

Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians

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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. ² 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. ⁵ It is true that we have full share of the sufferings of Christ through

we|strong="G2249" have|strong="G2532" also|strong="G2532" our|strong="G2532" full|strong="H4392" share|strong="H2506" of|strong="G1223" consolation|strong="G3874". ⁶ 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="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"; ⁷ 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".

⁸ 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". ⁹ 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". ¹⁰ 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". ¹¹
 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"

12 Indeed|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". ¹³ 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" – ¹⁴
 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|strong = "G3483"
 and|strong = "G2532" "No|strong = "G3756"? 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|strong = "G3483" and|strong = "G2532"
 "No|strong = "G3756"! 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|strong="G3483”” 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”.” ²⁰ 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|strong="G3483”” that|strong="G3588" fulfils them|strong="G3588”.”
 Therefore|strong="G1352", through|strong="G1223" Christ
 again|strong="G2532", let|strong="G1063" the|strong="G1722"
 “Amen|strong="H0543”” rise|strong="H6965", through|strong="G1223"
 us|strong="G2249", to|strong="G4314" the|strong="G1722"
 glory|strong="G1391" of|strong="G1223" God|strong="G2316”. ²¹
 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”, ²²
 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”.

²³But|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”. ²⁴ 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|strong="G3739" have|strong="G2192" for|strong="G1063"
you|strong="G5210".

5Now|strong="G1161" whoever|strong="G3956" has|strong="G5100"
caused|strong="G3076" the|strong="G3956" pain|strong="H4341"
has|strong="G5100" not|strong="G3756" so|strong="G2443"
much|strong="G1912" pained|strong="H2342" me|strong="G1473",
as|strong="G1161" he|strong="G1161" has|strong="G5100",
to|strong="G2443" some|strong="G5100" extent|strong="H7230" –
not|strong="G3756" to|strong="G2443" be|strong="G3756"
too|strong="G1912" severe|strong="H3515" – pained|strong="H2342"
every|strong="G3956" one|strong="G5100" of|strong="G5100"
you|strong="G5210". ⁶ The|strong="G3588" man|strong="G3778"
to|strong="G3778" whom|strong="G3588" I|strong="G3778" refer
has|strong="G3778" been|strong="G4183" sufficiently|strong="H4078"
punished|strong="H6485" by|strong="G5259" the|strong="G3588"
penalty|strong="H1780" inflicted|strong="H5221" by|strong="G5259"
the|strong="G3588" majority|strong="G4183" of|strong="G5259"
you|strong="G3778"; ⁷ so|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3588"
now|strong="G2532" you|strong="G4771" must|strong="G3588"
take|strong="G3123" the|strong="G2532" opposite|strong="H5048"
course|strong="H4256", and|strong="G2532" forgive|strong="G5483"
and|strong="G2532" encourage|strong="G3870" him|strong="G3588",
or|strong="G2532" else|strong="G3361" he|strong="G2532"
may|strong="G2532" be|strong="G2532" overwhelmed|strong="G2666"
by|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" intensity of|strong="G2532"
his|strong="G2532" pain|strong="G3077". ⁸ So|strong="G1519"
I|strong="G1352" entreat|strong="G3870" you|strong="G5210"
to|strong="G1519" assure|strong="H5315" him|strong="G3870"
of|strong="G1519" your|strong="G3870" love|strong="H0157". ⁹
I|strong="G2532" had|strong="G2532" this|strong="G3778"
further|strong="H5750" object|strong="H8047", also|strong="G2532",
in|strong="G1519" what|strong="G3588" I|strong="G2532"
wrote|strong="G1125" – to|strong="G1519" find|strong="G1097"
out|strong="G2532" whether|strong="G1487" you|strong="G5210"
might|strong="G2532" be|strong="G1510" relied|strong="H8172"
on|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519" be|strong="G1510"
obedient|strong="G5255" in|strong="G1519" everything|strong="G3956".
¹⁰ Anyone|strong="G5100" you|strong="G5210" forgive|strong="G5483",
I|strong="G1473" forgive|strong="G5483" them|strong="G1722",
too|strong="G2532". Indeed|strong="G2532", for|strong="G1063"
my|strong="G1722" part|strong="G1473", whatever|strong="G3739"
I|strong="G1473" have|strong="G2532" forgiven|strong="G5483"
(if|strong="G1487" I|strong="G1473" have|strong="G2532"

had|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G2532" forgive|strong = "G5483" 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", ¹¹ 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".

