



**“How God Advances the Gospel Despite Hostile Leaders”**

*3 reasons to trust in the Lord’s sovereign purposes  
regarding hostile leaders:*

1. We must trust the Lord’s sovereign purposes regarding hostile leaders because He ordains hostility to make the church more dependent—vv.1-5

(Php. 4:6-7)

2. We must trust the Lord’s sovereign purposes regarding hostile leaders because He can overpower any obstacle—vv.6-19

3. We must trust the Lord’s sovereign purposes regarding hostile leaders because He will execute His perfect justice—vv.20-23

(Ps. 73:19; Matt. 10:26, 28; Job 42:2)