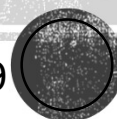


THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

Persecution and Preservation | Acts 11:27- 12:19



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PERSECUTION AND PRESERVATION

The Main Point: Through difficulty and suffering, God preserves His church by His power.

- Agabus and the relief effort (vss. 11:27-30)
- Herod's wrath and James and Peter (vss. 12:1-5)
- Peter's rescue and report (vss. 6-17)
- Herod's wrath against his soldiers (vss. 18-19)

Acts in Action

- The shape of divine preservation
 - The community
 - The miraculous
 - Wisdom and the means of grace



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