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He Cannot Win

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He's attacked for being Christian;
He's attacked for being white.
No matter where he travels,
someone wants to pick a fight.

He's attacked because he's older;
He's attacked 'cause he's a guy.
And if he dares defend himself,
they spit into his eye.

He's attacked due to his values;
He's attacked for his beliefs.
But if he opts to question them,
he'll face multitudes of grief.

He's tried to stay respectful;
take with a grain of salt.
But everyone plays victim
and somehow, it's his fault.

He's never struck a woman;
He's never owned a slave.
But innocence don't matter;
He's the target of their rage.

There's nothing he can say or do;
He cannot change their spin.
Again, he turns the other cheek;
it's a game he cannot win.