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THE
EPISTLE OF ST. JAMES

THE GREEK TEXT

WITH

INTRODUCTION NOTES AND COMMENTS

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Dedicantur

In writing my Preface I bring to a close a work which has for some years been my chief occupation, and which has indeed been seldom out of my thoughts since the time when, as an undergraduate, I first made acquaintance with Coleridge's Aids to Reflection, and was led in consequence to study with some care the Epistle of St. James, to which reference is made in the earlier Aphorisms of that book.

In the Introduction I have stated my reasons for believing this Epistle to be the earliest of the books of the New Testament, written probably in the fifth decade of the Christian era by one who had been brought up with Jesus from his childhood and whose teaching is in many points identical with the actual words of our Lord as recorded in the Synoptic Gospels. If I am not mistaken, it presents to us a picture of pre-Pauline Christianity, which is not only interesting historically, but is likely to be of special value in an age of religious doubt and anxiety like the present. Amongst those to whom the formulas of later Christianity have lost or are losing their significance, there must be many who will find a message suited to them in the language of this, the least technical of all the Epistles, many who will appreciate the strong practical sense and earnest philanthropy of St. James, and take to heart his warnings against

unreal professions of whatever kind. In its plain positive teaching his *Epistle* affords a common platform for Christians of every degree of attainment, from which they may advance again with new hope to such further developments of the Faith, as it may be given to each from above to receive and to profit by.

The eighth and ninth Chapters of the Introduction deal with the Grammar and Style of the *Epistle*, and, in some degree, with those of the New Testament writers generally. As a corollary to these, I have, in the tenth Chapter, pointed out some objections to the hypothesis which has been lately revived amongst us, that the Greek is a translation from an Aramaic original.

As regards the Text I have been almost entirely dependent on the labours of others, especially those of Tischendorf, Bishop Westcott and Dr. Hort. In the very rare cases in which I have ventured to depart from a reading of *WH.*, I have carefully explained my reasons for doing so in the Notes. The comparison of three Latin Versions of the *Epistle*, and the collations of the *Codex Patiriensis* and *Codex Bobiensis* will, I hope, be found useful by those who are interested in textual criticism.

In the Notes it has been my aim, treating the book like any other ancient writing, to ascertain the precise meaning of each sentence, phrase, and word, as it was intended by the writer, and understood by those to whom his *Epistle* was addressed. The names of previous annotators, to whom I am indebted, will be found in the eleventh Chapter of the Introduction. In the Comments which follow I have in the first place viewed the *Epistle* more as a whole, tracing the general connexion of ideas and illustrating and discussing the wider questions involved: and, in the second place, regarding it as an integral portion of the canonical Scriptures, which are recognized by all Christians as authoritative in matters of Faith, I have to some small extent endeavoured to show in what sense its teaching is

to be understood by us now, and how it is to be applied to the circumstances of modern life.

It only remains for me to acknowledge with hearty thanks the assistance I have received from friends who have looked through portions of the proof-sheets, especially to Dr. E. A. Abbott (A), the Rev. G. H. Gwilliam (G.H.G.) Prof. Sanday (S) and Dr. Charles Taylor, Master of St. John's College, Cambridge (C.T.), whose initials are appended to notes communicated by them.

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P. xxxix.—Add the following to note (2) after ‘priests’: ‘Eusebius (*H.E.* ii. 23) brings the death into connexion with Paul’s journey to Rome. In *Chron. Euseb.* the date is 63 A.D.’

P. xl. l. 10.—For *αὐτῶν* read *μοῖ*.

P. xlii.—Add to note (1): Meleager in his epitaph on himself (*Anth. Pal.* vii. 417) calls it the Syrian Athens, *πάτρα δέ με τίκτει Ατθῆς ἐν Ἀσσυρίοις ναιομένη Γαδάροις*.

P. lii.—On Clement c. 38, add after *ἔργοις ἀγαθοῖς*: ‘cf. above c. 30.’

P. lxiii.—*ib.* iv. p. 613, after *ἀγαθοῖς* add: ‘see above Clem. R. i. 38.’

P. lxiv.—Add to quotations from Origen, *Comm. in Prov.* (*Mai Nov. Bibl.* vii. 51) *ὁ Ἰάκωβος φησὶν, ἀλλήλοις ἐξαγγέλλετε τὰ παραπτώματα ὑμῶν ὅπως ἰαθῆτε*.

P. lxxiv.—Under Luke, add xx. 46, 47 *προσέχετε ἀπὸ τῶν γραμματέων τῶν θελόντων περιπατεῖν ἐν στολαῖς καὶ φιλούντων... πρωτοκαθεδρίας ἐν ταῖς συναγωγαῖς... οἱ κατεσθίουσιν τὰς οἰκίας τῶν χηρῶν καὶ προφάσει μακρὰ προσεύχονται οὗτοι λήμψονται περισσότερον κρίμα*: James i. 27, ii. 2, iii. 1.

P. xcii.—Under 1 Corinthians, add xiv. 33 (speaking of disorderly meetings) *οὐ γὰρ ἐστὶν ἀκαταστασία ὁ Θεός, ἀλλὰ εἰρήνης*: James iii. 16, 17, *ὅπου ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία, ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία... ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία εἰρηνική*.

P. cliv. (d).—For i. 36 read i. 26.

P. clv.—Under *ἐσθίω*, add Gen. iii. 14, 15, xliii. 6, Exod. xii. 8, Ezek. xxv. 4. See below p. clxxxv.

P. clxi., last line but one.—Insert: In James ii. 19 *εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός*, the presence of the article shows that *εἷς* is predicative; in iv. 12, if we read *εἷς ἐστὶν νομοθέτης*, the absence of the article shows that *εἷς* is subject; if again we read *εἷς ἐστὶν νομοθέτης*, making *ἐστὶν* not the copula but the substantive verb, *εἷς* becomes an epithet of *νομ.* ‘there is one lawgiver.’

P. clxxii.—Under *εἷς*, insert, after i. 18 *ἀπεκύησεν... ἀπαρχήν*: iii. 3 *βάλλομεν εἰς τὸ πείθεσθαι αὐτούς*.

P. clxxiii.—Under *ἐξ* (for which read *ἐκ*), insert in l. 2, after *γλυκύ*: v. 20 *ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρτωλὸν ἐκ πλάνης*: in l. 5, for iii. 18 read iii. 13.

P. clxxiv.—Add at the bottom *Aor. Pass. used as Middle*, iv. 10 *ταπεινώθητε*, v. 19 *πλανηθῆ*.

P. clxxix.—Add under *ἐάν* after *γινωσκέτω*: *with perf. subj.* in prot. and *fut. ind.* in apod., v. 15 *κὰν ἀμαρτίας ἢ πεποικῶς ἀφεθήσεται*.

P. clxxxii.—Insert before Ellipsis: ‘For *γάρ, δέ, καί, οὖν, τε*, see Index.’

P. cxcii.—At end of first paragraph insert *χρή* iii. 10, cl. : l. 3 of second paragraph *omit πηδάλιον*.

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P. 8, ver. 2.—Omit τὴν before συναγωγὴν, and in critical note insert (after BC) Ti. Tr. WH. as accepting the omission.

P. 25, ver. 16.—I think now that I was not justified in reading τὰ παραπτώματα instead of τὰς ἁμαρτίας. The primary reason for the exhortation to mutual confession will then be to assist them in praying for one another. Still the sins first thought of would naturally be their failures in duty towards each other.

P. 31.—For the play of words in χαίρειν, χαράν compare Tobit v. 9 (*varia lectio*) ἐχαιρέτισεν αὐτὸν πρῶτος καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ, χαίρειν σοὶ πολλὰ γένοιτο· καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς τ. εἶπεν αὐτῷ, τί μοι ἔτι ὑπάρχει χαίρειν;

P. 32.—περιπέσητε. Add *Acta Johannis Zahn* p. 244 n. ἐὰν περιπέσης πειρασμοῖς μὴ πτοηθήση.

P. 38 n.—Hofmann might have found a better example of διακρίνω in the sense of 'to question' in *Herm. Sim.* ii. 1.

P. 46.—ὄν ἐπηγγείλατο. For omission of subject Θεός, cf. 1 Joh. v. 16 δώσει αὐτῷ ζωὴν.

P. 48.—ἀπειραστος. Other examples may be found in *Acta Johannis Zahn* p. 75 l. 15 τοῖς τότε πειράζουσιν τὸν Θεὸν ὁ ἀπειραστος τῇ πείρᾳ ἐκείνων τὴν εὐθύτητα ἐδίδου, p. 113, 5 μὴ πειράζε τὸν ἀπειραστον, p. 190, 18 μακάριος ὅστις οὐκ ἐπείρασεν ἐν σοὶ τὸν Θεόν, ὁ γὰρ σὲ πειράζων τὸν ἀπειραστον πειράζει.

ib. n. 1.—For '1066, *Panar.*' read 'Panar. 1066.'

ib. n. 3.—Add 1 Cor. xi. 19 δεῖ αἰρέσεις ἐν ὑμῖν εἶναι ἵνα οἱ δόκιμοι φανεροὶ γένωνται.

P. 53.—(All good comes from God,) cf. Tobit iv. 19 αὐτὸς ὁ Κύριος δίδωσι πάντα τὰ ἀγαθὰ. In reference to the hexameter, H. Fischer makes the somewhat comical suggestion (*Philologus* 1891, heft 2) that St. James is here giving a novel application of a proverb which in common life meant 'do not look a gift horse in the mouth.' But surely the difference of intonation required by the two senses would prevent any such application, not to mention the improbability of a phrase like πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον getting such a proverbial force.

P. 55.—τῶν φώτων. Cf. the Benedictions before Shema given in *Edersheim Sketches of Jewish Life* p. 269.

P. 58.—ἀποκνέω. Cf. *Clem. Al. Strom.* vii. 890 τοῖς γνωστικοῖς κεκνήκασιν αἱ γραφαί.

ib. n. 1.—For (*Mishnah. Surenh.* iv. 116) *Jewish Fathers* p. 85, read: *Mishnah, Surenh.* iv. 116 (*Jewish Fathers* p. 85).

ib. n. 3.—On θέλειν and βούλεσθαι cf. Plato *Alcib.* i. 135, quoted [below on p. 141].

P. 59.—For λόγος ἀληθείας cf. Westcott on 1 Joh. i. 1 περὶ τοῦ λόγου τῆς ζωῆς. In lines 9—14 read after 'apposition' as follows: comparing John viii. 31, 32 'if ye...thy word is truth'; but why not objective etc.

P. 60, l. 6.—For *quidam* read *quemdam*. For position of αὐτοῦ cf. Joh. v. 47 τοῖς ἐκείνου γράμμασιν, 2 Cor. viii. 9 τῇ ἐκείνου πτωχείᾳ, *ib.* ver. 14 τὸ ἐκείνων ὑστέρημα...περίσσευμα, 2 Tim. ii. 26 τὸ ἐκείνου θέλημα,, Tit. iii. 5 κατὰ τὸ αὐτοῦ ἔλεος, *ib.* iii. 7 τῇ ἐκείνου χάριτι, 2 Pet. i. 16 τῆς ἐκείνου μεγαλειότητος. On mood of ἴστε cf. Joh. ii. 20, iii. 5, 15.

ib. l. 13 from bottom.—For (*Prov.*) 11, xxix. read xxix. 11, 20.

P. 61.—Heading: for i. 20, 21, read i. 18—21.

P. 62.—περισσεῖαν. Cf. *Plut. De Aud.* 42 B ἀποτίθεσθαι τὰ περιττὰ τῆς ψυχῆς quoted below under ἐσόπτρῳ ver. 23. It seems to be equivalent to ζύμη κακίας in 1 Cor. v. 8.

P. 65.—Heading: for i. 21, 23, read i. 21—23.

P. 66.—ἐστὶν
 vobis videte, qu
 P. 70.—θρησ
 heathen) ὁμοιο
 ἰβ.—χαλιναγα
 ἕκαστα τῶν παθ
 P. 71.—καθα
 cium.
 P. 76.—τὸ δ
 εἰαυτοῦ λογικῆ
 P. 78.—ἐπιθλ
 φίλον.
 ἰβ. l. 7 from b
 P. 79, l. 1.—
 found in A an
 repeatedly in th
 ἰβ.—κριταὶ δια
 P. 83, l. 4 fr
 P. 84.—βασιλ
 for comparat.)
 P. 86.—ἐν ἐν
 ἐν μηδενὶ λειπό
 P. 87.—μὴ μ
 Clem. Al. *Strom*
 (quoted by Celle
 P. 88.—ἀνελεῖ
 ἔλεος κρίσεως, c
 ἔλθῃ.
 P. 90.—For ἐφ
 P. 91.—For δέ
 ἐκ τοῦ ὄχλου δέ, A
 P. 92, ver. 18.
 νη, μακάριοι.
 P. 96.—ἀναφέρ
 ξύλον.
 P. 100.—λημψό
 Westcott's notes.
 P. 101.—ἴδε. I
 P. 106.—ὁ κόσμ
 illud iniquitatis.
 P. 111, last line
 in *J. of Phil.* vol.
 P. 117.—ἀναστρ
 ἔχειν οἷαν δεῖ ἀναστ
 P. 127.—Propose
 mistake (φόνους for
 P. 128.—ἐπιτυχ
 ἐπέτυχες.
 P. 136.—ταλαιπω
 ἰβ.—On the diffe
 Joh. iii. 3.
 P. 137.—ταπεινώ
 v. 14.
 P. 138.—ποιητῆς
 for 'doer of the law

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P. 66.—ἐσόπτρω. Cf. pseudo-Cyprian *De duobus montibus* c. 13 *ita me in vobis videte, quomodo quis vestrum se videt in aquam aut in speculum.*

P. 70.—θρησκεία. Cf. Ad Diogn. 2 εἰ τοῖς προειρημένοις (the sacrifices of the heathen) ὁμοιότροπως τὴν θρησκείαν προσάγουσιν, διαμαρτάνουσιν.

ib.—χαλιναγωγῶν. Cf. Luc. *De Saltat.* 70 τὸ λογιστικὸν δείκνυσιν, ὅταν ἕκαστα τῶν παθῶν χαλιναγωγῆ.

P. 71.—καθαρά. In quotation from Erasmus, read *morticinum* for *morticiuium*.

P. 76.—τῆς δόξης. Cf. Justin *Tryph.* c. 61 ὁ Θεὸς γεγέννηκε δύναμιν τινα ἐξ ἑαυτοῦ λογικὴν, ἣτις καὶ δόξα Κυρίου καλεῖται, ποτὲ δὲ υἱός, ποτὲ δὲ σοφία κ.τ.λ.

P. 78.—ἐπιβλέψητε. In Arist. *Magna Moralia* ii. 15 we find ἐπιβλέπειν ἐπὶ φίλον.

ib. l. 7 from bottom.—For ἦ read ἡ.

P. 79, l. 1.—Add Exod. xix. 17 ὑπὸ τὸ ὄρος. The addition of τῶν ποδῶν, found in A and other MSS., is borrowed from Ps. cx. 1, which is quoted repeatedly in the N.T.

ib.—κριταὶ διαλ. πον. Peile compares Soph. *Aj.* 888 μακρῶν ἀλατῶν πόνων.

P. 83, l. 4 from end of second paragraph.—For ‘has’ read ‘have.’

P. 84.—βασιλικός. Cf. Justin *Apol.* i. 12 ὁ λόγος...οὔ βασιλικώτατον (superl. for comparat.) ἄρχοντα μετὰ τὸν γεννήσαντα θεὸν οὐδένα οἶδαμεν ὄντα.

P. 86.—ἐν ἐνί. The substantival use of ἐνί in this verse is supported by i. 4 ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι.

P. 87.—μὴ μοιχεύσης. For the order of the commandments, compare also Clem. Al. *Strom.* vi. 816. For the general thought cf. Basil. *Baptism.* ii. 9 (quoted by Cellerier) παράνομός ἐστιν ὁ μίαν ἐντολὴν παραβάς.

P. 88.—ἀνελεής is found in Philo M. ii. 53; ἀνηλεής *ib.* 65. Κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως, cf. *Sibyll.* ii. 224 ῥύεται ἐκ θανάτου ἔλεος, κρίσις ὀππότε ἂν ἔλθῃ.

P. 90.—For ἐφήμερος τροφή cf. Aristides xlix. 537, 631.

P. 91.—For δέ in the fourth place, add Joh. viii. 16 καὶ ἐὰν κρίνω δέ, vii. 31 ἐκ τοῦ ὄχλου δέ, Acts iii. 1 ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτὸ δέ.

P. 92, ver. 18.—ἀλλά, cf. 1 Pet. iii. 14 ἀλλ’ εἰ καὶ πάσχοιτε διὰ δικαιοσύνην, μακάριοι.

P. 96.—ἀναφέρειν ἐπὶ. Cf. 1 Pet. ii. 24 ἀναφέρειν τὰς ἁμαρτίας ἐπὶ τὸ ξύλον.

P. 100.—λημψόμεθα. For the use of the first person cf. 1 Joh. i. 6, ii. 18 with Westcott’s notes.

P. 101.—ἴδε. MS. C has *ereis* for *eris* in ii. 16.

P. 106.—ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας. Jerome (*Pelag.* ii. 6) uses the phrase *seculum illud iniquitatis*. C.T.

P. 111, last line of n. on δαμάζεται.—Add after *dedimus*: ‘with Mayor’s n. in *J. of Phil.* vol. xx. p. 265’; and for 35 read 38.

P. 117.—ἀναστροφή. Cf. Epict. *Diss.* i. 22. 13 ἐνδέχεται τὴν πρὸς τοὺς κοινούς ἔχειν οἷαν δεῖ ἀναστροφήν.

P. 127.—Proposed reading φθονεῖτε is supported by Stier. B has the same mistake (φόνους for φθόνους) in 1 Pet. ii. 1.

P. 128.—ἐπιτυχεῖν. Used absolutely by Epict. *Diss.* ii. 6. 8 ἀλλ’ οὐκ ἐπέτυχες.

P. 136.—ταλαιπωρέω. Cf. Ps. xxxviii. 6 ἐταλαιπώρησα καὶ κατεκάμφθην.

ib.—On the difference between ἀγνίζω and καθαρίζω see Westcott’s n. on 1 Joh. iii. 3.

P. 137.—ταπεινώθητε. For aor. pass. with middle meaning cf. πλανηθῆ in v. 14.

P. 138.—ποιητῆς νόμου. In classical Greek this stands for ‘lawgiver,’ never for ‘doer of the law.’

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P. 140.—*πρὸς ὀλίγον*. Cf. 1 Tim. iv. 8 *πρὸς ὀλίγον ἐστὶν ὠφέλιμος*.

P. 143.—*ἱμάτια*. Cf. Curt. v. 20 *In Persepolin totius Persidis opes con-gesserunt : aurum argentumque cumulatum erat, vestis ingens modus*.

P. 144.—*ἔσται*. The force of the future may be thus expressed : ‘when you come to inspect your treasures, the rust will be a witness that you have not used them as you ought.’

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Since the notes were printed, Bernhard Weiss has brought out his *Text-kritische Untersuchungen und Textherstellung* of the Catholic Epistles, containing a careful investigation of the characteristics of the two groups of uncial MSS., Sin. ABC representing the older text, and KLP representing the later text. As he follows WH. in assigning the greatest authority to B, his own text is generally in agreement with theirs. I notice below all the instances in which his reading differs from theirs and from mine. The exegetical notes are not of much importance. As regards orthography he writes *ἀλαζονεία, κακοπαθεία, ἐριθεία, Ἡλίας*, where I have adopted Hort's spelling (see p. cliii of my Introduction). For *ἀποκυεῖ* he reads *ἀποκύνει*, for *θρησκός, θρησκος*.

I. 8.—He takes *ἀνὴρ δίψυχος* in apposition to *ἄνθρωπος*, as I have done ; not (with WH.) as subject of *λήμψεται*.

I. 9.—He reads *ὁ* (omitted by B) before *ἀδελφός*. I have followed WH. in bracketing it.

I. 10.—He follows Huther and Beyschlag in understanding *πλούσιος* of an unbeliever and giving an ironical force to *καυχάσθω*.

I. 17.—He takes *ἄνωθέν ἐστὶν καταβαῖνον* together ; and interprets *τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα* in the same way as Beyschlag ‘eine durch eine Wendung der Himmelslichter hervorgebrachte Beschattung.’

I. 21.—He puts a comma after *ἐν πραΰτητι*, taking it with *ἀποθέμενοι*.

I. 23.—He translates *τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως* ‘das Angesicht womit einer geboren ist.’

I. 25.—He translates *ἐν τῇ ποιήσει* ‘auf Grund seines Thuns,’ referring to I. 9.

II. 1.—He takes *ἔχετε* as imperative, not (with WH.) as indicative asking a question. In the same verse he makes *τῆς δόξης* genitive of quality after *Ἰησοῦς Χριστός*.

II. 2.—He explains *συναγωγὴν ὑμῶν* as a Jewish synagogue frequented by the Christians.

II. 5.—*πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ*. Weiss translates ‘in Bezug auf weltliche Güter, and says that the Dative ‘steht zur Bezeichnung der Sphere.’ In the same verse he translates *ἐν πίστει* ‘auf Grund Glaubens.’

II. 14 and 16.—He reads *τί τὸ ὄφελος*, against B and WH.

II. 18.—Taking *ἀλλ’ ἐρεῖ τις* as an objection made by a bystander to what had just been said, he understands *σὺ* of the professing believer censured by St. James. Surely it is incredible that any writer could have stated an objection in so awkward a form.

II. 19. He reads *εἰς ὁ Θεός ἐστὶν* with C and WH.^m ; *εἰς Θεός ἐστὶν* is the reading of B and WH. ; I read *εἰς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός* with Sin. Ti. Treg. Weiss weakens the force of *καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουν* by making it parenthetical.

III. 3.—He reads *εἰ δέ*, though he fails, like every one else, to find a natural apodosis, and acknowledges (p. 66) that the reading *εἰ δε γαρ* in Sin. proves that *ἴδε* was intended.

III. 6.—*τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως*. He explains ‘human life, whose restless movement spreads in all directions the once kindled flame.’

III. 16.—He translates *ἐριθεία* by ‘Rechthaberei, der es nicht auf die Sache ankommt, sondern auf das Verfechten der eigenen Meinung,’ and opposes it to *εὐπειθής*. ‘A pertinacious argumentative disposition’ is a meaning which

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would suit the passage well, but is hard to get out of the word. Why may we not suppose parties in the Churches of the Diaspora, as in the Church of Corinth?

IV. 2.—He reads *φονεύετε καὶ ζηλοῦτε* without a stop.

IV. 3.—He reads *δαπανήσετε* with B for *δαπανήσητε*, the reading of the other MSS. accepted by WH.

IV. 5.—In this difficult verse Weiss makes *πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ τὸ πνεῦμα ὁ κατώκισεν ἐν ἡμῖν, μείζονα δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν* parenthetic, and takes *τὸ πνεῦμα* as object of *ἐπιποθεῖ*. I have stated in my notes my reasons against this way of taking the passage.

IV. 9.—He here reads *μετατραπήτω* with BP and WH.

IV. 10.—He reads *τοῦ* before *Κυρίου* against the best MSS. and edd.

IV. 14.—He reads with WH. *τῆς αὔριον ποία ἡ ζωὴ ὑμῶν*. I have stated in my note why I prefer the reading of Sin. If a change is to be made I should rather give the exact reading of B, omitting the article before *ζωή*. In the latter part of the verse Weiss departs from B and WH. by inserting the article before *πρός*.

IV. 15.—He departs from B and WH. by reading *θελήση* for *θέλη*.

V. 3.—He puts a full stop after *πῦρ* in opposition to WH.

V. 6.—He departs from WH. by reading *ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν* without a question.

V. 11.—He omits *ὁ* before *κύριος* with B and WH.^m

V. 12.—He refers the swearing, which is here forbidden, to the asseveration of innocence made before the judges of verse 6. He writes *τὸ ναὶ ναί* (not, as WH., *τὸ Naί ναί*) translating it 'Let your yea be yea,' *i.e.* perfectly straightforward, so as not to need the confirmation of an oath.

V. 13.—He reads *κακοπαθεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν* without an interrogation, and so *ἀσθενεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν* in verse 14.

V. 14.—He departs from B by keeping *τοῦ Κυρίου* after *ὀνόματι*, in spite of the variations of the other MSS.

V. 15.—He follows Huther in translating *κἂν* 'even if.'

V. 16.—He reads *τὰς ἀμαρτίας* with WH. and the best MSS., and understands *ιάθητε* of bodily healing (comparing Gen. xx. 17, Exod. xv. 26) which could only be effected after the sin, which had caused the disease, had been confessed and forgiven. He thinks that *πρεσβύτεροι* means simply the older members of the Christian community, who, as being the most experienced, would be sent for in the first instance, but that the same duty devolved upon all. He takes *ἐνεργουμένη* as middle, 'hinsichtlich seiner Wirksamkeit.'

V. 20.—He reads *γινώσκετε* with WH. and B. In the latter part of the verse he reads *σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου αὐτοῦ* with B, where WH. have *σ. ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ ἐκ θανάτου* with Sin. P. Surely if B's order were right, we must have had *αὐτῆς*, to suit the preceding *ψυχὴν*. Weiss understands the sins which are hidden to be those of the converted person.

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CHAPTER I

THE AUTHOR

THE writer calls himself 'Jacob' (from which our name 'James' is derived through the Italian 'Giacomo'), and describes himself as 'a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.' As the name was very common in the first century, and the description is one which is applicable to all Christians, it is evident that he must have been distinguished from other Jacobs by position or character, so as to justify him in addressing the 'Twelve Tribes in the Dispersion' with the tone of authority which is so marked a feature in the Epistle before us. This inference receives support from the Epistle of Jude, the writer of which styles himself 'servant of Jesus Christ and brother of Jacob,' evidently assuming that his brother's name would carry weight with those whom he addresses.

Internal Evidence. The writer speaks with authority,

The Epistle of Jacob, or James, is strongly contrasted not only with the Epistles to the Romans and Galatians, against which some have supposed it to be directed, but also with the First Epistle of St. Peter, which in some points it closely resembles. The general characteristic by which it is distinguished from these Epistles is its Jewish tone of thought, style and doctrine. In style it reminds one now of the Proverbs, now of the stern denunciations of the prophets, now of the parables in the Gospels. It has scarcely any direct reference to Christ, who is indeed only named twice.¹ In commending the duty of patience (v. 7-11), the writer refers, with the Psalmist (cxxvi. 6), to the example of the husbandman, and to Job and the prophets of the Old Testament: if he alludes to our Lord at all, he only does so obscurely in ver. 6 'ye killed the just; he doth not resist you';

and in the tone of the Old Testament rather than of the New.

¹ i. 1, ii. 1.

while St. Peter on the contrary dwells exclusively on the example of Christ (cf. 1 Pet. ii. 19-24, iv. 12-14). So in urging the duty of prayer reference is made, not (as in Heb. v. 7) to the promises or the prayers of Christ, but to the prayer of Elijah: the duty of kindness, and the warning against evil-speaking in ch. iii. are based not on the example of Christ and the thought of our common brotherhood in him (as in 1 Pet. ii. 23, Rom. xii. 5, Eph. iv. 25), but on the parables of nature, on the fact that man was created in the image of God, and on general reasoning: and again (in iv. 11, 12) speaking evil of a brother is condemned as putting a slight on the Law, not as causing pain to Christ. No mention is made of the death or resurrection of Christ, or of the doctrines of the Incarnation and Atonement. To a careless reader the tone of the Epistle, as a whole, seems scarcely to rise above the level of the Old Testament; Christian ideas are still clothed in Jewish forms. Thus the Law, called for the sake of distinction 'the law of liberty-' or 'the royal law,' seems to stand in place of the Gospel or even of Christ himself (ii. 8-13, iv. 11): the love of the world is condemned in the language of the Old Testament as adultery against God. This contrast rises to its highest point in treating of the relation between Faith and Works (ii. 14-26). While St. Paul writes (Rom. iii. 28) 'We reckon therefore that a man is justified by faith apart from the works of the law,' the language of St. James is (ii. 24) 'Ye see then how that by works a man is justified and not by faith only.' And while the case of Abraham is cited in Rom. iv. 3, 13, 16 in proof of the doctrine of justification by faith, and the case of Rahab is cited for the same purpose in Heb. xi. 31, St. James makes use of both to prove that man is justified by works (ii. 25). I shall have to go more fully into these questions hereafter, and shall then point out some considerations which will to a certain extent qualify the first impression left on the mind by a perusal of the Epistle; but speaking generally we may safely say that it has a more Jewish cast than any other writing of the New Testament, and that the author must have been one who would be more in sympathy with the Judaizing party and more likely to exercise an influence over them than any of the three great leaders, Peter, Paul or John.

If we turn now to the Epistles of St. Paul and to the Acts of the Apostles we find mention there of a James who exactly fulfils the

conditions required in the writer of our Epistle. In Gal. i. 18, 19 St. Paul says that three years after his conversion, probably about the year 38 A.D., he went from Damascus to Jerusalem and stayed with Peter fifteen days, seeing no other apostle but only James the Lord's brother. This is quite in accordance with what we read in the Acts xii. 17, where Peter, on his escape from prison (A.D. 44), is recorded to have gone to the house of Mary the mother of Mark, and desired that the news of his escape might be sent to James and the brethren. In Gal. ii. 1-10 St. Paul describes a later visit to Jerusalem after an interval of fourteen years, *i.e.* about A.D. 51. In this visit the leaders of the Church, James, Peter and John (*l.c.* ver. 9), after hearing his report of his first missionary journey, signified their approval of his work and 'gave right hands of fellowship,' agreeing that Paul and Barnabas should preach to the Gentiles and they themselves to the circumcision. In verses 11-14 of the same chapter Peter's inconsistency in regard to eating with the Gentiles at Antioch is explained by the arrival of certain from James, *πρὸ τοῦ γὰρ ἐλθεῖν τινὰς ἀπὸ Ἰακώβου μετὰ τῶν ἐθνῶν συνήσθιεν· ὅτε δὲ ἦλθον, ὑπέστειλεν καὶ ἀφώριζεν ἑαυτὸν φοβούμενος τοὺς ἐκ περιτομῆς.* This second visit is more fully described in Acts xv. 4-29, where James appears as President of the Council held to consider how far the Gentile Christians should be required to conform to the customs of the Jews. It is James who sums up the discussion, and proposes the resolution which is carried, in the words *ἐγὼ κρίνω μὴ παρενοχλεῖν τοῖς ἀπὸ τῶν ἐθνῶν ἐπιστρέφουσιν ἐπὶ τὸν Θεόν, κ.τ.λ.*

This agrees with what is said in the Epistles and Acts of James, the President of the Church at Jerusalem.

