God's Kingdom: Lessons from Persecution, Prayer & Punishment

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Acts 12:1-25

About the King

- 1. The Lord allows His people to experience <u>persecution</u>.
 - The Apostle <u>James</u> was martyred. vv.1-2
 - The Apostle Peter was imprisoned. vv.3-5
- 2. The Lord answers the <u>prayers</u> of His people. vv.5-19
- 3. The Lord <u>avenges</u> His people quickly & powerfully. vv.20-23
- 4. The Lord's appointments are kept <u>perfectly</u>. vv.24-25

About Us

- 1. Pray for the <u>impossible</u> & pray like there's no tomorrow. v.5
- 2. Expect to be <u>amazed</u> believe that God will do it. v.16
- 3. Give God ALL the glory! vv.22-23