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## Introduction

1 To the church in Corinth, and to all Christ's people throughout Greece, from Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus, by the will of God, and from Timothy, who is also a follower. <sup>2</sup> May God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ bless you and give you peace.

3 Blessed is the God and Father of Jesus Christ, our Lord, the all-merciful Father, the God who ever ready to console us in all our troubles, so that we may be able to console those who are in any trouble with the consolation that we ourselves receive from him. <sup>5</sup> It is true that we have full share of the sufferings of Christ, through the Christ

we|strong="G2249" have|strong="G2532" also|strong="G2532" our|strong="G2532" full|strong="H4392" share|strong="H2506" of|strong="G1223" consolation|strong="G3874". <sup>6</sup> If|strong="G1535" we|strong="G2249" meet|strong="G3588" with|strong="G1722" trouble|strong="G2346", it|strong="G2532" is|strong="G3588" for|strong="G5228" the|strong="G1722" sake|strong="G5228" of|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2532" consolation|strong="G3874" and|strong="G2532" salvation|strong="G4991"; and|strong="G2532", if|strong="G1535" we|strong="G2249" find|strong="H4672" consolation|strong="G3874", it|strong="G2532" is|strong="G3588" for|strong="G5228" the|strong="G1722" sake|strong="G5228" of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G1722" consolation|strong="G3874" that|strong="G3739" you|strong="G5210" will|strong="G2532" experience|strong="H7200" when|strong="G1161" you|strong="G5210" are|strong="G3588" called|strong="G3739" to|strong="G2532" endure|strong="H5975" the|strong="G1722" sufferings|strong="G3804" that|strong="G3739" we|strong="G2249" ourselves|strong="G2249" are|strong="G3588" enduring|strong="G5281"; <sup>7</sup> and|strong="G2532" our|strong="G2532" hope|strong="G1680" for|strong="G3754" you|strong="G4771" remains|strong="H7604" unshaken. We|strong="G3754" know|strong="G1492" that|strong="G3754", as|strong="G5613" you|strong="G4771" are|strong="G1510" sharing|strong="H2161" our|strong="G2532" sufferings|strong="G3804", you|strong="G4771" will|strong="G1510" also|strong="G2532" share|strong="G2844" our|strong="G2532" consolation|strong="G3874".

<sup>8</sup> We|strong="G2249" want|strong="G2309" you|strong="G5210", friends|strong="H7453", to|strong="G2532" know|strong="G1722" that|strong="G3754", in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" troubles|strong="G2347" which|strong="G3588" befell|strong="H4672" us|strong="G2249" in|strong="G1722" Roman Asia|strong="G3588", we|strong="G2249" were|strong="G3588" burdened|strong="G2347" altogether|strong="H3162" beyond|strong="G5228" our|strong="G2532" strength|strong="G1411", so|strong="G2532" much|strong="H7227" so|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3754" we|strong="G2249" even|strong="G2532" despaired|strong="G1820" of|strong="G2532" life|strong="G2198". <sup>9</sup> Indeed|strong="G1510", we|strong="G2192" had|strong="G2192" the|strong="G1722" presentiment that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2192" must|strong="G2192" die|strong="G2288", so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2192" might|strong="G2316" rely|strong="G3982", not|strong="G3361" on|strong="G1909" ourselves|strong="G1438", but|strong="G3361" on|strong="G1909" God|strong="G2316" who|strong="G3588" raises|strong="G1453" the|strong="G1722" dead|strong="G3498". <sup>10</sup> And|strong="G2532" from|strong="G1537" so|strong="G2532" imminent a|strong="G2532" death|strong="G2288" God|strong="G2532" delivered|strong="G4506" us|strong="G1519",

and|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2532" deliver|strong = "G4506"  
 us|strong = "G1519" again|strong = "G2089"; for|strong = "G3754"  
 in|strong = "G1519" him|strong = "G3739" we|strong = "G2249"  
 have|strong = "G2532" placed|strong = "H5414" our|strong = "G2532"  
 hopes|strong = "G1679" of|strong = "G1537" future|strong = "H0319"  
 deliverance|strong = "H8668", while|strong = "G3739" you|strong = "G3739",  
 also|strong = "G2532", help|strong = "H5826" us|strong = "G1519"  
 by|strong = "G1537" your|strong = "G2532" prayers|strong = "H8605". <sup>11</sup>  
 And|strong = "G2532" then|strong = "G2532" many|strong = "G4183"  
 lips|strong = "H8193" will|strong = "G2532" give|strong = "G2168"  
 thanks|strong = "G2168" on|strong = "G1519" our|strong = "G2532"  
 behalf|strong = "G5228" for|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532"  
 blessing|strong = "H1293" granted|strong = "H5414" us|strong = "G1519"  
 in|strong = "G1519" answer|strong = "H6030" to|strong = "G1519"  
 many|strong = "G4183" prayers|strong = "G1162".  
 The|strong = "G2532" Apostle's Relations|strong = "H3045"  
 with|strong = "G1537" his|strong = "G1223" Converts|strong = "H7725"

12Indeed|strong = "G2532", our|strong = "G2316" main|strong = "H1419"  
 ground|strong = "H0776" for|strong = "G1063" satisfaction|strong = "H3724"  
 is|strong = "G1510" this|strong = "G3778" – Our|strong = "G2316"  
 conscience|strong = "G4893" tells|strong = "H1696" us|strong = "G2249"  
 that|strong = "G3754" our|strong = "G2316" conduct|strong = "H1870"  
 in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" world|strong = "G2889",  
 and|strong = "G2532" still|strong = "H5750" more|strong = "G2532"  
 in|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2316" relations|strong = "H3045"  
 with|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210", was|strong = "G1510"  
 marked|strong = "H8104" by|strong = "G1722" a|strong = "G2532"  
 purity|strong = "H2893" of|strong = "G2316" motive|strong = "H3336"  
 and|strong = "G2532" a|strong = "G2532" sincerity|strong = "G1505"  
 that|strong = "G3754" were|strong = "G1510" inspired|strong = "H7307"  
 by|strong = "G1722" God|strong = "G2316", and|strong = "G2532"  
 was|strong = "G1510" based, not|strong = "G3756" on|strong = "G1722"  
 worldly|strong = "G2889" policy|strong = "H6213", but|strong = "G1161"  
 on|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" help|strong = "H5826"  
 of|strong = "G2316" God|strong = "G2316". <sup>13</sup> We|strong = "G3739"  
 never|strong = "G3756" write|strong = "G1125" anything|strong = "G2193"  
 to|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G5210" other|strong = "G1161"  
 than|strong = "G2228" what|strong = "G3739" you|strong = "G5210"  
 will|strong = "G2532" acknowledge|strong = "G1921" to|strong = "G2532"  
 the|strong = "G2532" very|strong = "G2532" end|strong = "G5056" – <sup>14</sup>  
 And|strong = "G2532", indeed|strong = "G2532", you|strong = "G5210"  
 have|strong = "G2532" already|strong = "H3528" partly|strong = "G3313"  
 acknowledged|strong = "G1921" it|strong = "G2532" about|strong = "G1722"  
 us|strong = "G2249" – that|strong = "G3754" you|strong = "G5210"

have|strong = "G2532" a|strong = "G2532" right|strong = "H3225"  
 to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510" proud|strong = "G2745"  
 of|strong = "G2250" us|strong = "G2249", as|strong = "G2531"  
 we|strong = "G2249" will|strong = "G1510" be|strong = "G1510"  
 proud|strong = "G2745" of|strong = "G2250" you|strong = "G5210",  
 on|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" day|strong = "G2250"  
 of|strong = "G2250" our|strong = "G2424" Lord|strong = "G2962"  
 Jesus|strong = "G2424".

15With|strong = "G4314" this|strong = "G3778" conviction  
 in|strong = "G2532" my|strong = "G2192" mind|strong = "G2532",  
 I|strong = "G2532" planned|strong = "G1014" to|strong = "G4314"  
 come|strong = "G2064" to|strong = "G4314" see|strong = "H7200"  
 you|strong = "G5210" first|strong = "G4386", so|strong = "G2443"  
 that|strong = "G2443" your|strong = "G2192" pleasure|strong = "G5485"  
 might|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G2532" doubled|strong = "H3717" – 16  
 To|strong = "G1519" visit|strong = "G2064" you|strong = "G5210"  
 both|strong = "G2532" on|strong = "G1519" my|strong = "G5259"  
 way|strong = "G4311" to|strong = "G1519" Macedonia|strong = "G3109",  
 and|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G1519" come|strong = "G2064"  
 to|strong = "G1519" you|strong = "G5210" again|strong = "G3825"  
 on|strong = "G1519" my|strong = "G5259" return|strong = "H7725"  
 from|strong = "G2064" Macedonia|strong = "G3109", and|strong = "G2532"  
 then|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G1519" get|strong = "G2532"  
 you|strong = "G5210" to|strong = "G1519" send|strong = "G4311"  
 me|strong = "G4311" on|strong = "G1519" my|strong = "G5259"  
 way|strong = "G4311" into|strong = "G1519" Judea|strong = "G2449". 17  
 As|strong = "G2596" this|strong = "G3778" was|strong = "G1510"  
 my|strong = "G1473" plan|strong = "H6098", where|strong = "G3739",  
 pray|strong = "G2443", did|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G1473"  
 show|strong = "H7200" any|strong = "G2443" fickleness of|strong = "G2532"  
 purpose|strong = "G1011"? Or|strong = "G2228" do|strong = "G2532"  
 you|strong = "G3739" think|strong = "H2803" that|strong = "G2443"  
 my|strong = "G1473" plans|strong = "H4284" are|strong = "G1510"  
 formed|strong = "H3335" on|strong = "G2596" mere|strong = "G2596"  
 impulse, so|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G2443" in|strong = "G2596"  
 the|strong = "G2532" same|strong = "G3778" breath|strong = "H7307"  
 I|strong = "G1473" say|strong = "G1473" 'Yes' and|strong = "G2532" 'No'? 18  
 As|strong = "G1161" God|strong = "G2316" is|strong = "G1510"  
 true|strong = "G4103", the|strong = "G2532" message|strong = "G3056"  
 that|strong = "G3754" we|strong = "G2249" brought|strong = "G1161"  
 you|strong = "G5210" does|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756"  
 waver|strong = "H5110" between|strong = "G4314" 'Yes'  
 and|strong = "G2532" 'No'! 19 The|strong = "G1722" Son|strong = "G5207"  
 of|strong = "G5207" God|strong = "G2316", Christ|strong = "G5547"



Jesus|strong="G2424", whom|strong="G3588" we|strong="G2249" – Silas, Timothy|strong="G5095", and|strong="G2532" I|strong="G1473" – proclaimed|strong="G2784" among|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210", never|strong="G3756" wavered between|strong="G1722" ‘Yes’ and|strong="G2532” ‘No|strong="G3756”.’ With|strong="G1722” him|strong="G3588” it|strong="G2532” has|strong="G2316” always|strong="G1223” been|strong="G1096” ‘Yes|strong="G3483”.’ <sup>20</sup> For|strong="G1063”, many|strong="G3745” as|strong="G3745” were|strong="G3588” the|strong="G1722” promises|strong="G1860” of|strong="G1223” God|strong="G2316”, in|strong="G1722” Christ is|strong="G3588” the|strong="G1722” ‘Yes’ that|strong="G3588” fulfills|strong="H7521” them|strong="G3588”.

Therefore|strong="G1352”, through|strong="G1223” Christ again|strong="G2532”, let|strong="G1063” the|strong="G1722” ‘Amen’ rise|strong="H6965”, through|strong="G1223” us|strong="G2249”, to|strong="G4314” the|strong="G1722” glory|strong="G1391” of|strong="G1223” God|strong="G2316”. <sup>21</sup> God|strong="G2316” who|strong="G3588” brings|strong="G1519” us|strong="G1519”, with|strong="G4862” you|strong="G5210”, into|strong="G1519” close|strong="H5980” union|strong="H2260” with|strong="G4862” Christ|strong="G5547”, and|strong="G2532” who|strong="G3588” consecrated|strong="H6942” us|strong="G1519”, <sup>22</sup> also|strong="G2532” set|strong="G4972” his|strong="G1722” seal|strong="G4972” on|strong="G1722” us|strong="G1325”, and|strong="G2532” gave|strong="G1325” us|strong="G1325” his|strong="G1722” Spirit|strong="G4151” in|strong="G1722” our|strong="G2532” hearts|strong="G2588” as|strong="G1722” a|strong="G2532” pledge|strong="H2254” of|strong="G4151” future|strong="H0319” blessings|strong="H1293”.

<sup>23</sup>But|strong="G1161”, as|strong="G1519” my|strong="G1699” life|strong="G5590” will|strong="G2316” answer|strong="H6030” for|strong="G3754” it|strong="G3754”, I|strong="G1473” call|strong="G1941” God|strong="G2316” to|strong="G1519” witness|strong="G3144” that|strong="G3754” it|strong="G3754” was|strong="G3588” to|strong="G1519” spare|strong="G5339” you|strong="G5210” that|strong="G3754” I|strong="G1473” deferred|strong="H4900” my|strong="G1699” visit|strong="G2064” to|strong="G1519” Corinth|strong="G2882”. <sup>24</sup> I|strong="G1063” do|strong="G1510” not|strong="G3756” mean|strong="G1510” that|strong="G3754” we|strong="G3754” are|strong="G1510” to|strong="G3756” dictate to|strong="G3756” you|strong="G5210” with|strong="G3756” regard|strong="H6437” to|strong="G3756” your|strong="G3588” faith|strong="G4102”; on|strong="G2476” the|strong="G3588” contrary|strong="H7147”, we|strong="G3754”

work|strong="H4399" with|strong="G3756" you|strong="G5210"  
 for|strong="G1063" your|strong="G3588" true|strong="G3588"  
 happiness|strong="H8057"; indeed|strong="G1063", it|strong="G3754"  
 is|strong="G1510" through|strong="G5210" your|strong="G3588"  
 faith|strong="G4102" that|strong="G3754" you|strong="G5210"  
 are|strong="G1510" standing|strong="G2476" firm|strong="G2476".

2For|strong="G1063" my|strong="G1722" own|strong="G1683"  
 sake|strong="G1683", as|strong="G1722" well|strong="G1063",  
 I|strong="G1161" decided|strong="G2919" not|strong="G3361"  
 to|strong="G4314" pay|strong="H7999" you|strong="G5210"  
 another|strong="G3825" painful|strong="G1722" visit|strong="G2064".

2 If|strong="G1487" it|strong="G2532" is|strong="G3588"  
 I|strong="G1473" who|strong="G5101" cause|strong="G3588"  
 you|strong="G5210" pain|strong="H4341", why|strong="G5101",  
 who|strong="G5101" is|strong="G3588" there|strong="G2532"  
 to|strong="G2532" cheer|strong="H2895" me|strong="G1473",  
 except|strong="G1487" the|strong="G2532" person|strong="G5101"  
 whom|strong="G5101" I|strong="G1473" am|strong="G1473" paining? 3

So|strong="G2443" I|strong="G1473" wrote|strong="G1125"  
 as|strong="G2532" I|strong="G1473" did|strong="G2532"  
 because|strong="G3754" I|strong="G1473" was|strong="G1510"  
 afraid|strong="H3372" that|strong="G3754" if|strong="G2532"  
 I|strong="G1473" had|strong="G2192" come|strong="G2064",  
 I|strong="G1473" should|strong="G1163" have|strong="G2192"  
 been|strong="G1510" pained|strong="H2342" by|strong="G1909"  
 those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3739" ought|strong="G1163"  
 to|strong="G2443" have|strong="G2192" made|strong="G3982"  
 me|strong="G1473" glad|strong="G5463"; for|strong="G3754"  
 I|strong="G1473" felt|strong="G1510" sure|strong="G3982"  
 that|strong="G3754" it|strong="G2532" was|strong="G1510"  
 true|strong="G3588" of|strong="G2532" you|strong="G5210"  
 all|strong="G3956" that|strong="G3754" my|strong="G1699"  
 joy|strong="G5479" was|strong="G1510" in|strong="G1909"  
 every|strong="G3956" case|strong="G3588" yours|strong="G4771"  
 also|strong="G2532". 4 I|strong="G3739" wrote|strong="G1125"  
 to|strong="G1519" you|strong="G5210" in|strong="G1519"  
 sore|strong="G4183" trouble|strong="G2347" and|strong="G2532"  
 distress|strong="G2347" of|strong="G1537" heart|strong="G2588"  
 and|strong="G2532" with|strong="G1537" many|strong="G4183"  
 tears|strong="G1144", not|strong="G3756" to|strong="G1519"  
 give|strong="G2192" you|strong="G5210" pain|strong="H4341",  
 but|strong="G2532" to|strong="G1519" let|strong="G1097"  
 you|strong="G5210" see|strong="G1097" how|strong="G1097"  
 intense|strong="H7068" a|strong="G2192" love|strong="H0157"

I have you for you.

Now whoever has caused much as to too every you to has punished penalty the you take course and or may by his I to of I further in out might on obedient<sup>10</sup> Anyone I too my I (if had

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anything|strong="G5100"), I|strong="G1473" have|strong="G2532"  
 forgiven|strong="G5483" for|strong="G1063" your|strong="G1223"  
 sakes|strong="G1223", in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722"  
 presence|strong="G4383" of|strong="G1223" Christ|strong="G5547", <sup>11</sup>  
 so|strong="G2443" as|strong="G1063" to|strong="G2443"  
 prevent|strong="H6923" Satan|strong="G4567" from|strong="G5259"  
 taking|strong="H3947" advantage|strong="G4122" of|strong="G5259"  
 us|strong="H5414"; for|strong="G1063" we|strong="G1063"  
 are|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756" ignorant|strong="G3361"  
 of|strong="G5259" his|strong="G5259" devices|strong="G3540".