It is important to notice that in his speech (ver. 14) Peter is called Symeon, a name never assigned to him elsewhere in the Acts or in any part of the N.T. except in 2 Pet. i. 1. From this we gather that the actual words of the speaker are recorded either in their original form or in a translation; and it becomes thus a matter of interest to learn whether there is any resemblance between the language of our Epistle and that of the speech said to have been uttered by James, and of the circular containing the decree, which was probably drawn up by him.¹ I cannot but think it a remarkable coincidence that, out of

Remarkable agreements between our Epistle and the speech of James in Acts xv.

¹ The similarity between the First Epistle of St. Peter and the speeches ascribed to him in the Acts is noticed in Alford's Greek Testament, vol. iv. *Prolegomena*, p. 137.

230 words contained in the speech and circular, so many should reappear in our Epistle, written on a totally different subject. They are as follows: (1) the epistolary salutation *χαίρειν* (Jas. i. 1, Acts xv. 23), found in only one other passage of the N.T., the letter of Lysias to Felix (Acts xxiii. 26): (2) the curious phrase borrowed from the LXX. which occurs in the N.T. only in Acts xv. 17 *ἐφ' οὓς ἐπικέκληται τὸ ὄνομά μου ἐπ' αὐτούς*, and James ii. 7 *τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς*: (3) *ἀκούσατε ἀδελφοί μου* found in James ii. 5 alone in the Epistles, compared with *ἄνδρες ἀδελφοὶ ἀκούσατέ μου* in Acts xv. 13: (4) *ἐπισκέπτεσθαι* James i. 27, Acts xv. 14: (5) *ἐπιστρέφειν* James v. 19, 20, Acts xv. 19: (6) *τηρεῖν* and *διατηρεῖν*, James i. 27 *ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου*, Acts xv. 29 *ἐξ ὧν διατηροῦντες ἑαυτοὺς εὖ πράξετε*: (7) *ἀγαπητός* occurs in the Acts only in xv. 25 *σὺν τοῖς ἀγαπητοῖς Βαρνάβᾳ καὶ Παύλῳ*, while *ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί* is found three times in our Epistle: (8) perhaps we may compare also the repetition of the word *ἀδελφός* in James iv. 11 *μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων ἀδελφοί· ὁ καταλαλῶν ἀδελφοῦ ἢ κρίνων τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ κρίνει τὸν νόμον κ.τ.λ.* and Acts xv. 23 *οἱ πρεσβύτεροι ἀδελφοὶ τοῖς κατὰ τὴν Ἀντιόχειαν...ἀδελφοῖς χαίρειν*: and the pregnant use of the word *ὄνομα* in James v. 10 *ἐλάλησαν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου*, ver. 14 *ἀλείψαντες ἐλαίῳ ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι*, ii. 7 *τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα* and in Acts xv. 14 *λαβεῖν ἐξ ἐθνῶν λαὸν τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ*, ver. 26 *ὑπὲρ τοῦ ὀνόματος τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ*.

Further agreements between what we are told of James in Acts xxi. and our Epistle.

To return to our immediate subject: James is seen in the same position of authority in Acts xxi. 18, when Paul presents himself before him on his return from his third missionary journey (A.D. 58). After joining in praise to God for the success which had attended his labours, James and the elders who are with him warn St. Paul of the strong feeling against him which had been excited among the 'myriads of Jewish believers who were all zealous for the law' (*ζηλωταὶ τοῦ νόμου*) by the report that he had taught the Jews of the Dispersion to abandon circumcision and their other customs. To counteract this impression, they recommended him to join in a Nazarite vow, which had been undertaken by four members of their community, as a proof that the report was unfounded and that he himself walked according to the law. The description here given of the state of feeling at Jerusalem and of St. James' anxiety to avoid causing any offence to it is quite in accordance with the

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tone of our Epistle and may help to explain the reserve with which distinctive Christian doctrines are treated in it. Is it going too far to compare the use of *ἀγνίζω* in Acts xxi. 24 and James iv. 8, and the construction of *δαπανᾶν* in the same verse (*δαπάνησον ἐπ' αὐτοῖς*) and in James iv. 3 *ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς ὑμῶν δαπανήσητε*?

The only other passage in which James is mentioned by name in the Epistles is 1 Cor. xv. 7, where we are told that Jesus appeared to James after his Resurrection. Of this more will be said shortly. But we have seen that in Gal. i. 19 he receives the appellation of 'the Lord's brother,' and there are further allusions to the 'brethren of the Lord' in 1 Cor. ix. 5, which is generally taken to imply that they were all married, and in Acts i. 14, where we are told that after the Ascension 'the Eleven with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus and his brethren remained together at Jerusalem waiting for the promise of the Spirit.' These passages also will come in for further consideration immediately.

An objection may be raised to the identification of the writer of the Epistle with the brother of the Lord, on the ground that no claim is made to this title in either of the Epistles which go by the names of the brothers James and Jude. If they were really brothers of the Lord, would they not have laid stress on the authority derived from this relationship, just as St. Paul lays stress on his apostleship? But what was Christ's own teaching on the matter? When his mother and brothers sought on one occasion to use the authority, which they assumed that their kinship gave them, they were met by the words 'Who is my mother, and who are my brethren?' And he stretched out his hand to his disciples and said 'Behold my mother and my brethren.' St. Paul expresses the same idea, of the disappearance of the earthly relationship in the higher spiritual union, by which all the members of the body are joined to the Head, in the words 'though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now know we him so no more,' 2 Cor. v. 16. Surely it is only what we should have expected beforehand, that James and Jude would shrink from claiming another name than that of 'servant' to express the relation in which they stood to their risen Lord, after having failed (as I shall shortly endeavour to show) to acknowledge Him as their Master in the days of his humiliation.

So far we have arrived at the following conclusions: the writer

This James is also known as the Lord's brother.

Reason why this title is not used in the Epistle

Three explanations of this title.

of the Epistle is or, to allow for a moment the possibility of its not being genuine, wishes to be understood as being, the President of the Church at Jerusalem, and the brother of the Lord.¹ We have now to investigate the meaning of this last expression. Is it to be understood literally of half-brothers of the Lord, sons of Mary his mother and of Joseph his reputed father? Or is it to be understood of foster-brothers, sons of his reputed father by a former wife? Or is it to be understood of the cousins of the Lord, sons of Clopas or Alphaeus, the husband of his mother's sister, who bore the same name as herself? It may be well first to bring together the passages bearing on this subject in the Gospels, and then to examine them more carefully in reference to the three theories above stated. I quote from the R.V.

Passages in the New Testament bearing upon the subject.

Matt. i. 25. Joseph . . . took unto him his wife and knew her not till she had brought forth a son.

Luke ii. 7. She brought forth her first-born son.

John ii. 12. After this he went down to Capernaum, he and his mother and his brethren and his disciples: and there they abode not many days.

Matt. xiii. 54—56. And coming into his own country he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished and said, Whence hath this man this wisdom and these mighty works? Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren James and Joses and Simon and Judas? And his sisters are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man these things?

Mark vi. 3. Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended in him. Cf. Luke iv. 16—30, John vi. 42.

Matt. xii. 47. While he was yet speaking to the multitudes, behold his mother and his brethren stood without, seeking to speak to him. And one said unto him, Behold thy mother and thy brethren stand without, seeking to speak to thee. But he

¹ I have made no reference to the Tübingen theory which supposes the Acts to be a *Tendenz-schrift* written with the view of minimizing the difference between St. Paul and St. James, (1) because I do not see that it in any way affects my argument, unless it should be maintained that the writer of the Acts had our Epistle before him and intentionally imitated its language, which would give an even stronger support to my argument from a different point of view; and (2) because the theory itself seems to me by this time exploded.

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I think any one reading these passages for the first time, without any preconceived idea on the subject, would naturally take what is called the Helvidian view, that the brethren of the Lord were sons of Joseph and Mary. It will be seen, however, that there is much to be said in favour of the other views mentioned above. We will examine first the argument in favour of the Hieronymian theory—that those who are called brethren were really cousins.¹

A.—*The Hieronymian Theory.*

Jerome's theory, that by the brethren of the Lord is meant the sons of his mother's sister,

This theory was put forward about the year 383 A.D. as a novel hypothesis² by Jerome in answer to Helvidius, who had attacked the prevailing view of the superiority of the unmarried to the married state by referring to the example of the Lord's mother. 'of whom we read in Scripture that she bore children to her husband Joseph.' Jerome's argument briefly stated is, that James the brother of the Lord is called an Apostle by St. Paul, that he must therefore be identified with James the son of Alphaeus, since James the son of Zebedee was no longer living when Paul wrote; identified also with James the less in Mark xv. 40 (the comparative implying an opposition to James the greater,³ viz. the son of Zebedee), this James being there stated to be brother of Joses, But in Mark vi. 3 we find a James and Joses among the brethren of Jesus, and this agrees with John xix. 25, where Mary the mother of James and wife of Alphaeus is called Mary of Clopas, sister of the Lord's mother; from whence it follows that the four brothers and two or more sisters mentioned in Mark vi. 3 and elsewhere are really first cousins of Jesus. Jerome himself had no

¹ In the discussion which follows I have had constantly before me Bp. Lightfoot's dissertation on the Brethren of the Lord, admirable alike for thoroughness, clearness, and fairness, which is contained in his *Galatians* (10th ed. pp. 252-291). I have also consulted Credner's *Einleitung in d. N. T.*, Laurent's *Neutest. Studien*, Mill's *Pantheistic Principles*, Part II. pp. 220-316, and the articles 'Maria' and 'Jakobus' in Herzog's *Encycl. f. prot. Theol.* I should have been glad to put the question aside with a simple reference, but I think there are some considerations which have not been sufficiently attended to, and that the Epistle gains an added interest from what I hold to be the right solution of the difficulty. [Since this was written I have read Canon Farrar's able discussion of the subject in his *Early Days of Christianity*, ch. xix., and Bungener's *Rome et la Bible*, both of whom take the same view as I have done.]

² See Pearson *On the Creed*, p. 175 n. Bp. Lightfoot (p. 273) has shown that the Papias cited by Dr. Mill and others in favour of the Hieronymian view is not the companion of Polycarp, but a writer of the eleventh century.

³ 'There is no scriptural or early sanction for speaking of the son of Zebedee as James the Great' (Lightfoot *Gal.* p. 263).

information on the subject of Clopas, but suggests that he may possibly have been father of Mary. Later writers added further developments to this theory. Clopas was identified with Alphaeus, as another form of the common Aramaic original Chalchai; and 'Judas of James,' who occurs in St. Luke's list of the Apostles (Luke vi. 16, Acts i. 13), is identified with the writer of the Epistle, who calls himself 'brother of James' (Jude 1), and also with the brother of Joses, James and Simon in Mark vi. 3. Simon Zelotes, who is joined with James and Judas in the list of the Apostles, is supposed to be another of these brethren; and some held that Matthew, being identical with Levi the son of Alphaeus, must belong to the same family.

Bishop Lightfoot calls attention to the fact that not only does Jerome make no pretence to any traditional support for this view,¹ but that he is himself by no means consistent in holding it. Thus in his comment on the Galatians written about 387 A.D. he says: 'James was called the Lord's brother on account of his high character, his incomparable faith, and his extraordinary wisdom; the other apostles are also called brothers (John xx. 17), but he pre-eminently so, to whom the Lord at his departure had committed the sons of his mother (*i.e.* the members of the Church at Jerusalem).' In a later work still, the epistle to Hedibia, written about 406, he speaks of Mary of Cleophas (Clopas), the aunt of our Lord, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, as distinct persons, 'although some contend that the mother of James and Joses was his aunt.'

was altogether unknown before the time of Jerome and is not held consistently by him.

I proceed now to examine the above argument.

(1) It is assumed that 'brother' (*ἀδελφός*) may be used in the sense of cousin (*ἀνεψιός*, found in Col. iv. 10). The supporters of this theory do not offer any parallel from the N.T., but they appeal to classical use both in Greek and Latin, and to the O.T. The examples cited from classical Greek are merely expressive of warm affection, or else metaphorical, as Plato *Crito* § 16, where the laws of Athens are made to speak of *οἱ ἡμέτεροι ἀδελφοὶ οἱ ἐν Αἴδου νόμοι*. There is no instance in classical Greek, as far as I know, of

Objections to Jerome's view.

Though it is possible to find in the Hebrew Bible and sometimes in the LXX, no parallel for this use is cited either from the N.T. or from classical Greek.

¹ After disputing the value of the authorities appealed to by Helvidius, he sets aside the appeal to authority in the words *Verum nugas terimus et fonte veritatis omisso opinionum rivulos consecramur* (*Adv. Helv.* 17); and in another treatise (*De Viris Illustribus* 2) contrasts his own view with the Epiphonian in the words *Ut nonnulli existimant, Joseph ex alia uxore: ut autem mihi videtur, Mariae sororis matris Domini... filius* (Lightfoot, p. 259).

THE EPISTLE OF ST. JAMES

ἀδελφός being used to denote a cousin. In Latin *frater* may stand for *frater patruelis*, where there is no danger of being misunderstood (cf. Cic. *ad Att.* i. 5. 1). The Hebrew word is used loosely to include cousin, as in Gen. xiv. 14—16 (of Abraham and Lot), where the LXX. has *ἀδελφιδούς*; in Levit. x. 4, where the first cousins of Aaron are called brethren (*ἀδελφοί*) of his sons, Nadab and Abihu; in 1 Chron. xxiii. 21, 22 ('The sons of Mahli, Eleazar and Kish. And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their brethren the sons of Kish took them'), where also the LXX. has *ἀδελφοί*. These passages seem to me to be hardly covered by the general rule laid down by Bishop Lightfoot (p. 261): "in an affectionate and earnest appeal intended to move the sympathies of the hearer, a speaker might not unnaturally address a relation or a friend or even a fellow-countryman as his 'brother': and even when speaking of such to a third person he might through warmth of feeling and under certain aspects so designate him." I think, however, the Bishop is entirely right when he goes on to say: "It is scarcely conceivable that the cousins of any one should be commonly and indeed exclusively styled his 'brothers' by indifferent persons; still less, that one cousin in particular should be singled out and described in this loose way 'James, the Lord's brother.'" If we remark too the care with which Hegesippus (quoted under § 6 below) employs the term *ἀδελφός* of James and Jude, the brothers of the Lord, while he keeps the term *ἀνεψιός* for Symeon, the cousin of the Lord and second bishop of Jerusalem, we shall feel that there is a strong probability against the use of *ἀδελφοί* in the N.T. to denote anything but brothers, *i.e.* in the case before us either half-brothers or foster-brothers, according to the evidence to be considered later on.

James, the brother of the Lord, was not one of the Twelve.

(2) Jerome's main argument is that James the Lord's brother was one of the Twelve, and therefore identical with James the son of Alphaeus. He grounds this assertion on a single passage in St. Paul, which I shall presently examine. Bishop Lightfoot and others have shown that it is not a necessary consequence of St. Paul's language, and that it is opposed to the distinction everywhere made in the N.T. between the Brethren of the Lord and the Twelve. Thus in Acts i. 14, after the list of the Eleven including James the son of Alphaeus, we read 'these all continued instant in prayer' *σὺν γυναιξὶν καὶ Μαρτῖν τῇ μητρὶ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ τοῖς ἀδελφοῖς*

αὐτοῦ. It will hardly be said that they are included in the Twelve, as Mary among the women, and specially mentioned afterwards, as she is, only on account of their superior importance. If so, they would have been mentioned immediately after the Apostles; on the contrary they are placed after Mary, being joined with her, as in several other passages, because they, with her, constitute the family to which Jesus belonged. Thus in John ii. 12 we read that Jesus went down to Capernaum *αὐτὸς καὶ ἡ μήτηρ αὐτοῦ καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ καὶ οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ· καὶ ἐκεῖ ἔμειναν οὐ πολλὰς ἡμέρας*: in Matt. xii. 47 foll. ‘One said to him’ *ἰδοὺ ἡ μήτηρ σου καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοί σου ἔξω ἐστήκασιν ζητοῦντές σοι λαλῆσαι* ‘and stretching forth his hand to his disciples he saith’ *ἰδοὺ ἡ μήτηρ μου καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοί μου· ὅστις γὰρ ἂν ποιήσῃ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Πατρὸς μου, τοῦ ἐν οὐρανοῖς, αὐτός μοι ἀδελφός καὶ ἀδελφὴ καὶ μήτηρ ἐστίν*. In the last passage there is the same strong antithesis between natural earthly ties and his duty to his Father in heaven, which we observe in the words spoken by him when found as a boy in the Temple.

Notice also that there is in this passage not only a distinction made between the brethren of Jesus and his disciples, but a certain opposition is implied, which is brought out more clearly in St. Mark’s narrative of the same event (iii. 21, 31—35). From the latter it appears that the reason why they of his family (*οἱ παρ’ αὐτοῦ*) desired to speak with him was because the rumour which had reached them of his incessant labours led them to believe that he was out of his mind. As St. Mark goes on to say (ver. 22) that the scribes accused Jesus of casting out devils through Beelzebub, and as we further read in John (x. 20, viii. 48) that many said ‘He hath a devil and is mad’; it would seem, though it is not expressly stated, that these calumnious reports of his enemies had not been without effect on some members of his own family. At all events, they went out prepared *κρατεῖν αὐτόν*, *i.e.* to put him under some restraint. This narrative gives additional point to the words in Mark vi. 4, spoken with immediate reference to the unbelief of the people of Nazareth, *οὐκ ἔστιν προφήτης ἄτιμος εἰ μὴ ἐν τῇ πατρίδι αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐν τοῖς συγγενεῦσιν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ αὐτοῦ*. If it were simply the disbelief of townspeople not immediately related to him, there seems no need for the addition ‘in his own kinsfolk and in his own house.’

On the contrary, we read that His brethren were not even believers.

This inference, which we naturally draw from the words of St. Mark, is confirmed by the express statement of St. John (vii. 3—5), οὐδὲ γὰρ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ αὐτοῦ ἐπίστευον εἰς αὐτόν, and by our Lord's words addressed to them (ver. 7), οὐ δύναται ὁ κόσμος μισεῖν ὑμᾶς· ἐμὲ δὲ μισεῖ, ὅτι ἐγὼ μαρτυρῶ περὶ αὐτοῦ ὅτι τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ πονηρά ἐστιν. Compare this with the words spoken shortly afterwards to the disciples (xv. 19), εἰ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου ἦτε, ὁ κόσμος ἂν τὸ ἴδιον ἐφίλει· ὅτι δὲ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου οὐκ ἔστε, ἀλλ' ἐγὼ ἐξέλεξα ὑμᾶς ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου, διὰ τοῦτο μισεῖ ὑμᾶς ὁ κόσμος. I defer the question as to the cause and nature of the unbelief imputed to the Lord's brothers, and the cause of their subsequent conversion. I simply note here that in vii. 3 they are represented as making a distinction between themselves and the disciples, and that in vv. 5—7 they are said to be on the side of the world against Christ. I think my readers will agree that the argument derived from St. Paul's words must be one of great force if it is to overthrow the combined evidence of so many passages, all showing that Christ's brothers were not included in the Twelve.

Examination
of the texts
adduced on
the other
side.
Meaning of
εἰ μὴ in
Gal. i. 19.

The words on which Jerome lays stress are Gal. i. 18, 19, ἀνῆλθον εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα ἱστορῆσαι Κηφᾶν καὶ ἐπέμεινα πρὸς αὐτὸν ἡμέρας δεκάπεντε. ἕτερον δὲ τῶν ἀποστόλων οὐκ εἶδον, εἰ μὴ Ἰάκωβον τὸν ἀδελφὸν τοῦ Κυρίου. Bishop Lightfoot in his note discusses whether this should be translated, 'I saw no other Apostle save James,' or, 'I saw no other Apostle, but only James.' He gives instances to show that εἰ μὴ may have the latter force, e.g. Luke iv. 27, πολλοὶ λεπροὶ ἦσαν ἐν τῷ Ἰσραὴλ ἐπὶ Ἐλισαίου τοῦ προφήτου, καὶ οὐδεὶς αὐτῶν ἐκαθαρίσθη εἰ μὴ Νααμὰν ὁ Σύρος, Gal. ii. 16, οὐ δικαιούται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου εἰ μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, Αποκ. xxi. 27, οὐ μὴ εἰσέλθῃ εἰς αὐτὴν πᾶν κοινὸν καὶ ὁ ποιῶν βδέλυγμα καὶ ψεῦδος, εἰ μὴ οἱ γεγραμμένοι ἐν τῷ βιβλίῳ τῆς ζωῆς, ib. ix. 4. The peculiarity of these cases is that, whereas, according to the ordinary use, εἰ μὴ introduces an exception to a general statement applicable to all the members of the class to which the excepted case belongs, in the instances cited the excepted case is not included in the foregoing class. It appears to be originally a colloquial use, and is employed with comic effect in Arist. *Eq.* 185, &c. Thus here Naaman was not one of the many lepers in Israel; they who are written in the Book of Life are not included among those who are guilty of

abomination and falsehood; faith is not included in the works of the law, but is contrasted with them as a different kind of justification. Accordingly, St. James need not be included in the preceding Apostles. Much in the same way we find *πλήν* used, where we should rather have expected *ἀλλά*, e.g. Acts xxvii. 22, *ἀποβολὴ γὰρ ψυχῆς οὐδεμία ἔσται ἐξ ὑμῶν πλήν τοῦ πλοίου*. But even if we give its usual force to *εἰ μὴ*, it will not follow that St. James was included in the Twelve, for there can be no doubt that in Gal. i. 19 *ἕτερον* looks backward to *Κηφᾶν*, not forward to *Ἰάκωβον*. The sentence would have been complete at *εἶδον*, 'I saw Peter and none other of the Apostles.' Then it strikes St. Paul, as an afterthought, that the position of James, as President of the Church at Jerusalem, was not inferior to that of the Apostles, and he adds 'unless you reckon James among them.'

That the term 'apostle' was not strictly confined to the Twelve appears from another passage in which James is mentioned, 1 Cor. xv. 4—7. Here it is said that Jesus after his resurrection 'appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve, then to above 500 brethren at once, then to James, then to all the Apostles,' where we should perhaps consider the term to include the Seventy, according to the view of Irenaeus and other early writers. At any rate there can be no doubt as to St. Paul's apostleship. Barnabas also is called an apostle (Acts xiv. 4, 14), probably also Andronicus and Junias (Rom. xvi. 7), and Silvanus (1 Thess. ii. 6).¹

The term 'apostle' was not confined to the Twelve.

It seems to me that the most natural interpretation of the two passages just dealt with is that which concedes the name 'apostle' in the wider sense to St. James, but makes a distinction between him and the Twelve. We should infer the same from 1 Cor. ix. 5, 6, 'have we not a right to take about a wife that is a believer' (*ἀδελφὴν γυναῖκα*) *ὡς καὶ οἱ λοιποὶ ἀπόστολοι καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ Κηφᾶς; ἢ μόνος ἐγὼ καὶ Βαρνάβας οὐκ ἔχομεν ἐξουσίαν μὴ ἐργάζεσθαι;* Here *οἱ λοιποὶ ἀπόστολοι* is contrasted with *ἐγὼ καὶ Βαρνάβας*: and apparently the 'brethren of the Lord' and 'Cephas' are particularized as being those who were known to make use of the liberty belonging of right to all.

If it should be argued that, where the 'brethren of the Lord' are distinguished from the Twelve, this may be spoken loosely of

¹ See Lightfoot, *l.c.*, pp. 92-101, and the *Didaché* xi. 1. 5 with Funk's notes.

the majority of them, and need not be understood to apply strictly to each separate brother; that it is consistent therefore with the supposition that James, for instance, was an Apostle, provided that Simon and Jude were not Apostles; the answer is that the theory derives part of its seeming strength from the coincidence of the names of three of the brethren of the Lord and three of the Twelve Apostles. But it is impossible to suppose repeated assertions to be made respecting the brethren of the Lord, which (on this supposition) are untrue of him who was by far the best known among them. Lastly it is to be noticed that neither James nor Jude claims the title of Apostle in his Epistle, and that Jude seems to disclaim the title for himself in ver. 17, *μνήσθητε τῶν ῥημάτων τῶν προειρημένων ὑπὸ τῶν ἀποστόλων τοῦ Κυρίου.*

Neither James nor Jude call themselves Apostles.

The brothers of the Lord are always found in company with His mother.

(3) It has been shown that probability is strongly against a cousin of the Lord being habitually known as *ἀδελφὸς Κυρίου*, and that the evidence is overwhelming against the brothers of the Lord being included in the Twelve. Scarcely less strong is the argument against the Hieronymian view drawn from what we read of the relation of the brethren of the Lord to his mother. Though, according to this view, their own mother Mary was living at the time of the crucifixion, and though there is nothing to show that their father was not also living, yet they are never found in the company of their parents or parent, but always with the Virgin. They move with her and her divine Son to Capernaum and form one household there (John ii. 12); they take upon themselves to control and check the actions of Jesus; they go with Mary 'to take him,' when it is feared that his mind is becoming unhinged. They are referred to by the neighbours as members of his family in exactly the same terms as his mother and his reputed father; the neighbours, it is evident, have no more doubt as to the one relationship than they have as to the other; they have known the parents, they have known the children; there is in their eyes no mystery in the matter, nothing to suggest anything out of the common order of nature. It is suggested indeed that the Virgin and her sister were both widows at this time, and had agreed to form one household; but this is mere hypothesis, and is scarcely consistent with the remarks of the neighbours, who endeavour to satisfy themselves that Jesus was not entitled to speak as he had done, by calling to mind those

The testimony of the neighbours goes to prove the reality of the fraternal, no less than of the maternal relation.

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There is no ground for the identification either of James the Little with the brother of the Lord, or of 'Ιούδας 'Ιακώβου with the writer of the epistle of Jude.

(5) I take next two minor identifications, that of 'James the less' with the 'brother of the Lord,' and that of 'Ιούδας 'Ιακώβου, of Luke vi. 16 and Acts i. 13, with Jude the writer of the Epistle, who calls himself 'brother of James.' We have seen that Mary the mother of James τοῦ μικροῦ and of Joses, in Mark xv. 40, is probably the same as Mary of Clopas, and that we have no reason for inferring from the Gospels that she was related to Jesus. If so, there is an end to the supposition that James the less is James the brother of the Lord. But it is worth while to notice the mistranslation in which Jerome imagined that he found a further argument for the identification of our James with the son of Alphaeus. The comparative *minor*, he says, suggests two persons, viz. the two Apostles of this name. But the Greek has no comparative, simply τοῦ μικροῦ, 'the little,' which no more implies a comparison with only one person, than any other descriptive epithet, such as εὐεργέτης or φιλάδελφος. As to 'Ιούδας 'Ιακώβου, no instance is cited for such an omission of the word ἀδελφός, and we must therefore translate 'Judas son of James' with the R.V. Independently of this, if James, Judas and Simon are all sons of Alphaeus, what a strange way is this of introducing their names in the list of the Apostles, 'James of Alphaeus, Simon Zelotes, Judas of James'! Why not speak of all as 'sons of Alphaeus,' or of the two latter as 'brothers of James'? Why not speak of all as 'brethren of the Lord'? It is especially strange that, if Judas were really known as such, he should have been distinguished in John (xiv. 22) merely by a negative, 'Judas not Iscariot,' and in the other Gospels by the appellation 'Lebbaeus' or 'Thaddaeus' (Matt. x. 3, Mark iii. 18).

There is no ground for identifying Clopas and Alphaeus.

