

## The Chronicles of the Apostles

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### Are These Charges True?

*Charges against Stephen:*

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

### Overview of Stephen's Response

*Follows a pattern (effortless quoting of Scripture); 1 Samuel 12*

*Outline of the response:*

*Patriarchal Narratives (7:2-8)*

*Temple rooted in patriarchal promises*

*Promise of Messiah implicit in patriarchal promises*

*Joseph Narrative (7:9-16)*

*Joseph rejected and unrecognized*

*Joseph exalted*

*Tombs of the fathers in Hebron and Shechem*

*Moses Narrative (7:17-38)*

*High view of Moses*

*Moses' attempt at redeeming Israel unrecognized*

*Messiah is a prophet like Moses*

*Moses' Torah equals Words of Life*

*Israel historically rejected Moses*

*Israel's Rebellion (7:39-43)*

*Rejection of Moses (Torah) led to idolatry*

*Idolatry led to exile*

*Tabernacle and Temple (7:44-50)*

*The Tabernacle was ordained at Sinai*

*The Temple stands in continuity with the Tabernacle*

*God is not contained in the Temple*

*The Accused becomes the Accuser (7:51-53)*

*By rejecting Messiah, the leadership has broken Torah*

## The Call of Abraham (The Patriarchal Narrative)

| <b>Acts 7:7</b>  | <b>Genesis 15:14</b>                                    |
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| ...after that they will come out and serve me in this place. | ...after that they will come out with many possessions. |

*This Place (HaMakom; המקום)*