<sup>12</sup>When|strong="G1161" I|strong="G1473" went|strong="G2064"  
 to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G1722" district|strong="H6418"  
 around|strong="H5439" Troas|strong="G5174" to|strong="G1519"  
 tell|strong="H5046" the|strong="G1722" good|strong="G3588"  
 news|strong="G2098" of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G1722"  
 Christ|strong="G5547", even|strong="G2532" though|strong="G2532"  
 there|strong="G2532" was|strong="G3588" an|strong="G2532"  
 opening|strong="H6310" for|strong="G1519" serving|strong="H5647"  
 the|strong="G1722" Master|strong="G2962", <sup>13</sup> I|strong="G1473"  
 could|strong="G2192" get|strong="G2192" no|strong="G3756"  
 peace|strong="H7965" of|strong="G4151" mind|strong="H3820"  
 because|strong="G2192" I|strong="G1473" failed|strong="G3756"  
 to|strong="G1519" find|strong="G2147" Titus|strong="G5103",  
 my|strong="G1473" friend|strong="H7453"; so|strong="G1519"  
 I|strong="G1473" took|strong="G2192" leave|strong="G1831"  
 of|strong="G4151" the|strong="G1519" people|strong="G3361"  
 there|strong="G3361", and|strong="G4151" went|strong="G1831"  
 on|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519" Macedonia|strong="G3109". <sup>14</sup>  
 All|strong="G3956" thanks|strong="G5485" to|strong="G2532"  
 God|strong="G2316", who|strong="G3588", through|strong="G1223"  
 our|strong="G2316" union|strong="H2260" with|strong="G1722"  
 the|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547", leads|strong="G2358"  
 us|strong="G2249" in|strong="G1722" one|strong="G3956"  
 continual|strong="H8548" triumph|strong="G2358", and|strong="G2532"  
 uses|strong="H5647" us|strong="G2249" to|strong="G2532"  
 spread|strong="H6566" the|strong="G1722" sweet|strong="G3744"  
 perfume|strong="H7004" of|strong="G1223" the|strong="G1722"  
 knowledge|strong="G1108" of|strong="G1223" him|strong="G3588"  
 in|strong="G1722" every|strong="G3956" place|strong="G5117". <sup>15</sup>  
 For|strong="G3754" we|strong="G3754" are|strong="G1510"  
 the|strong="G1722" fragrance|strong="G2175" of|strong="G2316"  
 Christ|strong="G5547" ascending|strong="H5927" to|strong="G2532"  
 God|strong="G2316" – both|strong="G2532" among|strong="G1722"  
 those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588" are|strong="G1510"

in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" path|strong = "H0734"  
of|strong = "G2316" salvation|strong = "G4982" and|strong = "G2532"  
among|strong = "G1722" those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3588"  
are|strong = "G1510" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
path|strong = "H0734" to|strong = "G2532" ruin|strong = "H2723". <sup>16</sup>  
To|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" latter|strong = "G3303"  
we|strong = "G3739" are|strong = "G3739" a|strong = "G2532"  
stench|strong = "H0889" which|strong = "G3739" arises|strong = "H6965"  
from|strong = "G1537" death|strong = "G2288" and|strong = "G2532"  
tells|strong = "H1696" of|strong = "G1537" death|strong = "G2288";  
to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" former|strong = "H7223"  
a|strong = "G2532" fragrance|strong = "G3744" which|strong = "G3739"  
arises|strong = "H6965" from|strong = "G1537" life|strong = "G2222"  
and|strong = "G2532" tells|strong = "H1696" of|strong = "G1537"  
life|strong = "G2222". But|strong = "G1161" who|strong = "G3739"  
is|strong = "G5101" equal|strong = "H8505" to|strong = "G1519"  
such|strong = "G3778" a|strong = "G2532" task|strong = "H6045"? <sup>17</sup>  
Unlike|strong = "H3808" many|strong = "G4183" people|strong = "G1510",  
we|strong = "G1063" are|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756"  
in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" habit|strong = "H5056"  
of|strong = "G1537" making|strong = "H6213" profit|strong = "H3276"  
out|strong = "G1537" of|strong = "G1537" God's|strong = "G2316"  
message|strong = "G3056"; but|strong = "G1063" in|strong = "G1722"  
all|strong = "G1722" sincerity|strong = "G1505", and|strong = "G2316"  
bearing|strong = "H5375" God's|strong = "G2316"  
commission|strong = "H6680", we|strong = "G1063" speak|strong = "G2980"  
before|strong = "G1722" him|strong = "G3588" in|strong = "G1722"  
union|strong = "H2260" with|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547".

3Are|strong = "G5210" we|strong = "G5613" beginning|strong = "H7225"  
to|strong = "G4314" commend|strong = "G4921" ourselves|strong = "G1438"  
again|strong = "G3825"? Or|strong = "G2228" are|strong = "G5210"  
we|strong = "G5613" like|strong = "G5613" some|strong = "G5100"  
who|strong = "G5100" need|strong = "G5535" letters|strong = "G1992"  
of|strong = "G1537" commendation|strong = "G4956" to|strong = "G4314"  
you|strong = "G5210", or|strong = "G2228" from|strong = "G1537"  
you|strong = "G5210"? <sup>2</sup> You|strong = "G5210" yourselves|strong = "G4771"  
are|strong = "G1510" our|strong = "G2532" letter|strong = "G1992" –  
a|strong = "G2532" letter|strong = "G1992" written|strong = "G1449"  
on|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2532" hearts|strong = "G2588",  
and|strong = "G2532" one|strong = "G3956" which|strong = "G3588"  
everybody|strong = "H0120" can|strong = "H4310" read|strong = "H7121"  
and|strong = "G2532" understand|strong = "G1097". <sup>3</sup> All|strong = "G1722"  
can|strong = "H4310" see|strong = "H7200" that|strong = "G3754"  
you|strong = "G3754" are|strong = "G1510" a|strong = "G1722"

letter|strong = "G1992" from|strong = "G5259" Christ|strong = "G5547" delivered|strong = "G1247" by|strong = "G1722" us|strong = "G2249", a|strong = "G1722" letter|strong = "G1992" written|strong = "G1449", not|strong = "G3756" with|strong = "G1722" ink|strong = "G3188", but|strong = "G2316" with|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" Spirit|strong = "G4151" of|strong = "G5259" the|strong = "G1722" living|strong = "G2198" God|strong = "G2316", not|strong = "G3756" on|strong = "G1722" tablets|strong = "G4109" of|strong = "G5259" stone|strong = "G3035", but|strong = "G2316" on|strong = "G1722" tablets|strong = "G4109" of|strong = "G5259" human|strong = "G4560" hearts|strong = "G2588".  
The|strong = "G1722" Ministry|strong = "H5656" of|strong = "G5259" the|strong = "G1722" Apostles

4This|strong = "G3588", then|strong = "G1161", is|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1161" confidence|strong = "G4006" in|strong = "G2316" regard|strong = "G2192" to|strong = "G4314" God|strong = "G2316" that|strong = "G3588" we|strong = "G1161" have|strong = "G2192" gained|strong = "H1214" through|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1161" Christ|strong = "G5547". <sup>5</sup> I|strong = "G1473" do|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756" mean|strong = "G1510" that|strong = "G3754" we|strong = "G2249" are|strong = "G1510" fit|strong = "G2425" to|strong = "G3756" form|strong = "H8389" any|strong = "G5100" judgment|strong = "H4941" by|strong = "G1537" ourselves|strong = "G1438", as|strong = "G5613" if|strong = "G5613" on|strong = "G1537" our|strong = "G2316" own|strong = "G1438" authority|strong = "H3027"; <sup>6</sup> our|strong = "G2532" fitness comes|strong = "G2532" from|strong = "G2532" God|strong = "G2532", who|strong = "G3739" himself|strong = "H5315" made|strong = "G2427" us|strong = "G2427" fit|strong = "H6257" to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G2532" assistants of|strong = "G4151" a|strong = "G2532" new|strong = "G2537" covenant|strong = "G1242", of|strong = "G4151" which|strong = "G3739" the|strong = "G2532" substance|strong = "H7399" is|strong = "G3588", not|strong = "G3756" a|strong = "G2532" written|strong = "G1121" Law|strong = "H8451", but|strong = "G1161" a|strong = "G2532" Spirit|strong = "G4151".  
For|strong = "G1063" the|strong = "G2532" written|strong = "G1121" Law|strong = "H8451" means|strong = "H3027" death|strong = "H4194", but|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G2532" Spirit|strong = "G4151" gives|strong = "G2227" life|strong = "G2227".

7If|strong = "G1487" the|strong = "G1722" system of|strong = "G5207" religion which|strong = "G3588" involved death|strong = "G2288", embodied in|strong = "G1722" a|strong = "G1096" written|strong = "G1121" Law|strong = "H8451" and|strong = "G1161" engraved|strong = "G1795" on|strong = "G1722" stones|strong = "G3037", began|strong = "G1096"

amid|strong = "G1722" such|strong = "G5620" glory|strong = "G1391",  
 that|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1722" Israelites|strong = "H3478"  
 were|strong = "G3588" unable|strong = "G3361" to|strong = "G1519"  
 gaze|strong = "H5027" at|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
 face|strong = "G4383" of|strong = "G5207" Moses|strong = "G3475"  
 because|strong = "G1223" of|strong = "G5207" its|strong = "G1223"  
 glory|strong = "G1391", though|strong = "G1487" it|strong = "G1161"  
 was|strong = "G1096" but|strong = "G1161" a|strong = "G1096"  
 passing|strong = "G2673" glory|strong = "G1391", <sup>8</sup> will|strong = "G1510"  
 not|strong = "G3780" the|strong = "G1722" religion that|strong = "G3588"  
 confers the|strong = "G1722" Spirit|strong = "G4151" have|strong = "G1510"  
 still|strong = "G3123" greater|strong = "G3123" glory|strong = "G1391"? <sup>9</sup>  
 For|strong = "G1063", if|strong = "G1487" there|strong = "G1063"  
 was|strong = "G3588" a|strong = "G1487" glory|strong = "G1391"  
 in|strong = "G4052" the|strong = "G3588" religion that|strong = "G3588"  
 involved condemnation|strong = "G2633", far|strong = "G3123"  
 greater|strong = "G4183" is|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G3588"  
 glory|strong = "G1391" of|strong = "G1391" the|strong = "G3588" religion  
 that|strong = "G3588" confers righteousness|strong = "G1343"! <sup>10</sup>  
 Indeed|strong = "G2532", that|strong = "G3588" which|strong = "G3588"  
 then|strong = "G2532" had|strong = "G2532" glory|strong = "G1391"  
 has|strong = "G3778" lost|strong = "H0006" its|strong = "H3605"  
 glory|strong = "G1391", because|strong = "G1063" of|strong = "G2532"  
 the|strong = "G1722" glory|strong = "G1391" which|strong = "G3588"  
 surpasses|strong = "G5235" it|strong = "G2532". <sup>11</sup> And|strong = "G1391",  
 if|strong = "G1487" that|strong = "G3588" which|strong = "G3588"  
 was|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G1722" pass|strong = "H5674"  
 away|strong = "G2673" was|strong = "G3588" attended|strong = "H8334"  
 with|strong = "G1722" glory|strong = "G1391", far|strong = "G3123"  
 more|strong = "G3123" will|strong = "G4183" that|strong = "G3588"  
 which|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G1722"  
 endure|strong = "H5975" be|strong = "G3588" surrounded|strong = "G1722"  
 with|strong = "G1722" glory|strong = "G1391"!

12With|strong = "G2192" such|strong = "G5108" a|strong = "G2192"  
 hope|strong = "G1680" as|strong = "G5108" this|strong = "G2192",  
 we|strong = "G2192" speak|strong = "H1696" with|strong = "G2192"  
 all|strong = "G4183" plainness; <sup>13</sup> unlike|strong = "H3808"  
 Moses|strong = "G3475", who|strong = "G3588" covered|strong = "H3680"  
 his|strong = "G1438" face|strong = "G4383" with|strong = "G4314"  
 a|strong = "G2532" veil|strong = "G2571", to|strong = "G1519"  
 prevent|strong = "H6923" the|strong = "G2532" Israelites|strong = "H3478"  
 from|strong = "G2532" gazing|strong = "H7583" at|strong = "G1909"  
 the|strong = "G2532" disappearance of|strong = "G5207"  
 what|strong = "G3588" was|strong = "G3588" passing|strong = "G2532"

away|strong = "G2673". <sup>14</sup> But|strong = "G3361" their|strong = "G1722" minds|strong = "G3540" were|strong = "G3588" slow|strong = "H0750" to|strong = "G1909" learn|strong = "H3925". Indeed|strong = "G1063", to|strong = "G1909" this|strong = "G3588" very|strong = "G4594" day|strong = "G2250", at|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" public|strong = "H1121" reading|strong = "H7121" of|strong = "G2250" the|strong = "G1722" old|strong = "G3820" covenant|strong = "G1242", the|strong = "G1722" same|strong = "H1931" veil|strong = "G2571" remains|strong = "G3306"; only|strong = "H0389" for|strong = "G1063" those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G3588" in|strong = "G1722" union|strong = "H2260" with|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547" does|strong = "G3306" it|strong = "G3754" pass|strong = "H5674" away|strong = "G2673". <sup>15</sup> But|strong = "G3588", even|strong = "G2193" to|strong = "G1909" this|strong = "G3588" day|strong = "G4594", whenever|strong = "G2259" Moses|strong = "G3475" is|strong = "G3588" read|strong = "H7121", a|strong = "G1909" veil|strong = "G2571" lies|strong = "G2749" on|strong = "G1909" their|strong = "G3588" hearts|strong = "G2588". <sup>16</sup> Yet|strong = "G1161", whenever|strong = "G1437" someone|strong = "H0376" turns|strong = "G1994" to|strong = "G4314" the|strong = "G1161" Lord|strong = "G2962", the|strong = "G1161" veil|strong = "G2571" is|strong = "G3588" removed|strong = "H5493". <sup>17</sup> And|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G1161" Lord|strong = "G2962" is|strong = "G1510" the|strong = "G1161" Spirit|strong = "G4151", and|strong = "G1161", where|strong = "G3757" the|strong = "G1161" Spirit|strong = "G4151" of|strong = "G4151" the|strong = "G1161" Lord|strong = "G2962" is|strong = "G1510", there|strong = "G1161" is|strong = "G1510" freedom|strong = "G1657". <sup>18</sup> And|strong = "G1161" all|strong = "G3956" of|strong = "G4151" us|strong = "G1519", with|strong = "G1519" faces|strong = "G4383" from|strong = "G3588" which|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1519" veil|strong = "H6532" is|strong = "G3588" lifted|strong = "H5375", seeing|strong = "H7200", as|strong = "G1519" if|strong = "G1161" reflected|strong = "H6437" in|strong = "G1519" a|strong = "G1519" mirror|strong = "G2734", the|strong = "G1519" glory|strong = "G1391" of|strong = "G4151" the|strong = "G1519" Lord|strong = "G2962", are|strong = "G3588" being|strong = "G1161" transformed|strong = "G3339" into|strong = "G1519" his|strong = "G3956" likeness|strong = "G1504", from|strong = "G3588" glory|strong = "G1391" to|strong = "G1519" glory|strong = "G1391", as|strong = "G1519" it|strong = "G1161" is|strong = "G3588" given|strong = "H5414" by|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G1519" Lord|strong = "G2962", the|strong = "G1519" Spirit|strong = "G4151".

4Therefore|strong = "G1223", since|strong = "G2192" it|strong = "G3778" is|strong = "G3588" by|strong = "G1223" God's|strong = "H0430"



mercy|strong = "G1653" that|strong = "G3588" we|strong = "G2192"  
 are|strong = "G3588" engaged|strong = "H0781" in|strong = "G1223"  
 this|strong = "G3778" ministry|strong = "G1248", we|strong = "G2192"  
 do|strong = "G2192" not|strong = "G3756" lose|strong = "H0622"  
 heart|strong = "H3820". <sup>2</sup> No|strong = "G3361", we|strong = "G1722"  
 have|strong = "G3956" renounced the|strong = "G1722" secrecy  
 prompted|strong = "H7971" by|strong = "G1722" shame|strong = "H0954",  
 refusing|strong = "H3985" to|strong = "G4314" adopt crafty|strong = "H6175"  
 ways|strong = "H1870", or|strong = "G3366" to|strong = "G4314" tamper  
 with|strong = "G1722" God's|strong = "G2316" message|strong = "G3056",  
 and|strong = "G2316" commending|strong = "G4921"  
 ourselves|strong = "G1438" to|strong = "G4314" everyone's|strong = "G3956"  
 conscience|strong = "G4893", in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
 sight|strong = "G1799" of|strong = "G3056" God|strong = "G2316",  
 by|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2316" exhibition of|strong = "G3056"  
 the|strong = "G1722" truth|strong = "H0571". <sup>3</sup> And|strong = "G2532",  
 even|strong = "G2532" if|strong = "G1487" the|strong = "G1722"  
 good|strong = "G3588" news|strong = "G2098" that|strong = "G3588"  
 we|strong = "G2249" bring|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G1510"  
 veiled|strong = "G2572", it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G1510"  
 veiled|strong = "G2572" only|strong = "G1487" in|strong = "G1722"  
 the|strong = "G1722" case|strong = "G3588" of|strong = "G2532"  
 those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G1510"  
 on|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" path|strong = "H0734"  
 to|strong = "G2532" ruin|strong = "H2723" – <sup>4</sup> people|strong = "G1510"  
 whose|strong = "G3739" minds|strong = "G3540" have|strong = "G1510"  
 been|strong = "G1510" blinded|strong = "G5186" by|strong = "G1722"  
 the|strong = "G1722" God|strong = "G2316" of|strong = "G2316"  
 this|strong = "G3778" age|strong = "H3117", unbelievers as|strong = "G1519"  
 they|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G1510", so|strong = "G1519"  
 that|strong = "G3739" the|strong = "G1722" light|strong = "G5462"  
 from|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1722" good|strong = "G3588"  
 news|strong = "G2098" of|strong = "G2316" the|strong = "G1722"  
 glory|strong = "G1391" of|strong = "G2316" the|strong = "G1722"  
 Christ|strong = "G5547", who|strong = "G3739" is|strong = "G1510"  
 the|strong = "G1722" incarnation of|strong = "G2316" God|strong = "G2316",  
 should|strong = "G2316" not|strong = "G3361" shine|strong = "H0215"  
 for|strong = "G1519" them|strong = "G3588". <sup>5</sup> (For|strong = "G1063"  
 it|strong = "G1161" is|strong = "G5547" not|strong = "G3756"  
 ourselves|strong = "G1438" that|strong = "G1161" we|strong = "G1063"  
 proclaim|strong = "G2784", but|strong = "G1161" Christ|strong = "G5547"  
 Jesus|strong = "G2424", as|strong = "G1161" Lord|strong = "G2962",  
 and|strong = "G1161" ourselves|strong = "G1438" as|strong = "G1161"  
 your|strong = "G1223" servants|strong = "G1401" for|strong = "G1063"  
 Jesus'|strong = "G2424" sake|strong = "G1223".) <sup>6</sup> Indeed|strong = "H3588",  
 the|strong = "G1722" same|strong = "G3739" God|strong = "G2316"

who|strong = "G3739" said|strong = "G3004" 'Out|strong = "G1537" of|strong = "G1537" darkness|strong = "G4655" light|strong = "G5457" will|strong = "G2316" shine|strong = "G2989", has|strong = "G2316" shone|strong = "G2989" in|strong = "G1722" on|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2316" hearts|strong = "G2588", so|strong = "G4314" that|strong = "G3754" we|strong = "G2249" should|strong = "G2316" bring|strong = "G3004" out|strong = "G1537" into|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" light|strong = "G5457" the|strong = "G1722" knowledge|strong = "G1108" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1722" glory|strong = "G1391" of|strong = "G1537" God|strong = "G2316", seen|strong = "H7200" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" face|strong = "G4383" of|strong = "G1537" Christ|strong = "G5547".