¹²When|strong = "G1161" I|strong = "G1473" went|strong = "G2064" to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G1722" district|strong = "H6418" round|strong = "G2532" 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", ¹³ 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". ¹⁴ 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". ¹⁵ 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". ¹⁶
 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"? ¹⁷
 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"? ² 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". ³ 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". ⁵ 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"; ⁶ 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", ⁸ 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"? ⁹
 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"! ¹⁰
 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". ¹¹ 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; ¹³ 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". ¹⁴ 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". ¹⁵ 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". ¹⁶ 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". ¹⁷ 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". ¹⁸ 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". ² 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". ³ 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" – ⁴ 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". ⁵ (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".) ⁶ 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="G547".

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". ⁸ 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"; ⁹ 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"! ¹⁰ 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". ¹¹ 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. ¹²
 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". ¹³
 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". ¹⁴ 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". ¹⁵ 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". ¹⁷ 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". ¹⁸ 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". ² 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", ³ 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". ⁴ 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". ⁵
 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". ⁷
 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". ⁸ 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". ⁹
 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". ¹⁰ 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 characters, so that that each the the he in in his good or

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 we fear the is we to over motives to I in hearts plain also not again but giving for us you an for pride appearances on if 'beside was service are our is It

strong="G3767", because strong="G1722" know strong="G1492" the strong="G1722" inspired strong="H7307" by 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". 12 We strong="G2249" are strong="G3588" not strong="G3756" 'commending strong="G4921" ourselves' 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". 13 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"! 14 It strong="G1063" is strong="G3588" the strong="G3956"

love of the
 Christ which compels
 us, when we reflect
 that, as, one
 died for all,
 therefore all died;¹⁵
 and that he
 died for all,
 so that the
 living should no
 longer live for
 themselves, but for
 him who died
 and rose for
 them.

16 For ourselves,
 then, from this
 time forward, we
 refuse to regard
 anyone from the
 world's standpoint.
 Even if we once
 thought of Christ
 from the standpoint
 of the world,
 yet now we do
 not longer.¹⁷ Therefore,
 if anyone is
 in union with
 Christ, he is
 a new being!
 His old life
 has passed away;
 a new life
 has begun!¹⁸ But
 all this is
 the work of
 God, who
 reconciled us
 through Christ,
 and gave us
 ministry of
 reconciliation –¹⁹ To

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"
 offences|strong = "G3900" 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". ²¹ 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". ²
 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"! ³
 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". ⁴ 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", ⁵ 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"; ⁶ 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"; ⁷ 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"; ⁸ amid|strong="H8478" honour|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"; ⁹ 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"; ¹⁰ 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"; ¹²
 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". ¹³ 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"? ¹⁵ 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"? ¹⁶ 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".

¹⁷Therefore|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”;

¹⁸and|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",'

s ays|strong = "G3004" the|strong = "G2532" Lord|strong = "G2962",
the|strong = "G2532" Ruler|strong = "H4910" of|strong = "G5207"
all|strong = "G2532"."

7With|strong = "G1722" these|strong = "G3778"
promises|strong = "G1860", dear|strong = "H3357" friends|strong = "H7453",
let|strong = "G3767" us|strong = "G1722" purify|strong = "G2511"
ourselves|strong = "G1438" from|strong = "G2532"
everything|strong = "G3956" that|strong = "G3588"
pollutes|strong = "H2610" either|strong = "G2532" body|strong = "G4561"
or|strong = "G2532" spirit|strong = "G4151", and|strong = "G2532",
in|strong = "G1722" deepest respect|strong = "G3956" for|strong = "G1722"
God|strong = "G2316", aim|strong = "H1245" at|strong = "G1722"
perfect|strong = "G2005" holiness|strong = "H6944".

