus ran away to other places and told people there about him

## For the older children: Read Acts 7:59-60

- 1 What happened as Stephen was being stoned?
- 2 How did Stephen manage to pray this prayer do you think?
- Where did Stephen know he was going to be after he had died?

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