7This|strong = "G3778" treasure|strong = "G2344" we|strong = "G2249" have|strong = "G2192" in|strong = "G1722" these|strong = "G3778" earthen|strong = "G3749" vessels|strong = "G4632", so|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G2443" its|strong = "G1537" all-prevailing power|strong = "G1411" may|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510" seen|strong = "H7200" to|strong = "G2443" come|strong = "G1510" from|strong = "G1537" God|strong = "G2316", and|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3361" to|strong = "G2443" be|strong = "G1510" our|strong = "G2316" own|strong = "H1961". <sup>8</sup> Though|strong = "G1722" hard|strong = "H7186" pressed|strong = "H6555" on|strong = "G1722" every|strong = "G3956" side|strong = "G3956", we|strong = "G1722" are|strong = "G3956" never|strong = "G3756" hemmed in|strong = "G1722"; though|strong = "G1722" perplexed|strong = "H0943", never|strong = "G3756" driven|strong = "H5080" to|strong = "G1722" despair|strong = "G1820"; <sup>9</sup> though|strong = "H3588" pursued|strong = "H7291", never|strong = "G3756" abandoned|strong = "G1459"; though|strong = "H3588" struck|strong = "G2598" down|strong = "G2598", never|strong = "G3756" killed|strong = "H2026"! <sup>10</sup> We|strong = "G2249" always|strong = "G3842" bear|strong = "G2443" on|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2424" bodies|strong = "G4983" the|strong = "G1722" marks|strong = "H3793" of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G1722" death|strong = "H4194" that|strong = "G2443" Jesus|strong = "G2424" died|strong = "G3588", so|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G2443" the|strong = "G1722" life|strong = "G2222" also|strong = "G2532" of|strong = "G2532" Jesus|strong = "G2424" may|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G2532" exhibited|strong = "H7760" in|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2424" bodies|strong = "G4983". <sup>11</sup> Indeed|strong = "G2532", we|strong = "G2249" who|strong = "G3588" still|strong = "H5750" live|strong = "G2198" are|strong = "G3588" continually|strong = "G1223" being|strong = "G2532" given|strong = "G3860" over|strong = "G3860" to|strong = "G1519" death|strong = "G2288" for|strong = "G1063" Jesus'|strong = "G2424"

sake|strong="G1223", so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443"  
the|strong="G1722" life|strong="G2222" also|strong="G2532"  
of|strong="G1223" Jesus|strong="G2424" may|strong="G2532"  
be|strong="G2532" exhibited|strong="H7760" in|strong="G1722"  
our|strong="G2424" mortal|strong="G2349" nature. <sup>12</sup>  
And|strong="G1161" so|strong="G1161", while|strong="G1722"  
death|strong="G2288" is|strong="G3588" at|strong="G1722"  
work|strong="G1754" within|strong="G1722" us|strong="G2249",  
life|strong="G2222" is|strong="G3588" at|strong="G1722"  
work|strong="G1754" within|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210". <sup>13</sup>  
But|strong="G1161", in|strong="G2596" the|strong="G2532"  
same|strong="G2532" spirit|strong="G4151" of|strong="G4151"  
faith|strong="G4102" as|strong="G1161" that|strong="G3588"  
expressed|strong="H5344" in|strong="G2596" the|strong="G2532"  
words|strong="G2532" – ‘I|strong="G1473" believed|strong="G4100”,  
and|strong="G2532" therefore|strong="G1352" I|strong="G1473"  
spoke|strong="G2980”, we|strong="G2249”, also|strong="G2532"  
believe|strong="G4100”, and|strong="G2532" therefore|strong="G1352"  
speak|strong="G2980”. <sup>14</sup> For|strong="G3754" we|strong="G2249"  
know|strong="G1492" that|strong="G3754" he|strong="G2532"  
who|strong="G3588" raised|strong="G1453" the|strong="G2532"  
Lord|strong="G2962" Jesus|strong="G2424" will|strong="G2532"  
raise|strong="G1453" us|strong="G2249" also|strong="G2532"  
with|strong="G4862" him|strong="G3588”, and|strong="G2532"  
will|strong="G2532" bring|strong="G3936" us|strong="G2249”,  
with|strong="G4862" you|strong="G5210”, into|strong="G2424"  
his|strong="G2532" presence|strong="H6440”. <sup>15</sup> For|strong="G1063"  
all|strong="G3956" this|strong="G3588" is|strong="G3588"  
for|strong="G1063" your|strong="G1223" sakes|strong="G1223”,  
so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" the|strong="G1519"  
loving|strong="H0157" kindness|strong="H2617" of|strong="G1223"  
God|strong="G2316”, spreading|strong="G4121" from|strong="G3588"  
heart|strong="H3820" to|strong="G1519" heart|strong="H3820”,  
may|strong="G2443" cause|strong="G1223" yet|strong="G1063"  
more|strong="G4119" hearts|strong="H3820" to|strong="G1519"  
overflow|strong="G4052" with|strong="G1223"  
thanksgiving|strong="G2169”, to|strong="G1519" his|strong="G3956"  
glory|strong="G1391”.

16Therefore|strong="G1352”, as|strong="G2532" I|strong="G1473"  
said|strong="G2532”, we|strong="G2249" do|strong="G2532"  
not|strong="G3756" lose|strong="H0622" heart|strong="H3820”.  
No|strong="G3756”, even|strong="G2532" though|strong="G1487"  
outwardly we|strong="G2249" are|strong="G3588"  
wasting|strong="H7332" away|strong="G1854”, yet|strong="G2532”

inwardly|strong = "H7130" we|strong = "G2249" are|strong = "G3588"  
 being|strong = "G2532" renewed|strong = "H2318" day|strong = "G2250"  
 by|strong = "G2532" day|strong = "G2250". <sup>17</sup> The|strong = "G1519"  
 light|strong = "G1645" burden|strong = "H4853" of|strong = "G1391"  
 our|strong = "G2596" momentary|strong = "G3910" trouble|strong = "G2347"  
 is|strong = "G3588" preparing|strong = "H6213" for|strong = "G1063"  
 us|strong = "G1519" a|strong = "G1519" weight|strong = "H4948"  
 of|strong = "G1391" imperishable glory|strong = "G1391",  
 beyond|strong = "G1519" all|strong = "G2596" measure|strong = "G5236".  
<sup>18</sup> We|strong = "G2249", all|strong = "G3361" the|strong = "G1161"  
 while|strong = "G1161", gaze|strong = "H5027" not|strong = "G3361"  
 on|strong = "G1161" what|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588"  
 seen|strong = "H7200", but|strong = "G1161" on|strong = "G1161"  
 what|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588" unseen. For|strong = "G1063"  
 what|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588" seen|strong = "H7200"  
 is|strong = "G3588" transient|strong = "H2310", but|strong = "G1161"  
 what|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588" unseen is|strong = "G3588"  
 imperishable.

5For|strong = "G1063" we|strong = "G2249" know|strong = "G1492"  
 that|strong = "G3754" if|strong = "G1437" our|strong = "G2316"  
 tent|strong = "G4636" – that|strong = "G3754" earthly|strong = "G1919"  
 body|strong = "H1320" which|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588"  
 now|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2316" home|strong = "G3614" –  
 is|strong = "G3588" taken|strong = "H3947" down|strong = "G2647",  
 we|strong = "G2249" have|strong = "G2192" a|strong = "G2192"  
 house|strong = "G3614" of|strong = "G1537" God's|strong = "G2316"  
 building|strong = "G3619", a|strong = "G2192" home|strong = "G3614"  
 not|strong = "G2192" made|strong = "G2316" by|strong = "G1722"  
 hands|strong = "H3027", imperishable, in|strong = "G1722"  
 heaven|strong = "G3772". <sup>2</sup> Even|strong = "G2532" while|strong = "G1722"  
 in|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2532" present|strong = "G3778"  
 body|strong = "H1320" we|strong = "G2249" sigh|strong = "G4727",  
 longing|strong = "G1971" to|strong = "G2532" put|strong = "G2532"  
 over|strong = "G1537" it|strong = "G2532" our|strong = "G2532"  
 heavenly|strong = "G3772" house|strong = "G3613", <sup>3</sup> sure|strong = "H0539"  
 that|strong = "G2532", when|strong = "G2532" we|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2532" put|strong = "G1746" it|strong = "G2532"  
 on|strong = "G1746", we|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2532"  
 never|strong = "G3756" be|strong = "G2532" found|strong = "G2147"  
 naked|strong = "G1131". <sup>4</sup> For|strong = "G1063" we|strong = "G3739"  
 who|strong = "G3739" are|strong = "G1510" in|strong = "G1722"  
 this|strong = "G3588" tent|strong = "G4636" sigh|strong = "G4727"  
 under|strong = "G5259" our|strong = "G2532" burden|strong = "H4853",  
 unwilling|strong = "G3756" to|strong = "G2443" take|strong = "G2532"

it|strong="G2532" off|strong="G1562", yet|strong="G2532"  
wishing|strong="G2309" to|strong="G2443" put|strong="G2532"  
our|strong="G2532" heavenly|strong="H8064" body|strong="H1320"  
over|strong="G1909" it|strong="G2532", so|strong="G2443"  
that|strong="G2443" all|strong="G2532" that|strong="G2443"  
is|strong="G1510" mortal|strong="G2349" may|strong="G2532"  
be|strong="G1510" absorbed in|strong="G1722" life|strong="G2222". <sup>5</sup>  
And|strong="G1161" he|strong="G1161" who|strong="G3588"  
has|strong="G2316" prepared|strong="G2716" us|strong="G1325"  
for|strong="G1519" this|strong="G3778" change|strong="H5162"  
is|strong="G3588" God|strong="G2316", who|strong="G3588"  
has|strong="G2316" also|strong="G1161" given|strong="G1325"  
us|strong="G1325" his|strong="G1519" Spirit|strong="G4151"  
as|strong="G1519" a|strong="G1519" pledge|strong="H2254".

6Therefore|strong="G3767" we|strong="G3754" are|strong="G3588"  
always|strong="G3842" confident|strong="G2292",  
knowing|strong="G1492" that|strong="G3754", while|strong="G1722"  
our|strong="G2532" home|strong="G1736" is|strong="G3588"  
in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" body|strong="G4983",  
we|strong="G3754" are|strong="G3588" absent|strong="G1553"  
from|strong="G2532" our|strong="G2532" home|strong="G1736"  
with|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" Lord|strong="G2962". <sup>7</sup>  
For|strong="G1063" we|strong="G1063" guide|strong="H5148"  
our|strong="G1223" lives|strong="H5315" by|strong="G1223"  
faith|strong="G4102", and|strong="G4102" not|strong="G3756"  
by|strong="G1223" what|strong="G1063" we|strong="G1063"  
see|strong="H7200". <sup>8</sup> And|strong="G2532" in|strong="G2532"  
this|strong="G3588" confidence|strong="G2292" we|strong="G2532"  
would|strong="G2532" gladly|strong="G2106" leave|strong="H5800"  
our|strong="G2532" home|strong="G1736" in|strong="G2532"  
the|strong="G2532" body|strong="G4983", and|strong="G2532"  
make|strong="G2532" our|strong="G2532" home|strong="G1736"  
with|strong="G4314" the|strong="G2532" Lord|strong="G2962". <sup>9</sup>  
Therefore|strong="G1352", whether|strong="G1535" in|strong="G2532"  
our|strong="G2532" home|strong="G1736" or|strong="G1535"  
absent|strong="G1553" from|strong="G2532" our|strong="G2532"  
home|strong="G1736", our|strong="G2532" one|strong="G2532"  
ambition|strong="G5389" is|strong="G1510" to|strong="G2532"  
please|strong="G2101" him|strong="G2532". <sup>10</sup> For|strong="G1063"  
at|strong="G4314" the|strong="G3956" court|strong="H2691"  
of|strong="G1223" the|strong="G3956" Christ|strong="G5547"  
we|strong="G2249" must|strong="G1163" all|strong="G3956"  
appear|strong="G5319" in|strong="G3956" our|strong="G5547"  
true|strong="G3588" characters, so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443"

each|strong = "G1538" may|strong = "G2443" reap|strong = "H7114"  
 the|strong = "G3956" results|strong = "H6529" of|strong = "G1223"  
 the|strong = "G3956" life|strong = "H5315" which|strong = "G3739"  
 he|strong = "G3739" has|strong = "G3739" lived|strong = "H3427"  
 in|strong = "G3956" the|strong = "G3956" body|strong = "G4983",  
 in|strong = "G3956" accordance|strong = "H5921" with|strong = "G4314"  
 his|strong = "G3956" actions|strong = "H5949" – whether|strong = "G1535"  
 good|strong = "G3956" or|strong = "G1535" worthless|strong = "H1100".

11Therefore|strong = "G3767", because|strong = "G1722"  
 we|strong = "G2532" know|strong = "G1492" the|strong = "G1722"  
 fear|strong = "G5401" inspired|strong = "H7307" by|strong = "G1722"  
 the|strong = "G1722" Lord|strong = "G2962", it|strong = "G2532"  
 is|strong = "G3588" true|strong = "G3588" that|strong = "G3588"  
 we|strong = "G2532" are|strong = "G3588" trying|strong = "H1156"  
 to|strong = "G2532" win|strong = "G3982" people|strong = "G1492"  
 over|strong = "G3982", but|strong = "G1161" our|strong = "G2316"  
 motives|strong = "H7307" are|strong = "G3588" plain|strong = "H4334"  
 to|strong = "G2532" God|strong = "G2316"; and|strong = "G2532"  
 I|strong = "G2532" hope|strong = "G1679" that|strong = "G3588"  
 in|strong = "G1722" your|strong = "G2962" inmost|strong = "H3629"  
 hearts|strong = "H3820" they|strong = "G2532" are|strong = "G3588"  
 plain|strong = "H4334" to|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G5210"  
 also|strong = "G2532". <sup>12</sup> We|strong = "G2249" are|strong = "G3588"  
 not|strong = "G3756" "commending|strong = "G4921"  
 ourselves|strong = "G1438" again|strong = "G3825" to|strong = "G4314"  
 you|strong = "G5210", but|strong = "G2532" rather|strong = "G3756"  
 are|strong = "G3588" giving|strong = "G1325" you|strong = "G5210"  
 cause|strong = "G1325" for|strong = "G1063" pride|strong = "G2745"  
 in|strong = "G1722" us|strong = "G1325", so|strong = "G2443"  
 that|strong = "G2443" you|strong = "G5210" may|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2192" an|strong = "G2192" answer|strong = "H6030"  
 ready|strong = "H3559" for|strong = "G1063" those|strong = "G3588"  
 who|strong = "G3588" pride|strong = "G2745" themselves|strong = "G1438"  
 on|strong = "G1722" appearances|strong = "G4383" and|strong = "G2532"  
 not|strong = "G3756" on|strong = "G1722" character|strong = "H6965". <sup>13</sup>  
 For|strong = "G1063", if|strong = "G1535" we|strong = "G1063"  
 were|strong = "G1839" "beside|strong = "G1839"  
 ourselves|strong = "G1839", it|strong = "G1063" was|strong = "G2316"  
 in|strong = "G2316" God's|strong = "G2316" service|strong = "H5656"!  
 If|strong = "G1535" we|strong = "G1063" are|strong = "G5210"  
 not|strong = "H3808" in|strong = "G2316" our|strong = "G2316"  
 senses|strong = "G1839", it|strong = "G1063" is|strong = "G2316"  
 in|strong = "G2316" yours|strong = "G4771"! <sup>14</sup> It|strong = "G1063"  
 is|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G3956" love|strong = "H0157"

of|strong = "G1520" the|strong = "G3956" Christ|strong = "G5547"  
 which|strong = "G3588" compels us|strong = "G2249",  
 when|strong = "G2919" we|strong = "G2249" reflect that|strong = "G3588",  
 as|strong = "G1063" one|strong = "G1520" died|strong = "G3588"  
 for|strong = "G1063" all|strong = "G3956", therefore|strong = "G1063"  
 all|strong = "G3956" died|strong = "G3588"; <sup>15</sup> and|strong = "G2532"  
 that|strong = "G3754" he|strong = "G2532" died|strong = "G3588"  
 for|strong = "G3754" all|strong = "G3956", so|strong = "G2443"  
 that|strong = "G3754" the|strong = "G2532" living|strong = "G2198"  
 should|strong = "G3588" no|strong = "G3371" longer|strong = "G3371"  
 live|strong = "G2198" for|strong = "G3754" themselves|strong = "G1438",  
 but|strong = "G2532" for|strong = "G3754" him|strong = "G3588"  
 who|strong = "G3588" died|strong = "G3588" and|strong = "G2532"  
 rose|strong = "G2532" for|strong = "G3754" them|strong = "G3588".

16For|strong = "G2532" ourselves|strong = "G2249",  
 then|strong = "G2532", from|strong = "G2532" this|strong = "G3588"  
 time|strong = "G3568" forward|strong = "H5265", we|strong = "G2249"  
 refuse|strong = "H3985" to|strong = "G2532" regard|strong = "H6437"  
 anyone|strong = "G3762" from|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532"  
 world's standpoint|strong = "G2596". Even|strong = "G2532"  
 if|strong = "G1487" we|strong = "G2249" once|strong = "H6471"  
 thought|strong = "H0559" of|strong = "G2532" Christ|strong = "G5547"  
 from|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" standpoint|strong = "G2596"  
 of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" world|strong = "H8398",  
 yet|strong = "G2532" now|strong = "G3568" we|strong = "G2249"  
 do|strong = "G1492" so|strong = "G2532" no|strong = "G3762"  
 longer|strong = "G3765". <sup>17</sup> Therefore|strong = "G5620",  
 if|strong = "G1487" anyone|strong = "G5100" is|strong = "G3588"  
 in|strong = "G1722" union|strong = "H2260" with|strong = "G1722"  
 Christ|strong = "G5547", he|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588"  
 a|strong = "G1096" new|strong = "G2537" being|strong = "G1096"!  
 His|strong = "G1722" old|strong = "H1121" life|strong = "H5315"  
 has|strong = "G1096" passed|strong = "G3588" away|strong = "G3928";  
 a|strong = "G1096" new|strong = "G2537" life|strong = "H5315"  
 has|strong = "G1096" begun|strong = "H2490"! <sup>18</sup> But|strong = "G1161"  
 all|strong = "G3956" this|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588"  
 the|strong = "G2532" work|strong = "G3956" of|strong = "G1537"  
 God|strong = "G2316", who|strong = "G3588" reconciled|strong = "G2644"  
 us|strong = "G1325" to|strong = "G2532" himself|strong = "G1438"  
 through|strong = "G1223" Christ|strong = "G5547", and|strong = "G2532"  
 gave|strong = "G1325" us|strong = "G1325" the|strong = "G2532"  
 ministry|strong = "G1248" of|strong = "G1537"  
 reconciliation|strong = "G2643" – <sup>19</sup> To|strong = "G2532"  
 proclaim|strong = "H7121" that|strong = "G3754" God|strong = "G2316",

in|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547", was|strong="G1510" reconciling|strong="G2644" the|strong="G1722" world|strong="G2889" to|strong="G2532" himself|strong="G1438", not|strong="G3361" reckoning|strong="H1875" people's|strong="H5971" offenses|strong="H2399" against|strong="G1722" them|strong="G3588", and|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3754" he|strong="G2532" had|strong="G2532" entrusted|strong="H6485" us|strong="G2249" with|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" message|strong="G3056" of|strong="G3056" this|strong="G3588" reconciliation|strong="G2643".

20It|strong="G1223" is|strong="G3588", then|strong="G3767", on|strong="G5228" Christ's|strong="G5547" behalf|strong="G5228" that|strong="G3588" we|strong="G2249" are|strong="G3588" acting|strong="H4603" as|strong="G5613" ambassadors|strong="G4243", God|strong="G2316", as|strong="G5613" it|strong="G1223" were|strong="G3588", appealing|strong="G3870" to|strong="G2316" you|strong="G5613" through|strong="G1223" us|strong="G2249". We|strong="G2249" implore|strong="G3870" you|strong="G5613" on|strong="G5228" Christ's|strong="G5547" behalf|strong="G5228" – Be|strong="G2316" reconciled|strong="G2644" to|strong="G2316" God|strong="G2316". <sup>21</sup> For|strong="G5228" our|strong="G2316" sake|strong="G5228" God|strong="G2316" made|strong="G4160" Christ, who|strong="G3588" was|strong="G1096" innocent|strong="H5355" of|strong="G2316" sin|strong="H2403", one|strong="G3588" with|strong="G1722" our|strong="G2316" sinfulness, so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" in|strong="G1722" him|strong="G3588" we|strong="G2249" might|strong="G2316" be|strong="G1096" made|strong="G4160" one|strong="G3588" with|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" righteousness|strong="G1343" of|strong="G2316" God|strong="G2316".