2Make|strong = "G5562" room|strong = "G5562" for|strong = "G3762"
us|strong = "G2249" in|strong = "G3762" your|strong = "H3068"
hearts|strong = "H3820". In|strong = "G3762" no|strong = "G3762" instance
have|strong = "G1473" we|strong = "G2249" ever|strong = "G3762"
wronged|strong = "H3238", or|strong = "H0176" harmed|strong = "H2255",
or|strong = "H0176" taken|strong = "G4122" advantage|strong = "G4122"
of|strong = "G3762", anyone|strong = "G3762". ³ I|strong = "G1473"
am|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756" saying|strong = "G3004"
this|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G1519" condemn|strong = "G2633"
you|strong = "G3754". Indeed|strong = "G2532", I|strong = "G1473"
have|strong = "G2532" already|strong = "H3528" said|strong = "G3004"
that|strong = "G3754" you|strong = "G3754" are|strong = "G1510"
in|strong = "G1722" our|strong = "G2532" heart|strong = "G2588",
to|strong = "G1519" live|strong = "G4800" and|strong = "G2532"
die|strong = "G4880" together|strong = "G4314". ⁴ I|strong = "G1473"
have|strong = "G1473" the|strong = "G3956" utmost|strong = "H7097"
confidence|strong = "G3954" in|strong = "G1909" you|strong = "G5210";
I|strong = "G1473" am|strong = "G1473" always|strong = "G3956"
boasting|strong = "G2746" about|strong = "G1909" you|strong = "G5210".
I|strong = "G1473" am|strong = "G1473" full|strong = "G4137"
of|strong = "G1909" encouragement|strong = "G3874" and|strong = "G3956",
in|strong = "G1909" spite|strong = "H5921" of|strong = "G1909"
all|strong = "G3956" our|strong = "G3956" troubles|strong = "G2347",
my|strong = "G3956" heart|strong = "H3820" is|strong = "G3588"
overflowing|strong = "G5248" with|strong = "G4314"
happiness|strong = "H8057".

5 Ever since we reached Macedonia, we have had rest or every have – conflicts within who downcast us arrival And not his we but which from he of affection and on so am For caused by I regret if inclined it see letter you only time glad because sorrow you your

6 But God, who discourages the downcast, has encouraged us arrival And not his we but which from he of affection and on so am For caused by I regret if inclined it see letter you only time glad because sorrow you your

7 And it is not his we but which from he of affection and on so am For caused by I regret if inclined it see letter you only time glad because sorrow you your