(6) Much has been made of the identification of the names Alphaeus and Clopas, and of the duality of Clopas and Cleopas (Luke xxiv. 18). It seems doubtful whether the identification of the former and the separation of the latter pair can be maintained. Bp. Lightfoot considers that 'viewing the question as one of names only, it is quite as reasonable to identify Clopas with Cleopas as with Alphaeus' (*l.c.*, pp. 256, 267). Supposing our previous argument to be sound, the question is of no importance as to our main subject. If however we extend our inquiry beyond the limits of the N.T. it again becomes a matter of interest, because we learn from Hegesippus (about 160 A.D.) that there was a connexion of a

different nature between Clopas and our Lord. His testimony, preserved by Eusebius (*H. E.* iv. 22), is to the effect that 'after the martyrdom of James the Just on the same charge as the Lord, his paternal uncle's child Symeon, the son of Clopas, is next made bishop, who was put forward by all as the second in succession, being cousin of the Lord' (*μετὰ τὸ μαρτυρῆσαι Ἰάκωβον τὸν δίκαιον ὡς καὶ ὁ Κύριος ἐπὶ τῷ αὐτῷ λόγῳ, πάλιν ὁ ἐκ τοῦ θείου αὐτοῦ Συμεὼν ὁ τοῦ Κλωπᾶ καθίσταται ἐπίσκοπος, ὃν προέθεντο πάντες ὄντα ἀνεψιὸν τοῦ Κυρίου δεύτερον*). Some have understood this to mean that Symeon and James were both sons of the Lord's reputed uncle Clopas, and thus that Symeon was the second of his cousins who was bishop of Jerusalem. But Br. Lightfoot well remarks that, if this were meant, we must have had *ἕτερος τῶν ἐκ τοῦ θείου*, not *ὁ ἐκ τοῦ θείου*, and that it would have been far more natural simply to have said *ὁ ἀδελφὸς αὐτοῦ*. The meaning of *δεύτερον* is made clear from Euseb. *H. E.* iii. 22 *τῶν ἐπ' Ἀντιοχείας Εὐδοίου πρώτου καταστάντος, δεύτερος ἐν τοῖς δηλουμένοις Ἰγνάτιος ἐγνωρίζετο. Συμεὼν ὁμοίως δεύτερος μετὰ τὸν τοῦ Σωτῆρος ἡμῶν ἀδελφὸν τῆς ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις ἐκκλησίας κατὰ τούτους τὴν λειτουργίαν ἐγκεχειρισμένος ἦν, ib. iii. 32 ἐν ᾧ (διωγμῷ) Συμεῶνα τὸν τοῦ Κλωπᾶ, ὃν δεύτερον καταστήναι τῆς ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις ἐκκλησίας ἐπίσκοπον ἐδηλώσαμεν, μαρτυρίῳ τὸν βίον ἀναλύσαι παρειλήφαμεν*. These passages are also important as showing that, while the son of Clopas is described as the cousin of Jesus, James is still described as his brother: so too Jude (*ib.* iii. 20). The relationship is more exactly defined in the 11th ch. of the same book, where it is said that after the death of James the surviving apostles and disciples of the Lord unanimously elected Symeon as his successor, *ἀνεψιὸν, ὡς γε φασί, γεγονότα τοῦ Σωτῆρος: τὸν γὰρ οὖν Κλωπᾶν ἀδελφὸν τοῦ Ἰωσήφ ὑπάρχειν Ἡγήσιππος ἱστορεῖ*. If Clopas is really the same as Alphaeus, this Symeon would be brother of the Apostles James the Little and Matthew, as well as of the Joses mentioned in Mark xv. 40: but few would contend that these nephews of the reputed father of Jesus could really be known as 'the Lord's brethren.'

Hegesippus tells us that Clopas was brother of Joseph. His son Symeon, the second bishop of Jerusalem, is called cousin, not brother, of the Lord.

I have endeavoured to point out the difficulties which beset the Hieronymian theory and make it in my opinion less worthy of acceptance than either of the other theories. As it seems still to be the predominant theory in the churches of Western Christ-

Extreme improbability of the Hieronymian view.

endom, reformed¹ and unreformed, I have thought it might be well to show by a rough numerical estimate the force of the probabilities which are really arrayed against it. This will be found in the note below.²

B.—The Epiphanian Theory.

I proceed now to examine the Epiphanian view, according to which the Lord's brothers were sons of Joseph by a former wife. This was the generally accepted view when Jerome put forward his new theory, and to a great extent it escapes the difficulties which, we have seen, attach to that theory.

There is no force in the objections made to the Epiphanian theory from the Hieronymian point of view.

Two unimportant objections made both to it and to the Helvidian theory from the Hieronymian point of view are: (1) that they assume the existence of two sets of cousins having two names in common, James and Joseph being found both among the sons of Alphaeus and among the Lord's brothers; and if we accept the statement of Hegesippus that Symeon was son of Clopas, and

¹ Even a commentator so little fettered by tradition as Dr. S. Cox writes thus in the *Expositor* for Jan. 1890, p. 68: 'James then (as I hold and shall assume, after a careful study of the various theories propounded about him...) was the son of Alphaeus, otherwise called Clopas, and of his wife, the sister of the Virgin Mary... Among his brothers were Simeon...Jude...Joses...and Levi the publican.' It is curious that the one authority to which Dr. Cox refers those who care to examine the controversy for themselves is 'the admirable summary in Dean Plumptre's commentary,' where however we read (p. 17) 'there is absolutely no ground for identifying the brother of the Lord with the son of Alphaeus.'

² Those who have followed the argument in the text will not, I think, regard the following estimates of the chances in favour of the several suppositions involved in the Hieronymian theory as giving an unfair representation of the case:

(a) for the use of ἀδελφός for cousin in the phrase ἀδελφός Κυρίου—one out of five ($\frac{1}{5}$), making 4 to 1 *against it*.

(b) for the brethren of the Lord being included in the Twelve—one out of ten ($\frac{1}{10}$), making 9 to 1 *against it*.

(c) for the supposed sons of Clopas-Alphaeus being always found in company—not with their own mother, who was certainly still living,—but with their aunt, residing with her and her Son, and taking on themselves to control the actions of the latter—one out of ten ($\frac{1}{10}$), making 9 to 1 *against it*.

(d) for two sisters having the same name—one out of ten ($\frac{1}{10}$), making 9 to 1 *against it*.

There are various other improbabilities, some of which have been already touched on, and others of even greater weight will appear in treating of the Epiphanian view, but I should be willing to rest the case on the four points here named, giving a resultant probability *in favour of* the simultaneous realisation of the four above-stated hypotheses of $\frac{1}{5 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10} = \frac{1}{5000}$, making 4999 probabilities to 1 *against it*, that is, against the truth of the Hieronymian theory.

identify Clopas with Alphaeus, we then get a third name Symeon common to the families. This objection is based on several assumptions, one being that Mary the wife of Clopas was sister of the Virgin Mary, which has been shown to be all but incredible. But waiving this, why should it be thought improbable that three of the commonest Jewish names should be found in two sets of cousins? We have a greater variety of Christian names in ordinary use in England than there were then in Judea, but no one would think such a recurrence of names in any way remarkable or extraordinary; in fact, so far as my experience goes, the improbability is all the other way.

(2) When a certain Mary is described as 'the mother of James' we naturally assume that the James intended is the most celebrated of the name, viz. the Lord's brother. But we elsewhere find the same Mary designated as mother of Joses (Mark xv. 47), or more generally of James and Joses (Matt. xxvii. 56, Mark xv. 40), so that no stress can be laid upon this.

It appears then that the Hieronymian theory is as weak in attack as it is in defence, and that if the Epiphonian theory is to be attacked with any prospect of success, it must be from the Helvidian side, on the ground that it gives an artificial and non-natural rendering of two passages of Scripture which we have still to consider; that it weakens the force of the narrative which we have already considered, telling how the mother of Jesus came with his brothers to take him; and gives a less natural meaning to the word 'brother.' The two passages yet to be considered are Matt. i. 24 *Ἰωσήφ...παρέλαβεν τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ καὶ οὐκ ἐγίνωσκεν αὐτὴν ἕως οὗ ἔτεκεν υἱόν*, and Luke ii. 7 *καὶ ἔτεκεν τὸν υἱὸν αὐτῆς τὸν πρωτότοκον*. Reading these in connexion with those other passages which speak of the brothers and sisters of Jesus, it is hard to believe that the Evangelists meant us to understand, or indeed that it ever entered their heads that the words could be understood to mean, any thing else than that these brothers were sons of the mother and the reputed father of the Lord. It has been attempted however to prove that we need not take the passages referred to in their ordinary and natural sense. Thus Pearson, treating of the phrase *ἕως οὗ*, tells us that 'the manner of the Scripture language produceth no such inference,' as that, from a limit assigned to a negative, we may imply a subsequent affirma-

Its real weakness lies in its forced interpretation of certain texts.

Attempt to weaken the force of *ἕως οὗ* in Matt. i. 24.

tive: and he cites the following as instances in his favour. 'When God said to Jacob "I will not leave thee until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of" (Gen. xxviii. 15), it followeth not that, when that was done, the God of Jacob left him. When the conclusion of Deuteronomy was written it was said of Moses "No man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day" (Deut. xxxiv. 6), but it were a weak argument to infer from thence, that the sepulchre of Moses has been known ever since. When Samuel had delivered a severe prediction unto Saul, he "came no more to see him unto the day of his death" (1 Sam. xv. 35); but it were a strange collection to infer, that he therefore gave him a visit after he was dead. "Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death (2 Sam. vi. 23); and yet it were a ridiculous stupidity to dream of any midwifery in the grave. Christ promised his presence to the Apostles "until the end of the world" (Matt. xxviii. 20); who ever made so unhappy a construction, as to infer from thence that for ever after he would be absent from them?' (*Creed*, p. 174).

Importance
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It is difficult to believe that a man of Pearson's ability can have been blind to the difference between two kinds of limit, the mention of one of which suggests, while the mention of the other negatives, the future occurrence of the action spoken of. If we read 'the debate was adjourned till the papers should be in the hands of the members,' it as certainly implies the intention to resume the debate at a subsequent period, as the phrase 'the debate was adjourned till that day six months,' or 'till the Greek Kalends,' implies the contrary. So when it is said 'to the day of his death,' 'to the end of the world,' this is only a more vivid way of saying *in saecula saeculorum*. In like manner the phrase 'unto this day' implies that a certain state of things continued up to the very last moment known to the writer: the suggestion is of course that it will still continue. The remaining instance is that contained in Gen. xxviii. 15. This is a promise of continued help on the part of God until a certain end is secured. When that end is secured God is no further bound by his promise, however much the patriarch might be justified in looking for further help from his general knowledge of the character and goodness of God. To take now a case similar to that in hand: supposing we read 'Michal had no child till she left David and became the wife of Phaltiel,' we should naturally assume that after that she did have a child. So

in Matt. i. 24 the limit is not one beyond which the action becomes naturally and palpably impossible: on the contrary it is just that point of time when under ordinary circumstances the action would become both possible and natural,¹ when therefore the reader, without warning to the contrary, might naturally be expected to assume that it did actually occur. How far this assumption on the part of the reader, natural under ordinary circumstances, becomes unnatural under the very extraordinary circumstances of the case, will be discussed further on. I confine myself here to the argument from language.²

(3) The natural inference drawn from the use of the word *πρωτότοκον* in Luke ii. 7 is that other brothers or sisters were born subsequently; otherwise why should not the word *μονογενής* have been used as in Tobit iii. 15 *μονογενής εἰμι τῷ πατρί μου*, Luke vii. 12, viii. 42, &c.? In Rom. viii. 29 the word is used metaphorically, but retains its natural connotation, *πρωτότοκον ἐν πολλοῖς ἀδελφοῖς*, and so in every instance of its occurrence in the N.T. It occurs many times in its literal use in the LXX., e.g. Gen. xxvii. 19, 32, xliii. 33, Deut. xxi. 15, 1 Kings xvi. 34, 1 Chron. v. 1, xxvi. 10, but, so far as I have observed, never of an only son. It is said in answer to this by Bp. Lightfoot (p. 271) that "the prominent idea conveyed by the term first-born to a Jew would be not the birth of other children, but the special consecration of this one. The typical reference in fact is foremost in the mind of St. Luke, as he himself explains it, 'Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord' (ii. 23)." But need we ascribe to St. Luke any other purpose, in giving this quotation from the Mosaic law, beyond the simple desire to explain how it was that Simeon was enabled to see Him, who was not only 'the glory of his people Israel,' but also 'a light to lighten the Gentiles'? No doubt the law as to the first-born is equally valid whether there are other children or not; but St. Luke is not here concerned in stating the

The use of *πρωτότοκος* in Luke ii. 7 implies that Jesus was not the only child of his mother.

¹ Compare Plut. *Qu-Conv.* viii. 1, Diog. L. iii. 2 (on the vision which appeared to Ariston warning him *μὴ συγγίνεσθαι τῇ γυναικί* till the birth of her son Plato), Hygin. *F.* 29, quoted in Wetstein's note *in loco*; Athenag. *Apol.* 33 *ὡς γὰρ ὁ γεωργὸς καταβάλλων εἰς γῆν τὰ σπέρματα ἀμητον περιμένει, οὐκ ἐπισπείρων, καὶ ἡμῖν μέτρον ἐπιθυμίας ἢ παιδοποιΐα*, Const. Apost. vi. 28. 5 *μήτε μὴν ἐγκυμονούσαις ὀμιλεῖ- τωσαν (ταῖς γυναιξίν οἱ ἄνδρες), οὐκ ἐπὶ παιδῶν γὰρ γενέσει τοῦτο ποιούσιν, ἀλλ' ἡδονῆς χάριν.*

² Laurent remarks on the use of the imperfect *ἐγίνωσκε* implying abstinence from a habit ('refrained from conjugal intercourse') as opposed to the far more usual *ἔγνω* denoting a single act.

law, but in giving a narrative of domestic life, viewed retrospectively from the standpoint of accomplished facts: under these circumstances the use of the word *πρωτότοκος* is surely misleading, and therefore improbable, if there were no children born afterwards.¹

This is also suggested by the story of the visit to the Temple in His twelfth year.

I think also that there are circumstances connected with one remarkable episode in our Lord's childhood, which are more easily explicable if we suppose him not to have been his mother's only son. Is it likely that Mary and Joseph would have been so little solicitous about an only son, and that son the promised Messiah, as to begin their homeward journey after the feast of the Passover at Jerusalem, and to travel for a whole day without taking the pains to ascertain whether he was in their company or not? If they had several younger children to attend to, we can understand that their first thoughts would have been given to the latter; otherwise is it conceivable that Mary, however complete her confidence in her eldest Son, should first have lost him from her side, and then have allowed so long a time to elapse without an effort to find him?

C.—*The Helvidian Theory.*

Objections to the Helvidian view, that the brethren were sons of Joseph and Mary.

There are however some difficulties which must be grappled with before we can accept the Helvidian theory as satisfactory. (1) If the mother of Jesus had had other sons would He have commended her to the care of a disciple rather than to that of a brother? (2) Is not the behaviour of the brethren towards Jesus that of elders towards a younger? (3) The theory is opposed to the Church tradition. (4) It is abhorrent to Christian sentiment.

If Mary had had another son, she would not have been left to the care of a disciple.

(1) Bp. Lightfoot regards the first objection as fatal to the theory. 'Is it conceivable,' he says, 'that our Lord would thus have snapped asunder the most sacred ties of natural affection?' (p. 272). The usual answer to this is that the disbelief of the Lord's brothers would naturally separate them from His mother. But as this disbelief was even then on the point of being changed into undoubting faith; and as the separation, if it ever existed, of

¹ Suicer, ii. p. 877, quotes from Severianus, *πρωτότοκος λέγεται ὁ ἀδελφούς ἔχων*, and from Theodoret *εἰ πρωτότοκος, πῶς μονογενής*; the latter referring to a theological difficulty arising out of Col. i. 15 (where see Lightfoot), but the phrase naturally applies to the word taken in its simple meaning. In the Psalms of Solomon (xviii. 4) we have the two words combined so as to exclude the natural inference, *ἡ παιδεία σου ἐφ' ἡμᾶς ὡς υἱὸν πρωτότοκον μονογενῆ*. The latest editors suggest that these are duplicate renderings of the same Hebrew word (p. lxxx.).

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mother, to whom had been vouchsafed a much fuller revelation than was possible in their case, as to the true nature of her Son, did nevertheless on more than one occasion draw upon herself his reproof for ventured interference. If we remember how little even those whom he chose out as his Apostles were able to appreciate his aims and methods up to the very end of his life, how different was their idea of the Kingdom of Heaven and the office of the Messiah from His, we shall not wonder if his younger brothers, with all their admiration for his genius and goodness, were at times puzzled and bewildered at the words that fell from his lips; if they regarded him as a self-forgetting idealist and enthusiast, wanting in knowledge of the world as it was, and needing the constant care of his more practical friends to provide him with the ordinary comforts and necessaries of life. Thus much, I think, is certain from the known facts of the case; and we need nothing more than this to explain their fear that his mind might be overstrained, and their attempt to dictate the measures he should adopt in going up to the Feast, just as his mother had attempted to dictate to him at the marriage of Cana.

The Helvidian theory is opposed to tradition.

(3) Dealing with the argument from tradition, we must bear in mind that what we are in search of is historical fact. The accepted historical belief at any given time depends, so far as the educated minority is concerned, partly upon the critical interpretation of supposed authentic documents by contemporary scholars, such as Jerome in the fourth century, who regarded it as mere waste of time to leave the Scriptures, the fountain of truth, and follow *opinionum rivulos*, the fancies of later writers who had no other ground for their guesses than the Scriptures themselves (Jer. *Adv. Helv.* 17). But even of the educated it is true to a certain extent, as it is entirely true of the uneducated, that they take their notions of history without inquiry either from the most popular epitome or from what may be loosely called tradition. And tradition as it exists in any age will probably have some nucleus of fact, but that nucleus is so transformed by the action of the imagination, and by the thoughts and feelings of the generations which have passed since the actual occurrences of which it embalms the memory, that we cannot trust it for details. Thus, while we may fully allow the interest and importance which attach to the thoughts and feelings of Christians in former ages, yet for our

What is meant by tradition?

present purpose it seems desirable to separate our consideration of these from our consideration of tradition, as embodying an actual recollection of fact handed down orally from father to son, or crystallized in literature at a certain stage of its progress. There is also such a thing as manufactured tradition, like that of the Ciceroni, or merely literary tradition, like that which has grown up round the scenes of many of Scott's romances. In our investigation of any so-called tradition it is of the utmost importance to be on our guard against mistaking deliberate invention of this kind for natural growth.

If we go back to the fourth century we find Jerome, the author of the now dominant theory, throwing scorn on the tradition of his day, and taunting those who considered the Lord's brethren to be the sons of Joseph by a former wife, as 'following the ravings of the apocryphal writings, and inventing a certain Melcha or Escha (for Joseph's first wife).'¹ Origen too (d. 253), who holds the view derided by Jerome, quotes as his authority for it the apocryphal Gospel according to Peter, written before the middle of the second century (*D. of Chr. Biog.* ii. p. 712), and the *Protevangelium Jacobi* written about the same time (Lightfoot *l.c.* p. 275): 'He had no natural brothers, seeing that neither was any other child born to the Virgin, nor was he himself sprung from Joseph; accordingly (those mentioned) were his brothers only in a conventional sense, being sons of Joseph by a pre-deceased wife.'² 'Some persons on the ground of tradition, viz., the Gospel according to Peter or the Book of James, say that the brothers of Jesus were Joseph's sons by a former wife to whom he was married before Mary. Those who hold this view wish to preserve the honour of Mary in virginity throughout, in order that her body chosen for so high a purpose might not be degraded to lower use after the Holy Spirit had once come upon her. . . . And I think it reasonable that as Jesus was the first-fruit of purity and chastity among men, so Mary should be among women.'³

Jerome and Origen trace back such tradition as existed on this subject in their days to Apocryphal writings.

¹ *Sequentes deliramenta apocryphorum et quandam Melcham vel Escham mulierculam confingentes* (*Comm. in Matt.* xii. 49).

² Cf. *Catena Cord. in Johann.* ii. 12 ἀδελφούς μὲν οὐκ εἶχε φύσει οὔτε τῆς παρθένου τεκούσης ἕτερον οὐδὲ αὐτὸς ἐκ τοῦ Ἰωσήφ τυγχάνων· νόμῳ τοιγαροῦν ἐχρημάτισαν αὐτοῦ ἀδελφοί, υἱοὶ Ἰωσήφ ὄντες ἐκ προτεθνηκυίας γυναικός.

³ *Comm. in Matt.* xii. 55 (vol. iii. p. 45 Lomm.)· τοὺς ἀδελφούς· Ἰησοῦ φασὶ τινες εἶναι, ἐκ παραδόσεως ὀρμώμενοι τοῦ ἐπιγεγραμμένου κατὰ Πέτρον εὐαγγελίου ἢ τῆς βίβλου Ἰακώβου, υἱοὺς Ἰωσήφ ἐκ προτέρας γυναικὸς συνφηκυίας αὐτῷ πρὸ τῆς Μαρίας·

The historical value of the Apocryphal books.

In the last passage the grounds for accepting the explanation given are two: (1) that it is contained in the Apocryphal books mentioned, (2) that it is in harmony with the sentiment of the writer. The latter we shall shortly consider under the general head which follows: the former raises the question of the historical credibility of the Apocryphal Gospels, on which I need only quote Bp. Lightfoot's words in reference to the stories of our Lord's childhood contained in them: 'these accounts, so far as they step beyond the incidents narrated in the Canonical Gospels, are pure fabrication,' but still they may fairly be used as negative evidence against the Hieronymian view for 'the fabrication would hardly have taken this form, had that view been received or even known when they were written' (*l.c.* p. 275).

The writers of the first four centuries are mainly Epiphonian, as the Eastern Church still is.

The remaining authorities cited in Bp. Lightfoot's catena, while they prove conclusively the truth of Bp. Pearson's statement that 'St. Jerome first invented the other solution in the kindred of Mary' (*Creed*, p. 175 n.), are less decisive as to the Epiphonian theory. Omitting the Apocryphal Gospels, the general result is as follows. Of pre-Hieronymian writers seven understand the brothers of the Lord as sons of Joseph by a former wife, viz. Clement of Alexandria (about 200 A.D.), Origen (d. 253), Eusebius the historian (d. about 340), Hilary of Poitiers (d. 368), Ambrosiaster (about 375), Gregory Nyssen (about 370), and Epiphanius, whose treatise on the subject was written some time before 374. Jerome put forward his theory in 383, and he is followed by Augustine and the Latin Fathers generally; but Ambrose, writing in 393, still adheres to the old view, though he considers the particular relationship of little consequence. In the Eastern Church Chrysostom, who in his earlier writings favours the Epiphonian view, comes round to Jerome in the later, and Theodoret may be mentioned on the same side; but the later Greek Fathers are almost all on the side of Epiphanius; and the Greek, Syrian, and Coptic Calendars mark the distinction between James the brother of the Lord and James the son of Alphaeus by assigning a separate day to each. This distinction is also maintained, apart from any statement as to the exact relationship implied by

οἱ δὲ ταῦτα λέγοντες τὸ ἀξίωμα τῆς Μαρίας ἐν παρθενίᾳ τηρεῖν μέχρι τέλους βούλονται ἵνα μὴ τὸ κριθὲν ἐκεῖνο σῶμα... γυνῶ κοίτην ἀνδρὸς μετὰ τὸ ἐπελθεῖν ἐν αὐτῇ πνεῦμα ἅγιον ... Καὶ οἶμαι λόγον ἔχειν ἀνδρῶν μὲν καθαρότητος τῆς ἐν ἀγνείᾳ ἀπαρχῆν γεγονέναι τὸν Ἰησοῦν, γυναικῶν δὲ τὴν Μαριάμ.

the term 'brother,' in the Clementine Homilies and Recognitions of the second century, and the Apostolic Constitutions of the third,¹ and probably by Cyril of Jerusalem.

Hegesippus (about 160) maintains, as we have seen, that James and Jude were brothers of the Lord, and speaks of the sons of Clopas, the brother of his reputed father Joseph, as his cousins, making no mention of cousins on the mother's side.

Basil the Great (379), discussing the meaning of Matt. i. 20, allows that the perpetual virginity is not a necessary article of belief, yet adheres to it himself, 'since the lovers of Christ cannot endure to hear that the mother of God ceased to be a virgin.'² He cites Matt. xxviii. 20 to show that ἕως need not imply any change in the virgin's state. So πρωτότοκος may be used technically of him who opens the womb, though there may be no second child. He then refers to the apocryphal story of Zacharias being slain by the Jews because he had placed Mary in the rank of the virgins after her conception.

On the other hand Tertullian (d. 220) argues against Marcion, who had made use of the text 'Who is my mother, and who my brethren?' as showing that Christ was not really man, in the following words: *at vere mater et frater ejus foris stabant . . . Tam proximas personas foris stare, extraneis intus defixis ad sermones ejus*

Tertullian however makes the brothers of the Lord sons of Mary.

¹ *Ap. Const.* iii. 6 'There were with us (the Apostles) the mother of our Lord and his sisters, also Mary Magdalene and the mother of James, and Martha and Mary sisters of Lazarus, and Salome with other women' [We gather from this that the sisters of the Lord were not the sisters of James the Little]; *ib.* vi. 12 ἡμεῖς οἱ δώδεκα συνελθόντες εἰς Ἱερουσαλήμ... ἐπεσκεπτόμεθα ἅμα Ἰακώβω τῷ τοῦ Κυρίου ἀδελφῷ τί γένηται; and even more distinctly in vi. 14 where after the names of the Twelve are added Ἰακωβός τε ὁ τοῦ Κυρίου ἀδελφός καὶ Ἱεροσολύμων ἐπίσκοπος, καὶ Παῦλος ὁ τῶν ἐθνῶν διδάσκαλος; *ib.* viii. 35 'I James the brother of Christ according to the flesh, but his servant as the only begotten God, and appointed bishop of Jerusalem by the Lord Himself and the Apostles do ordain thus,' &c. On the other hand the constitution of James, son of Alphaeus, is given in viii. 23. So Euseb. *in Isa.* xvii. 5 δέκα καὶ τέσσαρας ποιήσει τοὺς πάντας (ἀποστόλους), ὧν δώδεκα μὲν τοὺς πρώτους ἀποστόλους εἴποις ἂν εἶναι, οὐκ ἐλάττω δὲ αὐτῶν τὴν ἀρετὴν Παῦλον καὶ αὐτὸν κλητὸν ἀπόστολον καὶ τὸν Ἰακώβον γεγονέναι, τὸν ἀδελφὸν τοῦ Κυρίου, ὃς πρῶτος ἐπίσκοπος τῆς Ἱεροσολύμων ἐκκλησίας ὑπ' αὐτοῦ καταστήναι τοῦ Σωτῆρος μνημονεύεται. Cf. Schegg *Jak. d. Bruder d. Herrn*, pp. 58—64.

² Καὶ διαθέσει καὶ στοργῇ καὶ πάσῃ τῇ ἐπιβαλλούσῃ τοῖς συνοικοῦσιν ἐπιμελεῖα γυναῖκα ἡγούμενος τῶν γαμικῶν ἔργων ἀπείχετο· οὐκ ἐγίνωσκε γὰρ αὐτήν, φησὶν, ἕως οὗ ἔτεκεν τὸν υἱὸν αὐτῆς τὸν πρωτότοκον. Τοῦτο δὲ ἤδη ὑπόνοιαν παρέχει ὡς, μετὰ τὸ καθαρῶς ὑπηρετήσασθαι τῇ γεννήσει τοῦ Κυρίου τῇ ἐπιτελεσθείσῃ διὰ τοῦ Πνεύματος τοῦ ἁγίου, τὰ νενομισμένα τοῦ γάμου ἔργα μὴ ἀπαρνησαμένης τῆς Μαρίας. Ἡμεῖς δὲ εἰ καὶ μηδὲν τῷ τῆς εὐσεβείας παραλυμαίνεται λόγῳ (μέχρι γὰρ τῆς, κατὰ τὴν οἰκονομίαν ὑπηρεσίας ἀναγκαῖα ἢ παρθενία, τὸ δ' ἐφεξῆς ἀπολυπραγμόνευτον τῷ λόγῳ τοῦ μυστηρίου) ὅμως διὰ τὸ μὴ καταδέχεσθαι τῶν φιλοχρίστων τὴν ἀκοὴν ὅτι ποτὲ ἐπαύσατο εἶναι παρθένος ἢ θεοτόκος, ἐκείνας ἡγούμεθα τὰς μαρτυρίας αὐτάρκεις.

... merito indignatus est. *Transtulit sanguinis nomina in alios quos magis proximos pro fide judicaret . . . in semet ipso docens qui patrem aut matrem aut fratres proponeret verbo Dei non esse dignum discipulum* (*Ad. Marc. iv. 19*). Similarly, arguing from the same text against the Marcionite Apelles, he says 'the words are not inconsistent with the truth of his humanity.' No one would have told him that his mother and brethren stood without, *qui non certus esset habere illum matrem et fratres . . . Fratres Domini non crediderunt in illum . . . Mater acque non demonstratur adhaesisse ei, cum Martha et Maria alia in commercio ejus frequentantur. Hoc denique in loco apparet incredulitas eorum* (*De Carne Christi 7*). As Tertullian in these passages gives no hint that the brothers of Jesus are less truly related to him than his mother, so in other treatises he takes it for granted that she ceased to be a virgin after the birth of Christ (*De Monogamia 8*): *duae nobis antistites Christianae sanctitatis occurrunt, monogamia et continentia. Et Christum quidem virgo enixa est, semel nuptura post partum,*¹ ('being about to defer her marriage union till after the birth of her Son,' lit. 'being about to marry first after her delivery') *ut uterque titulus sanctitatis in Christi sensu dispungeretur per matrem et virginem et univiram;* and in even plainer terms (*De Virg. Vel. 6*), where he discusses the meaning of the salutation *benedicta tu inter mulieres*. 'Was she called *mulier* and not *virgo* because she was espoused? We need not at any rate suppose a prophetic reference to her future state as a married woman': *non enim poterat posteriorem mulierem nominare de qua Christus nasci non habebat, id est virum passam, sed illa (illam?) quae erat praesens, quae erat virgo* ('for the Angel could not be referring to the wife that was to be, for Christ was not to be born of a wife, i.e. of one who had known a husband, but he referred to her who was before him, who was a virgin').

There is no evidence of an established tradition on the subject before the end of the fourth century.

These words of Tertullian, himself strongly ascetic, which were written about the end of the second century, do not betray any consciousness that he is controverting an established tradition in favour of the perpetual virginity; nor do the words of Basil cited before suggest anything of the sort even in the fourth century: he only bears witness to a prevailing sentiment which he thinks deserves consideration. We may remember also that both Origen

¹ It is important to note that this phrase is objected to by Origen (*Hom. in Luc. 7*), *quod asserunt eam nupsisse post partum, unde approbent non habent.*

and Jerome make the Apocryphal Gospels responsible for the theory afterwards defended by Epiphanius. I think therefore we may conclude that, setting aside these Gospels, there was no fixed recognized tradition on the subject before the end of the fourth century, though there was a growing feeling in favour of the perpetual virginity, which took definite shape in the title *ἄειπαρθένος* used of Mary by Athanasius; and the apocryphal fictions were eagerly embraced as affording a support for this belief.¹

A short abstract of the argument of Epiphanius will show us the grounds on which he relied, and will also furnish an interesting specimen of tradition in the making. It is contained in the third book of his *Panarium*, *Haer.* lxxviii. (*Against the Adversaries of Mary*) p. 1037 foll.