6Therefore|strong="G1161", as|strong="G1519" God's|strong="G2316" fellow|strong="H7453" workers|strong="H6466", we|strong="G2532" also|strong="G2532" appeal|strong="G3870" to|strong="G1519" you|strong="G5210" not|strong="G3361" to|strong="G1519" receive|strong="G1209" his|strong="G1519" loving|strong="H0157" kindness|strong="H2617" in|strong="G1519" vain|strong="G2756". <sup>2</sup> For|strong="G1063" he|strong="G2532" says|strong="G3004" –

‘ At|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" time|strong="G2540" for|strong="G1063" acceptance|strong="H7522" I|strong="G2532" listened|strong="G1873" to|strong="G2532" you|strong="G4771",

a nd|strong="G2532" on|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" day|strong="G2250" of|strong="G2250" deliverance|strong="G4991”



I|strong = "G2532" helped|strong = "H5826" you|strong = "G4771".'  
 Now|strong = "G3568" is|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G1722"  
 time|strong = "G2540" for|strong = "G1063" acceptance|strong = "H7522"!  
 Now|strong = "G3568" is|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G1722"  
 day|strong = "G2250" of|strong = "G2250" deliverance|strong = "G4991"! <sup>3</sup>  
 Never|strong = "G3361" do|strong = "G3361" we|strong = "G2443"  
 put|strong = "G1325" an|strong = "G1722" obstacle|strong = "H4383"  
 in|strong = "G1722" anyone's|strong = "H0120" way|strong = "G1722",  
 so|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G2443" no|strong = "G3361"  
 fault|strong = "G3469" may|strong = "G2443" be|strong = "G3361"  
 found|strong = "H4672" with|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G1722"  
 ministry|strong = "G1248". <sup>4</sup> No|strong = "G3956", we|strong = "G5613"  
 are|strong = "G3956" trying|strong = "H1156" to|strong = "G1722"  
 commend|strong = "G4921" ourselves|strong = "G1438"  
 under|strong = "G1722" all|strong = "G3956"  
 circumstances|strong = "G1722", as|strong = "G5613" God's|strong = "G2316"  
 assistants should|strong = "G2316" – in|strong = "G1722"  
 many|strong = "G4183" an|strong = "G1722" hour|strong = "H8160"  
 of|strong = "G2316" endurance|strong = "G5281", in|strong = "G1722"  
 troubles|strong = "G2347", in|strong = "G1722" hardships,  
 in|strong = "G1722" difficulties|strong = "G4730", <sup>5</sup> in|strong = "G1722"  
 floggings, in|strong = "G1722" imprisonments|strong = "G5438",  
 in|strong = "G1722" riots, in|strong = "G1722" toils|strong = "H5998",  
 in|strong = "G1722" sleepless nights|strong = "H3915", in|strong = "G1722"  
 hunger|strong = "G3521"; <sup>6</sup> by|strong = "G1722" purity|strong = "H2893",  
 by|strong = "G1722" knowledge|strong = "G1108", by|strong = "G1722"  
 patience|strong = "G3115", by|strong = "G1722" kindness,  
 by|strong = "G1722" holiness|strong = "H6944" of|strong = "G4151"  
 spirit|strong = "G4151", by|strong = "G1722" unfeigned  
 love|strong = "H0157"; <sup>7</sup> by|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1722"  
 message|strong = "G3056" of|strong = "G3056" truth|strong = "H0571",  
 and|strong = "G2532" by|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1722"  
 power|strong = "G1411" of|strong = "G3056" God|strong = "G2316";  
 by|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1722" weapons|strong = "G3696"  
 of|strong = "G3056" righteousness|strong = "G1343" in|strong = "G1722"  
 the|strong = "G1722" right|strong = "G1188" hand|strong = "G1188"  
 and|strong = "G2532" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
 left|strong = "H7604"; <sup>8</sup> amid|strong = "H8478" honor|strong = "G1391"  
 and|strong = "G2532" disrepute, amid|strong = "H8478"  
 slander|strong = "G1426" and|strong = "G2532" praise|strong = "G1391";  
 regarded|strong = "H2803" as|strong = "G5613" deceivers|strong = "G4108",  
 yet|strong = "G2532" proved|strong = "H0974" to|strong = "G2532"  
 be|strong = "G2532" true|strong = "H0571"; <sup>9</sup> as|strong = "G5613"  
 unknown|strong = "H3045", yet|strong = "G2532"  
 well-known|strong = "G1921"; as|strong = "G5613" at|strong = "G2532"  
 death's door|strong = "H6607", yet|strong = "G2532", see|strong = "G3708",

we|strong = "G2532" are|strong = "G2532" living|strong = "G2198";  
 as|strong = "G5613" chastised|strong = "H3256", yet|strong = "G2532"  
 not|strong = "G3361" killed|strong = "G2289"; <sup>10</sup> as|strong = "G5613"  
 saddened|strong = "G3076", yet|strong = "G2532" always|strong = "G3956"  
 rejoicing|strong = "G5463"; as|strong = "G5613" poor|strong = "G4434",  
 yet|strong = "G2532" enriching many|strong = "G4183"; as|strong = "G5613"  
 having|strong = "G2192" nothing|strong = "G3367", and|strong = "G2532"  
 yet|strong = "G2532" possessing|strong = "G2722" all|strong = "G3956"  
 things|strong = "G3956"!  
 The|strong = "G2532" Apostle and|strong = "G2532" his|strong = "G3956"  
 Converts|strong = "H7725"

11We|strong = "G2249" have|strong = "G1473" been|strong = "H1961"  
 speaking|strong = "H1696" freely|strong = "H5071" to|strong = "G4314"  
 you|strong = "G5210", dear|strong = "H3357" friends|strong = "H7453"  
 in|strong = "G4314" Corinth; we|strong = "G2249" have|strong = "G1473"  
 opened|strong = "G4115" our|strong = "G4314" heart|strong = "G2588"; <sup>12</sup>  
 there|strong = "G1161" is|strong = "G3588" room|strong = "H2315"  
 there|strong = "G1161" for|strong = "G1161" you|strong = "G5210",  
 yet|strong = "G1161" there|strong = "G1161" is|strong = "G3588"  
 not|strong = "G3756" room|strong = "H2315", in|strong = "G1722"  
 your|strong = "G1722" love|strong = "H0157", for|strong = "G1161"  
 us|strong = "G2249". <sup>13</sup> Can|strong = "G3004" you|strong = "G5210"  
 not|strong = "G2532" in|strong = "G2532" return|strong = "H7725" –  
 I|strong = "G2532" appeal|strong = "H6817" to|strong = "G2532"  
 you|strong = "G5210" as|strong = "G5613" I|strong = "G2532"  
 should|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G2532" children|strong = "G5043" –  
 open|strong = "G4115" your|strong = "G2532" hearts|strong = "H3820"  
 to|strong = "G2532" us|strong = "G3004"?"

14Do|strong = "G5101" not|strong = "G3361" enter|strong = "H0935"  
 into|strong = "G1096" inconsistent relations|strong = "H3045"  
 with|strong = "G4314" those|strong = "G1063" who|strong = "G5101"  
 reject|strong = "H3988" the|strong = "G2532" faith|strong = "H0539".  
 For|strong = "G1063" what|strong = "G5101" partnership|strong = "G3352"  
 can|strong = "G1063" there|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1096"  
 between|strong = "G4314" righteousness|strong = "G1343"  
 and|strong = "G2532" lawlessness? Or|strong = "G2228"  
 what|strong = "G5101" has|strong = "G5101" light|strong = "G5457"  
 to|strong = "G4314" do|strong = "G5101" with|strong = "G4314"  
 darkness|strong = "G4655"? <sup>15</sup> What|strong = "G5101"  
 harmony|strong = "G4857" can|strong = "H4310" there|strong = "G1161"  
 be|strong = "G5547" between|strong = "G4314" Christ|strong = "G5547"  
 and|strong = "G1161" Belial|strong = "H1100"? Or|strong = "G2228"  
 what|strong = "G5101" can|strong = "H4310" those|strong = "G1161"

who|strong = "G5101" accept|strong = "H7521" the|strong = "G1161"  
 faith|strong = "H0539" have|strong = "G5101" in|strong = "G4314"  
 common|strong = "G3310" with|strong = "G3326" those|strong = "G1161"  
 who|strong = "G5101" reject|strong = "H3988" it|strong = "G1161"? <sup>16</sup>  
 What|strong = "G5101" agreement|strong = "G4783" can|strong = "G3004"  
 there|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510" between|strong = "G1722"  
 a|strong = "G2532" temple|strong = "G3485" of|strong = "G2316"  
 God|strong = "G2316" and|strong = "G2532" idols|strong = "G1497"?  
 And|strong = "G2532" we|strong = "G2249" are|strong = "G1510"  
 a|strong = "G2532" temple|strong = "G3485" of|strong = "G2316"  
 the|strong = "G1722" living|strong = "G2198" God|strong = "G2316".  
 That|strong = "G3754" is|strong = "G1510" what|strong = "G5101"  
 God|strong = "G2316" meant|strong = "G1510" when|strong = "G1161"  
 he|strong = "G2532" said|strong = "G3004" –

‘ I|strong = "G1473" will|strong = "G2316" live|strong = "G2198"  
 among|strong = "G1722" them|strong = "G3588", and|strong = "G2532"  
 walk|strong = "G1704" among|strong = "G1722" them|strong = "G3588";

a nd|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G1473" will|strong = "G2316"  
 be|strong = "G1510" their|strong = "G2532" God|strong = "G2316",  
 and|strong = "G2532" they|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2316"  
 be|strong = "G1510" my|strong = "G1722" people|strong = "G2992".

<sup>17</sup>Therefore|strong = "G1352" "Come|strong = "G1831"  
 out|strong = "G1831" from|strong = "G1537" among|strong = "G1537"  
 the|strong = "G2532" nations|strong = "H1471", and|strong = "G2532"  
 separate|strong = "H0914" yourselves|strong = "G4771"  
 from|strong = "G1537" them|strong = "G3004",” says|strong = "G3004"  
 the|strong = "G2532" Lord|strong = "G2962",

“ And|strong = "G2532" touch|strong = "H5060" nothing|strong = "G3361"  
 impure|strong = "H2932";

a nd|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2532"  
 welcome|strong = "G1523" you|strong = "G5210";

<sup>18</sup>and|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G1473" will|strong = "G1510"  
 be|strong = "G1510" a|strong = "G2532" father|strong = "G3962"  
 to|strong = "G1519" you|strong = "G5210", and|strong = "G2532"  
 you|strong = "G5210" will|strong = "G1510" be|strong = "G1510"  
 my|strong = "G1473" sons|strong = "G5207" and|strong = "G2532"  
 daughters|strong = "G2364",”

says the Lord, the Ruler of all.'

With these promises, dear friends, let ourselves be purified from everything pollutes either body or spirit, and in deepest respect for God aim at perfect holiness.

Make room for us in your hearts. In no instance have we ever wronged, or harmed, or taken advantage of anyone. I am not saying this to you. Indeed, I have already said that in our heart, to live and die together. I have confidence in you; I am always boasting about you. I am full of encouragement and in spite of all our troubles, my heart is overflowing with happiness.

Ever since we reached Macedonia, we have had no

rest|strong="G2192" in|strong="G1722" body|strong="G4561"  
or|strong="G2532" mind|strong="G2532"; on|strong="G1722"  
every|strong="G3956" side|strong="G3956" there|strong="G2532"  
have|strong="G2192" been|strong="G2192" troubles|strong="H6869" –  
conflicts|strong="G3163" without|strong="G2532", anxieties  
within|strong="G1722". <sup>6</sup> But|strong="G2316" God|strong="G2316",  
who|strong="G3588" encourages|strong="H2388" the|strong="G1722"  
downcast, has|strong="G2316" encouraged|strong="G3870"  
us|strong="G2249" by|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722"  
arrival|strong="G3952" of|strong="G2316" Titus|strong="G5103". <sup>7</sup>  
And|strong="G2532" it|strong="G2532" is|strong="G3588"  
not|strong="G3756" only|strong="G3440" by|strong="G1722"  
his|strong="G1909" arrival|strong="G3952" that|strong="G3739"  
we|strong="G2249" are|strong="G3588" encouraged|strong="G3870",  
but|strong="G1161" also|strong="G2532" by|strong="G1722"  
the|strong="G1722" encouragement|strong="G3874"  
which|strong="G3739" he|strong="G2532" received|strong="H3947"  
from|strong="G2532" you|strong="G5210"; for|strong="G5228"  
he|strong="G2532" tells|strong="H1696" us|strong="G2249"  
of|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2532" strong|strong="G2532"  
affection|strong="H2836", your|strong="G2532" penitence,  
and|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2532" zeal|strong="G2205"  
on|strong="G1909" my|strong="G1722" behalf|strong="G5228" –  
so|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3739" I|strong="G1473"  
am|strong="G1473" happier still|strong="G3123". <sup>8</sup>  
For|strong="G1063", though|strong="G1487" I|strong="G2532"  
caused|strong="G3076" you|strong="G5210" sorrow|strong="G3076"  
by|strong="G1722" my|strong="G1722" letter|strong="G1992",  
I|strong="G2532" do|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3756"  
regret|strong="G3338" it|strong="G2532". Even|strong="G2532"  
if|strong="G1487" I|strong="G2532" were|strong="G3588"  
inclined|strong="H5186" to|strong="G4314" regret|strong="G3338"  
it|strong="G2532" – for|strong="G1063" I|strong="G2532"  
see|strong="H7200" that|strong="G3754" my|strong="G1722"  
letter|strong="G1992" did|strong="G2532" cause|strong="G3588"  
you|strong="G5210" sorrow|strong="G3076" though|strong="G1487"  
only|strong="G1487" for|strong="G1063" a|strong="G2532"  
time|strong="G5610" – <sup>9</sup> I|strong="G1473" am|strong="G1473"  
glad|strong="G5463" now|strong="G3568"; not|strong="G3756"  
because|strong="G3754" of|strong="G1537" the|strong="G1722"  
sorrow|strong="G3076" it|strong="G3754" caused|strong="G3076"  
you|strong="G3754", but|strong="G1063" because|strong="G3754"  
your|strong="G1722" sorrow|strong="G3076" brought|strong="G3748"  
you|strong="G3754" to|strong="G1519" repentance|strong="G3341".  
For|strong="G1063" it|strong="G3754" was|strong="G2316"  
God's|strong="G2316" will|strong="G2316" that|strong="G3754"

you|strong="G3754" should|strong="G2316" feel|strong="H4184"  
 sorrow|strong="G3076", in|strong="G1722" order|strong="G2443"  
 that|strong="G3754" you|strong="G3754" should|strong="G2316"  
 not|strong="G3756" suffer|strong="G2210" loss|strong="G2210"  
 in|strong="G1722" any|strong="G3367" way|strong="G2596"  
 at|strong="G1722" our|strong="G2316" hands|strong="H3027". <sup>10</sup>  
 For|strong="G1063", when|strong="G1161" sorrow|strong="G3077"  
 is|strong="G3588" in|strong="G1519" accordance|strong="G2596"  
 with|strong="G2316" God's|strong="G2316" will|strong="G2316",  
 it|strong="G1161" results|strong="H6529" in|strong="G1519"  
 a|strong="G1519" repentance|strong="G3341" leading|strong="G1519"  
 to|strong="G1519" salvation|strong="G4991", and|strong="G1161"  
 which|strong="G3588" will|strong="G2316" never|strong="H3808"  
 be|strong="G1519" regretted|strong="H5162". The|strong="G1519"  
 sure|strong="H0539" result|strong="G1519" of|strong="G2316"  
 the|strong="G1519" sorrow|strong="G3077" that|strong="G3588"  
 the|strong="G1519" world|strong="G2889" knows|strong="H3045"  
 is|strong="G3588" death|strong="G2288". <sup>11</sup> For|strong="G1063"  
 see|strong="G3708" what|strong="G3588" results|strong="H6529"  
 that|strong="G3588" other|strong="G1438" sorrow|strong="G3076" –  
 sorrow|strong="G3076" in|strong="G1722" accordance|strong="G2596"  
 with|strong="G1722" God's|strong="G2316" will|strong="G2316" –  
 has|strong="G2316" had|strong="G2316" in|strong="G1722"  
 your|strong="G3708" case|strong="G3588". What|strong="G3588"  
 earnestness|strong="G4710" it|strong="G1063"  
 produced|strong="G2716"! What|strong="G3588"  
 explanations|strong="H0995"! What|strong="G3588"  
 strong|strong="H2388" feeling! What|strong="G3588"  
 alarm|strong="H8643"! What|strong="G3588" longing|strong="G1972"!  
 What|strong="G3588" eagerness|strong="G4710"! What|strong="G3588"  
 readiness|strong="H6261" to|strong="G2596" punish|strong="G1557"!  
 You|strong="G5210" have|strong="G1510" proved|strong="H0974"  
 yourselves|strong="G1438" altogether|strong="H3162"  
 free|strong="G1722" from|strong="G2596" guilt|strong="H0817"  
 in|strong="G1722" that|strong="G3588" matter|strong="G4229". <sup>12</sup>  
 So|strong="G2532", then|strong="G2532", even|strong="G2532"  
 though|strong="G1487" I|strong="G1473" did|strong="G2532"  
 write|strong="G1125" to|strong="G4314" you|strong="G5210",  
 it|strong="G2532" was|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756",  
 for|strong="G5228" the|strong="G2532" sake|strong="G1752"  
 of|strong="G2316" the|strong="G2532" wrongdoer|strong="H5765",  
 or|strong="G2532" of|strong="G2316" the|strong="G2532"  
 man|strong="G3756" who|strong="G3588" was|strong="G3588"  
 wronged|strong="H3238", but|strong="G2532" to|strong="G4314"  
 make|strong="G5319" you|strong="G5210" conscious|strong="H7202",  
 in|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" sight|strong="G1799"

of|strong = "G2316" God|strong = "G2316", of|strong = "G2316"  
 your|strong = "G2532" own|strong = "H1961" earnest|strong = "H8085"  
 care|strong = "G4710" for|strong = "G5228" us|strong = "G2249".  
 And|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G3588"  
 this|strong = "G3588" that|strong = "G3588" has|strong = "G2316"  
 encouraged|strong = "H2388" us|strong = "G2249".

13 In|strong = "G1909" addition|strong = "H5921" to|strong = "G1909"  
 the|strong = "G3956" encouragement|strong = "G3874" that|strong = "G3754"  
 this|strong = "G3778" gave|strong = "G3956" us|strong = "G2249",  
 we|strong = "G2249" were|strong = "G3588" made|strong = "G1161"  
 far|strong = "G3123" happier still|strong = "G3123" by|strong = "G1223"  
 the|strong = "G3956" happiness|strong = "H8057" of|strong = "G4151"  
 Titus|strong = "G5103" for|strong = "G3754" his|strong = "G3956"  
 heart|strong = "H3820" has|strong = "G3778" been|strong = "H1961" cheered  
 by|strong = "G1223" you|strong = "G5210" all|strong = "G3956". <sup>14</sup>  
 Although|strong = "G3748" I|strong = "G1473" have|strong = "G2532"  
 been|strong = "G1096" boasting|strong = "G2746" a|strong = "G1096"  
 little|strong = "H4592" to|strong = "G2532" him|strong = "G3588"  
 about|strong = "G5613" you|strong = "G5210", you|strong = "G5210"  
 did|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756" put|strong = "G2617"  
 me|strong = "G1473" to|strong = "G2532" shame|strong = "G2617";  
 but|strong = "G2532", just|strong = "G5613" as|strong = "G5613"  
 every|strong = "G3956" thing|strong = "G5100" we|strong = "G2249"  
 had|strong = "G2532" said|strong = "G2980" to|strong = "G2532"  
 you|strong = "G5210" was|strong = "G1096" true|strong = "G3779",  
 so|strong = "G3779" our|strong = "G2532" boasting|strong = "G2746"  
 to|strong = "G2532" Titus|strong = "G5103" about|strong = "G5613"  
 you|strong = "G5210" has|strong = "G1096" also|strong = "G2532"  
 proved|strong = "G1096" to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1096"  
 the|strong = "G1722" truth|strong = "H0571". <sup>15</sup> And|strong = "G2532"  
 his|strong = "G3956" affection|strong = "G4698" for|strong = "G1519"  
 you|strong = "G5210" is|strong = "G1510" all|strong = "G3956"  
 the|strong = "G2532" greater|strong = "G4771", as|strong = "G5613"  
 he|strong = "G2532" remembers|strong = "H2142" the|strong = "G2532"  
 deference that|strong = "G3588" you|strong = "G5210" all|strong = "G3956"  
 showed|strong = "H7200" him|strong = "G3588", and|strong = "G2532"  
 recalls|strong = "H7725" how|strong = "G5613" you|strong = "G5210"  
 received|strong = "G1209" him|strong = "G3588" with|strong = "G3326"  
 anxious|strong = "H1672" care|strong = "H3027". <sup>16</sup> I|strong = "G3754"  
 am|strong = "G5463" glad|strong = "G5463" that|strong = "G3754"  
 I|strong = "G3754" can|strong = "H4310" feel|strong = "H4184"  
 perfect|strong = "H8549" confidence|strong = "G2292" in|strong = "G1722"  
 you|strong = "G5210".