8 I am happier still. For caused by I regret if inclined it see letter you only time glad because sorrow you your

9 I am glad because sorrow you your

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". ¹⁰
 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". ¹¹ 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". ¹²
 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". ¹⁴
 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". ¹⁵ 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". ¹⁶ 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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8We|strong="G1161" want|strong="H4270" to|strong="G1722"
remind|strong="H5046" you|strong="G5210", friends|strong="H7453",
of|strong="G2316" the|strong="G1722" love|strong="H0157"
that|strong="G3588" God|strong="G2316" has|strong="G2316"
shown|strong="H7200" to|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722"
churches|strong="G1577" in|strong="G1722" Macedonia|strong="G3109"
– ² How|strong="G3754", tired|strong="H3021" though|strong="G2532"
they|strong="G2532" were|strong="G3588" by|strong="G1722"
many|strong="G4183" a|strong="G2532" trouble|strong="G2347",
their|strong="G2532" overflowing|strong="G4052"
happiness|strong="H8057", and|strong="G2532" even|strong="G2532"
their|strong="G2532" deep|strong="G4183" poverty|strong="G4432",
resulted|strong="G1519" in|strong="G1722" a|strong="G2532"
flood|strong="H3999" of|strong="G2532" generosity. ³
I|strong="G2532" can|strong="H4310" bear|strong="G3140"
witness|strong="G3140" that|strong="G3754" to|strong="G2532"
the|strong="G2532" full|strong="H4392" extent|strong="H7230"
of|strong="G2532" their|strong="G2532" power|strong="G1411",
and|strong="G2532" even|strong="G2532" beyond|strong="G3844"
their|strong="G2532" power|strong="G1411", spontaneously, ⁴
and|strong="G2532" with|strong="G3326" many|strong="G4183"
an|strong="G2532" appeal|strong="G3874" to|strong="G1519"
us|strong="G1519" for|strong="G1519" permission|strong="H7971",
they|strong="G2532" showed|strong="H7200" their|strong="G2532"
love|strong="H0157", and|strong="G2532" contributed|strong="H7311"
their|strong="G2532" share|strong="G2842" towards the|strong="G2532"
fund for|strong="G1519" their|strong="G2532" fellow|strong="H7453"
Christians. ⁵ And|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3588",
not|strong="G3756" only|strong="G3756" in|strong="G2532"
the|strong="G2532" way|strong="G1223" we|strong="G2249"
had|strong="G2532" expected|strong="G1679"; but|strong="G2532"
first|strong="G4413" they|strong="G2532" gave|strong="G1325"
themselves|strong="G1438" to|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532"
Lord|strong="G2962", and|strong="G2532" to|strong="G2532"
us|strong="G1325" also|strong="G2532", in|strong="G2532"
accordance|strong="H5921" with|strong="G1223" God's|strong="G2316"
will|strong="G2307". ⁶ And|strong="G2532" this|strong="G3778"
led|strong="H1980" us|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519"
beg|strong="G3870" Titus|strong="G5103", that|strong="G2443"
since|strong="H3588" he|strong="G2532" had|strong="G2532"
started|strong="H2490" the|strong="G2532" work|strong="G5485"

for|strong="G1519" you|strong="G5210", he|strong="G2532" should|strong="G3588" also|strong="G2532" see|strong="H7200" to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G2532" completion|strong="G2005" of|strong="G2532" this|strong="G3778" expression|strong="H6440" of|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2532" love|strong="H0157". ⁷

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" unflinching 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".

I|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". ⁹ 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".

¹⁰ 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". ¹¹ 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". ¹² 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". ¹³ 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". ¹⁴ 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". ¹⁵ 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"! 16
 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"; 17 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". 18
 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"; 19 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" honour|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". 20
 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; 21 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|strong="G2532" also|strong="G2532" in|strong="G2532"
 the|strong="G2532" eyes|strong="H5869" of|strong="G2532"
 people|strong="H5971". ²² We|strong="G2249" are|strong="G1510"
 also|strong="G1161" sending|strong="H7971" with|strong="G1722"
 them|strong="G3588" another|strong="G3739" of|strong="G1722"
 our|strong="G1722" friends|strong="H7453", whose|strong="G3739"
 earnestness we|strong="G2249" have|strong="G1473"
 many|strong="G4183" a|strong="G1519" time|strong="G4178"
 proved|strong="G1381" in|strong="G1722" many|strong="G4183"
 ways|strong="H1870", and|strong="G1161" whom|strong="G3739"
 we|strong="G2249" now|strong="G1161" find|strong="H4672"
 made|strong="G1161" even|strong="G1161" more|strong="G4183"
 earnest|strong="G4705" by|strong="G1722" his|strong="G1519"
 great|strong="G4183" confidence|strong="G4006" in|strong="G1722"
 you|strong="G5210". ²³ If|strong="G1535" I|strong="G1473"
 must|strong="G5547" say|strong="G1473" anything|strong="H3605"
 about|strong="G5228" Titus|strong="G5103", he|strong="G2532"
 is|strong="G5547" my|strong="G1699" intimate|strong="H0441"
 companion|strong="H7453", and|strong="G2532" he|strong="G2532"
 shares|strong="H2256" my|strong="G1699" work|strong="H4399"
 for|strong="G1519" you|strong="G5210"; if|strong="G1535"
 it|strong="G2532" is|strong="G5547" our|strong="G2532"
 friends|strong="H7453", they|strong="G2532" are|strong="G2532"
 delegates of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532"
 churches|strong="G1577", an|strong="G2532" honour|strong="G1391"
 to|strong="G1519" Christ|strong="G5547". ²⁴ Show|strong="G1731"
 them|strong="G3588", therefore|strong="G3767" – so|strong="G3767"
 that|strong="G3588" the|strong="G2532" churches|strong="G1577"
 may|strong="G2532" see|strong="H7200" it|strong="G2532" –
 the|strong="G2532" proof|strong="G1732" of|strong="G2532"
 your|strong="G2532" affection|strong="H2836", and|strong="G2532"
 the|strong="G2532" ground|strong="H0776" for|strong="G1519"
 our|strong="G2532" boasting|strong="G2746" to|strong="G1519"
 them|strong="G3588" about|strong="G5228" you|strong="G5210".