Abstract of the argument of Epiphanius in favour of the perpetual virginity of Mary.

In this age of heresy, he says, while some have ventured to propagate errors about the Trinity, others have turned their assaults against *τῆς ἁγίας Μαρίας, τῆς ἀειπαρθένου*. Surely her very name is enough to confute them. As Abraham is always the Friend of God, James and John always Sons of Thunder, so Mary always the Virgin. The assertion that she ever ceased to be a virgin shows a want of knowledge of Scripture and of history. For first of all it was determined by lot that she should be delivered to Joseph, a widower of eighty years, for the purpose of protection, not of marriage.² This Joseph was brother of Clopas and son of Jacob surnamed Panther. His first wife was of the tribe of Judah and by her he had six children, the eldest Jacob, surnamed Oblias and Just, the first to whom the Lord entrusted the episcopal throne, then Joses, Simeon, Judas, Mary, and Salome as we learn from Scripture (p. 1041). Epiphanius then lays stress on the use of the word *μηστειθείσης* not *γαμηθείσης*, and argues that a just man, such as Joseph is described to be, one too who is still honoured as a pattern of virginity, could never have regarded as his wife her who was the chosen vessel of the Holy Ghost. The Holy Family returned from Egypt when Jesus was four years old; and not long afterwards Joseph died. If he had been still alive or if Mary had had children of her own, would Jesus have entrusted her to John at the Crucifixion? And why is she called mother of John? Surely because she is *μήτηρ ἀρχηγὸς τῆς παρθενίας*. Nothing is said as to the Virgin's death, but it does not seem that she accompanied St. John to Ephesus. What does this silence intimate? I tremble almost to say it, but in the Apocalypse (xii. 13) I read 'the dragon persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child, and to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into her place.' May not this have been fulfilled in the Holy Virgin, so that she never tasted of death? Again let us give heed to the lessons of Nature. Science tells us that the lioness can only bring forth once, and Christ is the lion of the tribe of Judah. James, the eldest son of Joseph, died in his

¹ The *Apostolical Constitutions*, which speak with refreshing common sense on marriage and kindred subjects in vi. 26-28, severely condemn the 'poisonous apocryphal books in which the wicked heretics reproach the creation, marriage, the providential government of the world, the begetting of children,' &c. (vi. 16).

² See *Protevangel.* 8, 9.

ninty-sixth year, having preserved his virginity intact, having never cut his hair or used a bath, or tasted flesh, or worn more than one tunic. He alone was allowed to enter the Holy of Holies once a year and to wear the priestly petalum, because he was a Nazarite and of kin to the priests. After other particulars borrowed from Hegesippus (except that Epiphanius puts into the mouth of Symeon, son of Clopas, the words 'Why do you stone the Just? Behold he prayeth for you,' which Hegesippus ascribes to 'a priest of the sons of Rechab') he continues 'if then the sons of Joseph were virgins and Nazarites, how much more would their father have known how to respect the purity of the Virgin?' Can we conceive it possible that, after all the miracles which attended the birth of Jesus, this pious old man should have been guilty of impiety towards the sacred body ἐν ᾧ κατωκίσθη Θεός? But why inquire into these things? Why not accept what is written and leave the rest to God? Surely you will not assert that our salvation depends on believing that Joseph did know his wife after the birth of her first-born. Had the Scripture asserted this we should have accepted it without scruple. We fully believe in the sanctity of marriage. But a prophet has no time for the cares and duties of marriage. Moses had no children after he entered on his prophetic office, and Mary was a prophet as is shown by Isa. viii. 3. Hence the daughters of Philip who prophesied were virgins, and Thecla broke off her engagement when converted by Paul.¹

"But, it is said, how are we to explain such expressions as πρὶν ἢ συνελθεῖν αὐτοὺς, and οὐκ ἔγνω αὐτήν ἕως ὅτου ἐγέννησε τὸν υἱὸν αὐτῆς τὸν πρωτότοκον. As to the latter it must be observed that it is not said τὸν πρωτότοκον αὐτῆς, not 'her first-born,' but 'her son, the first-born,' viz., the first-born of all creation. As to the former, what difficulty is there in the phrase οὐκ ἤδει αὐτήν? [notice the tacit substitution of ἤδει for ἔγνω]. How was Joseph to know the dignity conferred on her, until he had seen the miraculous birth? Then as to the phrase πρὶν ἢ συνελθεῖν, this might represent an expectation on the part of Joseph, but this, as we have seen, was precluded by his great age."

But while we do due honour to the Virgin, we must beware of deifying her, as some have done, οὔτε γὰρ θεὸς ἡ Μαρία, οὔτε ἀπ' οὐρανοῦ τὸ σῶμα, ἀλλ' ἐκ συλλήψεως ἀνδρὸς καὶ γυναικός, κατ' ἐπαγγελίαν δὲ, ὡσπερ ὁ Ἰσαάκ. Epiphanius then proceeds to deal with his seventy-ninth heresy 'Against the Collyridians who offer sacrifice to Mary'; where he refers to the history and traditions of Mary, as stating that it was revealed to Joachim in the desert that his wife Anna should bear a child.²

Growth of
ascetic views
of marriage.

I will make one or two remarks on this passage and then consider any further arguments advanced by later writers on the same side. The exaltation of virginity above marriage, of which we see traces in the New Testament itself, as in Apoc. xiv. 4, 1 Cor. vii. 1, as well as among the Essenes and Therapeutae (Josephus *B.J.* ii. 8. 2, Philo *Frag. M.* 2 p. 633, *Vit. Cont.* pp. 471 foll.), and against the exaggeration of which St. Paul warns Timothy (Ep. 1. iv. 2), spread rapidly both amongst heretics and orthodox Christians. Of the former, Saturninus, Marcion, the Encratites and the Montanists in the second century are named as either depreciating or actually

¹ Thecla also appears as a patroness of virginity in Methodius' *Banquet of the Ten Virgins*, written towards the close of the third century.

² Cf. *Protev.* c. 4, *Nativ. S. Mariae* c. 3 (Thilo p. 321 foll.).

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Joseph himself becomes a type of virginity: the 'brethren' are no longer his sons, but sons of Clopas, who was either his brother by one tradition, or his wife's sister's husband by another. Mary is made the child of promise and of miracle like Isaac, though not yet exalted to the honours of the Immaculate Conception; and we see Epiphanius already feeling his way to the doctrine of her Assumption, which was accepted by Gregory of Tours in the sixth century. One other development may be noticed, as it is found in the *Protevangelium* c. 20, though not mentioned by Epiphanius, viz. that not only the Conception but the Birth of our Lord was miraculous; in the words of Jeremy Taylor 'He that came from his grave fast tied with a stone and signature, and into the college of the Apostles, the doors being shut... came also (as the Church piously believes) into the world so without doing violence to the virginal and pure body of his mother, that he did also leave her virginity entire.'¹

Fantastic
application
of prophecy.

This miracle, superfluous as it is and directly opposed to the words of St. Luke (ii. 23), is yet accepted by Jerome and his followers; and it is in reference to it that Bp. Lightfoot (*l.c.* p. 271), thinks that too much stress has been laid by modern writers on the false asceticism of the early Church as the only cause of the dislike to the Helvidian view. He considers that this dislike is 'due quite as much to another sentiment which the Fathers fantastically expressed by a comparison between the conception and the burial of our Lord. As after death his body was placed in a sepulchre wherein never man before was laid, so it seemed fitting that the womb consecrated by His presence should not thenceforth have borne any offspring of man.' So we find Pearson (*Creed*, p. 326) citing Ezek. xlv. 2 'This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the Lord, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut' in proof of the *ἀειπαρθενία*. Whether this sentiment is to be regarded as something independent of the idea of the impurity of marriage or as a natural offshoot of it, which I should be rather inclined to believe, is not of much importance. The only question worth considering is: Are these sentiments so authoritative as to justify us in twisting the words of the Scripture narrative

Chrys. *Hom.* cxlii. (ap. Suicer, ii. p. 306) ὁ Χριστὸς προῆλθεν ἐκ μήτρας καὶ ἄλυτος ἔμεινεν ἢ μήτρα, and it was affirmed in the 79th Canon of the Council *in Trullo* towards the end of the seventh century.

and giving to them a non-natural sense? This question I shall endeavour to answer in the next section.

(4) It is 'the tendency,' says Dr. Mill (*l.c.* p. 301), 'of the Christian mystery, God manifest in the flesh, when heartily received, to generate an unwillingness to believe that the womb thus divinely honoured should have given birth to other merely human progeny.' 'The sentiment of veneration for this august vessel of grace which has ever animated Christians... could not have been wanting to the highly-favoured Joseph.' 'On the impossibility of refuting these sentiments... the truly Catholic Christian will have pleasure in reposing.' So Epiphanius, Jerome, and other ancient writers speak of this as a 'pious belief,' and the same is reiterated by Hammond and Jeremy Taylor cited by Mill (p. 309). In answer to this I would say that unless we are prepared to admit all the beliefs of the mediaeval Church, we must beware of allowing too much authority to pious opinions. Is there any extreme of superstition which cannot plead a 'pious opinion' in its favour? Of course it is right in studying history, whether sacred or profane, to put ourselves in the position of the actors, to imagine how they must have felt and acted; but this is not quite the same thing as imagining how we ourselves should have felt and acted under their circumstances, until at least we have done our best to strip off all that differentiates the mind of one century from the mind of another. If we could arrive at the real feeling of Joseph in respect to his wife, and of Mary in respect to her Son before and after his birth, this would undoubtedly be an element of the highest importance for the determination of the question before us: but to assume that they must have felt as a monk, or nun, or celibate priest of the Middle Ages; to assume even, with Dr. Mill, that they fully understood the mystery 'God manifest in the flesh,' is not merely to make an unauthorized assumption, it is to assume what is palpably contrary to fact.

Mary and Joseph were religious Jews, espoused to one another, as it is natural to suppose, in the belief prevalent among the Jews that marriage was a duty, and that a special blessing attached to a prolific union.¹ They looked forward, like Simeon and Anna, to the

The Helvidian view opposed to Christian sentiment.

Danger of imputing the sentiment of a later age to an earlier.

Jewish sentiment on the subject at the time of the Christian era.

¹ Cf. Lightfoot, *Coloss.* p. 139, 'The Talmudic writings teem with passages implying not only the superior sanctity, but even the imperative duty of marriage. The words of Gen. i. 28 were regarded not merely as a promise, but as a command, which was binding upon all. It is a maxim of the Talmud that "Any Jew who has not a

coming of the Messiah, the prophet like unto Moses who would speak the words of God to the people, the Prince of the house of David, who would not merely judge the heathen and restore again the glories of Solomon, but would sit as a refiner and purifier of silver and purify the sons of Levi themselves, and yet one who would bear the sins of many and make intercession for the transgressors.¹ To both it is revealed that the Messiah should be born of Mary by a miraculous conception. Joseph is told that 'his name is to be called Jesus, because he shall save his people from their sins.' Mary is told in addition that 'he shall be called the Son of the Highest, and that the Lord God shall give him the throne of his father David, and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever.' There is surely nothing in these words which would disclose the Christian mystery 'God manifest in the flesh.' They point to a greater Moses, or David, or Solomon, or Samuel. Mary's hymn of praise is founded on the recollection of Hannah's exultation at the fulfilment of prophecy in the birth of her son. Her mind would naturally turn to other miraculous births, to that of Isaac under the old dispensation, to that now impending in the case of her cousin Elizabeth. And as there was nothing in the announcement made to them which could enable them to realize the astounding

What
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Joseph.

wife is no man" (*Yebamoth*, 63 a). The fact indeed is so patent, that any accumulation of examples would be superfluous, and I shall content myself with referring to *Pesachim*, 113 a, b, as fairly illustrating the doctrine of orthodox Judaism on this point'; *ib.* pp. 168, 9, 'The early disciples in the mother Church of Jerusalem show Pharisaic but not Essene sympathies. It was altogether within the sphere of orthodox Judaism that the Jewish element in the Christian brotherhood found its scope.' Cf. also C. Taylor, *Lectures on the Didache*, pp. 86-88.

¹ See Ryle and James, *Psalms of Solomon*, p. lii. (speaking of the 17th Psalm): 'It may be taken, we believe, as presenting, more accurately than any other document, a statement of the popular Pharasaic expectation regarding the Messiah, shortly before the time when our Lord Jesus, the Christ, appeared.' Among the characteristics of the Messiah's rule there given, it is stated that 'He is to be a descendant of David,' that His Mission is of a twofold character, destructive towards Gentiles and sinners, restorative as regards Israel: His rule is spiritual, holy, wise, and just: 'all his subjects will be sons of God, all will be holy,' cf. Ps. xvii. 35 *καὶ αὐτὸς βασιλεὺς δίκαιος καὶ διδακτὸς ὑπὸ Θεοῦ ἐπ' αὐτοῦ· καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ἀδικία ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις αὐτοῦ ἐν μέσῳ αὐτῶν, ὅτι πάντες ἅγιοι καὶ βασιλεὺς αὐτῶν Χριστὸς Κύριος (αἰ. Κύριου).* But (p. lv.) 'though endowed with divine gifts, he is nothing more than man. Neither of supernatural birth, nor of pre-existence in the bosom of God, or among the angels of God, do we find any trace.' He is an idealized Solomon. Again (p. lxii.) they remark, 'it is a matter not without interest and importance that our Psalms, which stand closest of all extant Jewish religious poetry to the Christian era, are so conspicuously similar to the songs contained in the opening chapters of St. Luke's Gospel.' The editors appear even to suggest the possibility that the so-called Psalms of Solomon may have been written by the author of the *Nunc dimittis* (p. lix. n.). In Justin's dialogue (§ 49) Trypho asserts that the general belief of the Jews is that Christ would be merely man.

truth that he who was to be born of Mary was VERY GOD OF VERY GOD, so there is nothing in the subsequent life of Mary which would lead us to believe that she, any more than his Apostles, had realized it before his Resurrection. On the contrary, it is plain that such a belief fully realized would have made it impossible for her to fulfil, I do not say her duties towards her husband, but her duties towards the Lord himself during his infancy and childhood. It is hard enough even now to hold together the ideas of the Humanity and Divinity of Christ without doing violence to either; but to those who knew him in the flesh we may safely say it was impossible until the Comforter had come and revealed it unto them. As to what should be the relations between the husband and wife after the birth of the promised Child there is one thing we may be sure of, viz. that these would be determined not by personal considerations, but either by immediate inspiration, as the journey to Egypt and other events had been, or, in the absence of this, by the one desire to do what they believed to be best for the bringing up of the Child entrusted to them. We can imagine their feeling it to be a duty to abstain from bringing other children into the world, in order that they might devote themselves more exclusively to the nurture and training of Jesus. On the other hand, the greatest prophets and saints had not been brought up in solitude. Moses, Samuel and David had had brothers and sisters. It might be God's will that the Messiah should experience in this, as in other things, the common lot of man. Whichever way the Divine guidance might lead them, we may be sure that the response of Mary would be still as before, 'Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it unto me according to thy word.'

Even if the language of the Gospels had been entirely neutral on this matter, it would surely have been a piece of high presumption on our part to assume that God's Providence must always follow the lines suggested by our notions of what is seemly; but when every conceivable barrier has been placed in the way of this interpretation by the frequent mention of brothers of the Lord, living with his mother and in constant attendance upon her; when He is called her first-born son, and when St. Matthew goes into what we might have been inclined to think almost unnecessary detail in fixing a limit to the separation between husband and wife; can we characterize it otherwise

There is no evidence of any sentiment of their part which would justify us in wresting the plain language of Scripture.

than as a contumacious setting up of an artificial tradition above the written Word, if we insist upon it that 'brother' must mean, not brother, but either cousin or one who is no blood-relation at all; that 'first-born' does not imply other children subsequently born; that the limit fixed to separation does not imply subsequent union?

Result of the discussion.

The conclusion then, to which our discussion leads, is that James the Lord's brother was son of Joseph and Mary, brought up with Jesus until his eighteenth year at any rate, not one of the Twelve, not even a disciple till the very end of our Saviour's life, but convinced, as it would seem, by a special appearance to him of the risen Lord, and joining the company of the disciples before the day of Pentecost. After the martyrdom of Stephen, when the Apostles were scattered from Jerusalem, we find James holding a position of authority in the Church of Jerusalem (Gal. i. 18, 19, Acts xii. 17), which, as we may probably conjecture, had been conceded to him as brother of the Lord, and retaining this position till the end of his life.

Additional particulars of the life of James gathered from uninspired writings.

Further particulars are supplied by Josephus, Hegesippus, the Gospel according to the Hebrews, and other Apocryphal books, including in these the Clementine Homilies and Recognitions. We have to be on our guard against the Ebionite tendencies of some of these writers, and their delight in puerile marvels and ascetic practices, but we may perhaps accept the general outline as correct, since St. James occupied a prominent position, and the facts were for the most part patent to all the world, in marked contrast with the circumstances of the infancy and childhood of our Lord.

The appearance of the Lord to James after the resurrection as narrated in the Gospel according to the Hebrews.

The Gospel according to the Hebrews, which Bp. Lightfoot speaks of as 'one of the earliest and most respectable of the apocryphal narratives' (Gal. p. 274), is quoted by Jerome (*De Vir. Illustr.* 2) to the following effect: The gospel known as that according to the Hebrews, which I have translated into Greek and Latin, and which is often referred to by Origen, tells us that the Lord after his resurrection appeared to James, who had sworn that he would not eat bread from the hour in which he had drunk the cup of the Lord till he saw him risen from the dead. Jesus therefore 'took bread and blessed and brake it and gave it to James the

Just, and said to him, My brother, eat thy bread, for the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'¹

It will be seen from the note that there are other versions of the story, and that in these the vow is said to have been made after the death of Christ. It is easy to see how a confusion might have arisen if James, whether having heard from others or himself having witnessed the events of the Last Supper, had shaped his vow after the Lord's own words 'I will not drink henceforth of the fruit of the vine, till the kingdom of God shall come.' There is, I think, a ring of genuineness about the narrative. Whereas we usually find in the Apocryphal Gospels some real incident of our Lord's life smothered in a parasitic growth of puerilities and

¹ The Latin is *Dominus autem cum dedisset sindonem servo sacerdotis* (apparently implying that Malchus was present at the resurrection and received from the Lord's hands the linen cloth in which his body had been wrapt), *ivit ad Jacobum et apparuit ei—juraverat enim Jacobus se non comesturum panem ab illa hora qua biberat calicem Domini, donec videret eum resurgentem a dormientibus;—rursusque post paululum 'afferte, ait Dominus, mensam et panem.' Statimque additur: Tulit panem et benedixit ac fregit et dedit Jacobo Justo et dixit ei, 'Frater mi, comede panem tuum, quia resurrexit Filius hominis a dormientibus.'* Bp. Lightfoot reads *calicem Domini* for *calicem Domini*, 'as the point of time which we should naturally expect is not the institution of the eucharist, but the Lord's death,' to which He had Himself alluded under the phrase of 'drinking the cup' (Matt. xx. 22, 23, xxvi. 39, 42; cf. *Mart. Polyc.* 14 ἐν τῷ ποτηρίῳ τοῦ Χριστοῦ σου), and the Greek translation, which goes under the name of Sophronius, has Κύριος. There is however no various reading in Herding's edition of the *De Vir. Illustr.*, and Mr. Nicholson, in his edition of the fragments of the Gospel according to the Hebrews (pp. 62 foll.), gives instances of the untrustworthiness of the Greek translator. If *Domini* is the true reading, 'the writer represented James as present at the Last Supper, but it does not follow that he regarded him as one of the Twelve. He may have assigned to him...a position apart from, and in some respects superior to, the Twelve... It is characteristic of a Judaic writer that an appearance which seems in reality to have been vouchsafed to James to win him over from his unbelief, should be represented as a reward for his devotion' (Lightfoot, *l. c.*). The story appears in three other forms, given in Nicholson, none of which date the oath from the Last Supper. Thus Gregory of Tours, in the sixth century, (*Hist. Franc.* i. 21) writes: *Fertur Jacobus Apostolus, cum Dominum jam mortuum vidisset in cruce, detestatum esse atque jurasse numquam se comesturum panem nisi Dominum cerneret resurgentem. Tertia die rediens Dominus...Jacobus se ostendens ait 'surge Jacobe, comede, quia jam a mortuis resurrexi';* his contemporary, the pseudo-Abdias (*Hist. Apost.* vi. 1), who refers to Hegesippus as his authority for part of his account of James, says that he was son of Joseph by a former wife, and so full of love to Jesus *ut crucifixo eo cibum capere noluerit, priusquam a mortuis resurgentem videret, quod meminerat sibi et fratribus a Christo agente in vivis fuisse praedictum. Quare ei primum omnium, ut et Mariae Magdalenae et Petro apparere voluit...et ne diutinum jejunium toleraret, favo mellis oblato ad comedendum insuper Jacobum invitavit.* Similarly in the thirteenth century Jac. de Voragine (*Legend. Aur.* lxvii.): *In Parasceue autem mortuo Domino, sicut dicit Josephus et Hieronymus in libro De Viris Illustribus, Jacobus votum vovit, &c.,* mixing up in what follows the accounts of Jerome and Gregory. Mr. Nicholson thinks that Josephus here stands for Hegesippus, the names being often interchanged, and that the latter may be the original authority for the particulars in which the later writers differ from Jerome.

trivialities, here there is an originality and simplicity which is not unworthy of the genuine Gospels themselves.

Hegesippus
on James.

I pass on now to Hegesippus, who is quoted to the following effect in Euseb. *H.E.* ii. 23 :

The charge of the Church then (after the Ascension) devolved on James the brother of the Lord in concert with the Apostles. He is distinguished from the others of the same name by the title 'Just' (righteous) which has been applied to him from the first. He was holy from his mother's womb, drank no wine or strong drink, nor ate animal food: no razor came on his head, nor did he anoint himself with oil, or use the bath. To him alone was it permitted to enter into the Holy Place, for he wore no woollen, but only linen. And alone he would go into the temple, where he used to be found on his knees, asking forgiveness for the people, so that his knees became hard like a camel's because he was ever upon them worshipping God and asking forgiveness for the people. Accordingly through his exceeding righteousness he was called righteous ('Just') and 'Oblias' which being interpreted is 'the defence of the people' and 'righteousness,' as the prophets declared of him.¹ Some of the seven sects, which I have mentioned, inquired of him, 'What is the door of Jesus (*τίς ἡ θύρα τοῦ Ἰησοῦ*)?'² And he said that he was the Saviour, whereupon some believed that Jesus is the Christ. Now the forementioned sects did not believe in the resurrection or in the coming of one to recompense each man according to his works. But as many as did believe, believed through James. So when many of the rulers believed, there was a disturbance among the Jews and the Scribes and the Pharisees, saying that there was a danger that all the people would look to Jesus as the Christ. They came together therefore and said to James 'We pray thee, restrain the people, for they have gone astray in regard to Jesus thinking him to be the Christ. We pray thee to persuade all that have come to the Passover about Jesus. For we all listen to thee. For we and all the people bear witness that thou art just, and hast no respect of persons. Do thou therefore stand on the pinnacle of the temple, so that thou mayest be conspicuous and thy words may be well heard by all the people, and persuade them not to go astray about Jesus. For all the tribes have come together with the Gentiles also on account of the Passover.' Then the forementioned Scribes and Pharisees set James on the pinnacle of the temple and cried to him 'O thou just one to whom we are all bound to listen, since the people are going astray after Jesus who was crucified, tell us what is the door of Jesus.' And he answered with a loud voice 'Why do you ask me concerning Jesus the Son of Man? He is both seated in Heaven on the right hand of Power, and will come on the clouds of heaven.' And when many were convinced and gave glory at the witness of James, and cried 'Hosanna to the Son of David,' the same Scribes and Pharisees said to each other 'We have done ill in bringing forward such a testimony to Jesus, but let us go up and cast him down that they may fear to believe him.' And they cried out saying 'Oh, oh, even the just has gone astray' and they fulfilled that which is written in Isaiah 'Let us take away the just, for he is not for our purpose; wherefore they shall eat the fruits of their deeds.' So they went up and they cast down James the Just, and said to one another 'let us stone James the Just.' And they began to stone him, since he was not killed by the fall; but

¹ Probably a reference to the verse cited below, Isa. iii. 10 (LXX. version).

² Mosheim, quoted in Routh, *Rel. Sacr.* i. 237, suggests that 'Jesus' here is a misreading of the original Aramaic word (*Jeschua*) denoting 'Salvation.'

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elsewhere cannot be owing to ignorance, for a sect which had been singled out for years before he wrote, as a mark for imperial vengeance at Rome, must have been only too well known in Judaea. On the other hand, if the passage had been a Christian interpolation, the notice of James would have been more laudatory, as is actually the case in the spurious addition read by Origen and Eusebius.' Of Hegesippus he says: 'His account presents some striking resemblances with the portion of the Clementine Recognitions conjectured to be taken from the Ebionite *'Αναβαθμοὶ Ἰακώβου* (so called as describing the ascents of James up the temple stairs, whence he harangued the people); and we may hazard the conjecture that the story of the martyrdom, to which Hegesippus is indebted, was the grand *finale* of these "Ascents." The Recognitions record how James refuted the Jewish sects; Hegesippus makes the conversion of certain of these sects the starting-point of the persecution which led to his martyrdom. In the Recognitions he is thrown down the flight of steps and left as dead by his persecutors, but is taken up alive by the brethren: in Hegesippus he is hurled from the still loftier station, and this time his death is made sure.' 'There is much in the account which cannot be true: the assigning to him a privilege which was confined to the high priest alone is plainly false; such an imagination could only have arisen in a generation which knew nothing of the temple services. Moreover the account of his testimony and death not only contradicts the brief contemporary notice of Josephus, but is so full of high improbabilities that it must throw discredit on the whole context. Still it is possible that James may have been a Nazarite, may have been a strict ascetic.' Perhaps it may seem even more incredible that the Jews could have been in doubt as to the belief of him who had been the most prominent member of the Church at Jerusalem for twenty years or more, or could have imagined that one of such firm, unbending character, the very opposite of a Cranmer, could be induced to deny his faith before the people.

Position
assigned to
James in the
Clementine
Homilies.

In the Clementine Homilies James stands at the head of the whole Church, as is shown by the commencement of the letter from Clement, *Κλήμης Ἰακώβω τῷ κυρίῳ καὶ ἐπισκόπων ἐπισκόπῳ διέποντι δὲ τὴν <έν> Ἱερουσαλήμ ἁγίαν Ἑβραίων ἐκκλησίαν καὶ τὰς πανταχῇ Θεοῦ προνοία ἰδρυθείσας καλῶς κ.τ.λ.*

What do we gather from all this with regard to the life and character of James the Just, the son of that Joseph of whom also it is recorded that he was 'a just man'? The word 'just' implies one who not only observes but loves the law, and we may be sure that the reverence for the Jewish law, which shows itself in our Epistle, was learnt in the well-ordered home of Nazareth. There, too, he may have acquired, with the full sanction of his parents, who would gladly devote the eldest-born of Joseph in such marked way to the future service of God and his Messiah, those strict ascetic habits which tradition ascribes to him. But the constant intercourse with Him who was full of grace and truth, in childhood as in manhood, must have prepared James to find in the Ten Commandments no mere outward regulations, but an inner law of liberty and love written in the heart. That deep interest in the mysteries of the kingdom, that earnest search after truth which led the child Jesus to remain behind in the temple, both listening to the doctors and asking them questions, must surely have had its effect upon his brother. Whatever means of instruction were within reach of the home at Nazareth would, we may feel certain, have been eagerly taken advantage of by all its inmates. While accepting, therefore, the view which seems to be best supported, that Jesus and his brothers usually spoke Aramaic, we are surely not bound to suppose that with towns like Sepphoris and Tiberias in their immediate vicinity, with Ptolemais, Scythopolis,¹ and Gadara at no great distance, they remained ignorant of Greek. In the eyes of the Scribes they might 'never have learnt letters,' since they had not attended the rabbinical schools at Jerusalem; but the ordinary education of Jewish children and the Sabbath readings in the synagogue would give sufficient start to enable any intelligent boy to carry on his studies for himself; while the example of Solomon and the teaching of the so-called 'sapiential' books, with which the writer of our Epistle was familiarly acquainted, held up the pursuit of knowledge and wisdom as the highest duty of man.² Not many years before, four of the most accomplished literary men of the time were

General conclusion as to the life and character of James.

His training and education.

Hellenism in Syria.

¹ Neubauer (*Stud. Bibl.* i. p. 67) says, 'The inhabitants of Beth Shean or Scythopolis are mentioned as pronouncing Hebrew badly, and Scythopolis is considered an exclusively Greek town.' See T. K. Abbott, *Essays*, 1891, pp. 129-182.

² See Schürer, *Jewish People*, §§ 27 (on School and Synagogue) with the references to Philo and Josephus. The visit to Egypt (Matt. i. 13 foll.) suggests another channel for Hellenistic influences.

natives of Gadara, Philodemus the Epicurean, a friend of Cicero and one of the poets of the Anthology, whose writings fill the larger part of the Herculanean scrolls; Theodorus, the instructor of Tiberius in rhetoric; Meleager, the famous writer of epigrams and collector of the first Greek Anthology; and Menippus the Cynic, whose dialogues were imitated by Varro and Lucian.¹ The question whether our Epistle was originally written in Greek will be considered further on; but these considerations may perhaps lead us to the conclusion that it was not more impossible for a peasant of Galilee to learn to write good Greek, than for one who had been brought up as a Welsh peasant to learn to write good English, or for a Breton to write good French; far more likely, we might think, than that a clever Hindoo should, as so many have done, make himself familiar with the best English authors, and write a good English style. Connected with this is the question, as to which something will be said in a future chapter, whether there are any indications of acquaintance with Greek poets and philosophers on the part of St. James, and possibly even of our Lord Himself.