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And|strong="G2532", remembering|strong="H2142" how|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210" excel|strong="G4052" in|strong="G1722" everything|strong="G3956" – in|strong="G1722" faith|strong="G4102", in|strong="G1722" teaching|strong="G3056", in|strong="G1722" knowledge|strong="G1108", in|strong="G1722" unfailing earnestness|strong="G4710", and|strong="G2532" in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" affection|strong="H2836" that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2249" have|strong="G2532" awakened|strong="H5782" in|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210" – I|strong="G1473" ask|strong="H7592" you|strong="G5210" to|strong="G2443" excel|strong="G4052" also|strong="G2532" in|strong="G1722" this|strong="G3778" expression|strong="H6440" of|strong="G1537" your|strong="G2532" love|strong="H0157".

8I|strong="G2532" am|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3756" laying|strong="G1223" a|strong="G2532" command|strong="G3004" on|strong="G2596" you|strong="G3004", but|strong="G2532" I|strong="G2532" am|strong="G2532" making|strong="G2532" use|strong="G3588" of|strong="G1223" the|strong="G2532" earnestness|strong="G4710" shown|strong="H7200" by|strong="G1223" others|strong="G2087" to|strong="G2532" test|strong="G1381" the|strong="G2532" genuineness of|strong="G1223" your|strong="G5212" affection|strong="H2836". <sup>9</sup> For|strong="G1063" you|strong="G5210" do|strong="G1510" not|strong="G1510" forget|strong="H7911" the|strong="G1223" loving|strong="H0157" kindness|strong="H2617" of|strong="G1223" our|strong="G2424" Lord|strong="G2962" Jesus|strong="G2424" Christ|strong="G5547" – how|strong="G3754" that|strong="G3754" for|strong="G1063" your|strong="G1223" sakes|strong="G1223", although|strong="G3748" he|strong="G3754" was|strong="G1510" rich|strong="G4145", he|strong="G3754" became|strong="G4433" poor|strong="G4433", so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G3754" you|strong="G5210" also|strong="G4771" might|strong="G5210" become|strong="G1510" rich|strong="G4145" through|strong="G1223" his|strong="G1223" poverty|strong="G4432".

<sup>10</sup> I|strong="G2532" am|strong="G2532" only|strong="G3440" making|strong="G4160" suggestions on|strong="G1722" this|strong="G3778" matter|strong="H1697"; for|strong="G1063" this|strong="G3778" is|strong="G3588" the|strong="G1722" best|strong="H2459" course|strong="H4256" for|strong="G1063" you|strong="G5210", since|strong="G1063" you|strong="G5210" were|strong="G3588" a|strong="G2532" year|strong="G4070" before|strong="G1722" others|strong="G3588", not|strong="G3756" only|strong="G3440" in|strong="G1722" taking|strong="G1325" action|strong="H6213", but|strong="G2532" also|strong="G2532" in|strong="G1722" showing|strong="H6213" your|strong="G2532"

readiness|strong="H6261" to|strong="G2532" do|strong="G4160" so|strong="G2532". <sup>11</sup> And|strong="G2532" now|strong="G1161" I|strong="G2532" want|strong="G2309" you|strong="G3779" to|strong="G2532" complete|strong="G2005" the|strong="G2532" work|strong="H4399", so|strong="G3779" that|strong="G3588" its|strong="G1537" completion|strong="G2005" may|strong="G2532" correspond|strong="H1961" with|strong="G1537" your|strong="G2192" willing|strong="G2309" readiness|strong="G4288" – in|strong="G2532" proportion|strong="H6310", of|strong="G1537" course|strong="H4256", to|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2192" means|strong="G1537". <sup>12</sup> For|strong="G1063", where|strong="H0834" there|strong="G1063" is|strong="G3588" willingness, a|strong="G2192" person's|strong="H3820" gift|strong="H4976" is|strong="G3588" valued|strong="H5541" by|strong="G1063" its|strong="H3605" comparison|strong="H3644" with|strong="G2192" what|strong="G3588" they|strong="G3588" have|strong="G2192", and|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756" with|strong="G2192" what|strong="G3588" they|strong="G3588" do|strong="G2192" not|strong="G3756" have|strong="G2192". <sup>13</sup> For|strong="G1063" our|strong="G1722" object|strong="H8047" is|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756" to|strong="G1519" give|strong="H5414" relief|strong="H7309" to|strong="G1519" others|strong="G3588" and|strong="G3588" bring|strong="G1519" distress|strong="G2347" on|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210". It|strong="G1063" is|strong="G3588" a|strong="G1519" matter|strong="H1697" of|strong="G1537" a|strong="G1519" fair|strong="H3303" balance|strong="H3976". <sup>14</sup> On|strong="G1722" this|strong="G3588" occasion|strong="G2540" what|strong="G3588" you|strong="G5210" can|strong="H4310" spare|strong="H2550" will|strong="G2532" supply|strong="H4294" what|strong="G3588" they|strong="G2532" need|strong="G5303", at|strong="G1722" another|strong="G3588" time|strong="G2540" what|strong="G3588" they|strong="G2532" can|strong="H4310" spare|strong="H2550" may|strong="G2532" supply|strong="H4294" your|strong="G2532" need|strong="G5303", and|strong="G2532" so|strong="G2443" things|strong="G3588" will|strong="G2532" be|strong="G1096" equal|strong="G2471". <sup>15</sup> As|strong="G2531" scripture|strong="G1125" says|strong="H0559" –

‘ Those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588" had|strong="G2532" much|strong="G4183" had|strong="G2532" nothing|strong="G3756" over|strong="G4121", and|strong="G2532" those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588" had|strong="G2532" little|strong="G3641" did|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3756" lack|strong="G1641"! <sup>16</sup> I|strong="G1161" thank|strong="G5485" God|strong="G2316" for|strong="G5228" inspiring Titus|strong="G5103" with|strong="G1722"

the|strong = "G1722" same|strong = "H1931" keen|strong = "H2896"  
 interest|strong = "H5392" in|strong = "G1722" your|strong = "G1722"  
 welfare|strong = "G3588" that|strong = "G3588" I|strong = "G1161"  
 have|strong = "G5210"; <sup>17</sup> for|strong = "G3754" Titus has|strong = "G3748"  
 responded|strong = "H6030" to|strong = "G4314" my|strong = "G3754"  
 appeals and|strong = "G1161", in|strong = "G4314" his|strong = "G3754"  
 great|strong = "H1419" earnestness|strong = "G3874", is|strong = "G3588"  
 starting|strong = "H4161" to|strong = "G4314" go|strong = "G1831"  
 to|strong = "G4314" you|strong = "G5210" of|strong = "G3588"  
 his|strong = "G3754" own|strong = "H1961" accord|strong = "G4314". <sup>18</sup>  
 We|strong = "G3739" are|strong = "G3588" sending|strong = "H7971"  
 with|strong = "G3326" him|strong = "G3588" one|strong = "G3739"  
 of|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1722" Lord's|strong = "H3068"  
 followers|strong = "G3588" whose|strong = "G3739" fame|strong = "G1868"  
 in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" service|strong = "H5656"  
 of|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1722" good|strong = "G3956"  
 news|strong = "G2098" has|strong = "G3739" spread|strong = "H6566"  
 through|strong = "G1223" all|strong = "G3956" the|strong = "G1722"  
 churches|strong = "G1577"; <sup>19</sup> and|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756"  
 only|strong = "G3440" that|strong = "G3588", but|strong = "G1161"  
 he|strong = "G2532" has|strong = "G2962" been|strong = "G2532" elected  
 by|strong = "G5259" the|strong = "G2532" churches|strong = "G1577"  
 to|strong = "G4314" accompany|strong = "G4862" us|strong = "G2249"  
 on|strong = "G1161" our|strong = "G2532" journey|strong = "H1870",  
 in|strong = "G2532" connexion with|strong = "G4862" this|strong = "G3778"  
 expression|strong = "H6440" of|strong = "G5259" your|strong = "G2962"  
 love|strong = "H0157", which|strong = "G3588" we|strong = "G2249"  
 are|strong = "G3588" personally|strong = "H6440" administering  
 to|strong = "G4314" the|strong = "G2532" honor|strong = "G1391"  
 of|strong = "G5259" the|strong = "G2532" Lord|strong = "G2962",  
 and|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G4314" show|strong = "H7200"  
 our|strong = "G2532" deep|strong = "H8415" interest|strong = "H5392". <sup>20</sup>  
 What|strong = "G3588" we|strong = "G2249" are|strong = "G3588" specially  
 guarding|strong = "H8104" against|strong = "G1722" is|strong = "G3588"  
 that|strong = "G3588" any|strong = "G5100" fault|strong = "G3469"  
 should|strong = "G5100" be|strong = "G3361" found|strong = "H4672"  
 with|strong = "G1722" us|strong = "G2249" in|strong = "G1722"  
 regard|strong = "H6437" to|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G1722"  
 administration|strong = "G1247" of|strong = "G5259" this|strong = "G3778"  
 charitable fund; <sup>21</sup> for|strong = "G1063" we|strong = "G1063"  
 are|strong = "G2532" trying|strong = "H1156" to|strong = "G2532"  
 make|strong = "G2532" arrangements|strong = "H4941"  
 which|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G2532"  
 right|strong = "G2570", not|strong = "G3756" only|strong = "G3440"  
 in|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" eyes|strong = "H5869"  
 of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" Lord|strong = "G2962",

but also in the eyes of people". <sup>22</sup> We are also sending them another of our friends, whose earnestness we have many a time proved in many ways we now find made earnest by his great confidence in you". <sup>23</sup> If I must say anything about Titus, he is my intimate companion, and he shares for you; if it is our friends delegates of the churches to Christ". <sup>24</sup> Show them that they may see it – the proof of your affection, and the ground our boasting to them about you".

With reference, indeed, to the fund for your fellow Christians, it is quite superfluous for me to say anything to you". <sup>2</sup> I know, of course, your willingness to help, and I

am|strong = "G2532" always|strong = "H3605" boasting|strong = "G2744"  
of|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G2532"  
the|strong = "G2532" Macedonians|strong = "G3110". I|strong = "G3739"  
tell|strong = "G1492" them|strong = "G3588" that|strong = "G3754"  
you|strong = "G5210" in|strong = "G2532" Greece|strong = "H3120"  
have|strong = "G2532" been|strong = "G2532" ready|strong = "G3903"  
for|strong = "G1063" a|strong = "G2532" year|strong = "G4070"  
past|strong = "H5674"; and|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532"  
was|strong = "G3588" really|strong = "H2088" your|strong = "G2532"  
zeal|strong = "G2205" that|strong = "G3754" stimulated  
most|strong = "G4183" of|strong = "G2532" them|strong = "G3588". <sup>3</sup>  
So|strong = "G2443" my|strong = "G1722" reason|strong = "G2745"  
for|strong = "G5228" sending|strong = "G3992" our|strong = "G1722"  
friends|strong = "H7453" is|strong = "G1510" to|strong = "G2443"  
prevent|strong = "H6923" what|strong = "G3588" we|strong = "G2249"  
said|strong = "G3004" about|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210"  
from|strong = "G3588" proving, in|strong = "G1722" this|strong = "G3778"  
particular|strong = "G3313" matter|strong = "H1697", an|strong = "G1722"  
empty|strong = "G2758" boast|strong = "G2745", and|strong = "G1161"  
to|strong = "G2443" enable|strong = "H7980" you|strong = "G5210"  
to|strong = "G2443" be|strong = "G1510" as|strong = "G2531"  
well|strong = "G2531" prepared|strong = "G3903" as|strong = "G2531"  
I|strong = "G1473" have|strong = "G1473" been|strong = "G1510"  
saying|strong = "G3004" that|strong = "G2443" you|strong = "G5210"  
are|strong = "G1510". <sup>4</sup> Otherwise|strong = "G2443", if|strong = "G1437"  
any|strong = "G1437" Macedonians|strong = "G3110" were|strong = "G3588"  
to|strong = "G2443" come|strong = "G2064" with|strong = "G1722"  
me|strong = "G1473", and|strong = "G2532" find|strong = "G2147"  
you|strong = "G5210" unprepared, we|strong = "G2249" –  
to|strong = "G2443" say|strong = "G3004" nothing|strong = "G3361"  
of|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G5210" – should|strong = "G3588"  
feel|strong = "H4184" ashamed|strong = "G2617" of|strong = "G2532"  
our|strong = "G2532" present|strong = "G3778" confidence|strong = "G5287".  
<sup>5</sup> Therefore|strong = "G3767" I|strong = "G2532" think|strong = "G2233"  
it|strong = "G2532" necessary|strong = "G3767" to|strong = "G1519"  
beg|strong = "G3870" the|strong = "G2532" friends|strong = "H7453"  
to|strong = "G1519" go|strong = "G4281" to|strong = "G1519"  
you|strong = "G5210" in|strong = "G1519" advance|strong = "H0935",  
and|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G1519" complete|strong = "H3617"  
the|strong = "G2532" arrangements|strong = "H4941" for|strong = "G1519"  
the|strong = "G2532" gift|strong = "G2129", which|strong = "G3588"  
you|strong = "G5210" have|strong = "G2532" already|strong = "H3528"  
promised|strong = "G4279", so|strong = "G3779" that|strong = "G2443"  
it|strong = "G2532" may|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510"  
ready|strong = "G2092", as|strong = "G5613" a|strong = "G5613"  
gift|strong = "G2129", before|strong = "G1519" I|strong = "G2532"

come|strong = "G1510", and|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3361"  
 look|strong = "H7200" as|strong = "G5613" if|strong = "G5613"  
 it|strong = "G2532" were|strong = "G1510" being|strong = "G1510"  
 given|strong = "G3870" under|strong = "H8478" pressure|strong = "H6125".

6Remember|strong = "H2142" the|strong = "G2532"  
 saying|strong = "H0559" – ‘Scanty sowing|strong = "G4687", scanty  
 harvest|strong = "H7105"; plentiful|strong = "H7230"  
 sowing|strong = "G4687", plentiful|strong = "H7230"  
 harvest|strong = "H7105”.<sup>7</sup> Let|strong = "G1063"  
 everyone|strong = "G1538" give|strong = "H5414" as|strong = "G2531"  
 he|strong = "G3588" has|strong = "G2316" determined|strong = "H2782"  
 before|strong = "G3588" hand|strong = "H3027", not|strong = "G3361"  
 grudgingly|strong = "G1537" or|strong = "G2228" under|strong = "G1537"  
 compulsion|strong = "H2389"; for|strong = "G1063" God|strong = "G2316"  
 loves|strong = "H0157" a|strong = "G2228" cheerful|strong = "G2431"  
 giver|strong = "G1395".<sup>8</sup> God|strong = "G2316" has|strong = "G2192"  
 power|strong = "G2316" to|strong = "G1519" shower|strong = "H1653"  
 all|strong = "G3956" kinds|strong = "G3956" of|strong = "G2316"  
 blessings|strong = "H1293" on|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210",  
 so|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G2443", having|strong = "G2192",  
 under|strong = "G1722" all|strong = "G3956" circumstances|strong = "G1722"  
 and|strong = "G1161" on|strong = "G1722" all|strong = "G3956"  
 occasions|strong = "H8569", all|strong = "G3956" that|strong = "G2443"  
 you|strong = "G5210" can|strong = "H4310" need|strong = "G2192",  
 you|strong = "G5210" may|strong = "G2443" be|strong = "G3956"  
 able|strong = "G2192" to|strong = "G1519" shower|strong = "H1653"  
 all|strong = "G3956" kinds|strong = "G3956" of|strong = "G2316"  
 benefits|strong = "H8408" on|strong = "G1722" others|strong = "G3588".<sup>9</sup>  
 (As|strong = "G2531" scripture|strong = "G1125" says|strong = "H0559" –

‘ He|strong = "G3588" shared|strong = "H2267" freely|strong = "H5071",  
 he|strong = "G3588" gave|strong = "G1325" to|strong = "G1519"  
 the|strong = "G1519" poor|strong = "G3993"; his|strong = "G1519"  
 righteousness|strong = "G1343" continues|strong = "G3306"  
 for|strong = "G1519" ever|strong = "G1519”.<sup>10</sup> And|strong = "G2532"  
 he|strong = "G2532" who|strong = "G3588" supplies|strong = "G5524"  
 seed|strong = "G4690" to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532"  
 sower|strong = "G4687", and|strong = "G2532" bread|strong = "H3899"  
 for|strong = "G1519" eating|strong = "G1035", will|strong = "G2532"  
 supply|strong = "G2023" you|strong = "G5210" with|strong = "G2532"  
 seed|strong = "G4690", and|strong = "G2532" cause|strong = "G3588"  
 it|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G1519" increase|strong = "G4129",  
 and|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2532" multiply|strong = "G4129"  
 the|strong = "G2532" fruits|strong = "G1081" of|strong = "G2532"

your|strong = "G2532" righteousness|strong = "G1343"). <sup>11</sup>  
 Rich|strong = "G4148" in|strong = "G1722" all|strong = "G3956"  
 things|strong = "G3956" yourselves|strong = "G1722", you|strong = "G1722"  
 will|strong = "G2316" be|strong = "G3956" able|strong = "H3201"  
 to|strong = "G1519" show|strong = "H7200" liberality to|strong = "G1519"  
 all|strong = "G3956", which|strong = "G3588", with|strong = "G1722"  
 our|strong = "G2316" help|strong = "H5826", will|strong = "G2316"  
 cause|strong = "G1223" thanksgiving|strong = "G2169" to|strong = "G1519"  
 be|strong = "G3956" offered|strong = "H5927" to|strong = "G1519"  
 God|strong = "G2316". <sup>12</sup> For|strong = "G3754" the|strong = "G2532"  
 rendering|strong = "H7999" of|strong = "G1223" a|strong = "G2532"  
 public|strong = "H1121" service|strong = "G1248" such|strong = "G3778"  
 as|strong = "G2532" this|strong = "G3778", not|strong = "G3756"  
 only|strong = "G3440" relieves the|strong = "G2532" needs|strong = "G5303"  
 of|strong = "G1223" your|strong = "G1223" fellow|strong = "H7453"  
 Christians, but|strong = "G2532" also|strong = "G2532"  
 results|strong = "H6529" in|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532"  
 offering|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G2532" God|strong = "G2316"  
 of|strong = "G1223" many|strong = "G4183" a|strong = "G2532"  
 thanksgiving|strong = "G2169". <sup>13</sup> Through|strong = "G1223"  
 the|strong = "G2532" evidence|strong = "H5612" afforded  
 by|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G2532" service|strong = "G1248"  
 rendered|strong = "H7725", you|strong = "G5210" cause|strong = "G1223"  
 people|strong = "G3956" to|strong = "G1519" praise|strong = "G1392"  
 God|strong = "G2316" for|strong = "G1519" your|strong = "G1223"  
 fidelity|strong = "H2617" to|strong = "G1519" your|strong = "G1223"  
 profession|strong = "G3671" of|strong = "G1223" faith|strong = "H0539"  
 in|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" good|strong = "G3956"  
 news|strong = "G2098" of|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G2532"  
 Christ|strong = "G5547", as|strong = "G1519" well|strong = "G2532"  
 as|strong = "G1519" for|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" liberality  
 of|strong = "G1223" your|strong = "G1223" contributions|strong = "H8641"  
 for|strong = "G1519" them|strong = "G3588" and|strong = "G2532"  
 for|strong = "G1519" all|strong = "G3956" others|strong = "G3588". <sup>14</sup>  
 And|strong = "G2532" they|strong = "G2532" also|strong = "G2532",  
 in|strong = "G1909" their|strong = "G2532" prayers|strong = "G1162"  
 for|strong = "G5228" you|strong = "G5210", express|strong = "H6605"  
 their|strong = "G2532" longing|strong = "G1971" to|strong = "G2532"  
 see|strong = "H7200" you|strong = "G5210", because|strong = "G1223"  
 of|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G2532" surpassing|strong = "G5235"  
 love|strong = "H0157" of|strong = "G1223" God|strong = "G2316"  
 displayed|strong = "H5127" toward|strong = "G1909" you|strong = "G5210".  
<sup>15</sup> All|strong = "G3588" thanks|strong = "G5485" to|strong = "G1909"  
 God|strong = "G2316" for|strong = "G1909" his|strong = "G1909" inestimable  
 gift|strong = "G1431"!

