

Mission Unstoppable: Acts 12 – The Sovereign King Always Wins

Intro: Dark days – do you have any hope and certainty (and where is it anchored?)

2 Kings – One you can see, who is powerful and scary; one you can't see but who is powerfully at work

1. Because God is in control, he sees our suffering and can preserve us through it ... even if he doesn't preserve us from it!

James and Peter

2. Because God is in control, His Gospel purposes cannot be thwarted

Herod's plans for Peter vs God's plans

3. Because God is in control, he is at work and faithful even when we are powerless and weak of faith

Passive Peter

Unbelieving Pray-ers

Prayer is profitable because God is powerful

4. Because God is the ultimate King; his opponents will not win, but will be ultimately destroyed

Herod – from withholding food to worm food

Everyone who exalts themselves will be humbled

The sovereign God who achieves great reversals

Hope and certainty in a dark and dangerous world