Characteristics of the Epistle which accord with the supposition that the writer was son of Joseph and Mary.

The use of figurative speech.

There are other characteristics of our Epistle which find their best explanation in the supposition that James was the son of Joseph and Mary. The use of parables was common among Jewish teachers, and especially common in Galilee,² but it was carried to an unusual extent by our Lord, both in his preaching to the multitude, of which it is said 'without a parable spake he not unto them' (Matt. xiii. 34), and even in his ordinary conversation, which constantly ran into a parabolic or figurative form, to the great bewilderment of his disciples, as when he bid them 'beware of the leaven of the Pharisees' (Matt. xvi. 6, cf. John xvi. 29, Luke viii. 10). One distinctive feature of our Lord's use of parables is that there is nothing forced or artificial either in the figure or in the application: natural phenomena and the varied circumstances of human life are watched with an observant eye and a sympathetic and loving imagination, and the spiritual analogies which they suggest are seen to flow naturally from them. And we may be sure

¹ Strabo says of Gadara (xvi. 29), ἐκ δὲ τῶν Γαδάρων Φιλόδημος τε ὁ Ἐπικούρειος καὶ Μελέαγρος καὶ Μένιππος ὁ σπουδογέλοιος καὶ Θεόδωρος ὁ καθ' ἡμᾶς ῥήτωρ. *See also*

² Cf. Neubauer in *Studia Biblica* i. p. 52, 'It is stated in the Talmud that Galileans were wandering preachers, and excelled especially in the aggadic or homiletic interpretation of the biblical texts, which was often expressed in the form of a parable.' He refers to his *Géographie du Talmud*, p. 185.

that the habit of mind which showed itself in the use of parables was not acquired after manhood. The love of nature, the sympathy in all human interests, the readiness to find 'sermons in stones and good in everything' must have characterized the child Jesus and coloured all his intercourse with his fellows from his earliest years. It is interesting, therefore, to find the same fondness for figurative speech in the Epistles of his brothers St. James and St. Jude. This will be fully treated of in the subsequent Essay on Style.

Another marked feature of our Epistle is the close connexion between it and the Sermon on the Mount, in which our Lord, at the commencement of his career, laid down the principles of the kingdom of God which he came to establish on earth. This will be shown in detail further on. It will suffice to refer here to the more general harmony between the two as to the spiritual view of the Law (James i. 25, ii. 8, 12, 13, Matt. v. 17-44), the blessings of adversity (James i. 2, 3, 12, ii. 5, v. 7, 8, 11, Matt. v. 3-12), the dangers and the uncertainty of wealth (James i. 10, 11, ii. 6, 7, iv. 4, 6, 13-16, v. 1-6, Matt. vi. 19-21, 24-34), the futility of a mere profession of religion (James i. 26, 27, Matt. vi. 1-7), the contrast between saying and doing (James i. 22-25, ii. 14-26, iii. 13, 18, Matt. vii. 15-27), the true nature of prayer (James i. 5-8, iv. 3, v. 13-18, Matt. vi. 6-13), the incompatibility between the love of the world and the love of God (James ii. 5, iii. 6, iv. 4-8, Matt. vi. 24), the need to forgive others if we would be forgiven ourselves (James ii. 12, 13, Matt. vi. 14, 15), the tree known by its fruits (James iii. 11, 12, Matt. vii. 16-20), the interdiction of oaths (James v. 12, Matt. v. 34-37), and of censoriousness (James iv. 11, 12, Matt. vii. 1-5), the praise of singleness of aim (James i. 8, iv. 8, Matt. vi. 22, 23). It is to be noticed that, close as is the connexion of sentiment and even of language in many of these passages, it never amounts to actual quotation. It is like the reminiscence of thoughts often uttered by the original speaker and sinking into the heart of the hearer, who reproduces them in his own manner. And the Sermon on the Mount is made up of what may be called the common-places of Christ's teaching, the fundamental ideas with which he commenced his ministry.

But these reminiscences are not confined to the Sermon on the Mount, or to our Lord's words as reported by St. Matthew. Thus the opposition between faith and wavering (*διακρίνεσθαι*)

Close connexion between the Epistle and the Sermon on the Mount.

Reminiscences of other sayings recorded in the Gospels;

which appears in James i. 6, ii. 4 is found also in Matt. xxi. 21, Mark xi. 23, 24; the royal law of James ii. 8 is the same of which it is said in Matt. xxii. 39 that on it and its companion law, which enjoins love to God, 'hang all the law and the prophets'; the desire to be called Rabbi is condemned alike in James iii. and Matt. xxiii. 8-12; the dangers of hasty speaking are pointed out in James iii. 2 and in Matt. xii. 37; the Judge 'standeth before the door' in James v. 9, 'he is nigh even at the doors' in Matt. xxiv. 33, Mark xiii. 29; the woes denounced against the prosperous and self-confident in James iv. 9, v. 1 are also found in Luke vi. 24, 25; the light, and the truth, and the freedom inspired by the truth, of which so much is said in the discourses reported by St. John, are recalled to us in James i. 17, 18, 25; and there are many other similar parallels which will suggest themselves to the attentive reader.

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The thought naturally suggests itself, If St. James in his short Epistle has preserved so much of the teaching of our Lord as recorded in the Gospels—more, it has been said, than is contained in all the other Epistles put together—is it not probable that he may have also preserved sayings of our Lord not recorded in the Gospels? Dr. A. Resch, in his collection of such unrecorded sayings,¹ includes several verses from our Epistle which are mentioned in my note on i. 12: 'Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he hath been approved he shall receive the crown of life, which he promised to them that love him.' This is repeated in nearly the same words in ii. 5, 'Did not God choose them that are poor to the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which he promised to them that love him?' and in 2 Tim. iv. 8, 1 Pet. v. 4, Apoc. ii. 10. Beyond this passage, however, I am not satisfied that any of those quoted by Resch are certainly to be included in the *Agrapha*, though it can hardly be doubted that there must be other echoes of Christ's words in the Epistle, which we are now unable to identify, as they do not occur in the Gospels and are not expressly ascribed to Him either by St. James or by any early writer. Dr. Resch seems to regard the frequency of quotation by subsequent writers as a proof that the passage was originally uttered by Christ, but is not this to assume that it was impossible for a text from St. James to get into general circulation?

¹ *Agrapha: Aussercanonische Evangelienfragmente* (Leipzig, 1889).

Leaving this subordinate point, the facts we have been considering are certainly confirmatory of the belief that St. James was really our Lord's brother, and not only so, but that he grew up under his Brother's influence, and that his mind was deeply imbued with his Brother's teaching. How then are we to explain the fact that at a later period 'he did not believe on him'?

Possible causes of the unbelief of James.

I have given what seems to me the general explanation on p. xxiii. foll., but, after reviewing the particular points in which we have definite proof of agreement from the Epistle written by St. James long after he had enrolled himself among the disciples, we may perhaps gather from its silence a confirmation of what we might have suspected on general grounds, that one of his character of mind would find a difficulty in accepting some of the utterances of Christ. 'Before Abraham was, I am,' 'Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, ye have no life in you,'—these must have been 'hard sayings' to the brother of Jesus even more than to strangers. It is highly probable that his faith may have been shaken by the absence of any sign from heaven to announce the inauguration of the temporal reign of the Messiah. We can imagine also that he may have found a stumbling-block in our Lord's severity towards the religious leaders of the time and his tenderness shown to publicans and sinners, so unlike the Psalmist's declaration 'I will not know a wicked person,' 'I hate them with a perfect hatred.'

This state of mind, while perhaps not incompatible with the belief in Christ's mission as a preacher of righteousness, and a willingness to accept him as the anointed King of the Jewish people, might easily lead to an anxious solicitude as to his sanity, and the prudence of the measures he took for extending the number of his adherents. Yet underneath this anxiety there must have always been on the part of the brothers an intense love and reverence for Jesus, a suspicion that, after all, if it were only practicable, His course was a nobler, simpler course than that which they themselves suggested; just as the friends of Socrates felt when he refused to follow their counsel and escape from prison. I do not quite understand Bp. Lightfoot's saying that the circumstances of the Crucifixion were such as 'to confirm rather than dissipate the former unbelief.' If Crito and the other friends of Socrates felt that his death had added a crown of glory to his life, and raised affection

His conversion.

into all but worship; how much more must this have been the case with the friends of Jesus, when according to his word 'the corn of wheat had fallen into the ground and died,' and they could look back on that life of pure self-sacrifice, that high mysterious perfection of which they had all along been dimly conscious, and remember how its sorrows had been increased by the lack of sympathy on the part of those who should have been the nearest and the dearest. How natural that a brother standing beneath the Cross, having heard of the words spoken at the Last Supper, should then at last have thrown in his lot with Jesus and resolved, whether in despairing remorse or with some faint dawning of believing hope, 'I too will no more eat bread nor drink wine till the kingdom of God shall come!' How natural, also, that one of the earliest appearances of the Risen Lord should have been made to his repentant brother, and that that brother should from that day forth have united himself to the company of the Apostles, and been chosen by them to preside over the church in Jerusalem, while they proceeded to carry out their Master's last charge, to preach the Gospel to every nation!¹

¹ One or two points may be added here from Jerome's account given in *Vir. Ill. 2 Post passionem Domini statim ab apostolis Hierosolymarum episcopus ordinatus*. (This may be compared with Clem. Al. *Hypot.* vi. and vii. cited in Euseb. *H. E.* ii. 1 Πέτρον γάρ φησι καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ Ἰωάννην μετὰ τὴν ἀνάληψιν τοῦ Σωτῆρος μὴ ἐπιδικάζεσθαι δόξης, ἀλλ' Ἰάκωβον τὸν δίκαιον ἐπίσκοπον Ἱεροσολύμων ἐλέσθαι. . . Ἰακώβω τῷ δικαίῳ καὶ Ἰωάννῃ καὶ Πέτρῳ μετὰ τὴν ἀνάστασιν παρέδωκε τὴν γνῶσιν ὁ Κύριος. Οὗτοι τοῖς λοιποῖς ἀποστόλοις παρέδωκαν.) . . . *Triginta itaque annis Hierosolymae rexit ecclesiam, id est, usque ad septimum Neronis annum (A.D. 60), et juxta templum, ubi et praecipitatus fuerit, sepultus titulum usque ad obsidionem Titi et ultimam Adriani notissimum habuit. Quidam e nostris in monte Oliveti eum conditum putant, sed falsa eorum opinio est.*

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Epistles styled Catholic is said to be by James the Lord's brother. But I must remark that it is held by some to be spurious. Certainly not many old writers have mentioned it, as neither have they the Epistle of Jude, which is also one of the seven so-called Catholic Epistles' (*ib.* ii. 23). His own practice, however, betrays no suspicion of its genuineness, as in one passage he quotes James iv. 11 as Scripture (*Comm. in Psalm.* p. 648 Montf.), in another quotes James v. 13 as spoken by the holy Apostle (*ib.* p. 247).

The doubt as to the canonicity of the Epistle in early times is sufficiently shown by its omission from some of the early versions and catalogues of Sacred Books. Thus it is omitted from the earliest extant catalogue, contained in what is known as the Muratorian Fragment, of which Bp. Westcott says that it may be regarded as 'a summary of the opinion of the Western Church on the Canon shortly after the middle of the second century.'¹ Of the disputed books this contains two Epistles of St. John, the Apocalypse, and Jude, omitting Hebrews, James, and Peter 1, 2. It has been suggested, however, that there is a corruption in the text, where it now speaks of the Apocalypse of Peter (*Apocalypse etiam Johannis et Petri tantum recipimus quam quidam ex nostris legi in ecclesia nolunt*), and that the original Greek may have been something of this sort: *καὶ ἡ ἀποκάλυψις δὲ Ἰωάννου καὶ Πέτρου [ἐπιστολὴ μία, ἣν] μόνην ἀποδεχόμεθα. [ἔστι δὲ καὶ ἕτέρα] ἣν τινες τῶν ἡμετέρων ἀναγινώσκεσθαι ἐν ἐκκλησίᾳ οὐ θέλουσιν.* Bp. Westcott remarks that the canon of the old Latin version used by Tertullian corresponds with the Muratorian in omitting the Epistle of St. James, the second of St. Peter, and Hebrews.² The Canon Mommsonianus, first published by Th. Mommsen in 1886 from a MS. of the tenth century, containing the *Liber Generationis* attributed to Hippolytus, appears to belong to the year 359 A.D., and to have been written in Africa.³ It contains all our canonical books with the exception of James, Jude, and Hebrews; but the mention of the three Epistles of St. John and the two of Peter is followed by the words *una sola*, apparently a correction by an early

¹ Dr. Sanday places it at the end of the century (*Expositor*, 1891, p. 408).

² Tertullian, it is true, refers to the Hebrews (*De Pudic.* c. 20), but not as canonical or authoritative; just in the same way as he refers to St. James in the passages quoted below.

³ See for this Dr. Sanday's article on the 'Cheltenham List of the Canonical Books' (*Studia Biblica*, iii. 217 foll.).

reader.¹ On the other hand, the old Syriac version (Peshitto)² contains all the books of our present Canon excepting the Apocalypse, the second of Peter, and the second and third of John. Origen (*Hom. in Jos. vii. 1*) recognizes all our books, and the catalogue contained in the Catechism of Cyril of Jerusalem (348 A.D.) includes all but the Apocalypse, with an urgent warning against the use of any other books. With him agrees Gregory of Nazianzus writing about the same time, who ends his metrical catalogue with the words *πάσας ἔχεις. Εἴ τις δὲ τούτων ἔκτός, οὐκ ἐν γνησίοις.* Athanasius, in his 39th Festal Letter, dated 367 A.D., gives precisely our present Canon, concluding with the words *ἐν τούτοις μόνοις τὸ τῆς εὐσεβείας διδασκαλεῖον εὐαγγελίζεται. μηδεὶς τούτοις ἐπιβαλλέτω, μηδὲ τούτων ἀφαιρείσθω τι.* Amphilo-chius, bishop of Iconium, speaks less confidently in a metrical catalogue (about 380 A.D.), *τινὲς δὲ φασὶ τὴν πρὸς Ἑβραίου νόθον, οὐκ εὖ λέγοντες. γνησία γὰρ ἡ χάρις. εἶεν. τί λοιπόν; καθολικῶν ἐπιστολῶν τινὲς μὲν ἑπτὰ φασίν, οἱ δὲ τρεῖς μόναις χρῆναι δέχεσθαι, τὴν Ἰακώβου μίαν, μίαν δὲ Πέτρου, τὴν τ' Ἰωάννου μίαν, τινὲς δὲ τὰς τρεῖς καὶ πρὸς αὐταῖς τὰς δύο Πέτρου δέχονται τὴν Ἰουδᾶ δ' ἔβδόμην. τὴν δ' Ἀποκάλυψιν τὴν Ἰωάννου πάλιν τινὲς μὲν ἐγκρίνουσιν, οἱ πλείους δὲ γε νόθον λέγουσιν.* Eriphanus, bishop of Salamis in Cyprus, who died about 403 A.D., gives 'a canon of the N.T. exactly coinciding with our own' (*adv. Haeres. lxxvi. 5*). On the other hand we are told that our Epistle was rejected by Theodore of Mopsuestia (d. 429).³

Towards the end of the fourth century Jerome (representing the views of the Church of Rome) and Augustine (representing the Church of Carthage) pronounced in favour of our present Canon. The judgment of the former is given in the Vulgate and in the catalogue contained in his epistle *Ad Paulinum liii. 8*; elsewhere speaking of James he says (*Vir. Ill. 2*) *Jacobus qui appellatur Frater Domini... unam tantum scripsit epistulam, quae de septem Catholicis est, quae et ipsa ab alio quodam sub nomine ejus*

¹ C. H. Turner (*Stud. Bibl. iii. 308*) suggests that the original list contained only 1 John and 1 Peter, and that this was corrected by a later scribe, who appended the note *una sola* implying that the MS. named only one Epistle in each case.

² This has usually been ascribed to the beginning of the second century, but from the absence of references to the Catholic Epistles in the *Doctrine of Addai* and the *Homilies* of Aphraates it has been argued that these Epistles were not included in the earliest Syrian Canon. See *Stud. Bibl. iii. p. 245, Class. Rev. iii. 456 foll.*

³ See Leontius quoted by Westcott, *Can. pp. 513 and 576.*

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cedita asseritur, licet paulatim tempore procedente obtinuerit auctoritatem. Augustine (*De Doctrina Christiana*, ii. 12), after giving a complete list of the sacred books, adds *in his omnibus libris timentem Deum et pietate mansueti quaerunt voluntatem Dei.* He took part in the third Council of Carthage (397 A.D.), where our present Canon of Scripture received its first undoubted synodical ratification; though this was not binding on the Eastern Church till it was sanctioned by the Trullan or Quinisext Council of 692 A.D. It will have been observed that, while the Churches of Rome and Carthage long doubted the canonicity of the Epistle of St. James, it was acknowledged from a very early period by the Churches of Jerusalem and (probably) of Syria, and is included in the catalogues of Sacred Books which have come down to us from the Churches of Egypt and Asia Minor. The difference is easily explained from the fact that the Epistle was probably written at Jerusalem and addressed to the Jews of the Eastern Dispersion; it did not profess to be written by an Apostle or to be addressed to Gentile churches, and it seemed to contradict the teaching of the great Apostle to the Gentiles.

B. *Indirect Evidence. Quotations and Allusions.*

Thus far I have confined myself to the evidence as to the canonicity of our Epistle, which is to be found in catalogues more or less formal; but the casual references which occur in early writers are of no less importance and interest as bearing on the question (1) of its date, and (2) of the authority attaching to it, as proceeding from an inspired writer, if not an Apostle, yet one whose words were no less weighty than those of an Apostle. Most of the references occur without any mark of citation; and in some cases it may be thought that the resemblance to St. James is merely accidental; but if I do not deceive myself, the general result is to show that our Epistle was more widely known during the first three centuries than has been commonly supposed. It is a remarkable fact that our earliest witnesses belong to the Church which was one of the latest to recognize the Epistle as canonical, viz. the Church of Rome. Zahn explains this from the preponderatingly Jewish character of that Church during the first century of its existence (*Neut. Kan.* I. p. 963). In proportion as the

Gentile element in the Church increased, the Judaistic epistle fell into the background. A parallel case is that of the Epistle to the Hebrews, which Clement seems to have known by heart, but which, like the Epistle of James, is omitted in the Muratorian Canon.

Clement of Rome, *Epistle to the Corinthians*. A.D. 95. The fact that Clement balances the teaching of St. Paul by that of St. James is sufficient proof of the authority he ascribed to the latter, see below on c. 33.¹

*c. 23 (a quotation from an earlier treatise, perhaps *Eldad and Modat*, as Lightfoot suggests) πόρρω γενέσθω ἀφ' ἡμῶν ἡ γραφή αὕτη ὅπου λέγει Ταλαίπωροί εἰσιν οἱ δίψυχοι οἱ διστάζοντες τὴν ψυχὴν, also quoted in Clem. R. ii. 11 λέγει γὰρ ὁ προφητικὸς λόγος Ταλαίπωροι κ.τ.λ. There is nothing to show whether this treatise was earlier or later than the Epistle of St. James.

*c. 30 ποιήσωμεν τὰ τοῦ ἁγιασμοῦ πάντα, φεύγοντες καταλαλιᾶς...βδελυκτὴν ὑπερηφανίαν. Θεὸς γάρ, φησίν, ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται, ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν...ἐνδυσώμεθα τὴν ὁμόνοιαν ταπεινοφρονοῦντες...ἀπὸ παντὸς ψιθυρισμοῦ καὶ καταλαλιᾶς πόρρω ἑαυτοὺς ποιοῦντες, ἔργοις δικαιοῦμενοι καὶ μὴ λόγοις: the quotation from Prov. iii. 34 is given by James (iv. 6) and Peter (1 Ep. v. 5) in the same form, reading Θεὸς for the Κύριος of the LXX.; in iv. 11 James condemns καταλαλιά; in ii. 25 he opposes justification by works to justification by faith, which latter, as explained in ver. 14 (ἐὰν πίστιν λέγη τις ἔχειν) and by the illustration from a mere profession of charity in ver. 16, is equivalent to Clement's μὴ λόγοις.

*c. 33 After speaking of the necessity of faith in ch. 32, Clement here urges the necessity of good works. In his note Bp. Lightfoot points out other instances of Clement's effort to reconcile and combine the teaching of the Apostles of the Circumcision and the Uncircumcision. Thus Abraham, whom Clement (c. 10 and 17) after St. James (ii. 23) speaks of as ὁ φίλος (τοῦ Θεοῦ) προσαγορευθείς, is rewarded neither for faith alone, nor works alone, but for faith combined with righteousness and truth (c. 31), with obedience and hospitality (c. 10). So too of Rahab it is said (c. 12) διὰ πίστιν καὶ φιλοξενίαν ἐσώθη Ῥαᾶβ ἡ πόρνη.

c. 3 ἐκ τούτου (from prosperity) ζῆλος καὶ φθόνος καὶ ἔρις καὶ στάσις, διωγμὸς καὶ ἀκαταστασία, πόλεμος καὶ αἰχμαλωσία...διὰ τοῦτο πόρρω ἔπρεστιν ἡ δικαιοσύνη καὶ εἰρήνη, ἐν τῷ ἀπολείπειν ἕκαστον τὸν φόβον τοῦ Θεοῦ...ἀλλὰ ἕκαστον βαδίζειν κατὰ τὰς ἐπιθυμίας αὐτοῦ τὰς πονηράς, c. 14 τοῖς ἐν ἀλαζονείᾳ καὶ ἀκαταστασίᾳ μυσεροῦ ζήλους ἀρχηγοῖς ἐξακολουθεῖν: James iv. 2 ἐπιθυμεῖτε καὶ οὐχ ἔχετε φθονεῖτε (?) καὶ ζηλοῦτε καὶ οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε, iii. 16 ὅπου γὰρ ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία, ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία καὶ πᾶν φαῦλον πρᾶγμα, iv. 18 καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται τοῖς ποιοῦσιν εἰρήνην.

*c. 5 ἀλλ' ἵνα τῶν ἀρχαίων ὑποδειγμάτων παυσώμεθα...λάβωμεν τῆς γενεᾶς ἡμῶν τὰ γενναῖα ὑποδείγματα, shortly afterwards Paul is mentioned as a pattern ὑπομονῆς, c. 17 μιμηταὶ γενώμεθα of the prophets, of Abraham, the friend of God, ... Ἰωβ ἦν δίκαιος καὶ ἀμεμπτος κ.τ.λ.: James v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς κακοπαθίας καὶ τῆς μακροθυμίας τοὺς προφήτας, ver. 11 τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰωβ ἠκούσατε.

c. 13 ταπεινοφρονήσωμεν οὖν, ἀδελφοί, ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ἀλαζονείαν καὶ...ὀργάς, καὶ ποιήσωμεν τὸ γεγραμμένον...μὴ καυχᾶσθω ὁ σοφὸς ἐν

¹ I have prefixed an asterisk to the more striking parallels.

τῆ σοφία αὐτοῦ...μηδὲ ὁ πλούσιος ἐν τῷ πλούτῳ αὐτοῦ, cf. 57. 2: James i. 9, 10, 19, 20, 21, 22.

*c. 21 ἐγκαυχώμενοις ἐν ἀλαζονείᾳ τοῦ λόγου αὐτῶν: James iv. 16 καυχᾶσθε ἐν ταῖς ἀλαζονείαις ὑμῶν.

c. 21 μαθέτωσαν τί ταπεινοφροσύνη παρὰ Θεῷ ἰσχύει: James v. 16, πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου.

*c. 23 ὁ οἰκτίρμων κατὰ πάντα καὶ εὐεργετικὸς πατήρ ἔχει σπλάγχνα ἐπὶ πάντας τοὺς φοβουμένους αὐτόν...καὶ προσηνῶς τὰς χάριτας αὐτοῦ ἀποδοιοῖ τοῖς προσερχομένοις αὐτῷ ἀπλῆ διανοία· διὸ μὴ διψυχῶμεν, c. 19 ἴδωμεν αὐτόν (Θεόν) κατὰ διάνοιαν καὶ ἐμβλέψωμεν τοῖς ὄμμασι τῆς ψυχῆς εἰς τὸ μακρόθυμον αὐτοῦ βούλευμα: James v. 11 τὸ τέλος Κυρίου εἴδετε, ὅτι πολὺσπλαγχνός ἐστιν ὁ Κύριος καὶ οἰκτίρμων, i. 5 αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς καὶ μὴ ὄνειδίζοντος, αἰτείτω δὲ ἐν πίστει μηδὲν διακρινόμενος...μὴ γὰρ οἰέσθω ὅτι λήμψεται τι παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου ἀνὴρ δίψυχος.

*c. 35 ἀγωνισώμεθα εὐρεθῆναι ἐν τῷ ἀριθμῷ τῶν ὑπομενόντων αὐτόν, ὅπως μεταλάβωμεν τῶν ἐπηγγελμένων δωρεῶν: James i. 12, 17.

*c. 38 ὁ σοφὸς ἐνδεικνύσθω τὴν σοφίαν αὐτοῦ μὴ ἐν λόγοις ἀλλ' ἐν ἔργοις ἀγαθοῖς: *cf. αὐτοῖς* James iii. 13 τίς σοφὸς...ἐν ὑμῖν; δεῖξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας.

c. 40 ἐγκεκυφότες εἰς τὰ βάθη τῆς θείας γνώσεως, c. 53 ἐγκεκύφατε εἰς τὰ λογία τοῦ θεοῦ: James i. 25 ὁ δὲ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας.

*c. 46 ἵνατί ἔρεις καὶ θυμοὶ καὶ διχοστασίαι καὶ σχίσματα πόλεμόσ τε ἐν ὑμῖν; James iv. 1 πόθεν πόλεμοι καὶ πόθεν μάχαι ἐν ὑμῖν;

Pseudo-Clement, *Homily to the Corinthians* (often called the Second Epistle to the Corinthians), written towards the middle of the second century.

c. 4 μὴ καταλαλεῖν ἀλλήλων: James iv. 11.

*c. 15 μισθὸς γὰρ οὐκ ἔστιν μικρὸς πλανωμένην ψυχὴν καὶ ἀπολλυμένην ἀποστρέψαι εἰς τὸ σωθῆναι, c. 16. ἀγαπὴ δὲ καλύπτει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν· προσευχὴ δὲ ἐκ καλῆς συνειδήσεως ἐκ θανάτου ρύεται, c. 17 συλλάβωμεν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ τοὺς ἀσθενοῦντας ἀνάγειν περὶ τὸ ἀγαθὸν ὅπως σωθῶμεν ἅπαντες, καὶ ἐπιστρέψωμεν ἀλλήλους, the Jacobean terms διψυχία and κακοπαθεῖν occur immediately afterwards: James v. 16 εὔχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων ὅπως ἰαθῆτε. πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη, ver. 19 εἴαν τις ἐν ὑμῖν πλανηθῆ ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας καὶ ἐπιστρέψῃ τις αὐτόν, γινώσκετε ὅτι ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἁμαρτωλὸν ἐκ πλάνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου καὶ καλύψει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν. Clement seems to combine this with 1 Pet. iv. 8.

*c. 20 Θεοῦ ζῶντος πείραν ἀθλοῦμεν καὶ γυμναζόμεθα τῷ νῦν βίῳ ἵνα τῷ μέλλοντι στεφανωθῶμεν...οὐδεὶς τῶν δικαίων ταχὺν καρπὸν ἔλαβεν, ἀλλ' ἐκδέχεται αὐτόν: James v. 7, ἰδοὺ ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν τῆς γῆς μακροθυμῶν ἐπ' αὐτῷ, cf. i. 2, 3, 12.

The *Didaché* is usually assigned in its present form to the end of the first century, but was probably founded on an earlier Jewish work: see C. Taylor, *Lectures on the Teaching of the Twelve Apostles*, pp. 8—48. It is difficult in these early writings to satisfy oneself in regard to resemblances to our canonical books, whether these arise from direct quotation or are merely allusions to the oral teaching which preceded the composition of the books. The

following passages, however, seem to take a colouring from the Epistle of St. James.

ii. 4 οὐκ ἔση διγνώμων οὐδὲ δίγλωσσος· παγὶς γὰρ θανάτου ἢ διγλωσσία :
James iii. 6—8, 9, 10.

ii. 5 οὐκ ἔσται ὁ λόγος σου ψευδής, οὐ κενός, ἀλλὰ μεμεστωμένος πράξει :
James iii. 14 μὴ ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας, ii. 20 θέλεις δὲ γνῶναι, ὡς ἄνθρωπε κενέ, ὅτι ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων ἀργή ἐστίν ; *ib.* i. 21, 26, ii. 14—17, iii. 18 ἢ ἄνωθεν σοφία...μεστή ἐλέους καὶ καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν.

