

# **ENCOURAGING TRUTHS FROM PERSECUTION**

**Text: Acts 8:1-8**

**Be encouraged.  
Though persecution is bad,  
God is in control,  
in order that  
the mission of the church  
can be accomplished.**

I. God's divine twist makes  
EVIL SERVE the Great  
Commission.  
(Acts 8:1b)

**II. Stephen was HONORED  
and NOT BLAMED.**

(Acts 8:2)

**III. Sometimes our worst**  
**ENEMIES can become our**  
**BEST FRIENDS.**

(Acts 8:3)

**IV. That even in the hard times  
the Good news is SPREAD  
and JOY came to MANY.  
(Acts 8:4-8)**