The Apostle's Claims and Authority

10Now|strong = "G1161", I|strong = "G1473", Paul|strong = "G3972",  
 make|strong = "G1519" a|strong = "G2532" personal|strong = "H6440"  
 appeal|strong = "G3870" to|strong = "G1519" you|strong = "G5210"  
 by|strong = "G1223" the|strong = "G1722" meekness|strong = "G4240"  
 and|strong = "G2532" gentleness|strong = "G4240" of|strong = "G1223"  
 the|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547" – I|strong = "G1473"  
 who|strong = "G3739", "in|strong = "G1722" your|strong = "G1223"  
 presence|strong = "G4383", am|strong = "G1473" humble|strong = "G5011"  
 in|strong = "G1722" my|strong = "G1722" bearing|strong = "H5375" towards  
 you|strong = "G5210", but|strong = "G1161", when|strong = "G1161"  
 absent|strong = "H5641", am|strong = "G1473" bold|strong = "G2292"  
 in|strong = "G1722" my|strong = "G1722" language|strong = "H3956"  
 to|strong = "G1519" you|strong = "G5210" – <sup>2</sup> I|strong = "G1473"  
 implore|strong = "H2603" you|strong = "G3739" not|strong = "G3361"  
 to|strong = "G2596" drive|strong = "H3423" me|strong = "G1473"  
 to|strong = "G2596" "show|strong = "H7200" my|strong = "G1473"  
 boldness|strong = "H5797", when|strong = "G1161" I|strong = "G1473"  
 do|strong = "G3361" come|strong = "G3918", by|strong = "G2596"  
 the|strong = "G1161" confident|strong = "G2292" tone  
 which|strong = "G3739" I|strong = "G1473" expect|strong = "H6960"  
 to|strong = "G2596" have|strong = "G1473" to|strong = "G2596" adopt  
 towards some|strong = "G5100" of|strong = "G1909" you|strong = "G3739",  
 who|strong = "G3739" are|strong = "G3588" expecting to|strong = "G2596"  
 find|strong = "H4672" us|strong = "G2249" influenced|strong = "H7225"  
 in|strong = "G1909" our|strong = "G2596" conduct|strong = "G4043"  
 by|strong = "G2596" earthly|strong = "G4561" motives|strong = "G2596". <sup>3</sup>  
 For|strong = "G1063", though|strong = "G1722" we|strong = "G1063"  
 live|strong = "G4043" an|strong = "G1722" earthly|strong = "G4561"  
 life|strong = "G4561", we|strong = "G1063" do|strong = "G4043"  
 not|strong = "G3756" wage|strong = "G4754" an|strong = "G1722"  
 earthly|strong = "G4561" war|strong = "G4754". <sup>4</sup> The|strong = "G4314"  
 weapons|strong = "G3696" for|strong = "G1063" our|strong = "G2316"  
 warfare|strong = "G4752" are|strong = "G3588" not|strong = "G3756" earthly,  
 but|strong = "G1063", under|strong = "G3756" God|strong = "G2316",  
 are|strong = "G3588" powerful|strong = "G1415" enough|strong = "G1415"  
 to|strong = "G4314" pull|strong = "H2040" down|strong = "G2507"  
 strongholds|strong = "G3794". <sup>5</sup> We|strong = "G2532" are|strong = "G3588"  
 engaged|strong = "H0781" in|strong = "G1519" confuting  
 arguments|strong = "H8433" and|strong = "G2532" pulling  
 down|strong = "G2507" every|strong = "G3956" barrier|strong = "H1366"  
 raised|strong = "G1869" against|strong = "G2596" the|strong = "G2532"  
 knowledge|strong = "G1108" of|strong = "G2316" God|strong = "G2316".  
 We|strong = "G2532" are|strong = "G3588" taking|strong = "H3947"  
 captive|strong = "H7617" every|strong = "G3956" hostile|strong = "H7489"  
 thought|strong = "G3540", to|strong = "G1519" bring|strong = "G2532"  
 it|strong = "G2532" into|strong = "G1519" submission|strong = "H1844"



to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G2532" Christ|strong="G5547", <sup>6</sup>  
 and|strong="G2532" are|strong="G3588" fully|strong="G4137"  
 prepared|strong="G2092" to|strong="G2532" punish|strong="G1556"  
 every|strong="G3956" act|strong="H6213" of|strong="G2532"  
 rebellion|strong="H4805", when|strong="G3752" once|strong="H6471"  
 your|strong="G2192" submission|strong="H1844" is|strong="G3588"  
 complete|strong="G4137". <sup>7</sup> You|strong="G1487" look|strong="H7200"  
 at|strong="G1909" the|strong="G2532" outward|strong="G2596"  
 appearance|strong="G4383" of|strong="G2532" things|strong="G3778"!  
 Let|strong="G3049" anyone|strong="G5100", who|strong="G3588"  
 is|strong="G1510" confident|strong="G3982" that|strong="G3754"  
 he|strong="G2532" belongs|strong="G1510" to|strong="G2532"  
 Christ|strong="G5547", reflect, for|strong="G3754"  
 himself|strong="G1438", again|strong="G3825" on|strong="G1909"  
 the|strong="G2532" fact|strong="G3754" – that|strong="G3754"  
 we|strong="G2249" belong|strong="G1510" to|strong="G2532"  
 Christ|strong="G5547" no|strong="G2532" less|strong="H0637"  
 than|strong="G2532" he|strong="G2532" does|strong="G1510". <sup>8</sup>  
 Even|strong="G2532" if|strong="G1437" I|strong="G1473"  
 boast|strong="G2744" extravagantly about|strong="G4012"  
 our|strong="G2532" authority|strong="G1849" – which|strong="G3739"  
 the|strong="G2532" Lord|strong="G2962" gave|strong="G1325"  
 us|strong="G1325" for|strong="G1063" building|strong="G3619"  
 up|strong="G1519" your|strong="G2962" faith|strong="G3739"  
 and|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3756" for|strong="G1063"  
 overthrowing it|strong="G2532" – still|strong="H5750" I|strong="G1473"  
 have|strong="G2532" no|strong="G3756" reason|strong="H6440"  
 to|strong="G1519" be|strong="G2532" ashamed|strong="H0954". <sup>9</sup>  
 I|strong="G5613" say|strong="G1223" this|strong="G3588"  
 so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" it|strong="G1223"  
 doesn't|strong="G3361" seem|strong="G1380" as|strong="G5613"  
 if|strong="G5613" I|strong="G5613" am|strong="G3588"  
 trying|strong="H1156" to|strong="G2443" overawe you|strong="G5210"  
 by|strong="G1223" my|strong="G3588" letters|strong="G1992". <sup>10</sup>  
 For|strong="G3754" people|strong="G3588" say|strong="G5346"  
 "His|strong="G2532" letters|strong="G1992" are|strong="G3588"  
 impressive|strong="H4758" and|strong="G2532"  
 vigorous|strong="H0820", but|strong="G1161" his|strong="G2532"  
 personal|strong="G4983" appearance|strong="G3056" is|strong="G3588"  
 insignificant|strong="H6819" and|strong="G2532" his|strong="G2532"  
 speaking|strong="G3056" contemptible|strong="G1848". <sup>11</sup>  
 Let|strong="G3049" such|strong="G5108" a|strong="G2532"  
 person|strong="G5108" be|strong="G1510" assured|strong="H0571"  
 of|strong="G3056" this|strong="G3778" – that|strong="G3754"  
 our|strong="G2532" words|strong="G3056" in|strong="G2532"  
 our|strong="G2532" letters|strong="G1992" show|strong="H7200"

us|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510",  
 when|strong = "G2532" absent|strong = "H5641", just|strong = "G2532"  
 what|strong = "G3588" our|strong = "G2532" deeds|strong = "G2041"  
 will|strong = "G1510" show|strong = "H7200" us|strong = "H5414"  
 to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510", when|strong = "G2532"  
 present|strong = "G3918". <sup>12</sup> We|strong = "G1063" have|strong = "G2532"  
 not|strong = "G3756" indeed|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G1722" audacity  
 to|strong = "G2532" class|strong = "G1469" or|strong = "G2228"  
 compare|strong = "G4793" ourselves|strong = "G1438" with|strong = "G1722"  
 some|strong = "G5100" of|strong = "G2532" those|strong = "G3588"  
 who|strong = "G3588" indulge in|strong = "G1722" self-commendation!  
 But|strong = "G2532", when|strong = "G2532" such|strong = "G5100"  
 persons|strong = "G1438" measure|strong = "G3354"  
 themselves|strong = "G1438" by|strong = "G1722"  
 themselves|strong = "G1438", and|strong = "G2532"  
 compare|strong = "G4793" themselves|strong = "G1438"  
 with|strong = "G1722" themselves|strong = "G1438", they|strong = "G2532"  
 show|strong = "H7200" a|strong = "G2532" want|strong = "H4270"  
 of|strong = "G2532" wisdom|strong = "H2451". <sup>13</sup> We|strong = "G2249",  
 however|strong = "G1161", will|strong = "G2316" not|strong = "G3756"  
 give|strong = "G1473" way|strong = "G2596" to|strong = "G1519" unlimited  
 boasting|strong = "G2744", but|strong = "G1161" will|strong = "G2316"  
 confine|strong = "H8104" ourselves|strong = "G2249" to|strong = "G1519"  
 the|strong = "G2532" limits|strong = "H7097" of|strong = "G2316"  
 the|strong = "G2532" sphere|strong = "G2583" to|strong = "G1519"  
 which|strong = "G3739" God|strong = "G2316" limited|strong = "H6862"  
 us|strong = "G1519", when|strong = "G1161" he|strong = "G2532"  
 permitted|strong = "H5117" us|strong = "G1519" to|strong = "G1519"  
 come|strong = "G2532" as|strong = "G1519" far|strong = "G3588"  
 as|strong = "G1519" Corinth. <sup>14</sup> For|strong = "G1063" it|strong = "G2532"  
 is|strong = "G3588" not|strong = "G3756" the|strong = "G1722"  
 case|strong = "G3588", as|strong = "G5613" it|strong = "G2532"  
 would|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G2532" if|strong = "G5613"  
 we|strong = "G1063" were|strong = "G3588" not|strong = "G3756"  
 in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" habit|strong = "H5056"  
 of|strong = "G2532" coming|strong = "H0935" to|strong = "G1519"  
 you|strong = "G5210", that|strong = "G3588" we|strong = "G1063"  
 are|strong = "G3588" exceeding|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2532"  
 bounds|strong = "H1379"! Why|strong = "G1063", we|strong = "G1063"  
 were|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1722" very|strong = "G2532"  
 first|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G1519" reach|strong = "G2185"  
 you|strong = "G5210" with|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
 good|strong = "G3756" news|strong = "G2098" of|strong = "G2532"  
 the|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547"! <sup>15</sup> Our|strong = "G1722"  
 boasting|strong = "G2744", therefore|strong = "G1161", is|strong = "G3588"  
 not|strong = "G3756" unlimited, nor|strong = "G3756" does|strong = "G2192"

it|strong = "G1161" extend|strong = "H4900" to|strong = "G1519"  
 the|strong = "G1722" labors|strong = "G2873" of|strong = "G1722"  
 others|strong = "G3588"; but|strong = "G1161" our|strong = "G1722"  
 hope|strong = "G1680" is|strong = "G3588" that|strong = "G3588",  
 as|strong = "G1519" your|strong = "G2192" faith|strong = "G4102"  
 grows|strong = "H3318", our|strong = "G1722" influence|strong = "H4294"  
 among|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210" may|strong = "G4102"  
 be|strong = "G3756" very|strong = "G3588" greatly|strong = "G3756"  
 increased|strong = "H7235" – though|strong = "G1161" still|strong = "H5750"  
 confined|strong = "H0631" to|strong = "G1519" our|strong = "G1722"  
 sphere|strong = "G2583" – <sup>16</sup> So|strong = "G1519" that|strong = "G3588"  
 we|strong = "G1722" will|strong = "G2744" be|strong = "G3756"  
 able|strong = "H3201" to|strong = "G1519" tell|strong = "H5046"  
 the|strong = "G1722" good|strong = "G2097" news|strong = "G2097"  
 in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" districts|strong = "H1366"  
 beyond|strong = "G1519" you|strong = "G5210", without|strong = "G3756"  
 trespassing|strong = "H0819" on|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
 sphere|strong = "G2583" assigned|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "G1519"  
 others|strong = "G3588", or|strong = "G3588" boasting|strong = "G2744"  
 of|strong = "G1722" what|strong = "G3588" has|strong = "G1519"  
 been|strong = "G3756" already|strong = "H3528" done|strong = "H6213". <sup>17</sup>  
 Let|strong = "G1161" anyone|strong = "H3605" who|strong = "G3588"  
 boasts|strong = "G2744" make|strong = "H6213" their|strong = "G1722"  
 boast|strong = "G2744" of|strong = "G2962" the|strong = "G1722"  
 Lord|strong = "G2962". <sup>18</sup> For|strong = "G1063" it|strong = "G1063"  
 is|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756" those|strong = "G3588"  
 who|strong = "G3739" commend|strong = "G4921"  
 themselves|strong = "G1438" that|strong = "G3739" stand|strong = "H5975"  
 the|strong = "G3588" test|strong = "H5254", but|strong = "G1063"  
 those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3739" are|strong = "G1510"  
 commended|strong = "G4921" by|strong = "G1438" the|strong = "G3588"  
 Lord|strong = "G2962".

11I|strong = "G1473" could|strong = "H3201" wish|strong = "G3785"  
 that|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G2532" would|strong = "G2532"  
 tolerate|strong = "H3201" a|strong = "G2532" little|strong = "G3398"  
 folly|strong = "H0200" in|strong = "G2532" me|strong = "G1473"!  
 But|strong = "G2532" indeed|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G2532"  
 do|strong = "G2532" tolerate|strong = "H3201" me|strong = "G1473". <sup>2</sup>  
 I|strong = "G1063" am|strong = "G3588" jealous|strong = "G2206"  
 over|strong = "G2206" you|strong = "G5210" with|strong = "G2316"  
 the|strong = "G3588" jealousy|strong = "G2205" of|strong = "G2316"  
 God|strong = "G2316". For|strong = "G1063" I|strong = "G1063"  
 promised|strong = "H1696" you|strong = "G5210" in|strong = "G2316"  
 marriage|strong = "H0802" as|strong = "G1063" a|strong = "G1520"

pure|strong="H2889" bride|strong="H3618", to|strong="G2316"  
 one|strong="G1520" husband|strong="H0376" – the|strong="G3588"  
 Christ|strong="G5547". <sup>3</sup> Yet|strong="G2532" I|strong="G2532"  
 fear|strong="G5399" that|strong="G3588" it|strong="G2532"  
 may|strong="G2532" turn|strong="H7725" out|strong="G2532"  
 that|strong="G3588", just|strong="G5613" as|strong="G5613"  
 the|strong="G1722" snake|strong="G3789" by|strong="G1722"  
 his|strong="G1519" craftiness|strong="G3834" deceived|strong="G1818"  
 Eve|strong="G2096", so|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2532"  
 minds|strong="G3540" may|strong="G2532" have|strong="G2532"  
 lost|strong="H0006" the|strong="G1722" loyalty|strong="H2617"  
 and|strong="G2532" purity|strong="H2893" due|strong="G1722"  
 from|strong="G2532" you|strong="G5210" to|strong="G1519"  
 the|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547". <sup>4</sup> For|strong="G1063",  
 if|strong="G1487" some|strong="G3739" newcomer is|strong="G3588"  
 proclaiming|strong="G2784" a|strong="G2983" Jesus|strong="G2424"  
 other|strong="G2087" than|strong="G2228" him|strong="G3588"  
 whom|strong="G3739" we|strong="G3739" proclaimed|strong="G2784",  
 or|strong="G2228" if|strong="G1487" you|strong="G3739"  
 are|strong="G3588" receiving|strong="G2983" a|strong="G2983"  
 Spirit|strong="G4151" different|strong="G2087" from|strong="G2064"  
 the|strong="G3588" Spirit|strong="G4151" which|strong="G3739"  
 you|strong="G3739" received|strong="G2983", or|strong="G2228"  
 a|strong="G2983" good|strong="G2573" news|strong="G2098"  
 different|strong="G2087" from|strong="G2064" that|strong="G3739"  
 which|strong="G3739" you|strong="G3739" welcomed|strong="G1209",  
 then|strong="G1063" you|strong="G3739" are|strong="G3588"  
 marvelously|strong="H6381" tolerant! <sup>5</sup> I|strong="G1063"  
 do|strong="G1063" not|strong="G3367" regard|strong="G3049"  
 myself|strong="G3049" as|strong="G1063" in|strong="G1063"  
 any|strong="G3367" way|strong="G3367" inferior|strong="G5302"  
 to|strong="G1063" the|strong="G3588" most|strong="H6944"  
 eminent|strong="H5089" apostles! <sup>6</sup> Though|strong="G1487"  
 I|strong="G2532" am|strong="G2532" no|strong="G3756"  
 trained|strong="H2593" orator|strong="H3908", yet|strong="G2532"  
 I|strong="G2532" am|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3756"  
 without|strong="G2532" knowledge|strong="G1108";  
 indeed|strong="G2532" we|strong="G2532" made|strong="G5319"  
 this|strong="G3588" perfectly|strong="G3956" clear|strong="G5319"  
 to|strong="G1519" you|strong="G5210" in|strong="G1722"  
 every|strong="G3956" way|strong="G1722".