*iv. 3 οὐ διψυχήσεις πότερον ἔσται ἢ οὐ, see above ii. 4 διγνώμων and v. 1 διπλοκαρδία : James i. 8, iv. 8.

iv. 14 ἐν ἐκκλησίᾳ ἐξομολογήσῃ τὰ παραπτώματά σου, cf. xiv. 1 κατὰ κυριακὴν...εὐχαριστήσατε, προεξομολογησάμενοι τὰ παραπτώματα ὑμῶν, ὅπως καθαρὰ ἡ θυσία ἦ : James v. 16 ἐξομολογεῖσθε οὖν ἀλλήλοις τὰ παραπτώματα (*al.* τὰς ἀμαρτίας)...ὅπως ἰαθῆτε.

v. 1 ἡ δὲ τοῦ θανάτου ὁδὸς ἐστὶν αὕτη· πρῶτον πάντων πονηρὰ ἐστὶ καὶ καταρασμένη...φόνου, μοιχεῖαι, ἐπιθυμίαι...διπλοκαρδία...ὑπερηφανία, κακία, αὐθάδεια, πλεονεξία...ζηλοτυπία...ἀλαζονεία...ὧν μακρὰν πρᾶυτης καὶ ὑπομονή...οὐκ ἐλεοῦντες πτωχόν...ἀποστρεφόμενοι τὸν ἐνδεόμενον, καταπονοῦντες τὸν θλιβόμενον, πλουσίων παράκλητοι, πενήτων ἄνομοι κριταί : James iii. 10, iv. 2, v. 6, i. 14, iv. 6, i. 21. iii. 16, iv. 2, 16, i. 3, 4, v. 11, i. 21, iii. 13, ii. 6, 16, v. 4, ii. 2, 3.

The Epistle of Barnabas, which was written, according to Bishop Lightfoot (*Apostolic Fathers*, Part I. vol. ii. 503 foll. 1890) at Alexandria during the reign of Vespasian (A.D. 70—79),¹ according to Hilgenfeld in the reign of Nerva (A.D. 96—98), according to Volkmar during the reign of Hadrian (A.D. 119—138), contains references to the Gospels and to some of St. Paul's Epistles. The following appear to be allusions to St. James.

*I. 2 οὕτως ἔμφυτον τῆς δωρεᾶς <τῆς> πνευματικῆς χάριν εἰλήφατε, cf. ix. 9 οἶδεν ὁ τὴν ἔμφυτον δωρεὰν τῆς διδαχῆς αὐτοῦ θέμενος ἐν ὑμῖν : James i. 21 ἐν πρᾶυτητι δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον, *ib.* ver. 17 πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον ἄνωθεν ἐστίν.

I. 8 ἐγὼ δὲ, οὐχ ὡς διδάσκαλος ἀλλ' ὡς εἷς ἐξ ὑμῶν, ὑποδείξω ὀλίγα, cf. iv. 6 ἔτι δὲ καὶ τοῦτο ἐρωτῶ ὑμᾶς, ὡς εἷς ἐξ ὑμῶν ὢν, *ib.* 9 οὐχ ὡς διδάσκαλος, ἀλλ' ὡς πρέπει ἀγαπῶντι, ἀφ' ὧν ἔχομεν μὴ ἐλλιπεῖν, γράφειν ἐσπούδασα : James iii. 1 μὴ πολλοὶ διδάσκαλοι γίνεσθε ἀδελφοί μου, cf. Matt xxiii. 8.

*II. 6 ταῦτα οὖν κατήργησεν ἵνα ὁ καινὸς νόμος τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ἄνευ ζυγοῦ ἀνάγκης ὧν κ.τ.λ. : James i. 21.

VI. 17 ἡμεῖς τῇ πίστει τῆς ἐπαγγελίας καὶ τῷ λόγῳ ζωοποιούμενοι ζήσομεν κατακυριεύοντες τῆς γῆς : James i. 18.

X. 3 ὅταν σπαταλῶσιν ἐπιλανθάνονται τοῦ Κυρίου ἑαυτῶν, ὅταν δὲ ὑστερηθῶσιν ἐπιγινώσκουσι τὸν Κύριον : James v. 5, ii. 6, 7.

¹ Bishop Lightfoot argues for this date on the strength of the prophecy contained in ch. 4 ; but it is difficult to reconcile it with the fact that the Epistle appears to contain references to St. John's Gospel, and is undoubtedly posterior to the *Didaché*, which itself contains quotations from the Gospels, as well as from some of the Pauline Epistles, and is usually assigned to the closing years of the first century. It is not, however, certain whether we have the original form either of the *Didaché* or of the Epistle of Barnabas.

XIX. 5 οὐ μὴ διψυχήσης πότερον ἔσται ἢ οὐ: taken straight from *Didachè* iv. 4, ultimately from James i. 8.

XIX. 8 οὐκ ἔση πρόγλωσσοσ· παγὶς γὰρ τὸ στόμα θανάτου: altered from *Did.* apparently to bring it nearer to James i. 19. iii. 6, 8.

*XIX. 10 μνησθήση ἡμέραν κρίσεως...μελετῶν εἰς τὸ σῶσαι ψυχὴν τῷ λόγῳ, ἢ διὰ τῶν χειρῶν σου ἐργάση εἰς λύτρωσιν ἀμαρτιῶν σου (altered from *Did.* iv. 6 so as to bring it nearer to St. James): James v. 9, 12, i. 21, v. 20 ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρτωλὸν...σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου καὶ καλύψει πλήθος ἀμαρτιῶν.

XXI. 2 ἐρωτῶ τοὺς ὑπερέχοντας...ἐγγὺς ἢ ἡμέρα ἐν ἧ συναπολείται πάντα τῷ πονηρῷ· ἐγγὺς ὁ Κύριος καὶ ὁ μισθὸς αὐτοῦ...5 ὁ δὲ Θεὸς...δῶν ὑμῖν σοφίαν, σύνεσιν, ἐπιστήμην, γνῶσιν τῶν δικαιωμάτων αὐτοῦ, ὑπομονήν: James v. 1--5, 8, i. 3--5.

XX. In the account of the Way of Death, borrowed, with variations, from the *Didachè* v., we find the insertion χήρα καὶ ὀρφανῶ μὴ προσέχοντες: James i. 27.

Testamenta XII. Patriarcharum, written about the beginning of the second century by a Jewish Christian,¹ who seems to have been much influenced by the teaching and example of St. James. Thus Mr. Sinkler, in his edition (1869), calls attention to the high estimate of poverty and of an ascetic life (p. 21 foll. p. 121), to the view of the Law 'as an eternal system of justice' which had been 'partially changed in its outward aspects and workings by the coming of Christ, who is called ἄνδρα ἀνακαινοποιούντα τὸν νόμον' (p. 26), to the commendation of wisdom, benevolence, compassion, peaceableness, above all of ἀπλότης, the opposite to διψυχία.²

**Reuben* 2 πνεῦμα συνουσίας μεθ' ἧς συνεισέρχεται διὰ τῆς φιληδονίας ἢ ἀμαρτία, 4 ὄλεθρος ψυχῆς ἐστὶν ἢ πορνεία χωρίζουσα Θεοῦ καὶ προσεγγίζουσα τοῖς εἰδώλοις...πλανῶσα τὸν νοῦν καὶ τὴν διάνοιαν καὶ κατάγει νεανίσκους εἰς ἄδην...ἐὰν μὴ κατισχύσῃ ἢ πορνεία τὴν ἔννοιαν οὐδὲ Βελίαρ κατισχύσει ὑμῶν, *Reub.* 5 ἐγένοντο ἐν ἐπιθυμία ἀλλήλων καὶ συνέλαβον τῇ διανοίᾳ τὴν πρᾶξιν: James i. 14, 15, iv. 1, 4, 8.

Sym. 3 ὁ φθόνος κυριεύει πάσης τῆς διανοίας τοῦ ἀνθρώπου καὶ...πάντοτε ὑποβάλλει ἀνελεῖν τὸν φθονούμενον: James iv. 2.

Sym. 4 φυλάξασθε ἀπὸ παντὸς ζήλου καὶ φθόνου καὶ πορεύεσθε ἐν ἀπλότητι ψυχῆς...ἀποστήσατε ἀφ' ὑμῶν τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ φθόνου, ὅτι ἀγριοῖ τὴν ψυχὴν...ὀργὴν καὶ πόλεμον παρέχει τῷ διαβουλῷ καὶ εἰς αἵματα παροξύνει: James iv. 1, 2.

Lev. 14 ὑμεῖς οἱ φωστῆρες τοῦ οὐρανοῦ ὡς ὁ ἥλιος καὶ ἡ σελήνη: τί ποιήσουσι πάντα τὰ ἔθνη ἐὰν ὑμεῖς σκοτισθῆτε ἐν ἄσεβείᾳ, cf. 18, *Jud.* 24: James i. 17.

Jud. 13 μὴ πορεύεσθε ὀπίσω τῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν ὑμῶν μηδὲ ἐνθυμήσεσι

¹ This is now much questioned in Germany, where the dominant view is that it is a Jewish writing interpolated: so Schnapp, *Die Test. der xii Patr.*, Halle, 1884; Schürer agrees in the main. (S.)

² Bishop Lightfoot (*Gal.* p. 319 foll.) says of the *Test. xii. Patr.* 'the language in the moral and didactic portions takes its colour from the Epistle of James,' and quotes Ewald to the same effect.

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ἀλλοιώσητε νόμον Θεοῦ ἐν ἀταξία πράξεων ὑμῶν. ἔθνη
πλανηθέντα...ἠλλοίωσαν τάξιν: James i. 19, 26, 27, iv. 7, i. 17.

Gad. 3 τὴν ἀλήθειαν ψέγει, τῷ κατορθοῦντι φθονεῖ, κατα-
λαλιὰν ἀσπάζεται, ὑπερηφανίαν ἀγαπᾷ: James iii. 14, iv. 2, 6, 11.

ib. 4 ἐὰν πταίσῃ ὁ ἀδελφὸς...σπεύδει ἵνα κριθῇ: James ii. 10—12.

✓ *ib.* 4 τὸ πνεῦμα τῆς ἀγάπης ἐν μακροθυμία συνεργεῖ τῷ νόμῳ τοῦ
Θεοῦ εἰς σωτηρίαν ἀνθρώπων: James v. 7, 8, 20, ii. 22.

ib. 5 (τὸ μῖσος) τοῦ διαβολικοῦ τὴν καρδίαν πληροῖ, cf. 6 τὸν ἰὸν
τοῦ μίσους cf. *Sym.* 4 πνεῦμα ἰοβόλον: James iii. 6, 8.

ib. καταλαλεῖ: James iv. 11. ἀνηλεῶς: James ii. 13.

ib. 7 Κυρίῳ ὕμνον προσφέρετε...μὴ φθονεῖτε...μὴ ζηλώσητε:
James v. 13, iv. 2.

ib. ὄρον Κυρίου ἐκδέξασθε: James v. 11.

Asher 1 δύο ὁδοὺς ἔδωκεν ὁ Θεός...καὶ δύο διαβούλια...καὶ δύο τέλη:
James i. 12, 14, 15, v. 19, 20.

ib. ὁ θησαυρὸς τοῦ διαβόλου (*al.* διαβουλίου) τοῦ πονηροῦ πνεύματος
πεπλήρωται, see above on *Gad.* 5.

2 πλεονεκτῶν τὸν πλησίον παροργίζει τὸν Θεὸν καὶ τὸν
ὑψιστον ἐπιорκεῖ καὶ τὸν πτωχὸν ἐλεᾷ, τὸν ἐντολέα τοῦ νόμου
Κύριον ἀθετεῖ καὶ παροξύνει...τὴν ψυχὴν σπιλοῖ...καὶ τοῦτο μὲν
διπρόσωπον: James v. 4, 12, ii. 15, 16, iv. 11, 12, i. 27, 8.

ib. 3 οἱ διπρόσωποι οὐ Θεῷ ἀλλὰ ταῖς ἐπιθυμίαις αὐτῶν
δουλεύουσιν ἵνα τῷ Βελίῳ ἀρέσωσι: James iv. 1, 3, 7, 8.

**Jos.* 2 ἐν δέκα πειρασμοῖς δόκιμόν με ἀνέδειξεν (Κύριος) καὶ ἐν
πᾶσιν αὐτοῖς ἐμακροθύμησα, ὅτι μέγα φάρμακόν ἐστιν ἡ μακροθυμία καὶ
πολλὰ ἀγαθὰ δίδωσιν ἡ ὑπομονή: James i. 2, 3, 4, 12, v. 7, 10, 11.

**ib.* 10 ἐὰν τὴν ἀγνείαν μετέλθητε ἐν ὑπομονῇ καὶ ταπεινώσει καρδίας,
Κύριος κατοικήσει ἐν ὑμῖν...ὅπου δὲ κατοικεῖ ὁ ὑψιστος κἂν τις περι-
πέση φθόνῳ ἢ δουλείᾳ...Κύριος...οὐ μόνον ἐκ τῶν κακῶν ρύεται ἀλλὰ
καὶ ὑψοῖ: James i. 2, 3, 12, iv. 5, 10.

ib. ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις: James v. 3.

**Benj.* 4 εἶδετε τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ ἀνδρὸς το τέλος· μιμήσασθε ἐν
ἀγαθῇ διανοίᾳ τὴν εὐσπλαγχνίαν αὐτοῦ ἵνα καὶ ἡμεῖς στεφάνους
δόξης φορέσητε: James v. 11, i. 12.

ib. τὸν Θεὸν ἀνυμνεῖ...τὸν ἀθετοῦντα τὸν ὑψιστον νοθετῶν
ἐπιστρέφει: James v. 13, 19, 20.

✓ **ib.* 6 ἡ ἀγαθὴ διάνοια οὐκ ἔχει δύο γλώσσας εὐλογίας καὶ κατάρας,
ὑβρεως καὶ τιμῆς, λύπης καὶ χαρᾶς, ὑποκρίσεως καὶ ἀληθείας,
πενίας καὶ πλούτου, ἀλλὰ μίαν ἔχει περὶ πάντων εἰλικρινῆ καὶ καθαρὰν
διάθεσιν...πᾶν γὰρ ὁ ποιεῖ ἢ λαλεῖ...οἶδεν ὅτι Κύριος ἐπισκέπτει
ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ καὶ καθαίρει τὴν διάνοιαν αὐτοῦ πρὸς τὸ μὴ κατα-
γνωσθῆναι ὑπὸ Θεοῦ: James iii. 10, ii. 1—4, 13—17, i. 9, 10, iv. 8, ii. 12.

ib. 7 τοῦ Βελίῳ πᾶν ἔργον διπλοῦν ἐστὶ, καὶ οὐκ ἔχει ἀπλότητα:
James i. 8, iv. 4, 8.

**ib.* πρῶτον συλλαμβάνει ἡ διάνοια διὰ τοῦ Βελίῳ, cf. *Reub.* 5:
James i. 15.

Ignatius, d. about 115 A.D.

There is little general resemblance between the epistles of Igna-
tius and that of St. James, but the following phrases may be noted.

μὴ πλανᾶσθε, ἀδελφοί μου, *Eph.* 16, *Philad.* 3, cf. *Magn.* 8, *Eph.* 5, *Smyrn.* 6:
James i. 16 (also found in St. Paul, whose writings were certainly well
known to Ignatius).

*ἀδιάκριτος, used in the sense 'whole-hearted,' as by St. James (iii. 17), apparently by no previous writer, *Trall.* 1, *Magn.* 15, cf. *Rom. inscr.* and *Philad. inscr.* quoted *in loc.*

**Smugn.* 11 ἵνα οὖν τέλειον ὑμῶν γένηται τὸ ἔργον, πρέπει κ.τ.λ....τέλειοι ὄντες τέλεια καὶ φρονεῖτε: James i. 4 ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἔχεται, ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι.

**Polyc.* 1 αἰτοῦ σύνεσιν πλείονα ἢς ἔχεις, *ib.* 2 τὰ δὲ ἀόρατα αἶτει ἵνα σοι φανερωθῇ, ὅπως μηδενὸς λείπη: James i. 5 εἰ δέ τις λείπεται σοφίας, αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ, *ver.* 4, ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι...ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι.

[Pseudo-Ignatius, probably written in the 4th century.

.. **Philipp.* 11 πῶς πειράζεις τὸν ἀπείραστον, ἐπιλαθόμενος τοῦ νομοθέτου παρακελευομένου ὅτι οὐκ ἐκπειράσεις Κύριον τὸν Θεόν σου; James i. 12.

**Smugn.* 6 τόπος καὶ ἀξίωμα καὶ πλοῦτος μηδένα φυσιοῦτω· ἀδοξία καὶ πενία μηδένα ταπεινούτω· τὸ γὰρ ὅλον πίστις ἢ εἰς Θεόν: James i. 9, 10.

**Ephes.* 17 διὰ τί ἔμφυτον τὸ περὶ Θεοῦ παρὰ Χριστοῦ λαβόντες κριτήριον εἰς ἄγνοιαν καταπίπτομεν; James i. 21.]

Polycarp, d. 155 A.D.

Ad Phil. 3 ἐδίδαξεν ἀκριβῶς τὸν περὶ τῆς ἀληθείας λόγον...ἔγραψεν ἐπιστολάς, εἰς ἃς ἐὰν ἐγκύπτητε, δυνηθήσεσθε οἰκοδομείσθαι: James i. 18, 25.

c. 5 χαλιναγωγοῦντες ἑαυτοὺς ἀπὸ παντὸς κακοῦ: James i. 26, iii. 2.

*c. 6 οἱ πρεσβύτεροι...εἰς πάντας εὐσπλαγχοι, ἐπιστρέφοντες τὰ ἀποπεπλανημένα, ἐπισκεπτόμενοι πάντας ἀσθενεῖς, μὴ ἀμελοῦντες χήρας ἢ ὀρφανοῦ ἢ πένητος...ἀπεχόμενοι πάσης ὀργῆς, προσωποληψίας, κρίσεως ἀδίκου: James v. 20, i. 27, 19, ii. 1.

*c. 11 *sicut passibilia membra et errantia eos revocate; ut omnium vestrum corpus salvetis. Hoc enim agentes vos ipsos aedificatis:* James v. 20.

Our next witness, Hermas, who probably wrote before the middle of the second century, abounds in references to St. James, dwelling especially on the subject of *διψυχία*. His peculiar style of quotation is well described by Dr. Taylor, who has made a careful study of the manner in which he has used the *Didaché* and St. James in the *Journal of Philology*, vol. xviii. pp. 297 foll. He disguises the Scriptures from which he quotes, 'the form of his work, which claims to be the embodiment of a revelation, not allowing him to cite them openly.' 'He allegorizes, he disintegrates, he amalgamates. He plays upon the sense or varies the form of a saying, he repeats its words in fresh combinations or replaces them by synonyms, but he will not cite a passage simply and in its entirety' (*l.c.* pp. 324, 5).

*In *Mand.* ix. *δίψυχος* and its cognates occur fourteen times in forty lines, ἄρον ἀπὸ σεαυτοῦ τὴν διψυχίαν καὶ μηδὲν ὅλως διψυχίης αἰτήσασθαι παρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ...αἰτοῦ παρ' αὐτοῦ ἀδιστακτῶς καὶ γνώση τὴν πολυσπλαγχνίαν αὐτοῦ...οὐκ ἔστι γὰρ ὁ Θεὸς ὡς οἱ ἄνθρωποι οἱ μνησικα-

κοῦντες ἀλλ' αὐτὸς ἀμνησικάκος ἐστίν,¹ *ib.* § 5 οἱ γὰρ διστάζοντες εἰς τὸν Θεὸν, οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ δίψυχοι καὶ οὐδὲν ὅλως ἐπιτυγχάνουσι τῶν αἰτημάτων αὐτῶν...οἱ δὲ ὀλοτελεῖς ὄντες ἐν τῇ πίστει πάντα αἰτοῦνται πεποιθότες ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον καὶ λαμβάνουσιν, *ib.* § 8 ἐὰν δὲ ἐκκακήσης καὶ διψυχῆσης αἰτούμενος, σευτὸν αἰτιῶ καὶ μὴ τὸν διδόντα σοι [*Sim.* vi. 3. 5 οὐκ ἀναβαίνει αὐτῶν ἐπὶ τὴν καρδίαν ὅτι ἔπραξαν πονηρὰ ἔργα ἀλλ' αἰτιῶνται τὸν Κύριον] *Mand.* ix. § 11 βλέπεις ὅτι ἡ πίστις ἄνωθεν ἐστὶ παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ ἔχει δύναμιν μεγάλην· ἡ δὲ διψυχία ἐπίγειον πνεῦμά ἐστὶ παρὰ τοῦ διαβόλου δύναμιν μὴ ἔχουσα: James i. 5—8 αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς, καὶ μὴ ὀνειδίζοντας, καὶ δοθήσεται αὐτῶ· αἰτείτω δὲ ἐν πίστει μηδὲν διακρινόμενος...μὴ γὰρ οἰέσθω ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος ὅτι λήμψεται τι παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου ἀνὴρ δίψυχος, *ver.* 13 μηδεὶς πειραζόμενος λεγέτω ὅτι ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι, *ver.* 17 πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον ἄνωθεν ἐστὶν καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ Πατρὸς τῶν φώτων, *ii.* 22 βλέπεις ὅτι ἡ πίστις συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις, *iii.* 15 οὐκ ἐστὶν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη, ἀλλὰ ἐπίγειος, ψυχικὴ, δαιμονιώδης, *iv.* 7 ἀντίστητε τῷ διαβύλῳ καὶ φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν, *v.* 16 πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη, *v.* 11.

* *Mand.* ii. 2 μηδενὸς καταλάλει, *ib.* § 3 πονηρὰ ἢ καταλαλιά, ἀκατάστατον δαιμόνιον ἐστίν, *v.* 2. 7 πεπληρωμένος τοῖς πνεύμασι τοῖς πονηροῖς ἀκαταστατεῖ ἐν πάσῃ πράξει αὐτοῦ περισπώμενος ὧδε κἀκεῖσε ὑπὸ τῶν πνευμάτων τῶν πονηρῶν, *Sim.* vi. 3. 5 τιμωροῦνται οἱ μὲν ζημίαις...οἱ δὲ πάσῃ ἀκαταστασία... ἀκαταστατοῦντες ταῖς βουλαῖς: James i. 6 ὁ διακρινόμενος ἔοικε κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ἀνεμιζομένῳ καὶ ῥιπιζομένῳ, *ver.* 8, *iv.* 11 μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων, *iii.* 6 ἡ γλῶσσα...φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γέεννης, *v.* 8 (ἡ γλῶσσα) ἀκατάστατον κακόν.

* *Mand.* ii. 4 πᾶσιν ὁ Θεὸς δίδοσθαι θέλει ἐκ τῶν ἰδίων δωρημάτων, *Sim.* ii. 7 τοῦτο ἔργον δεκτὸν παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ, ὅτι...εἰργάσατο εἰς τὸν πένητα ἐκ τῶν δωρημάτων τοῦ Κυρίου: James i. 17 πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον ἄνωθεν ἐστίν, *i.* 5 αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ ἀπλῶς, *ver.* 27, *ii.* 15, 16.

* *Mand.* ii. 6 μηθὲν διακρίνων τίνι δῶ ἢ μὴ δῶ, *Sim.* ii. 1 κατανοοῦντος (μου) πτελέαν καὶ ἄμπελον καὶ διακρίνουτος περὶ αὐτῶν...ὁ ποιμὴν λέγει Τί συ ἐν ἑαυτῷ ζητεῖς περὶ τῆς πτελέας καὶ τῆς ἀμπέλου; (here διακρίνω seems to have much the same force as διακρίνομαι): James i. 6 αἰτείτω δὲ ἐν πίστει μηδὲν διακρινόμενος.

* *Mand.* *iii.* 1 ἀλήθειαν ἀγάπα...ἵνα τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ ὁ Θεὸς κατώκισεν ἐν τῇ σαρκὶ ταύτῃ ἀληθὲς εὔρεθῇ...καὶ οὕτως δοξασθήσεται ὁ Κύριος ὃ ἐν σοὶ κατοικῶν, *Mand.* *iv.* 5 ἐὰν μακρόθυμος ἔσῃ, τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον τὸ κατοικοῦν ἐν σοὶ καθαρὸν ἔσται μὴ ἐπισκοτούμενον ὑπὸ ἐτέρου πονηροῦ πνεύματος, ἀλλ' ἐν εὐρυχώρῳ κατοικοῦν ἀγαλλιάσεται...ἐὰν δὲ ὀξύχολία τις προσέλθῃ, εὐθύς τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον, τρυφερὸν ὄν (being sensitive and fastidious), στενοχωρεῖται...καὶ ζητεῖ ἀποστῆναι ἐκ τοῦ τόπου, cf. *Sim.* v. 5, *Mand.* v. 2. 6, vi. 2. 3, x. 2. 2: James *iv.* 5 πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ κατώκισεν ἐν ἡμῖν, cf. *ver.* 4 and *i.* 20.

* *Mand.* *iv.* 1. 2 ἡ γὰρ ἐνθύμησις αὕτη Θεοῦ δούλῳ ἁμαρτία μεγάλη ἐστίν, ἐὰν δέ τις ἐργάσῃται τὸ ἔργον τὸ πονηρὸν τοῦτο, θάνατον ἑαυτῷ κατεργάζεται, cf. *Vis.* i. 1. 8 below: James i. 14, 15.

* *Mand.* *viii.* 9 (good works), πρῶτον πάντων πίστις...ἀγάπη, ὁμόνοια, ἀληθεία, ὑπομονή...χήραιοις ὑπηρετεῖν, ὀρφανοῦς καὶ ὑστερουμένων ἐπισκέπτεσθαι...ἐσκανδαλισμένους ἀπὸ τῆς πίστεως...ἐπιστρέφειν καὶ εὐθύμους ποιεῖν, ἁμαρτάνοντας νοθετεῖν: James i. 3, *ii.* 8, *i.* 27, *v.* 19, 20, 13.

* *Mand.* *x.* 2 ὅταν ὁ δίψυχος ἐπιβάληται πρᾶξιν τινα καὶ ταύτης ἀποτύχῃ...ἡ λύπη αὕτη εἰσπορεύεται εἰς τὸν ἄνθρωπον, *ib.* 3 ἐνδύσαι οὖν τὴν ἰλασμότητα τὴν πάντοτε ἔχουσαν χάριν παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ: James *iv.* 2, *i.* 2.

* *Mand.* *xi.* (on true and false teachers) § 5 πᾶν πνεῦμα ἀπὸ Θεοῦ δοθέν...ἀφ' ἑαυτοῦ λαλεῖ πάντα, ὅτι ἄνωθεν ἐστίν...τὸ δὲ πνεῦμα τὸ λάλουν κατὰ τὰς ἐπιθυμίας τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἐπίγειόν ἐστι, cf. § 6 and § 11, § 8 ὁ ἔχων τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ θεῖον

¹ Cf. *Sim.* ix. 23, 24 πάντοτε ἀπλοῖ...παντὶ ἀνθρώπῳ ἐχορήγησαν ἀνονειδίστως.

τὸ ἄνωθεν πραῦς ἐστὶ καὶ ἡσύχιος καὶ ταπεινόφρων καὶ ἀπεχόμενος ἀπὸ πάσης πονηρίας καὶ ἐπιθυμίας ματαίας τοῦ αἰῶνος τούτου... οὐδὲ ὅταν θέλῃ ἄνθρωπος λαλεῖν, λαλεῖ τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον, ἀλλὰ τότε λαλεῖ ὅταν θελήσῃ αὐτὸν ὁ Θεὸς λαλήσαι, § 12 ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος ὁ δοκῶν πνεῦμα ἔχειν ὑψοῖ ἑαυτὸν καὶ θέλει πρωτοκαθεδρίαν ἔχειν καὶ εὐθὺς ἰταμός ἐστὶ καὶ ἀναιδής καὶ πολύλαλος... τῶν τοιούτων ἐπίγειόν ἐστὶ τὸ πνεῦμα... εἰς συναγωγὴν ἀνδρῶν δικαίων οὐκ ἐγγίζει ἀλλ' ἀποφεύγει αὐτούς: James iii. 1, 15—17.

Mand. xi. 9. ὅταν ἔλθῃ ὁ ἄνθρωπος ὁ ἔχων τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ θεῖον εἰς συναγωγὴν ἀνδρῶν δικαίων τῶν ἐχόντων πίστιν θεοῦ πνεύματος, καὶ ἔντευξις γένηται πρὸς τὸν Θεόν... τότε πληρωθεὶς ὁ ἄνθρωπος τῷ πνεύματι τῷ ἁγίῳ λαλεῖ εἰς τὸ πλῆθος καθὼς ὁ Κύριος βούλεται, *ib.* 17 σὺ δὲ πίστευε τῷ πνεύματι τῷ ἐξερχομένῳ ἀπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ ἔχοντι δύναμιν, *ib.* 20 λάβε τὴν δύναμιν τὴν ἄνωθεν ἐρχομένην, *Vis.* iii. 1, 8, κάθισον ὧδε: James ii. 2, v. 16, iii. 15.

**Mand.* xii. 1 ἄρον ἀπὸ σαυτοῦ πᾶσαν ἐπιθυμίαν πονηράν, ἔνδυσαι δὲ τὴν ἐπιθυμίαν τὴν ἀγαθὴν... ἐνδεδυμένος γὰρ ταύτην μισήσεις τὴν πονηρὰν ἐπιθυμίαν καὶ χαλιναγωγήσεις αὐτὴν καθὼς βούλει. ἀγρία γὰρ ἡ ἐπιθυμία ἢ πονηρὰ καὶ δυσκόλως ἡμεροῦται: James iii. 2 (on the evil caused by the tongue) χαλιναγωγῆσαι, *ver.* 4 ὅπου ἡ ὁρμὴ βούλεται, *ver.* 8 τὴν δὲ γλώσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται.

**Mand.* xii. 2 ἡ ἐπιθυμία ἢ πονηρὰ, εἴαν ἴδῃ σε καθωπλισμένον τῷ φόβῳ τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ ἀνθεστηκότα αὐτῇ, φεύξεται ἀπὸ σοῦ μακρὰν, § 4 ὁ διάβολος μόνον φόβον ἔχει, ὁ δὲ φόβος αὐτοῦ τόνον οὐκ ἔχει· μὴ φοβήθητε οὖν αὐτὸν καὶ φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν, § 5 δύναται ὁ διάβολος ἀντιπαλαῖσαι, καταπαλαῖσαι δὲ οὐ δύναται· εἴαν οὖν ἀντισταθῆτε αὐτῷ νικηθεὶς φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν κατησχυμμένος, *ib.* vii. 2: James iv. 7 ἀντίστητε τῷ διαβόλῳ καὶ φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν.

