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God is in control of history not man. God has set up the King James Bible, and man cannot defeat it.

God is in control of things. "Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not *yet* done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure" (Isaiah 46:10). He has raised up the King James Bible, and has thwarted all those things which would Satan would cause to rise up in opposition. "Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, *even* them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought." (Isaiah 41:12).

One such "nothing" which Satan raised up, was a man named Guy Fawkes (1570–1606), who, exactly 400 years ago, was waiting in a cellar near the English Parliament with barrels of gunpowder. His aim was to blow up Parliament when King James was giving the opening speech. Guy Fawkes was a Roman Catholic who hated King James and the Protestant English nation. However, the plot was thwarted and exposed.

When the people of London knew what had happened, there was great rejoicing. They knew that the King and Parliament had been saved. Moreover, some of the translators of the King James Bible were present the very day the Parliament was being opened by the king. The translators thanked God for their deliverance, and this added to their sense of purpose, that God had ordained their work!

The enemies' plans to come against the King James Bible have failed. "Behold, ye *are* of nothing, and your work of nought: an abomination *is he that* chooseth you." (Isaiah 41:24). The historical triumph of the King James Bible shows that it is, in fact, the Word of God for the latter days, in a time when many people in the world know or are learning English.