⁹With|strong="G1519" reference|strong="G1519",
 indeed|strong="G3303", to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G1519" fund
 for|strong="G1063" your|strong="G3588" fellow|strong="H7453"
 Christians, it|strong="G1063" is|strong="G1510" quite|strong="H3117"
 superfluous|strong="G4053" for|strong="G1063" me|strong="G1473"

to|strong = "G1519" say|strong = "G1473" anything|strong = "H3605"
to|strong = "G1519" you|strong = "G5210". ² I|strong = "G3739"
know|strong = "G1492", of|strong = "G2532" course|strong = "H4256",
your|strong = "G2532" willingness to|strong = "G2532"
help|strong = "H5826", and|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G3739"
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". ³
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". ⁴ 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".
⁵ 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".⁷ 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".⁸ 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".⁹
 (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".¹⁰ 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"). ¹¹

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". ¹² 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". ¹³ 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". ¹⁴

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".
¹⁵ All|strong = "G3588" thanks|strong = "G5485" to|strong = "G1909"
 God|strong = "G2316" for|strong = "G1909" his|strong = "G1909" inestimable
 gift|strong = "G1431"!

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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' – ² 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". ³ 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". ⁴ 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".
⁵ 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", ⁶ 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". ⁷ 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". ⁸
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". ⁹
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". ¹⁰
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".¹¹
 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".¹² 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".¹³ 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.¹⁴ 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"! ¹⁵ 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" labours|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" – ¹⁶ 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". ¹⁷
 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". ¹⁸ 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". ²

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". ³ 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". ⁴ 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" marvellously|strong="H6381" tolerant! ⁵ 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! ⁶ 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". ⁸ 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"! ⁹ 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". ¹⁰ 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". ¹¹ 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"!

12 What I am doing now I will do in cut away the ground under those who are wishing for some attacking me, so that the thing which they may appear in their true characters, just as we do". ¹³ Such people are false apostles, treacherous workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ! ¹⁴ And no wonder Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. ¹⁵ It is, therefore, surprising, therefore, if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. But their end will be in accordance with their actions.

16 I say again – Let no one think fool! Yet, if you least welcome me as you would a fool, so that I may indulge in a

little|strong="G3398" boasting|strong="G2744". ¹⁷
 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". ¹⁸ 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". ¹⁹ 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"! ²⁰ 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"! ²¹ 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"! ²² 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"! ²³ Are|strong="G1510" they|strong="G1510"
 “Servants|strong="G1249" of|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547”?

Though it is
 madness to talk
 like this, I
 am more so
 than they! I
 have had more
 of toil, more
 of imprisonment!
 I have been flogged
 times without number.
 I have been
 often at death's door.
²⁴ Five times I
 received at the
 hands of my
 own people forty
 lashes, all but one.
 Three times I
 was beaten with
 rods. Once I
 was stoned. Three
 times I was
 shipwrecked. I have
 spent a whole
 day and night
 in the deep.
 My journeys have
 been many. I
 have been through
 dangers from rivers,
 dangers from robbers,
 dangers from
 people, dangers
 from the Gentiles,
 dangers in towns,
 dangers in the
 country, dangers on
 the sea, dangers
 among people
 pretending to be
 followers of the
 Lord. I have
 been through toil
 and hardship. I
 have passed many
 a sleepless night;

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". ²⁸
 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". ²⁹
 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"? ³⁰ 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"! ³¹ 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". ³² 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", ³³
 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".