Mand. xii. 4 (God gave man power over the four kinds of animals) εἰ οὖν ὁ ἄνθρωπος κύριός ἐστὶ τῶν κτισμάτων τοῦ Θεοῦ... οὐ δύναται καὶ τούτων τῶν ἐντολῶν κατακυριεύσαι; James iii. 7,

Mand. xii. 6 ὅσοι ἂν καθάρισωσιν ἑαυτῶν τὰς καρδίας ἀπὸ τῶν ματαίων ἐπιθυμιῶν τοῦ αἰῶνος τούτου... ζήσονται τῷ Θεῷ: James i. 27, iv. 8.

Sim. i. 8 χήρας καὶ ὀρφανοὺς ἐπισκέπτεσθε, *Mand.* viii. 10, *Vis.* iii. 9, 2: James i. 27.

**Sim.* ii. 5 ὁ πένης πλούσιός ἐστὶν ἐν τῇ ἐντεύξει... καὶ δύναμιν μεγάλην ἔχει ἢ ἔντευξις αὐτοῦ παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ: James ii. 5 οὐχ ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ πλουσίους ἐν πίστει, v. 16.

**Sim.* v. 4 ὅς ἂν δούλος ᾖ τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ ἔχῃ τὸν Κύριον ἑαυτοῦ ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ αἰτεῖται παρ' αὐτοῦ σύνεσιν καὶ λαμβάνει... ὁ δὲ Κύριος πολυεύσπλαγχνός ἐστὶ καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς αἰτουμένοις παρ' αὐτοῦ ἀδιαλείπτως δίδωσι, σὺ δὲ ἐνδεδυναμωμένος ὑπὸ τοῦ ἁγίου ἀγγέλου καὶ εἰληφῶς παρ' αὐτοῦ τοιαύτην ἔντευξιν καὶ μὴ ὦν ἀργός, διατί οὐκ αἰτῆ παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου σύνεσιν; James i. 1 Θεοῦ... δούλος, *ver.* 5 εἴ τις λείπεται σοφίας, αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ δίδοντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς, v. 11, ii. 20, v. 16 δέησις ἐνεργουμένη, on which see note.

Sim. v. 5. 1 παράμονος εἶ, vii. 6 παράμεινον ταπεινοφρονῶν: James i. 25.

Sim. vi. 1. 1 (ἐντολαὶ) δυνάμεναι σῶσαι ψυχὴν ἀνθρώπου: James i. 21 τον ἔμφυτον λόγον, τον δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν.

**Sim.* vi. 1. 2 μὴ διψυχήσης, ἀλλ' ἔνδυσαι τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου, *Vis.* iv. 1. 8: James ii. 1 μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, *ver.* 4 οὐ διεκρίθητε;

**Sim.* vi. 1. 6 τὰ πρόβατα... τρυφῶντα ἦν καὶ λίαν σπαταλῶντα, *ib.* § 2. 4 οὕτοι εἰσιν οἱ προδεδωκότες μὲν ἑαυτοὺς ταῖς τρυφαῖς καὶ ἀπάταις, εἰς δὲ τὸν Κύριον οὐδὲν ἐβλασφήμησαν: James v. 5 ἐτρυφήσατε ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς καὶ ἐσπαταλήσατε.

**Sim.* vii. 4 δεῖ τὸν μετανοῶντα . . . θλιβῆναι ἐν πάσαις θλίψεσι ποικίλαις, vi. 3 τιμωρεῖ αὐτοὺς ποικίλαις τιμωρίαις : James i. 2.

Sim. viii. 3 τὸ δένδρον τοῦτο τὸ μέγα . . . νόμος Θεοῦ ἐστίν, ὁ δὲ νόμος οὗτος υἱὸς Θεοῦ ἐστὶ κηρυχθεὶς εἰς τὰ πέρατα τῆς γῆς : James iv. 11.

**Sim.* viii. 6. 4 ὧν αἱ ῥάβδοι . . . βεβρωμέναι ὑπὸ σπητὸς εὐρέθησαν, οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἀποστάται καὶ προδύται τῆς ἐκκλησίας καὶ βλασφημήσαντες ἐν ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις αὐτῶν τὸν Κύριον, ἔτι δὲ καὶ ἐπαισχυνθέντες τὸ ὄνομα Κυρίου τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐπ' αὐτοὺς : James ii. 6 οὐκ αὐτοὶ βλασφημοῦσιν τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς, cf. v. 2 τὰ ἱμάτια ὑμῶν σπητόβρωτα γέγονεν.

Sim. viii. 9. 1 οὗτοί εἰσι πιστοὶ μὲν γεγονότες, πλουτήσαντες δὲ καὶ γενόμενοι ἔνδοξοι παρὰ τοῖς ἔθνεσιν ὑπερηφανίαν μεγάλην ἐνεδύσαντο καὶ ὑψηλόφρονες ἐγένοντο καὶ κατέλιπον τὴν ἀλήθειαν . . . ἀλλ' ἐνέμειναν τῇ πίστει μὴ ἐργαζόμενοι τὰ ἔργα τῆς πίστεως, *ib.* 10. 3 οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ πιστεύσαντες μόνον, τὰ δὲ ἔργα τῆς ἀνομίας ἐργαζόμενοι : James ii. 14, iv. 6.

Sim. ix. 16. πρὶν φορέσαι τὸν ἄνθρωπον τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ νεκρὸς ἐστίν, ὅταν δὲ λάβῃ τὴν σφραγίδα ἀποτίθεται τὴν νέκρωσιν καὶ ἀναλαμβάνει τὴν ζωὴν, *ib.* 14, 5 : James ii. 7, i. 21.

Sim. ix. 19 ὑποκριταὶ καὶ διδάσκαλοι πονηρίας, μὴ ἔχοντες καρπὸν δικαιοσύνης . . . οἱ τοιοῦτοι ὄνομα μὲν ἔχουσιν, ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς πίστεως κενοὶ εἰσιν, καὶ οὐδεὶς ἐν αὐτοῖς καρπὸς ἀληθείας : James iii. 1, 14, 18, ii. 14, 17.

**Sim.* ix. 21 ὥσπερ αἱ βοτάναι ἠλίον ἰδοῦσαι ἐξηράνθησαν, οὕτω καὶ οἱ δίψυχοι ὅταν θλίψιν ἀκούσωσι . . . τὸ ὄνομα ἐπαισχύνονται τοῦ Κυρίου αὐτῶν : James i. 11, 8, ii. 7.

Sim. ix. 21. 2 τὰ ῥήματα αὐτῶν μόνον ζῶσι, τὰ δὲ ἔργα αὐτῶν νεκρά ἐστίν, *Mand.* x. 1 : James ii. 15—17, 26.

Sim. ix. 22 ἐπαινοῦσι δὲ ἑαυτοὺς ὡς σύνεσιν ἔχοντας καὶ θέλουσιν ἐθελοδιδάσκαλοι εἶναι . . . διὰ ταύτην τὴν ὑψηλοφροσύνην πολλοὶ ἐκενώθησαν ὑψοῦντες ἑαυτούς : James iii. 1, 15, ii. 20.

**Sim.* ix. 23 εἰ ὁ Θεὸς οὐ μνησικακεῖ τοῖς ἐξομολογουμένοις τὰς ἁμαρτίας, ἄνθρωπος . . . ἀνθρώπῳ μνησικακεῖ ὡς δυνάμενος ἀπολέσαι ἢ σῶσαι αὐτόν ; *Mand.* xii. 6 φοβήθητε τὸν πάντα δυνάμενον σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι ; James iv. 12 εἷς ἐστὶν νομοθέτης καὶ κριτής, ὁ δυνάμενος σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι.

**Sim.* ix. 26 ὥσπερ τὰ θηρία διαφθείρει τῷ ἑαυτῶν ἰῶ τὸν ἄνθρωπον καὶ ἀπολλύει, οὕτω καὶ τῶν τοιούτων ἀνθρώπων (δολίων καὶ καταλάλων) τὰ ῥήματα : James iii. 8 γλῶσσα μεστή ἰοῦ θανατηφόρου.

**Sim.* ix. 31. 4 δεῖ ὑμᾶς . . . βοηθεῖν ἀλλήλοις . . . ἐκάστῳ τῆς τοῦ Κυρίου ὁδοῦ παρεκκλίνοντι πᾶσαν ἀφαιροῦντες ταῖς διδασκαλίαις πονηρίαν, ὥσπερ καὶ ἀφ' ὑμῶν αὐτῶν, ἵνα καὶ ὁ ποιμὴν χαρίσῃται ὑμῖν εἰ ὑγιᾶ πάντα ταῦτα τὰ ἀπολωλότα δέξεται πρόβατα, x. 4. 3 *huiusmodi animam qui liberat magnum sibi gaudium adquiret . . . qui novit angustiam ejus et non redimit eam, magnum peccatum admittit et fit reus sanguinis ejus* : James v. 19, 20, iii. 1.

**Vis.* i. 1. 8 ἐπὶ τὴν καρδίαν σου ἀνέβη ἡ ἐπιθυμία τῆς πονηρίας . . . ἁμαρτία γέ ἐστι καὶ μεγάλη . . . οἱ πονηρὰ βουλευόμενοι ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις θάνατον ἑαυτοῖς ἐπισπῶνται, § 2. 1 πῶς ἰλάσομαι τὸν Θεὸν περὶ τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν μου τῶν τελείων ; see above *Mand.* iv. 1 : James i. 14, 15.

Vis. i. 2 κἀγὼ λυπούμενος καὶ κλαίων εἶπον, Κυρία χαῖρε. καὶ εἶπέν μοι, Τί στυγνὸς Ἐμμᾶ, ὁ μακρόθυμος καὶ ἀστομάχητος, ὁ πάντοτε γελῶν, τί οὕτω κατηφῆς τῇ ιδέᾳ καὶ οὐχ ἰλαρὸς ; James iv. 9 ταλαιπωρήσατε καὶ πενθήσατε καὶ κλαύσατε ὁ γέλως ὑμῶν εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω καὶ ἡ χαρὰ εἰς κατήφειαν.

Vis. ii. 2. 4 οὐκ ἀπέχεται τῆς γλώσσης ἐν ἧ πονηρεύεται . . . ἀφίενται αὐτοῖς αἱ ἁμαρτίαι πᾶσαι ἐν ἄρῳσιν ἀπὸ τῆς καρδίας αὐτῶν τὰς διψυχίας : James iii. 1. 8.

Vis. ii. 2. 7 μακάριοι ὑμεῖς ὅσοι ὑπομένετε τὴν θλίψιν : James i. 12.

**Vis.* iii. 9. 5 βλέπετε τὴν κρίσιν τὴν ἐπερχομένην...βλέπετε οἱ γαυρούμενοι ἐν τῷ πλούτῳ ὑμῶν, μήποτε στενάξουσιν οἱ ὑστερούμενοι, καὶ ὁ στεναγμὸς αὐτῶν ἀναβήσεται πρὸς τὸν Κύριον: James v. 1 foll., esp. ver. 4 ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἐργατῶν...ὁ ἀφυστερημένος ἀφ' ὑμῶν κρᾶζει καὶ αἱ βοαὶ τῶν θερισάντων εἰς τὰ ὄτα Κυρίου Σαβαὼθ εἰσελήλυθαν, ver. 8, 9.

Vis. iii. 13 εὐθὺς ἐπελάθετο: James i. 24.

**Vis.* iv. 3 τὸ μὲν μέλαν οὗτος ὁ κόσμος ἐστὶν ἐν ᾧ κατοικεῖτε...τὸ δὲ λευκὸν μέρος ὁ αἰὼν ὁ ἐπερχόμενος ἐστίν, ἐν ᾧ κατοικήσουσιν οἱ ἐκλεκτοὶ τοῦ Θεοῦ· ὅτι ἄσπιλοι καὶ καθарοὶ ἔσονται οἱ ἐκλελεγμένοι εἰς ζωὴν αἰώνιον, *Mand.* ii. 4. πᾶσιν ὑστερουμένοις δίδου ἀπλῶς...φύλασσε τὰς ἐντολὰς ταύτας ἵνα ἡ μετάνοιά σου...ἐν ἀπλότῃτι εὐρεθῇ καὶ ἡ καρδία σου καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος, *Sim.* v. 6 πᾶσα σὰρξ ἀπολήψεται μισθὸν ἢ εὐρεθείσα ἀμίαντος καὶ ἄσπιλος, *Sim.* ix. 26. 2 οἱ μὲν τοὺς σπῖλους ἔχοντες διάκονοί εἰσι κακῶς διακονήσαντες καὶ διαρπάσαντες χηρῶν καὶ ὀρφανῶν τὴν ζωὴν: James i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ καὶ πατρὶ αὕτη ἐστὶν ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανούς καὶ χήρας ἐν τῇ θλίψει αὐτῶν, ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου, i. 5.

Hermas also uses some rare words which are found in James, e.g. πολὺσπλαγχνος (see n. on v. 11); καταδυναστεῖω *Mand.* xii. 5, James ii. 6; δίψυχος, -ια and ἐπίγειος (of which exx. are given above).

Justin Martyr, d. about 165 A.D.

**Apol.* i. 16 μὴ ὁμόσητε ὅλως· ἔστω δὲ ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναί, καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ (prefixing the article with James v. 12).

c. 32 οἱ πιστεύοντες, ἐν οἷς οἰκεῖ τὸ παρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ σπέρμα, ὁ λόγος: James i. 18, 21, iv. 5.

c. 61 ἐν τῷ ὕδατι ἐπονομάζεται τῷ ἐλομένῳ ἀναγεννηθῆναι τὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ ὄνομα: James i. 18, ii. 7.

c. 67 οἱ εὐποροῦντες...ἕκαστος ὃ βούλεται δίδωσι καὶ τὸ συλλεγόμενον παρὰ τῷ προεστῶτι ἀποτίθεται καὶ αὐτὸς ἐπικουρεῖ ὀρφανοῖς τε καὶ χήραις καὶ τοῖς...λειπομένοις: James i. 27, ii. 15.

**Tryph.* 49 (Χριστῷ) ὃν καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια φρίσσουσιν καὶ πᾶσαι ἀπλῶς αἱ ἀρχαί, c. 131, μέλλει ἐξολοθρευθήσεσθαι τὰ δαιμόνια καὶ δεδιέναι τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ καὶ πάσας τὰς ἀρχὰς.. ὁμοίως ὑφορᾶσθαι αὐτόν: James ii. 19.

**ib.* 100 (Εὐα) τὸν λόγον τὸν ἀπὸ τῆς ὄψεως συλλαβοῦσα παρακοὴν καὶ θάνατον ἔτεκε: James i. 15.

Justin frequently uses the word ἐνεργεῖν, ἐνεργεῖσθαι (James v. 16) and has also the rare πολυσπλαγχνία (*Tryph.* 55).

Ep. ad Diognetum, probably written about 150 A.D.

c. 7 οὐ γὰρ ἐπίγειον εὔρημα τοῦτ' αὐτοῖς παρεδόθη...ἀλλ' αὐτὸς ὁ παντοκράτωρ...ἀπ' οὐρανῶν τὴν ἀλήθειαν καὶ τὸν λόγον τὸν ἅγιον...ἀνθρώποις ἐνίδρυσε καὶ ἐγκατεστήριξε ταῖς καρδίαις: James iii. 15, i. 17, 18, 21.

ib. ταῦτα τῆς παρουσίας αὐτοῦ δείγματα: James v. 7.

*c. 9 (ὁ Θεὸς) οὐκ ἐμίσησεν ἡμᾶς...οὐδὲ ἐμνησικακήσεν ἀλλὰ ἐμακροθύμησεν...αὐτὸς τὸν ἴδιον υἱὸν ἀπέδοτο λύτρον ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν...τί γὰρ ἄλλο τὰς ἀμαρτίας ἡμῶν ἠδυνήθη καλύψαι ἢ ἐκείνου δικαιοσύνη; James i. 5, v. 20 (cf. *Psa.* lxxxv. 2).

*c. 10 ὁ Θεὸς τοὺς ἀνθρώπους ἠγάπησε...οἷς ὑπέταξε πάντα τὰ ἐν τῇ γῆ...οὐς ἐκ τῆς ἰδίας εἰκόνοσ ἐπλασε...οἷς τὴν ἐν οὐρανῷ βασιλείαν ἐπηγγείλατο καὶ δώσει τοῖς ἀγαπήσασιν αὐτόν: James iii. 7, 9, i. 12, ii. 5.

Marcus the Valentinian (fl. 150 A.D.), in a formulary cited by Irenaeus:

*Iren. *Paer.* i. 13. 6 ἰδοὺ ὁ κριτῆς ἐγγύς: James v. 9.

Athenagoras, flourished about A.D. 170.

Apol. c. 24 τῆς κοσμικῆς σοφίας καὶ <τῆς> θεολογικῆς...διαλλαττουσῶν, καὶ τῆς μὲν οὔσης ἐπουρανίου τῆς δὲ ἐπιγείου: James iii. 15.

Acta Johannis (Zahn's ed.) written by Prochorus in the fifth century, but incorporating materials of the second century.¹

*p. 75. 13 foll. μακάριως ἄνθρωπος ὃς οὐκ ἐπείρασεν τὸν Θεὸν ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ αὐτοῦ. ὅμως καὶ τοῖς Ἰσραηλίταις τότε πειράζουσιν τὸν Θεὸν ὁ ἀπείραστος τῇ πείρᾳ ἐκείνων τὴν εὐθύτητα ἐδίδου...καὶ σὺ μὴ πείραζε Θεὸν καὶ οὐ μὴ πειρασθῆς κακοῦ, p. 113. 5 μὴ πείραζε τὸν ἀπείραστον, p. 190. 18 μακάριος ὅστις οὐκ ἐπείρασεν ἐν σοὶ τὸν Θεόν, ὁ γὰρ σὲ πειράζων τὸν ἀπείραστον πειράζει: James i. 13.

*p. 141. 14 ἐρρύσατο αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τοῦ ἰοῦ τοῦ θανατηφόρου: James iii. 8.

*p. 167. 10 εἰς τὸν τῆς διδασκαλίας ὄρον τοῦ θεολόγου παρακύψωμεν: James i. 25.

*p. 170. 20 ὁ πολυεύσπλαγχνος Θεός: James v. 11 (reading of Thl.).

*p. 244 n. ἐὰν περιπέσης πειρασμοῖς μὴ πτοηθῆσῃ: James i. 2.

Irenaeus, d. about 200 A.D.

*iv. 16. 2 *credidit Deo et reputatum est illi ad justitiam et amicus Dei vocatus est*, cf. iv. 13. 4: James ii. 23.

*v. 1. 1 *factores sermonum ejus facti...facti autem initium facturae*: James i. 22, 18.

*iv. 34. 4 *libertatis lex, id est verbum Dei ab apostolis annuntiatum*, iv. 39. † τὰ οὖν ἀποστάνα τοῦ πατρικοῦ φωτὸς καὶ παραβάντα τὸν θεσμόν τῆς ἐλευθερίας παρὰ τὴν αὐτῶν ἀπέστησαν αἰτίαν, cf. iii. 12. 14, iv. 9, 2, iv. 37. 1: James i. 25, ii. 12, i. 17.

Theophilus, d. about 185 A.D.

*i. 15 δεῖξόν μοι τὸν ἄνθρωπόν σου, καὶ γὰρ σοὶ δεῖξω τὸν Θεόν μου: James ii. 18.

ii. 15 οἱ ἐπιφανεῖς ἀστέρες καὶ λαμπροὶ εἰσιν εἰς μίμησιν τῶν προφητῶν · διὰ τοῦτο καὶ μένουσιν ἀκλινεῖς...οἱ δὲ ἑτέραν ἔχοντες τάξιν τῆς λαμπρότητος τύποι εἰσιν τοῦ λαοῦ τῶν δικαίων. Οἱ δ' αὖ μεταβαίνοντες...οἱ καὶ πλάνητες καλούμενοι, καὶ αὐτοὶ τύπος τυγχάνουσιν τῶν ἀφισταμένων ἀνθρώπων ἀπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ: James i. 17 (Jude 13).

Clement of Alexandria (d. about 220 A.D.) is said by Eusebius (*H. E.* vi. 14) to have included in his *Outlines* (ἐν ταῖς ὑποτυπώσεσι) short explanations of all the sacred books μηδὲ τὰς ἀντιλεγόμενας παρελθόν, τὴν Ἰούδα λέγω καὶ τὰς λοιπὰς καθολικὰς ἐπι-

¹ See Salmon, *Introduction to the N. T.*, pp. 378 foll.

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**Comm. in ep. ad Rom.* ii. 13 (Lomm. vi. p. 134) *et fides sine operibus mortua dicitur et ex operibus sine fide nemo apud Deum justificatur:* James ii 17, 26.

**ib.* iv. 1 (Lomm. vi. p. 235) In alio Scripturae loco dicitur de Abraham quod *ex operibus fidei justificatus sit*, cf. *ib.* iv. 3: James ii. 21, 22, 23.

**ib.* iv. 8 Nec solus haec Paulus scribit: audi et Jacobum fratrem Domini similia protestantem cum dicit *Qui voluerit amicus esse saeculi hujus, inimicus Dei constituetur:* James iv. 4.

**ib.* ix. 24 sicut et Jacobus apostolus dicit *Omne datum bonum et omne donum perfectum desursum est descendens a Patre luminum:* James i. 17.

**Hom. in Gen.* viii. 10 Generas autem gaudium si omne gaudium existimaveris cum in tentationes varias incideris et istud gaudium offeras in sacrificium Deo: James i. 2.

**ib.* ii. 6 Omnipotentis Dei misericordiam deprecemur, qui nos non solum auditores verbi sui faciat, sed et factores: James i. 22.

**ib.* i. 7 Ipse ait per prophetam *Appropinquate mihi et appropinquabo vobis, dicit Dominus*, cf. on *Exod.* iii. below: James iv. 8, cf. *Zech.* i. 3.

**Hom. in Exod.* viii. 4 Sed et apostolus Jacobus dicit *Vir duplex animo inconstans est in omnibus viis suis:* James i. 8.

**Hom. in Exod.* iii. 3 Hoc idem Jacobus Apostolus cohortatur, dicens *Resistite autem diabolo et fugiet a vobis*, cf. *Comm. in Rom.* iv. 8, which adds the words *appropinquate Deo et appropinquabit vobis:* James iv. 7, 8.

**Hom. in Lev.* ii. 4 Ita enim dicit scriptura divina *Qui converti fecerit peccatorem ab errore viae suae salvat animam a morte et cooperit multitudinem peccatorum:* James v. 20.

**ib.* Jacobus Apostolus dicit *Si quis autem infirmatur vocet presbyteros ecclesiae et imponant ei manus, ungentes eum oleo in nomine Domini. Et oratio fidei salvabit infirmum, et si in peccatis fuerit remittentur ei:* James v. 14--15.

**ib.* xiii. 3 Jacobus Apostolus dicit *Fructus autem justitiae in pace seminatur:* James iii. 18.

**Hom. in Num.* xviii. 1 Ille erat apud quem non est transmutatio nec commutationis umbra: James i. 17.

**Sel. in Psalm.* cxviii. 6 *Εἰ ὁ πάσας ποιήσας τὰς ἐντολὰς πταίσας δὲ ἐν μιᾷ γίνεται πάντων ἔνοχος, καλῶς γέγραπται Τότε οὐ μὴ αἰσχυρθῶ ἰν τῷ με ἐπιβλέπειν ἐπὶ πάσας τὰς ἐντολὰς σου:* James ii. 10.

**ib.* ver. 153 *Μακάριον ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ ταπεινοῦσθαι. φησὶ γὰρ Ἰάκωβος Ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου καὶ ὑψώσει ὑμᾶς:* James iv. 10.

**ib.* ver. 171 *ὥσπερ τῶν εὐθυμούτων ἐστὶ τὸ ψάλλειν—εὐθυμεῖ γὰρ τις, φησὶν, ἐν ὑμῖν, ψαλλέτω—οὕτω τὸ ὑμνεῖν τῶν θεωρούντων τοὺς λόγους τῶν δικαιωμάτων ἐστίν*, cf. *Sel. in Psalm.* xii. 6, *ib.* xlvi. 7, lxxv. 4: James v. 13.

**ib.* xxxi. 5 *πνεῦμα ἢ γραφή ποτὲ μὲν...τὴν ψυχὴν (καλεῖ), ὡς παρὰ Ἰακώβω Ὡσπερ δὲ τὸ σῶμα χωρὶς πνεύματος νεκρὸν ἐστι:* James ii. 26.

**ib.* xxxvii. 24 Apostolus enim est qui dicit *In multis enim offendimus omnes, et si quis in verbo non offendit, hic perfectus est vir:* James iii. 1, 2.

**Sel. in Jerem.* xlviii. *ὑπερηφάνοις γὰρ ὁ Θεὸς ἀντιτάσσεται*, cf. *Hom. in Ezek.* ix. 2: James iv. 6.

**Princip.* i. 6 *scienti bonum et non facienti peccatum est illi:* James iv. 17.

Tertullian, d. about 230 A.D.

Bapt. 20 Nam et praecesserat dictum, *Neminem intentatum regna caelestia consecuturum* (perhaps said with immediate reference to Matt. v. 10, but the form seems to be coloured by a reminiscence of James i. 12, 13).

**De Orat.* 8 'Ne nos inducas in tentationem,' id est, ne nos patiaris induci ab eo utique qui tentat. ceterum *absit ut Dominus tentare videatur...Diaboli est et infirmitas et malitia:* James i. 13.

**De Orat.* 29 Sed et retro oratio...imbrium utilia prohibebat. Nunc vero oratio justitiae omnem iram Dei avertit, pro inimicis excubat...*Mirum si aquas caelestes extorquere novit, quae potuit et ignes impetrare? Sola est oratio quae Deum vincit.* Sed Christus eam nihil mali novit operari...Itaque nihil novit nisi defunctorum animas de ipso mortis itinere vocare, debiles reformare, aegros remediare...eadem dituit delicta, tentationes repellit...peregrinantes reducit...lapsos erigit: James v. 16—20.

**Adv. Jud.* 2 Unde Abraham amicus Dei deputatus? James ii. 23.

Dionysius of Alexandria, d. 265 A.D.—

**Comm. in Lucam* (Migne Patr. Gr. x. p. 1595), after distinguishing between the phrases ἐπειράσθη and εἰς πειρασμὸν εἰσῆλθεν proceeds ὁ μὲν πονηρὸς εἰς τοὺς πειρασμοὺς καθέλκει οἷα πειραστῆς (? πειραστὸς) κακῶν· ὁ δὲ Θεὸς πειράζων τοὺς πειρασμοὺς περιφέρει ὡς ἀπειραστος κακῶν. ὁ γὰρ Θεός, φησὶν, ἀπειραστός ἐστι κακῶν: James i. 13.

Gregory Thaumaturgus, d. about 270 A.D.—

**Fragment quoted in Catena* (Westcott Can. p. 437) δῆλον γὰρ ὡς πᾶν ἀγαθὸν τέλειον θεόθεν ἔρχεται: James i. 17.

Clementine Homilies, early in the third century.

*iii. 55 τοῖς δὲ οἰομένοις ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς πειράζει...ἔφη Ὁ πονηρὸς ἐστὶν ὁ πειράζων, ὁ καὶ αὐτὸν πειράσας: James i. 13.

iii. 54 (ἡ ἀλήθεια ἢ σώζουσα) ἦν καὶ ἔστιν ἐν τῷ Ἰησοῦ ἡμῶν λόγῳ, cf. μεταλαβεῖν τὸν τῆς ἀληθείας λόγον i. 16, σώζειν δυνάμενοι λόγοι, *Ep. ad Jac.* 5, 6, λόγοι ζωοποιοί, *Ep. ad Jac.* 19: James i. 18, 21.

*xi. 4 ὁ εἰς Θεὸν εὐσεβεῖν θέλων ἄνθρωπον εὐεργετεῖ ὅτι εἰκόνα Θεοῦ τὸ ἀνθρώπου βαστάζει σῶμα...τιμὴν οὖν τῆ τοῦ Θεοῦ εἰκόνι...προσφέρειν δεῖ οὕτως, πεινῶντι τροφήν, διψῶντι ποτόν κ.τ.λ., iii. 17 ὁ εἰκόνα καὶ ταῦτα αἰωνίου βασιλέως ὑβρίσας τὴν ἀμαρτίαν εἰς ἐκείνον ἀναφερομένην ἔχει οὐπερ καθ' ὁμοίωσιν ἢ εἰκῶν ἐτύγχανεν οὔσα, xvii. 7 ὁ αὐτὸν σέβειν θέλων τὴν ὁρατὴν αὐτοῦ τιμᾶ εἰκόνα, ὅπερ ἐστὶν ἄνθρωπος· ὅτι ἂν οὖν τις ποιήσῃ ἀνθρώπῳ, εἴτε ἀγαθὸν εἴτε κακόν, εἰς ἐκείνον ἀναφέρεται: James iii. 9.

*viii. 7 οὐ γὰρ ὠφελήσει τινὰ τὸ λέγειν ἀλλὰ το ποιεῖν· ἐκ παντὸς οὖν τρόπου καλῶν ἔργων χρεία: James ii. 14, i. 22.

