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- δεῖ - main verb [pres-act-ind-3-s]. This impersonal verb takes an inf. as its subj.
- γὰρ - explanatory conj. [W673].
- αὐτὸν - acc. subj. of the inf. [W192-97]. "Him to reign" = "he reigns."
- βασιλεύειν - subj. inf. [pres-act-inf-βασιλεύω]. It is the subj. of the impersonal verb δεῖ [W600-01]. "to reign is necessary" = "it is necessary to reign." Put altogether: "him to reign is necessary" or "(that) he reigns is necessary" = "it is necessary (for) him to reign" or "it is necessary (that) he reigns."

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- ἄχρι οὗ - prep. phrase. Here the prep. is used as a conj. and this phrase is an idiom for "until the time when" (BDAG 1.b.α.).
- θῇ - subj. and verb of sub. clause [aor-act-subjv-3-s-τίθημι].
- πάντας τοὺς ἔχθροὺς - acc. dir. obj. The article is acting as a possessive pronoun [W215-16]. ἔχθροὺς is a substantival adjective.

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- ὑπὸ τοὺς πόδας - prep. phrase.
- αὐτοῦ. - poss. gen. [W81-83].

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