12 I must boast! It is but pass and by I man with fourteen whether body of I know was (this whom speaking third I this or the do God caught Paradise unspeakable which being About man boast myself not as weaknesses. 6 Yet choose I be for be more truth

12 I must boast! It is but pass and by I man with fourteen whether body of I know was (this whom speaking third I this or the do God caught Paradise unspeakable which being About man boast myself not as weaknesses. 6 Yet choose I be for be more truth

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" marvellous|strong = "H6381" character|strong = "H6965" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1519" revelations. ⁷ 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". ⁸ 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". ⁹ 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 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". ¹⁰

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. ¹² 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". ¹³ 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'
 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" defence|strong = "H4869"? 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; ²⁰ 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" quarrelling, jealousy|strong = "G2205", ill|strong = "H2470" feeling, rivalry|strong = "G2054", slandering,

backbiting|strong = "H5643", self-assertion, and|strong = "G2064" disorder.

²¹ 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". ² 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". ³ 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". ⁴ 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". ⁵

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"

recognise 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"! ⁶

But|strong = "G1161" I|strong = "G1473" hope|strong = "G1679" that|strong = "G3754" you|strong = "G3754" will|strong = "G1510" recognise

that|strong = "G3754" we|strong = "G2249" can|strong = "H4310" stand|strong = "H5975" the|strong = "G1161" test|strong = "G1097". ⁷

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"

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". ⁸ We|strong="G1063"
have|strong="G5100" no|strong="G3756" power|strong="G1410"
at|strong="G2596" all|strong="G2596" against|strong="G2596"
the|strong="G2596" truth|strong="H0571", but|strong="G1063"
we|strong="G1063" have|strong="G5100" power|strong="G1410"
in|strong="G2596" the|strong="G2596" service|strong="H5656"
of|strong="G5100" the|strong="G2596" truth|strong="H0571". ⁹
We|strong="G2249" are|strong="G1510" glad|strong="G5463"
when|strong="G3752" we|strong="G2249" are|strong="G1510"
weak|strong="H2470", if|strong="G2532" you|strong="G5210"
are|strong="G1510" strong|strong="G1415". And|strong="G2532"
what|strong="G3588" we|strong="G2249" pray|strong="G2172"
for|strong="G1063" is|strong="G1510" that|strong="G3588"
you|strong="G5210" may|strong="G2532" become|strong="G1510"
perfect|strong="G3778". ¹⁰ This|strong="G3778" is|strong="G3588"
my|strong="G1325" reason|strong="G1223" for|strong="G1519"
writing|strong="G1125" as|strong="G1519" I|strong="G1473"
am|strong="G1473" now|strong="G2532" doing|strong="H6213",
while|strong="G3739" I|strong="G1473" am|strong="G1473"
away|strong="H5493" from|strong="G2532" you|strong="G3739",
so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443", when|strong="G2532"
I|strong="G1473" am|strong="G1473" with|strong="G1223"
you|strong="G3739", I|strong="G1473" may|strong="G2532"
not|strong="G3756" act|strong="H6213" harshly|strong="H7186"
in|strong="G1519" the|strong="G2532" exercise|strong="H6213"
of|strong="G1223" the|strong="G2532" authority|strong="G1849"
which|strong="G3739" the|strong="G2532" Lord|strong="G2962"
gave|strong="G1325" me|strong="G1325" – and|strong="G2532"
gave|strong="G1325" me|strong="G1325" for|strong="G1519"
building|strong="G3619" up|strong="G1519" and|strong="G2532"
not|strong="G3756" for|strong="G1519" pulling down|strong="G2596".

11And|strong="G2532" now|strong="G2532", friends|strong="H7453",
goodbye. Aim|strong="H1245" at|strong="G2316"
perfection|strong="H8502"; take|strong="G2316"
courage|strong="H2388"; agree|strong="G1510"
together|strong="G3326"; live|strong="G2532" in|strong="G2532"
peace|strong="G1515". And|strong="G2532" then|strong="G2532"
God|strong="G2316", the|strong="G2532" source|strong="H4725"
of|strong="G2316" all|strong="G2532" love|strong="H0157"
and|strong="G2532" peace|strong="G1515", will|strong="G2316"