#### Obedient To Our



# "Another Work of Providence"

Acts 23:12-35 PART **58** 

#### Introduction

• the doctrine of providence

"God, the great Creator of all things, doth uphold, direct, dispose and govern all creatures, actions, and things, from the greatest even to the least, by his most wise and holy providence, according to his infallible foreknowledge, and the free and immutable counsel of his own will, to the praise of the glory of his wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy."

— Westminster Confession of Faith

• the doctrine of concurrence

Gen. 50:20; Ps. 31:13-15; 56:1-11

## 1. The plot conceived (23:12-15)

• the terrorists

• the accomplices

### 2. The plot exposed (23:16-22)

- Paul's family?
- the plot-report taken seriously

## *3. The plot foiled* (23:23-35)

- the night march
- Lysias' boss Governor Felix

- Lysias' letter to his boss
- safe arrival in Caesarea

#### APPLICATION

• Jesus' promise and protection

Is. 59:17

• therefore, I trust Him

"[Trust is] an act of will on our part; we set ourselves to believe in the overruling goodness, providence, and sovereignty of God and refuse to turn aside no matter what may come, no matter how we feel."

- Margaret Clarkson