7Perhaps|strong="H0194" you|strong="G5210" say|strong="H0559"  
 that|strong="G3754" I|strong="G3754" did|strong="G4160"  
 wrong|strong="H7451" in|strong="G2316" humbling|strong="G5013"

myself|strong = "G1683" that|strong = "G3754" you|strong = "G5210"  
 might|strong = "G2316" be|strong = "G2316" exalted|strong = "G5312" –  
 I|strong = "G3754" mean|strong = "H2823" because|strong = "G3754"  
 I|strong = "G3754" told|strong = "H5046" you|strong = "G5210"  
 God's|strong = "G2316" good|strong = "G2097" news|strong = "G2097"  
 without|strong = "G2316" payment|strong = "H0868". <sup>8</sup> I|strong = "G2532"  
 robbed|strong = "G4813" other|strong = "G3588" churches|strong = "G1577"  
 by|strong = "G4314" taking|strong = "G2983" pay|strong = "H7999"  
 from|strong = "G2532" them|strong = "G3588", so|strong = "G2532"  
 that|strong = "G3588" I|strong = "G2532" might|strong = "G2532"  
 serve|strong = "G1248" you|strong = "G5210"! <sup>9</sup> And|strong = "G2532",  
 when|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G1473" was|strong = "G3588"  
 with|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210" in|strong = "G1722"  
 need|strong = "G5303", I|strong = "G1473" did|strong = "G2532"  
 not|strong = "G2064" become|strong = "H1961" a|strong = "G2532"  
 burden|strong = "G2655" to|strong = "G4314" any|strong = "G3956"  
 of|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G5210"; for|strong = "G1063"  
 our|strong = "G2532" friends|strong = "H7453", on|strong = "G1722"  
 coming|strong = "G2064" from|strong = "G2064"  
 Macedonia|strong = "G3109", supplied|strong = "G4322"  
 my|strong = "G5083" needs|strong = "G5303". I|strong = "G1473"  
 kept|strong = "G5083" myself|strong = "G1683", and|strong = "G2532"  
 will|strong = "G2532" keep|strong = "G5083" myself|strong = "G1683"  
 from|strong = "G2064" being|strong = "G2532" an|strong = "G2532"  
 expense|strong = "H3027" to|strong = "G4314" you|strong = "G5210"  
 in|strong = "G1722" any|strong = "G3956" way|strong = "G1722". <sup>10</sup>  
 As|strong = "G1519" surely|strong = "H4191" as|strong = "G1519"  
 I|strong = "G1473" know|strong = "G1722" anything|strong = "H3605"  
 of|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" truth|strong = "H0571"  
 of|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547", this|strong = "G3778"  
 boast|strong = "H1984", as|strong = "G1519" far|strong = "G3588"  
 as|strong = "G1519" I|strong = "G1473" am|strong = "G1510"  
 concerned|strong = "H6485", will|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756"  
 be|strong = "G1510" stopped|strong = "G5420" in|strong = "G1722"  
 any|strong = "G3756" part|strong = "G1473" of|strong = "G1722"  
 Greece|strong = "H3120". <sup>11</sup> Why|strong = "G5101"?  
 Because|strong = "G3754" I|strong = "G3754" do|strong = "G5101"  
 not|strong = "G3756" love|strong = "H0157" you|strong = "G5210"?  
 God|strong = "G2316" knows|strong = "G1492" that|strong = "G3754"  
 I|strong = "G3754" do|strong = "G5101"!

12What|strong = "G3739" I|strong = "G1473" am|strong = "G1473"  
 doing|strong = "G4160" now|strong = "G1161" I|strong = "G1473"  
 will|strong = "G2309" continue|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G2443"  
 do|strong = "G4160" in|strong = "G1722" order|strong = "G2443"

to|strong="G2443" cut|strong="G1581" away|strong="H5493"  
the|strong="G1722" ground|strong="H0776" from|strong="G2532"  
under|strong="G1722" those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3739"  
are|strong="G3588" wishing|strong="G2309" for|strong="G1161"  
some|strong="G3739" ground|strong="H0776" for|strong="G1161"  
attacking|strong="H5221" me|strong="G1473", so|strong="G2443"  
that|strong="G2443" as|strong="G2531" regards|strong="H5234"  
the|strong="G1722" thing|strong="G3739" of|strong="G2532"  
which|strong="G3739" they|strong="G2532" boast|strong="G2744"  
they|strong="G2532" may|strong="G2532" appear|strong="H7200"  
in|strong="G1722" their|strong="G2532" true|strong="G3588" characters,  
just|strong="G2531" as|strong="G2531" we|strong="G2249"  
do|strong="G4160". <sup>13</sup> Such|strong="G5108" people|strong="G3588"  
are|strong="G3588" false|strong="G5570" apostles|strong="G5570",  
treacherous|strong="H0898" workers|strong="G2040",  
disguising|strong="G3345" themselves|strong="G1519"  
as|strong="G1519" apostles|strong="G5570" of|strong="G3588"  
Christ|strong="G5547"! <sup>14</sup> And|strong="G2532" no|strong="G3756"  
wonder|strong="G2295"; for|strong="G1063" even|strong="G2532"  
Satan|strong="G4567" disguises|strong="G3345" himself|strong="G1519"  
as|strong="G1519" an|strong="G2532" angel|strong="H4397"  
of|strong="G2532" light|strong="G5457". <sup>15</sup> It|strong="G2532"  
is|strong="G1510" not|strong="G3756" surprising|strong="G3173",  
therefore|strong="G3767", if|strong="G1487" his|strong="G2532"  
servants|strong="G1249" also|strong="G2532" disguise|strong="G3345"  
themselves|strong="G3345" as|strong="G5613" servants|strong="G1249"  
of|strong="G2532" righteousness|strong="G1343". But|strong="G2532"  
their|strong="G2532" end|strong="G5056" will|strong="G1510"  
be|strong="G1510" in|strong="G2596" accordance|strong="G2596"  
with|strong="G2532" their|strong="G2532" actions|strong="G2041".

16I|strong="G1473" say|strong="G3004" again|strong="G3825" –  
Let|strong="G1161" no|strong="G3361" one|strong="G5100"  
think|strong="G1380" me|strong="G1473" a|strong="G5613"  
fool|strong="H3684"! Yet|strong="G1161", if|strong="G1487"  
you|strong="G1487" do|strong="G5101", at|strong="G1161"  
least|strong="G3398" welcome|strong="G1209" me|strong="G1473"  
as|strong="G5613" you|strong="G1487" would|strong="G5100"  
a|strong="G5613" fool|strong="H3684", so|strong="G2443"  
that|strong="G2443" I|strong="G1473", too|strong="G5613"  
may|strong="G2443" indulge in|strong="G3004" a|strong="G5613"  
little|strong="G3398" boasting|strong="G2744". <sup>17</sup>  
When|strong="G5613" I|strong="G3739" speak|strong="G2980"  
like|strong="G5613" this|strong="G3778", I|strong="G3739"  
am|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756" speaking|strong="G2980"

as|strong="G5613" the|strong="G1722" Master|strong="G2962"  
 would|strong="G1722", but|strong="G3588" as|strong="G5613"  
 a|strong="G5613" fool|strong="H3684" might|strong="G3778",  
 in|strong="G1722" boasting|strong="G2746" so|strong="G5613"  
 confidently|strong="H2388". <sup>18</sup> As|strong="G2596" so|strong="G2504"  
 many|strong="G4183" are|strong="G4183" boasting|strong="G2744"  
 of|strong="G2596" earthly|strong="G4561" things|strong="G4183",  
 I|strong="G2504", too|strong="H4480", will|strong="G4183"  
 boast|strong="G2744". <sup>19</sup> For|strong="G1063" all|strong="G3588"  
 your|strong="G3588" cleverness, you|strong="G1510"  
 tolerate|strong="H3201" fools|strong="H3684" willingly|strong="H5068"  
 enough|strong="H1767"! <sup>20</sup> You|strong="G5210"  
 tolerate|strong="H3201" a|strong="G1519" person|strong="G4383"  
 even|strong="G1519" when|strong="G5100" they|strong="G1063" enslave  
 you|strong="G5210", when|strong="G5100" they|strong="G1063"  
 plunder|strong="H0962" you|strong="G5210", when|strong="G5100"  
 they|strong="G1063" get|strong="H3947" you|strong="G5210"  
 into|strong="G1519" their|strong="G1519" power|strong="H3027",  
 when|strong="G5100" they|strong="G1063" put|strong="G1519"  
 on|strong="G1519" airs of|strong="G5100" superiority,  
 when|strong="G5100" they|strong="G1063" strike|strong="G1194"  
 you|strong="G5210" in|strong="G1519" the|strong="G1519"  
 face|strong="G4383"! <sup>21</sup> I|strong="G1473" admit|strong="H8085",  
 to|strong="G2596" my|strong="G1722" shame|strong="H0954",  
 that|strong="G3754" we|strong="G2249" have|strong="G1473"  
 been|strong="G5100" weak|strong="H2470". But|strong="G1161"  
 whatever|strong="G3739" the|strong="G1722" subject|strong="H5647"  
 on|strong="G1722" which|strong="G3739" others|strong="G3739"  
 are|strong="G3739" not|strong="G3739" afraid|strong="H3372"  
 to|strong="G2596" boast|strong="H1984" – though|strong="G5613"  
 it|strong="G3754" is|strong="G3739" foolish|strong="H3684"  
 to|strong="G2596" say|strong="G3004" so|strong="G1161" –  
 I|strong="G1473" am|strong="G1473" not|strong="G3739"  
 afraid|strong="H3372" either|strong="H1571"! <sup>22</sup> Are|strong="G1510"  
 they|strong="G1510" Hebrews|strong="G1445"? So|strong="G2504"  
 am|strong="G1510" I|strong="G2504"! Are|strong="G1510"  
 they|strong="G1510" Israelites|strong="G2475"? So|strong="G2504"  
 am|strong="G1510" I|strong="G2504"! Are|strong="G1510"  
 they|strong="G1510" descendants|strong="G4690" of|strong="G4690"  
 Abraham|strong="H0085"? So|strong="G2504" am|strong="G1510"  
 I|strong="G2504"! <sup>23</sup> Are|strong="G1510" they|strong="G1510"  
 ‘Servants|strong="G1249" of|strong="G1722" Christ’?  
 Though|strong="G1722" it|strong="G1510" is|strong="G1510"  
 madness|strong="H1947" to|strong="G1722" talk|strong="G2980"  
 like|strong="H3644" this|strong="G1722", I|strong="G1473"  
 am|strong="G1510" more|strong="G5228" so|strong="G1722"

than|strong = "G5228" they|strong = "G1510"! I|strong = "G1473"  
 have|strong = "G1473" had|strong = "G1510" more|strong = "G5228"  
 of|strong = "G1722" toil|strong = "G2873", more|strong = "G5228"  
 of|strong = "G1722" imprisonment|strong = "G5438"! I|strong = "G1473"  
 have|strong = "G1473" been|strong = "G1510" flogged|strong = "H5221"  
 times|strong = "G4178" without|strong = "G5547" number|strong = "G5234".  
 I|strong = "G1473" have|strong = "G1473" been|strong = "G1510"  
 often|strong = "G4178" at|strong = "G1722" death's door|strong = "H6607".  
<sup>24</sup> Five|strong = "G3999" times|strong = "G3999" I|strong = "G2453"  
 received|strong = "G2983" at|strong = "G3844" the|strong = "G2983"  
 hands|strong = "G5259" of|strong = "G5259" my|strong = "G5259"  
 own|strong = "H1961" people|strong = "G2983" forty|strong = "G5062"  
 lashes, all|strong = "H3605" but|strong = "H3588" one|strong = "G1520". <sup>25</sup>  
 Three|strong = "G5151" times|strong = "G5151" I|strong = "G1722"  
 was|strong = "G3588" beaten|strong = "G4463" with|strong = "G1722"  
 rods|strong = "G4463". Once|strong = "H6471" I|strong = "G1722"  
 was|strong = "G3588" stoned|strong = "G3034". Three|strong = "G5151"  
 times|strong = "G5151" I|strong = "G1722" was|strong = "G3588"  
 shipwrecked|strong = "G3489". I|strong = "G1722" have|strong = "G4160"  
 spent|strong = "G4160" a|strong = "G1722" whole|strong = "G1722"  
 day|strong = "G3574" and|strong = "G4160" night|strong = "G3574"  
 in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" deep|strong = "G1037". <sup>26</sup>  
 My|strong = "G1722" journeys|strong = "G3597" have|strong = "G1484"  
 been|strong = "G4178" many|strong = "G4178". I|strong = "G1722"  
 have|strong = "G1484" been|strong = "G4178" through|strong = "G1722"  
 dangers|strong = "G2794" from|strong = "G1537" rivers|strong = "G4215",  
 dangers|strong = "G2794" from|strong = "G1537" robbers|strong = "G3027",  
 dangers|strong = "G2794" from|strong = "G1537" my|strong = "G1722"  
 own|strong = "H1961" people|strong = "G1484", dangers|strong = "G2794"  
 from|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1722" Gentiles|strong = "G1484",  
 dangers|strong = "G2794" in|strong = "G1722" towns|strong = "G4172",  
 dangers|strong = "G2794" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"  
 country|strong = "H2022", dangers|strong = "G2794" on|strong = "G1722"  
 the|strong = "G1722" sea|strong = "G2281", dangers|strong = "G2794"  
 among|strong = "G1722" people|strong = "G1484"  
 pretending|strong = "H7186" to|strong = "G1722" be|strong = "G1484"  
 followers|strong = "H2623" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1722"  
 Lord|strong = "H3068". <sup>27</sup> I|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2532"  
 been|strong = "G2532" through|strong = "G1722" toil|strong = "G2873"  
 and|strong = "G2532" hardship|strong = "G3449". I|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2532" passed|strong = "H5674" many|strong = "G4178"  
 a|strong = "G2532" sleepless night|strong = "H3915"; I|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2532" endured|strong = "H5375" hunger|strong = "G3042"  
 and|strong = "G2532" thirst|strong = "G1373"; I|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2532" often|strong = "G4178" been|strong = "G2532"  
 without|strong = "G2532" food|strong = "G3521"; I|strong = "G2532"



have|strong="G2532" known|strong="H3045" cold|strong="G5592"  
 and|strong="G2532" nakedness|strong="G1132". <sup>28</sup>  
 And|strong="G2250", not|strong="G1473" to|strong="G2596"  
 speak|strong="H1696" of|strong="G2250" other|strong="G3588"  
 things|strong="G3956", there|strong="G2250" is|strong="G3588"  
 my|strong="G3956" daily|strong="G2250" burden|strong="H4853"  
 of|strong="G2250" anxiety|strong="G3308" about|strong="G2596"  
 all|strong="G3956" the|strong="G3956" churches|strong="G1577". <sup>29</sup>  
 Who|strong="G5101" is|strong="G5101" weak|strong="H2470"  
 without|strong="G2532" my|strong="G1473" being|strong="G2532"  
 weak|strong="H2470"? Who|strong="G5101" is|strong="G5101"  
 led|strong="G4624" astray|strong="H8582" without|strong="G2532"  
 my|strong="G1473" burning|strong="G4448" with|strong="G2532"  
 indignation|strong="H2195"? <sup>30</sup> If|strong="G1487" I|strong="G1473"  
 must|strong="G1163" boast|strong="G2744", I|strong="G1473"  
 will|strong="G1473" boast|strong="G2744" of|strong="G3588"  
 things|strong="G3588" which|strong="G3588" show|strong="H7200"  
 my|strong="G1473" weakness|strong="H4816"! <sup>31</sup> The|strong="G2532"  
 God|strong="G2316" and|strong="G2532" Father|strong="G3962"  
 of|strong="G2316" the|strong="G2532" Lord|strong="G2962"  
 Jesus|strong="G2424" – he|strong="G2532" who|strong="G3588"  
 is|strong="G1510" for|strong="G3754" ever|strong="G3756"  
 blessed|strong="G2128" – knows|strong="G1492" that|strong="G3754"  
 I|strong="G2532" am|strong="G1510" speaking|strong="H1696"  
 the|strong="G2532" truth|strong="H0571". <sup>32</sup> When|strong="G1722"  
 I|strong="G1473" was|strong="G3588" in|strong="G1722"  
 Damascus|strong="G1154", the|strong="G1722"  
 Governor|strong="G1481" under|strong="G1722" King|strong="G3588"  
 Aretas had|strong="G3588" the|strong="G1722" gates|strong="H8179"  
 of|strong="G4172" that|strong="G3588" city|strong="G4172"  
 guarded|strong="H8104", so|strong="G1722" as|strong="G1722"  
 to|strong="G1722" arrest|strong="G4084" me|strong="G1473", <sup>33</sup>  
 but|strong="G2532" I|strong="G2532" was|strong="G3588"  
 let|strong="G5465" down|strong="G5465" in|strong="G1722"  
 a|strong="G2532" basket|strong="G4553" through|strong="G1223"  
 a|strong="G2532" window|strong="G2376" in|strong="G1722"  
 the|strong="G1722" wall|strong="G5038", and|strong="G2532"  
 so|strong="G2532" escaped|strong="G1628" his|strong="G1223"  
 hands|strong="G5495".

12I|strong="G2532" must|strong="G1163" boast|strong="G2744"!  
 It|strong="G2532" is|strong="G2962" unprofitable|strong="H5532";  
 but|strong="G1161" I|strong="G2532" will|strong="G2532"  
 pass|strong="H5674" to|strong="G1519" visions|strong="G3701"  
 and|strong="G2532" revelations given|strong="H5414"

by|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" Lord|strong="G2962". <sup>2</sup>  
 I|strong="G2193" know|strong="G1492" a|strong="G1722"  
 man|strong="G5108" in|strong="G1722" union|strong="H2260"  
 with|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547", who|strong="G3588",  
 fourteen|strong="G1180" years|strong="G2094" ago|strong="G4253" –  
 whether|strong="G1535" in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722"  
 body|strong="G4983" or|strong="G1535" out|strong="G1535"  
 of|strong="G2316" the|strong="G1722" body|strong="G4983"  
 I|strong="G2193" do|strong="G1492" not|strong="G3756"  
 know|strong="G1492"; God|strong="G2316" knows|strong="G1492" –  
 was|strong="G3588" caught|strong="G5108" up|strong="G1722"  
 (this|strong="G3588" man|strong="G5108" of|strong="G2316"  
 whom|strong="G3588" I|strong="G2193" am|strong="G3588"  
 speaking|strong="H1696") to|strong="G2193" the|strong="G1722"  
 third|strong="G5154" heaven|strong="G3772". <sup>3</sup> And|strong="G2532"  
 I|strong="G2532" know|strong="G1492" that|strong="G3588"  
 this|strong="G3588" man|strong="G5108" – whether|strong="G1535"  
 in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" body|strong="G4983"  
 or|strong="G1535" separated|strong="H6504" from|strong="G2532"  
 the|strong="G1722" body|strong="G4983" I|strong="G2532"  
 do|strong="G1492" not|strong="G3756" know|strong="G1492";  
 God|strong="G2316" knows|strong="G1492" – <sup>4</sup> Was|strong="G3588"  
 caught|strong="H3920" up|strong="G1519" into|strong="G1519"  
 Paradise|strong="G3857", and|strong="G2532" heard|strong="H8085"  
 unspeakable things|strong="G3588" of|strong="G2532"  
 which|strong="G3739" no|strong="G3756" human|strong="H0120"  
 being|strong="G2532" may|strong="G2532" tell|strong="G2980". <sup>5</sup>  
 About|strong="G1722" such|strong="G5108" a|strong="G1722"  
 man|strong="G5108" I|strong="G1473" will|strong="G1473"  
 boast|strong="G2744", but|strong="G1161" about|strong="G1722"  
 myself|strong="G1683" I|strong="G1473" will|strong="G1473"  
 not|strong="G3756" boast|strong="G2744" except|strong="G1487"  
 as|strong="G1722" regards|strong="H5234" my|strong="G1722"  
 weaknesses. <sup>6</sup> Yet|strong="G1161" if|strong="G1437" I|strong="G1473"  
 choose|strong="H0977" to|strong="G1519" boast|strong="G2744",  
 I|strong="G1473" will|strong="G2309" not|strong="G3756"  
 be|strong="G1510" a|strong="G1519" fool|strong="H3684";  
 for|strong="G1063" I|strong="G1473" will|strong="G2309"  
 be|strong="G1510" speaking|strong="G3004" no|strong="G3756"  
 more|strong="G5228" than|strong="G2228" the|strong="G1519"  
 truth|strong="H0571". But|strong="G1161" I|strong="G1473"  
 refrain|strong="G3756", in|strong="G1519" case|strong="G3361"  
 anyone|strong="G5100" should|strong="G5100" credit|strong="G3049"  
 me|strong="G1473" with|strong="G1537" more|strong="G5228"  
 than|strong="G2228" he|strong="G1161" can|strong="G3004"  
 see|strong="H7200" in|strong="G1519" me|strong="G1473"

or|strong="G2228" hear|strong="H8085" from|strong="G1537" me|strong="G1473", and|strong="G1161" because|strong="G1063" of|strong="G1537" the|strong="G1519" marvelous|strong="H6381" character|strong="H6965" of|strong="G1537" the|strong="G1519" revelations. <sup>7</sup> It|strong="G2532" was|strong="G3588" for|strong="G2532" this|strong="G3588" reason|strong="G1352", and|strong="G2532" to|strong="G2443" prevent|strong="H6923" my|strong="G1325" thinking|strong="H0559" too|strong="G2532" highly|strong="H3966" of|strong="G2532" myself|strong="G1473", that|strong="G2443" a|strong="G2532" thorn|strong="G4647" was|strong="G3588" sent|strong="G2532" to|strong="G2443" pierce|strong="H5344" my|strong="G1325" flesh|strong="G4561" – an|strong="G2532" instrument|strong="H5035" of|strong="G2532" Satan|strong="G4567" to|strong="G2443" discipline|strong="H4148" me|strong="G1325" – so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" I|strong="G1473" should|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3361" think|strong="H2803" too|strong="G2532" highly|strong="H3966" of|strong="G2532" myself|strong="G1473". <sup>8</sup> About|strong="G5228" this|strong="G3778" I|strong="G1473" three|strong="G5151" times|strong="G5151" entreated|strong="H2470" the|strong="G3588" Lord|strong="G2962", praying|strong="H6419" that|strong="G2443" it|strong="G3778" might|strong="G3778" leave|strong="H5800" me|strong="G1473". <sup>9</sup> But|strong="G2532" his|strong="G1909" reply|strong="G3004" has|strong="G5547" been|strong="G2532" – ‘w My|strong="G1722" w\* w help|strong="H5826" w\* w is|strong="G3588" w\* w w enough|strong="H1767" w\* w for|strong="G1063" w\* w you|strong="G4771" w\*; w for|strong="G1063" w\* w my|strong="G1722" w\* w strength|strong="G1411" w\* w attains|strong="H8551" w\* w its|strong="H3605" w\* w perfection|strong="H8502" w\* w in|strong="G1722" w\* w the|strong="G1722" w\* w midst|strong="H8432" w\* w of|strong="G2532" w\* w weakness|strong="H4816" w\*.’

