

The Plot to Kill Paul

Acts 23:12-30

Introduction

Divine Providence

Elohim – El Elyon

God is the sole Creator of all that exists; and He is sovereign Ruler over all He has created.

Psalm 103:19; Psalm 47:2; Psalm 47:8

As Sovereign, God orders all things that ever occur or will occur by divine decree according to His will.

“**Providence**” from Latin *pro videre* meaning ‘to foresee, plan ahead, *and* carry out the plan; foreordain.’

Proverbs 16:33

Jehovah Jireh

God prepares and provides all the means necessary to fulfill whatever He has decreed for His glory.

The continuous works of God through Providence:

“My Father is working until now, and I am working.” John 5:17

John 5:20

John 14:12

Acts 2:22-24

Acts 4:27-28

Ephesians 2:8-10

Ephesians 1:11-12

Habakkuk 1:12

- I. **The Plot Providentially Conceived** – vv12-15
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- I. **The Plot Providentially Conceived** – vv12-15

v12 “oath” Gk *anathematizo*

vv13-15

James 1:15; Job 15:34-35; Psalm 7:14; Isaiah 59:4; Acts 14:16

II. The Plot Providentially Revealed – vv16-22

v16 1 Kings 22:34

v17 - v22

Numbers 32:23

Genesis 44:15-16

Psalm 90:8

Proverbs 5:21-22

Ecclesiastes 12:14

“Nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known.” Luke 12:2

1 Corinthians 4:5; Hebrews 4:13

III. The Plot Providentially Derailed – vv23-30

v23

“Caesarea”

“the third hour of the night”

vv24-30

Isaiah 46:4

Psalm 48:14

Psalm 73:24

Isaiah 58:11

Psalm 37:12-13

Psalm 37:10-11