**M** ost|strong="G3123" gladly|strong="G2236", then|strong="G3767", will|strong="G2532" I|strong="G1473" boast|strong="G2744" all|strong="G2532" the|strong="G1722" more|strong="G3123" of|strong="G2532" my|strong="G1722" weaknesses, so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" the|strong="G1722" strength|strong="G1411" of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547" may|strong="G2532" overshadow me|strong="G1473". <sup>10</sup> That|strong="G2532" is|strong="G1510" why|strong="G1063" I|strong="G2532" delight|strong="H2654" in|strong="G1722" weakness|strong="H4816", ill|strong="H2470" treatment, hardship|strong="H8513", persecution|strong="G1375", and|strong="G2532" difficulties|strong="G4730", when|strong="G3752"

borne|strong = "H3205" for|strong = "G1063" Christ|strong = "G5547".  
 For|strong = "G1063", when|strong = "G3752" I|strong = "G2532"  
 am|strong = "G1510" weak|strong = "H2470", then|strong = "G2532"  
 it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G1510" that|strong = "G2532"  
 I|strong = "G2532" am|strong = "G1510" strong|strong = "G1415"!  
 Conclusion|strong = "H5490"

11I|strong = "G1473" have|strong = "G2532" been|strong = "G1510"  
 "playing|strong = "H5059" the|strong = "G2532" fool|strong = "H3684"!"  
 It|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G1510" you|strong = "G5210"  
 who|strong = "G3588" drove|strong = "H3423" me|strong = "G1473"  
 to|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532". For|strong = "G1063"  
 it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G1510" you|strong = "G5210"  
 who|strong = "G3588" ought|strong = "G3784" to|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2532" been|strong = "G1510" commending|strong = "G4921"  
 me|strong = "G1473"! Although|strong = "G5210" I|strong = "G1473"  
 am|strong = "G1510" nobody|strong = "G3762", in|strong = "G2532"  
 no|strong = "G3762" respect|strong = "G3762" did|strong = "G2532"  
 I|strong = "G1473" prove|strong = "G1096" inferior|strong = "G5302"  
 to|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" most|strong = "H6944"  
 eminent|strong = "H5089" apostles. <sup>12</sup> The|strong = "G1722"  
 marks|strong = "H3793" of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G1722"  
 true|strong = "G3588" apostle were|strong = "G3588"  
 exhibited|strong = "H7760" among|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210"  
 in|strong = "G1722" constant|strong = "H2956" endurance|strong = "G5281",  
 as|strong = "G1722" well|strong = "G2532" as|strong = "G1722"  
 by|strong = "G1722" signs|strong = "G4592", by|strong = "G1722"  
 marvels|strong = "H4159", and|strong = "G2532" by|strong = "G1722"  
 miracles|strong = "G1411". <sup>13</sup> In|strong = "G1577" what|strong = "G5101"  
 respect|strong = "G3739", I|strong = "G1473" ask|strong = "H7592",  
 were|strong = "G1510" you|strong = "G5210" treated|strong = "G2274"  
 worse|strong = "H7489" than|strong = "G5228" the|strong = "G3588"  
 other|strong = "G3062" churches|strong = "G1577", unless|strong = "G1487"  
 it|strong = "G3754" was|strong = "G1510" that|strong = "G3754",  
 for|strong = "G1063" my|strong = "G1473" part|strong = "G1473",  
 I|strong = "G1473" refused|strong = "G3756" to|strong = "G3756"  
 become|strong = "G1510" a|strong = "G1510" burden|strong = "G2655"  
 to|strong = "G3756" you|strong = "G5210"? Forgive|strong = "G5483"  
 me|strong = "G1473" the|strong = "G3588" wrong|strong = "H7451"  
 I|strong = "G1473" did|strong = "G5101" to|strong = "G3756"  
 you|strong = "G5210"!

14Remember|strong = "G2400", this|strong = "G3778" is|strong = "G3588"  
 the|strong = "G2532" third|strong = "G5154" time|strong = "G5154"  
 that|strong = "G3588" I|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2192"

made|strong="G3756" every|strong="G2532"  
preparation|strong="H3559" to|strong="G4314" come|strong="G2064"  
to|strong="G4314" see|strong="G3708" you|strong="G5210",  
and|strong="G2532" I|strong="G2532" will|strong="G2532"  
refuse|strong="G3756" to|strong="G4314" be|strong="G2532"  
a|strong="G2192" burden|strong="G2655" to|strong="G4314"  
you|strong="G5210"; I|strong="G2532" want|strong="G2212",  
not|strong="G3756" your|strong="G2192" money|strong="H3701",  
but|strong="G2532" you|strong="G5210". It|strong="G2532"  
is|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756" the|strong="G2532"  
duty|strong="H2992" of|strong="G2532" children|strong="G5043"  
to|strong="G4314" put|strong="G2532" by|strong="G4314"  
for|strong="G1063" their|strong="G2532" parents|strong="G1118",  
but|strong="G2532" of|strong="G2532" parents|strong="G1118"  
to|strong="G4314" put|strong="G2532" by|strong="G4314"  
for|strong="G1063" their|strong="G2532" children|strong="G5043". 15  
For|strong="G5228" my|strong="G1473" part|strong="G1473",  
I|strong="G1473" will|strong="G2532" most|strong="G5228"  
gladly|strong="G2236" spend|strong="G1159", and|strong="G2532"  
be|strong="G2532" spent|strong="G1159", for|strong="G5228"  
your|strong="G2532" welfare|strong="G3588". Can|strong="H4310"  
it|strong="G2532" be|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3588"  
the|strong="G2532" more|strong="G5228" intensely|strong="H1961"  
I|strong="G1473" love|strong="H0157" you|strong="G5210"  
the|strong="G2532" less|strong="G2276" I|strong="G1473"  
am|strong="G1473" to|strong="G2532" be|strong="G2532"  
loved|strong="H0157"? 16 You|strong="G5210" will|strong="G1510"  
admit|strong="H8085" that|strong="G1161" I|strong="G1473"  
was|strong="G1510" not|strong="G3756" a|strong="G2983"  
burden|strong="G2599" to|strong="G3756" you|strong="G5210"  
but|strong="G1161" you|strong="G5210" say|strong="G1473"  
that|strong="G1161" I|strong="G1473" was|strong="G1510"  
"crafty|strong="G3835" and|strong="G1161" caught|strong="G2983"  
you|strong="G5210" "by|strong="G1510" a|strong="G2983" trick"! 17  
Do|strong="G3361" you|strong="G5210" assert|strong="H1696"  
that|strong="G3739" I|strong="G3739" took|strong="G4122"  
advantage|strong="G4122" of|strong="G1223" you|strong="G5210"  
through|strong="G1223" any|strong="G5100" of|strong="G1223"  
those|strong="G3739" whom|strong="G3739" I|strong="G3739"  
have|strong="G5210" sent|strong="H7971" to|strong="G4314"  
you|strong="G5210"? 18 I|strong="G2532" urged|strong="G3870"  
Titus|strong="G5103" to|strong="G2532" go|strong="G4151",  
and|strong="G2532" I|strong="G2532" sent|strong="G4882"  
another|strong="G3588" follower with|strong="G2532"  
him|strong="G3588". Did|strong="G2532" Titus|strong="G5103"  
take|strong="G2532" any|strong="G3756" advantage|strong="G4122"

of|strong = "G4151" you|strong = "G5210"? Didn't|strong = "G3756"  
 we|strong = "G2532" live|strong = "G4043" in|strong = "G2532"  
 the|strong = "G2532" same|strong = "G2532" Spirit|strong = "G4151",  
 and|strong = "G2532" tread|strong = "H1869" in|strong = "G2532"  
 the|strong = "G2532" same|strong = "G2532" footsteps|strong = "H1870"?

19Have|strong = "G3748" you|strong = "G5210" all|strong = "G3956"  
 this|strong = "G3588" time|strong = "G1722" been|strong = "G5547" fancying  
 that|strong = "G3754" it|strong = "G3754" is|strong = "G3588"  
 to|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210" that|strong = "G3754"  
 we|strong = "G3754" are|strong = "G3588" making|strong = "H6213"  
 our|strong = "G2316" defense|strong = "H4581"? No|strong = "G3956",  
 it|strong = "G3754" is|strong = "G3588" in|strong = "G1722"  
 the|strong = "G1722" sight|strong = "G2713" of|strong = "G2316"  
 God|strong = "G2316", and|strong = "G1161" in|strong = "G1722"  
 union|strong = "H2260" with|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547",  
 that|strong = "G3754" we|strong = "G3754" are|strong = "G3588"  
 speaking|strong = "G2980". And|strong = "G1161" all|strong = "G3956"  
 this|strong = "G3588", dear|strong = "H3357" friends|strong = "H7453",  
 is|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G1722" build|strong = "G3619"  
 up|strong = "G1722" your|strong = "G3956" characters; <sup>20</sup>  
 for|strong = "G1063" I|strong = "G2504" am|strong = "G2309"  
 afraid|strong = "G5399" that|strong = "G3361" perhaps|strong = "G3381",  
 when|strong = "G2064" I|strong = "G2504" come|strong = "G2064",  
 I|strong = "G2504" may|strong = "G2504" find|strong = "G2147"  
 that|strong = "G3361" you|strong = "G5210" are|strong = "G5399"  
 not|strong = "G3756" what|strong = "G3634" I|strong = "G2504"  
 want|strong = "G2309" you|strong = "G5210" to|strong = "G2309"  
 be|strong = "G3756", and|strong = "G2064", on|strong = "G3361"  
 the|strong = "G1063" other|strong = "G3361" hand|strong = "H3027",  
 that|strong = "G3361" you|strong = "G5210" may|strong = "G2504"  
 find|strong = "G2147" that|strong = "G3361" I|strong = "G2504"  
 am|strong = "G2309" what|strong = "G3634" you|strong = "G5210"  
 do|strong = "G5399" not|strong = "G3756" want|strong = "G2309"  
 me|strong = "G2504" to|strong = "G2309" be|strong = "G3756".  
 I|strong = "G2504" am|strong = "G2309" afraid|strong = "G5399"  
 that|strong = "G3361" I|strong = "G2504" may|strong = "G2504"  
 find|strong = "G2147" quarreling|strong = "H1777",  
 jealousy|strong = "G2205", ill|strong = "H2470" feeling,  
 rivalry|strong = "G2054", slandering, backbiting|strong = "H5643",  
 self-assertion, and|strong = "G2064" disorder. <sup>21</sup> I|strong = "G1473"  
 am|strong = "G1473" afraid|strong = "H3372" that|strong = "G3739",  
 on|strong = "G1909" my|strong = "G1473" next|strong = "G2064"  
 visit|strong = "G2064", my|strong = "G1473" God|strong = "G2316"  
 may|strong = "G2532" humble|strong = "G5013" me|strong = "G1473"

in|strong = "G1909" regard|strong = "G4314" to|strong = "G4314"  
 you|strong = "G5210", and|strong = "G2532" that|strong = "G3739"  
 I|strong = "G1473" may|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2532"  
 to|strong = "G4314" mourn|strong = "G3996" over|strong = "G1909"  
 many|strong = "G4183" who|strong = "G3739" have|strong = "G2532"  
 long|strong = "G4183" been|strong = "G2532" sinning|strong = "H2398",  
 and|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3361"  
 repented|strong = "G3340" of|strong = "G2316" the|strong = "G2532"  
 impurity|strong = "H5079", immorality|strong = "G4202",  
 and|strong = "G2532" sensuality, in|strong = "G1909"  
 which|strong = "G3739" they|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2532"  
 indulged.

13For|strong = "G1909" the|strong = "G2532" third|strong = "G5154"  
 time|strong = "G5154" I|strong = "G2532" am|strong = "G2532"  
 coming|strong = "G2064" to|strong = "G4314" see|strong = "H7200"  
 you|strong = "G5210". By|strong = "G1909" the|strong = "G2532"  
 word|strong = "G4487" of|strong = "G2532" two|strong = "G1417"  
 or|strong = "G2532" three|strong = "G5140" witnesses|strong = "G3144"  
 each|strong = "H0376" statement|strong = "G4487" will|strong = "G2532"  
 be|strong = "G2532" established|strong = "G2476". <sup>2</sup> I|strong = "G2532"  
 have|strong = "G2532" said|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532",  
 and|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G2532" say|strong = "G3956"  
 it|strong = "G2532" again|strong = "G3825" before|strong = "G1519"  
 I|strong = "G2532" come|strong = "G2064", just|strong = "G5613"  
 as|strong = "G5613" if|strong = "G1437" I|strong = "G2532"  
 were|strong = "G3588" with|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G1437"  
 on|strong = "G1519" my|strong = "G3956" second|strong = "G1208"  
 visit|strong = "G2064", though|strong = "G5613" for|strong = "G3754"  
 the|strong = "G2532" moment|strong = "G3918" absent|strong = "H5641",  
 I|strong = "G2532" say|strong = "G3956" to|strong = "G1519"  
 those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3588" have|strong = "G2532"  
 been|strong = "G2532" long|strong = "G3756" sinning|strong = "H2398",  
 as|strong = "G5613" well|strong = "G2532" as|strong = "G5613"  
 to|strong = "G1519" all|strong = "G3956" others|strong = "G3062" –  
 that|strong = "G3754" if|strong = "G1437" I|strong = "G2532"  
 come|strong = "G2064" again|strong = "G3825", I|strong = "G2532"  
 will|strong = "G2532" spare|strong = "G5339" no|strong = "G3756"  
 one|strong = "G3956". <sup>3</sup> And|strong = "G2980" that|strong = "G3739"  
 will|strong = "G3739" be|strong = "G3756" the|strong = "G1722"  
 proof|strong = "G1382", which|strong = "G3739" you|strong = "G5210"  
 are|strong = "G3588" looking|strong = "G2212" for|strong = "G1519",  
 that|strong = "G3739" the|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547"  
 speaks|strong = "G2980" through|strong = "G1722" me|strong = "G1473".  
 There|strong = "G1722" is|strong = "G3588" no|strong = "G3756"

weakness|strong="H4816" in|strong="G1722" his|strong="G1519" dealings|strong="H1697" with|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210".  
 No|strong="G3756", he|strong="G3739" shows|strong="H6213" his|strong="G1519" power|strong="H3027" among|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210". <sup>4</sup> For|strong="G1063" though|strong="G2532" his|strong="G1519" crucifixion|strong="G4717" was|strong="G2532" due|strong="G1722" to|strong="G1519" weakness|strong="H4816", his|strong="G1519" life|strong="G2198" is|strong="G2316" due|strong="G1722" to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G1722" power|strong="G1411" of|strong="G1537" God|strong="G2316". And|strong="G2532" we|strong="G2249", also|strong="G2532", are|strong="G2532" weak|strong="H2470" in|strong="G1722" his|strong="G1519" weakness|strong="H4816", but|strong="G2532" with|strong="G1722" him|strong="G2532" we|strong="G2249" will|strong="G2316" live|strong="G2198" for|strong="G1063" you|strong="G5210" through|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" power|strong="G1411" of|strong="G1537" God|strong="G2316". <sup>5</sup> Put|strong="G3985" yourselves|strong="G1438" to|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" test|strong="G3985", to|strong="G1722" see|strong="G1381" whether|strong="G1487" you|strong="G5210" are|strong="G1510" holding|strong="H2388" to|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" faith|strong="G4102". Examine|strong="G1381" yourselves|strong="G1438". Surely|strong="G3385" you|strong="G5210" recognize|strong="G1921" this|strong="G3588" fact|strong="G3754" about|strong="G1722" yourselves|strong="G1438" – that|strong="G3754" Jesus|strong="G2424" Christ|strong="G5547" is|strong="G1510" in|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210"! Unless|strong="G1487" indeed|strong="G1510" you|strong="G5210" cannot|strong="G3756" stand|strong="G5210" the|strong="G1722" test|strong="G3985"! <sup>6</sup>  
 But|strong="G1161" I|strong="G1473" hope|strong="G1679" that|strong="G3754" you|strong="G3754" will|strong="G1510" recognize|strong="G1097" that|strong="G3754" we|strong="G2249" can|strong="H4310" stand|strong="H5975" the|strong="G1161" test|strong="G1097". <sup>7</sup> We|strong="G2249" pray|strong="G2172" to|strong="G4314" God|strong="G2316" that|strong="G2443" you|strong="G5210" may|strong="G2443" do|strong="G4160" nothing|strong="G3367" wrong|strong="G2556", not|strong="G3756" that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2249" may|strong="G2443" be|strong="G1510" seen|strong="G5316" to|strong="G4314" stand|strong="G5210" the|strong="G1161" test|strong="H5254", but|strong="G1161" that|strong="G2443" you|strong="G5210" may|strong="G2443" do|strong="G4160" what|strong="G3588" is|strong="G1510" right|strong="G2570", even|strong="G1161" though|strong="G5613" we|strong="G2249" may|strong="G2443" seem|strong="G5316" not|strong="G3756" to|strong="G4314" stand|strong="G5210" the|strong="G1161" test|strong="H5254". <sup>8</sup>





people|strong = "G3956" here|strong = "G3956" send|strong = "H7971"  
you|strong = "G5210" their|strong = "G2532" greetings.

14May|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H3605" blessing|strong = "H1293"  
of|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H3605" Lord|strong = "H3068" Jesus  
Christ, and|strong = "H3967" the|strong = "H3605" love|strong = "H0157"  
of|strong = "H1121" God|strong = "H0430", and|strong = "H3967"  
the|strong = "H3605" communion with|strong = "H5973"  
the|strong = "H3605" Holy|strong = "H6944" Spirit|strong = "H7307",  
be|strong = "H1961" with|strong = "H5973" you|strong = "H0859"  
all|strong = "H3605".