*vii. 8 ἡ δὲ ὑπ' αὐτοῦ (τοῦ Θεοῦ) ὀρισθεῖσα θρησκεία ἐστὶν αὕτη· τὸ μόνον αὐτὸν σέβειν καὶ τῷ τῆς ἀληθείας μόνῳ πιστεύειν προφήτῃ...μὴ ἀκαθάρτως βιοῦν...πάντας δὲ σωφρονεῖν, εὐποιεῖν, μὴ ἀδικεῖν· παρὰ τοῦ πάντα δυναμένου Θεοῦ ζῶν αἰώνιον προσδοκᾶν, εὐχαῖς καὶ δεήσεσιν συνεχέσιν αἰτουμένους αὐτὴν λαβεῖν: James i. 27, 5, 6, 12, 18.

viii. 6 μιᾶς δι' ἀμφοτέρων (Ἰησοῦ καὶ Μωυσέως) διδασκαλίας οὔσης τὸν τούτων τινὲ πεπιστευκότα ὁ Θεὸς ἀποδέχεται· ἀλλὰ τὸ πιστεύειν τῷ διδασκάλῳ ἔνεκα τοῦ ποιεῖν τὰ ὑπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ λεγόμενα γίνεται: James i. 25, ii. 8, 10—12, iv. 11.

xi. 11 ἔχθρα τίς ἐστὶν Θεῷ ἐν ὑμῖν ἄλογος ἐπιθυμία: James iv. 4, 1, i. 14.

*iii. 55 ἔστω ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναί, καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ: James v. 12.

*xiii. 16 καλῶ ἐσόπτρῳ ὁρᾷ εἰς τὸν Θεὸν ἐμβλέπουσα: James i. 23.

Ep. ad Jac. 11 διὸ προφήτου ἀληθῶς ὄντες μαθηταί, ἀποθέμενοι τὴν διχόνοιαν, ἐξ ἧς γίνεται ἡ κακοπραξία, προθύμως τὸ εὐποιεῖν ἀναδέξασθε: James i. 21—23, 8, iv. 8.

Constitutiones Apostolicae, a compilation of the fourth century, portions of which belong to a much earlier date.

*i. 23 μηδὲ ἐπιτετηδευμένη σὺ τῇ ἐσθῆτι χρῆση εἰς ἀπάτην...μηδε χρυσήλατον σφενδόνην τοῖς δακτύλοις σου περιθῆς· ὅτι ταῦτα πάντα ἐταιρισμοῦ τεκμήρια ὑπάρχει· James ii. 2.

*ii. 6 ἔστω δὲ ὁ ἐπίσκοπος...μη πλεονέκτης...μη φιλοπλούσιος, μη μισόπτωχος, μη κατάλαλος...μη θυμώδης...μη ταῖς τοῦ βίου πραγματείαις συμπεπλεγμένος...μη δίγνωμος, μη δίγλωσσος...ὅτι πάντα τὰ τοιαῦτα ἐχθρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ ὑπάρχει καὶ δαιμόνων φίλα· James ii. 1—7, iv. 11, i. 20, 27, 8, iii. 9.

*ii. 36 μὴ κρίναι τὸν ἐπίσκοπόν σου ἢ τὸν συλλαϊκόν· ἐὰν γὰρ κρίνης τὸν ἀδελφόν, κριτῆς ἐγένου, μηδενός σε προχειρισαμένου· James iv. 11, 12.

ii. 37 ὕπου δὲ ὀργή, ἐκεῖ ὁ Κύριος οὐκ ἔστιν· James i. 20.

*ii. 58 εἰ δὲ ἐν τῷ καθέζεσθαι ἕτερός τις ἐπέλθοι εὐσχήμων καὶ ἔνδοξος ἐν τῷ βίῳ, σὺ ὁ ἐπίσκοπος μὴ προσωποληπτῶν καταλίπης τὴν διακοίαν τοῦ λόγου ἵνα διατάξῃ αὐτῷ προεδρίαν, ἀλλὰ μένε ἡσύχιος...οἱ δὲ ἀδελφοὶ διὰ τῶν διακόνων παραδεχέσθωσαν αὐτόν...εἰ δὲ πτωχὸς ἢ ἀγενὴς...ἐπέλθοι...καὶ τούτοις τόπον ποιήσει ἐξ ὅλης τῆς καρδίας ὁ διάκονος, ἵνα μὴ πρὸς ἄνθρωπον αὐτοῦ γένηται ἡ προσωπόληψις ἀλλὰ πρὸς Θεὸν ἡ διακονία εὐάρεστος. τὸ δὲ αὐτὸ ποιεῖτω καὶ ἡ διάκονος ταῖς ἐπερχομέναις γυναῖξιν πτωχαῖς ἢτοι πλουσίαις· James ii. 1—4, i. 27.

*ii. 8 ἀνὴρ ἀδόκιμος ἀπείραστος παρὰ Θεῷ· James i. 12, 13.

Lactantius, fl. 300 A.D.—

**Epitome* c. 65 *si enim ficti ab uno Deo et orti ab uno homine, consanguinitatis jure sociamur; omnem igitur hominem diligere debemus...Si quis victu indiget, impertiamus; si quis nudus occurrit vestiamus. Pupillis defensio, viduis tutela nostra non desit...Magnum misericordiae opus est aegros pauperes visere atque refovere. Haec...si quis obierit, verum et acceptum sacrificium Deo immolavit...Deus quia justus est suamet ipsum lege, et sua condicione prosequitur: miseretur ejus quem viderit misericordem: inexorabilis est ei quem precantibus cernit immitem...contemnenda est pecunia et ad caelestes transferenda thesauros ubi nec fur effodiat nec rubigo consumat: James iii. 9, ii. 8, 15, 16, i. 27, ii. 13.*

Instit. v. 1. 9 *si lucrari hos a morte...non potuerimus, si ab illo itinere devio ad vitam lucemque revocare, quoniam ipsi salutis suae repugnant; nostros tamen confirmabimus: James v. 19, 20.*

**Instit.* vii. 21 *daemones reformidant quia torquentur ab eo ac puniuntur: James ii. 19.*

Athanasius, d. 373—

**De Decretis Nic. Syn.* 4 *τὴν ἐλευθερίαν τῆς ἐαυτῶν ψυχῆς ἄλλοις προπίνοντες τούτους καὶ καθηγεμόνας τῆς αἵρέσεως ἔχειν ἐθέλουσιν, ἀνθρώπους, ὡς εἶπεν ὁ Ἰάκωβος διψύχους καὶ ἀκαταστάτους ὄντας ἐν πάσαις ταῖς ὁδοῖς αὐτῶν καὶ μὴ μίαν μὲν ἔχοντας γνώμην ἄλλοτε δὲ ἄλλως μεταβαλλομένους: James i. 8.*

**Orat. tert. c. Arian* 6 *καθὼς Ἰάκωβος ὁ ἀπόστολος διδάσκων ἔλεγε, βουληθεῖς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας: James i. 18.*

**Ep. ad Afr.* 8 *ἀπλῆ γὰρ ἐστὶν οὐσία ἐν ἣ οὐκ ἔνι ποιότης οὐδέ, ὡς εἶπεν ὁ Ἰάκωβος, παραλλαγὴ τις ἢ τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα: James i. 17.*

And elsewhere. See above on his canon of the N. T.

Chrysostom, A.D. 347—407.

One quotation will be enough to show how highly he esteemed St. James. For his comments on our Epistle, see the *Fragmenta in Ep. Cath.* in Migne *Patr. Gr.* p. 64.

Orat. de Paenit. v. καὶ εἰ βούλεσθε παράξω ὑμῖν ἀξιόπιστον μάρτυρα, τὸν ἀδελφόθεον Ἰάκωβον φάσκοντα· ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων νεκρά ἐστὶ.

Lastly Didymus (d. 394), the head of the catechetical school at Alexandria, who taught Jerome and Rufinus, has left brief comments on all the Catholic Epistles. Within three years of his death the Western Church also, at the Council of Carthage (397), had formally pronounced on the Canonical character of the Epistle, which is quoted like the other Scriptures by Jerome and Augustine, see Bp. Wordsworth in *Stud. Bibl.* I. 128, 129.

CHAPTER III

THE RELATION OF THE EPISTLE TO EARLIER WRITERS

- (1) *Canonical Books of the Old Testament.* (2) *Apocrypha.*
(3) *Philo.* (4) *Greek Philosophers.*

(1) *Canonical Books of the Old Testament.*

Genesis—

Besides the general reference to the history of Abraham in James ii. 21—23, on which compare especially Gen. xxii. 1—18, we have in James ii. 23 a quotation from Gen. xv. 6 *καὶ ἐπίστευσεν Ἀβραὰμ τῷ Θεῷ καὶ ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην*, only reading as in Rom. iv. 3, Philo, &c, *ἐπίστευσεν δέ* for *καὶ ἐπ.* [The Hebrew here has the active 'God counted it to him.'] It is probable also that *φίλος Θεοῦ ἐκλήθη* in the same verse of James is a quotation from Gen. xviii. 17 *οὐ μὴ κρύψω ἀπὸ Ἀβραὰμ τοῦ παιδός μου*, where Philo reads *τοῦ φίλου μου*: see the notes.

i. 26 *καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Θεός Ποιήσωμεν ἄνθρωπον κατ' εἰκόνα ἡμετέραν καὶ καθ' ὁμοίωσιν καὶ ἀρχέτωσαν τῶν ἰχθύων τῆς θαλάσσης καὶ τῶν πετεινῶν τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καὶ τῶν κτηνῶν καὶ πάσης τῆς γῆς καὶ πάντων τῶν ἔρπετῶν τῶν ἐρπόντων ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.* This is the source of two verses in James: iii. 9 *ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν τὸν Κύριον καὶ Πατέρα, καὶ ἐν αὐτῇ καταρώμεθα τοὺς ἀνθρώπους τοὺς καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας* (which should also be compared with Gen. ix. 6, as tracing back our duty towards our fellow-men to our common participation in the divine image), and iii. 7 *πᾶσα γὰρ φύσις θηρίων τε καὶ πετεινῶν, ἔρπετῶν τε καὶ ἐναλίων, δαμάζεται καὶ δεδάμασται τῇ φύσει τῇ ἀνθρωπίνῃ*, for the classification of animals and their subjugation to man. With this should be compared Gen. ix. 2.

iv. 10 *φωνὴ αἵματος τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ βοᾷ πρὸς με ἐκ τῆς γῆς*, cf. below Deut. xxiv. 15.

Exodus—

ii. 23 see below on Deut. xxiv. 15.

xx. 5 *Θεὸς ζηλωτής*, see below on Deut. iv. 24.

xx. 13 The LXX. here puts the seventh commandment before the sixth, as

in James ii. 11 and Luke xviii. 20. The two latter, however, change the οὐ μοιχεύσεις of the former (which is preserved in Matt. v. 27) into μὴ μοιχεύσης.

xxii. 22 πᾶσαν χήραν καὶ ὀρφανὸν οὐ κακώσετε: James i. 27, cf. Deut. xxiv. 17.

Leviticus—

xix. 13 οὐκ ἀδικήσεις τὸν πλησίον... καὶ οὐ μὴ κοιμηθήσεται ὁ μισθὸς τοῦ μισθωτοῦ σου παρὰ σοὶ ἕως πρωῆς, cf. below Deut. xxiv. 15.

xix. 15 οὐ λήψῃ πρόσωπον πτωχοῦ οὐδὲ μὴ θαυμάσης πρόσωπον δυναστοῦ· ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ κρινεῖς τὸν πλησίον σου: apparently the earliest use of the phrase λαμβάνειν πρόσωπον, referred to in James ii. 1, 9.

*xix. 18 ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτόν, quoted literally in James ii. 8, as in Matt. xxii. 39.

Numbers—

xv. 30 καὶ ψυχὴ ἥτις ποιήσῃ ἐν χειρὶ ὑπερηφανίας, τὸν Θεὸν οὗτος παροξυνεῖ, James iv. 6.

Deuteronomy—

iv. 7 ποῖον ἔθνος μέγα ᾧ ἐστὶν αὐτῷ Θεὸς ἐγγίζων, and ver. 4 ὑμεῖς οἱ προσκείμενοι Κυρίῳ τῷ Θεῷ ὑμῶν ζητεῖτε πάντες: James iv. 8 ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ καὶ ἐγγίσει ὑμῖν.

iv. 24 Κύριος ὁ Θεός σου πῦρ καταναλίσκων ἐστί, Θεὸς ζηλωτής, Deut. xxxii. 11 foll. ὡς ἀετὸς... ἐπὶ τοῖς νέσσοις αὐτοῦ ἐπεπόθησε, ver. 16 παρώξυνάν με ἐπ' ἀλλοτρίοις, ver. 19 καὶ εἶδε Κύριος καὶ ἐζήλωσε, ver. 21: James iv. 4, 5 μοιχαλίδες οὐκ οἴδατε ὅτι ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν;... ἢ δοκεῖτε ὅτι κενῶς ἡ γραφὴ λέγει Πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ κατώκισεν ἐν ἡμῖν;

vi. 4 ἄκουε Ἰσραὴλ, Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν εἷς ἐστίν, quoted exactly in Mark xii. 29, referred to in James ii. 19.

xi. 14 δώσει τὸν ὑετὸν τῇ γῆ σου καθ' ὥραν πρώϊμον κ. ὄψιμον, cf. Hos. vi. 4, Jer. v. 24, Joel ii. 23, Zech. x. 1: James v. 7.

xiv. 2 καὶ σε ἐξελέξατο Κύριος ὁ Θεός σου γενέσθαι σε λαὸν αὐτῷ περιούσιον: James ii. 5.

xxiv. 15 αὐθημερὸν ἀποδώσεις τὸν μισθὸν αὐτοῦ... ὅτι πένης ἐστὶ καὶ... καταβοήσεται κατὰ σοῦ πρὸς Κύριον καὶ ἔσται ἐν σοὶ ἁμαρτία, Exod. ii. 23 ἀνέβη ἡ βοή αὐτῶν πρὸς τὸν Θεόν, Jer. xxii. 13, Mal. iii. 5: James v. 4 ἰδοὺ ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας ὑμῶν, ὁ ἀφυστερημένος ἀφ' ὑμῶν, κράζει· καὶ αἱ βοαὶ τῶν θερισάντων εἰς τὰ ὦτα Κυρίου Σαβυῶθ εἰσελήλυθαν, iv. 17 ἁμαρτία αὐτῷ ἐστίν.

xxviii. 58 τὸ ὄνομα τὸ ἔντιμον, τὸ θαυμαστὸν τοῦτο, Κύριον τὸν Θεόν σου: James ii. 7 τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα.

xxxii. 18 Θεὸν τὸν γεννήσαντά σε ἐγκατέλιπες: James i. 18.

xxxii. 36—39 ἐγὼ ἀποκτείνω καὶ ζῆν ποιήσω: James iv. 12, cf. ver. 6.

Joshua—

ii. esp. verses 5, 11, 12, 15, 16: referred to in James ii. 25 ὁμοίως καὶ Ῥαὰβ ἡ π' ῤνη οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη ἵποδεξαμένη τοὺς ἀγγέλους καὶ ἐτέρα ὁδῷ ἐκβαλοῦσα and Heb. xi. 31.

I. Kings—

iii. 9—12 (prayer of Solomon): James i. 5 εἴ τις λείπεται σοφίας αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς.

xviii. 1, 42 (prayer of Elijah): James v. 17, 18, and Luke iv. 25.

2 Chron. xx. 7 Art not thou our Father who gavest it (the land) to Abraham thy friend (Heb.): James ii. 23.

Job. The general moral of this book, that patient endurance of affliction leads to wisdom and to final happiness, is also that enforced in the Epistle of James: see especially xlii. 12 ὁ δὲ Κύριος εὐλόγησε τὰ ἔσχατα Ἰὼβ ἢ τὰ ἔμπροσθεν: James v. 11 τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰὼβ ἠκούσατε καὶ τὸ τέλος Κυρίου εἶδετε.

vii. 9 ὡς περ νέφος ἀποκαθαρθὲν ἀπ' οὐρανοῦ κ.τ.λ.: James iv. 14.

xiii. 28 παλαιοῦται...ὡς περ ἰμάτιον σητόβρωτον: James v. 2 τὰ ἰμάτια ὑμῶν σητόβρωτα γέγονεν.

xxiv. 24 πολλοὺς γὰρ ἐκάκωσε τὸ ὕψωμα αὐτοῦ, ἐμαράνθη δὲ ὡς περ μολόχη ἐν καύματι ἢ ὡς περ στάχυς ἀπὸ καλάμης αὐτόματος ἀποπεσών; *ib.* xxvii. 21 ἀναλήψεται δὲ αὐτὸν (τὸν πλούσιον) καύσων καὶ ἀπελεύσεται, cf. below, Jonah iv. 8: James i. 10, 11 (ὁ πλούσιος) ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρελεύσεται· ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος σὺν τῷ καύσωνι καὶ ἐξήρανε τὸν χόρτον καὶ τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ ἐξέπεσεν...οὕτως καὶ ὁ πλούσιος μαρανθήσεται.

xxxiii. 23 ἄγγελοι θανατηφόροι (not in the Heb.): James iii. 8 (γλῶσσα) μεστή τοῦ θανατηφόρου.

Psalms—

vii. 14 ὠδίνησεν ἀδικίαν, συνέλαβε πόνον, καὶ ἔτεκεν ἄνομίαν: James i. 15 ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκει ἀμαρτίαν.

xii. 2 ἐν καρδίᾳ καὶ ἐν καρδίᾳ ἐλάλησαν: James i. 8 δίψυχος.

xxiv. 4 ἀθῶος χερσὶ καὶ καθαρὸς τῇ καρδίᾳ, cf. lxxiii. 13: James iv. 8 καθάρισατε χεῖρας, ἀμαρτωλοί, καὶ ἀγνίσατε καρδίας, δίψυχοι.

l. 20 κατὰ τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ σου κατελάλεις: James iv. 11 ὁ καταλαλῶν ἀδελφοῦ...καταλαλεῖ νόμον.

lxxiii. 13, 14 ὁ Θεὸς μου τοῦ αὐτοῦ ὡς τροχὸν...ὡσεὶ πῦρ ὁ διαφλέξει δρυμόν, ὡσεὶ φλόξ κατακαῦσαι ὄρη: James iii. 5 ἠλίκον πῦρ ἠλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει, ver. 6 φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως.

lxxxv. 9 ἐγγὺς τῶν φοβουμένων αὐτὸν τὸ σωτήριον αὐτοῦ, τοῦ κατασκηνώσαι δόξαν ἐν τῇ γῇ ἡμῶν: James ii. 1 τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, τῆς δόξης.

ciii. 8 οἰκτίρμων καὶ ἐλεήμων ὁ Κύριος, μακρόθυμος καὶ πολυέλεος, cf. Joel ii. 13, Ps. lxxxvi. 15, Exod. xxxiv. 6: James v. 11 πολὺσπλαγχνός ἐστιν ὁ Κύριος κ. οἰκτίρμων.

cxix. 45 'I will walk at liberty, for I seek thy precepts': James i. 25 νόμος ἐλευθερίας.

cxvii. 6, 7 (sowing in tears, reaping in joy): James v. 7, see below on Hos. vi. 1—3.

cxl. 3 ἠκόνησαν γλῶσσαν αὐτῶν ὡσεὶ ὄφρα, ἰὸς ἀσπίδων ὑπὸ τὰ χεῖλη αὐτῶν: James iii. 8.

Proverbs—

ii. 6 Θεὸς δίδωσι σοφίαν: James i. 5 εἴ τις λείπεται σοφίας αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ δίδοντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν.

iii. 34 Κύριος ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσι χάριν: quoted literally (except for the change of Κύριος into ὁ Θεός) in James iv. 6 and 1 Pet. v. 5.

x. 12 'Hatred stirreth up strife, but love covereth all sins' (LXX. μῖσος ἐγείρει νεῖκος, πάντας δὲ τοὺς μὴ φιλονεικοῦντας καλύπτει φιλία): James v. 20 ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρτωλὸν...καλύψει πλῆθος ἀμαρτιῶν, cf. 1 Pet. iv. 8

x. 19 ἐκ πολυλογίας οὐκ ἐκφύξῃ ἀμαρτίαν, cf. xii. 13 δι' ἀμαρτίαν

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Ixi. 1 τὸ πνεῦμα Κυρίου ἐπ' ἐμέ...εὐαγγελίσασθαι πτωχοῖς ἀπέσταλκέ με, cf. xxix. 19: James ii. 5 ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ κληρονόμους τῆς βασιλείας.

Jeremiah—

ix. 23 μὴ καυχᾶσθω ὁ σοφὸς ἐν τῇ σοφίᾳ αὐτοῦ καὶ μὴ καυχᾶσθω ὁ ἰσχυρὸς ἐν τῇ ἰσχύϊ αὐτοῦ καὶ μὴ καυχᾶσθω ὁ πλούσιος ἐν τῷ πλούτῳ αὐτοῦ, ἀλλ' ἢ ἐν τούτῳ καυχᾶσθω ὁ καυχώμενος, συνιεῖν καὶ γινώσκειν ὅτι ἐγὼ εἰμὶ Κύριος ὁ ποιῶν ἔλεος καὶ κρίμα καὶ δικαιοσύνην ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, ὅτι ἐν τούτοις τὸ θέλημά μου, λέγει Κύριος: James i. 9, 10 καυχᾶσθω δὲ ὁ ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ, ὁ δὲ πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ, i. 18 βουληθεὶς κ.τ.λ., ii. 13, v. 11.

xii. 3 ἄγνισον αὐτοὺς εἰς ἡμέραν σφαγῆς: James v. 5.

xxv. (xxxii.) 34 ἀλαλάξατε...καὶ κεκράξατε καὶ κόπτεσθε...ὅτι ἐπληρώθησαν αἱ ἡμέραι ὑμῶν εἰς σφαγὴν, xii. 3 ἄγνισον αὐτοὺς εἰς ἡμέραν σφαγῆς αὐτῶν: James v. 1 κλαύσατε ὀλολύζοντες ἐπὶ ταῖς ταλαιπωρίαις ὑμῶν ταῖς ἐπερχομέναις, *ib.* ver. 5 ἐθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς, *ib.* iv. 9 ταλαιπωρήσατε καὶ πενθήσατε καὶ κλαύσατε.

Ezekiel—

xxxiii. 31, 32 ἀκούουσι τὰ ῥήματά σου καὶ αὐτὰ οὐ μὴ ποιήσουσιν: James. i. 22 23 γίνεσθε δὲ ποιηταὶ λόγου καὶ μὴ ἀκροαταὶ μόνον.

Daniel—

*xii. 12 μακάριος ὁ ὑπομένων: James v. 11 ἰδοὺ μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομένοντας, *ib.* i. 12.

Hosea—

i. 6. ἀντιτασσόμενος ἀντιτάξομαι αὐτοῖς, cf. Prov. iii. 34: James iv. 6.

vi. 1—4 'Come and let us return unto the Lord, for He hath torn and He will heal us'...καὶ ἤξει ὡς ὑετὸς ἡμῖν πρῶϊμος καὶ ὄψιμος: James v. 7 μακροθυμήσατε οὖν ἀδελφοὶ ἕως τῆς παρουσίας τοῦ Κυρίου. Ἴδου ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν τῆς γῆς μακροθυμῶν ἐπ' αὐτῷ ἕως λάβῃ προῖμον καὶ ὄψιμον.

vi. 6 ἔλεος θέλω ἢ θυσίαν: James ii. 13.

Joel—

ii. 1 κηρύξατε...διότι πάρεστιν ἡμέρα Κυρίου, ὅτι ἐγγύς: James v. 8 στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν ὅτι ἡ παρουσία τοῦ Κυρίου ἤγγικε.

Amos—

iii. 10 'They know not to do right who store up violence and robbery in their palaces' οἱ θησαυρίζουτες ἀδικίαν καὶ ταλαιπωρίαν ἐν ταῖς χώραις αὐτῶν: James v. 3, 4 ἐθησαυρίσατε ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις: ἰδοὺ ὁ μισθὸς...τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας ὑμῶν...κράζει.

ix. 12 ὅπως ἐκζητήσωσιν οἱ κατάλοιποι τῶν ἀνθρώπων καὶ πάντα τὰ ἔθνη ἐφ' οὓς ἐπικέκληται τὸ ὄνομά μου ἐπ' αὐτούς, λέγει Κύριος: James ii. 7 τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς. The verse is quoted with slight varieties in the speech of St. James (Acts xv. 17).

Jonah—

iv. 8 καὶ ἐγένετο ἄρα τῷ ἀνατεῖλαι τὸν ἥλιον καὶ προσέταξεν ὁ Θεὸς πνεύματι καύσωνι συγκαίοντι, καὶ ἐπάταξεν ὁ ἥλιος ἐπὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν τοῦ Ἰωνᾶ, see above on Job xxiv. 24: James i. 11.

Micah—

vi. 5 ἡ δικαιοσύνη τοῦ Κυρίου is said to consist, not in ritual or offerings, but in doing justly and loving mercy: James i. 20 ὄργη γὰρ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται, cf. ver. 27.

Zechariah—

i. 3 ἐπιστρέψατε πρὸς μέ, λέγει Κύριος τῶν δυνάμεων καὶ ἐπιστραφήσομαι πρὸς ὑμᾶς: James iv. 8 cited above on Deut. iv. 7.

i. 14—16 τάδε λέγει Κύριος, Ἐζήλωκα τὴν Ἱερουσαλήμ καὶ τὴν Σιών ζῆλον μέγαν...διὰ τοῦτο λέγει Κύριος Ἐπιστρέψω ἐπὶ Ἱερουσαλήμ ἐν οἰκτιρμῶ, καὶ ὁ οἶκός μου ἀνοικοδομηθήσεται ἐν αὐτῇ, *ib.* viii. 2, 3: James iv. 6 quoted above on Isa. liv. 5.

ii. 5 'I will be the glory in the midst of her' (LXX. εἰς δόξαν): James ii. 1 quoted on Psa. lxxxv. 9.

vi. 14 ὁ δὲ στέφανος ἔσται τοῖς ὑπομένουσι (Hebrew different): James i. 12 μακάριος ἀνὴρ ὃς ὑπομένει πειρασμὸν ὅτι δόκιμος γενόμενος λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς.

x. 1 αἰτείσθε παρὰ Κυρίου ὑετὸν καθ' ὥραν πρῶϊμον καὶ ὄψιμον: James v. 7.

xiii. 9 δοκιμῶ αὐτοὺς ὡς δοκιμάζεται τὸ χρυσίον, cf. Mal. iii. 3: James i. 3, 12.

Malachi—

ii. 6 ἐν εἰρήνῃ κατευθύνων ἐπορεύθη μετ' ἐμοῦ καὶ πολλοὺς ἐπέστρεψεν ἀπὸ ἀδικίας: James iii. 18 quoted above on Prov. xi. 30.

iii. 5 ἔσομαι μάρτυς...ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀποστεροῦντας μισθὸν μισθωτοὶ καὶ τοὺς καταδυναστεύοντας χήραν καὶ τοὺς κονδυλίζοντας ὀρφανοὺς...καὶ τοὺς μὴ φοβουμένους με, λέγει Κύριος παντοκράτωρ: James v. 3, 4 quoted above on Amos iii. 10, Deut. xxiv. 15, also James i. 27, ii. 6, cf. above Exod. xxii. 22.

iii. 6 ἐγὼ Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ὑμῶν καὶ οὐκ ἠλλοίωμαι: James i. 17, cf. Numb. xxiii. 19.

iv. 2 ἥλιος δικαιοσύνης: James i. 17.

(2) APOCRYPHA.

Wisdom of Jesus, Son of Sirach—

Beside the general resemblance between this book and the Epistle of St. James on the use of the Tongue, seen in Sir. xix. 6—12, xx. 4—7, 17—19, xxxv. 5—10, xxviii. 13—26 as compared with James iii., we may notice the following closer resemblances.

i. 19 οὐ δυνήσεται θυμώδης ἀνὴρ (al. θυμὸς ἄδικος) δικαιοθῆναι, ἡ γὰρ ῥοπή τοῦ θυμοῦ αὐτοῦ πτώσις αὐτῶ: James i. 20.

i. 25 μὴ προσέλθης Κυρίῳ ἐν καρδίᾳ δίσση, *ib.* ii. 12—14 οὐαὶ...ἀμαρτωλῶ ἐπιβαίνοντι ἐπὶ δύο τρίβους: οὐαὶ καρδίᾳ παρειμένη, ὅτι οὐ πιστεύει, οὐαὶ ὑμῖν τοῖς ἀπολωλεκόσι τὴν ὑπομονήν, *ib.* v. 9. 10 μὴ πορεύου ἐν πάσῃ ἀτραπῶ: οὕτως ὁ ἀμαρτωλὸς ὁ δίγλωσσος: ἴσθι ἐστηριγμένος ἐν συνέσει σου, καὶ εἰς ἔστω σου ὁ λόγος: James i. 8, v. 8.

ii. 1—6 εἰ προσέρχῃ δουλεύειν Κυρίῳ ἐτοίμασον τὴν ψυχὴν σου...εἰς πειρασμόν...καὶ ἐν ἀλλάγμασι ταπεινώσεώς σου μακροθύμησον, ὅτι ἐν πυρὶ δοκιμάζεται χρυσός, *ib.* iv. 17, 18 (ἡ σοφία) βασανίσει αὐτὸν ἐν παιδείᾳ αὐτῆς ἕως οὗ ἐμπιστεύσῃ τῇ ψυχῇ αὐτοῦ, καὶ πειράσει αὐτὸν ἐν τοῖς δικαιώμασιν αὐτῆς, καὶ πάλιν...ἀποκαλύψει αὐτῶ τὰ κρυπτὰ αὐτῆς, xxxi. 9. 10 ὁ πολύπειρος ἐκδιηγῆσεται σύνεσιν: ὃς οὐκ ἐπειράθη ὀλίγα οἶδεν: James i. 2.

iii. 17 ἐν πραύτητι τὰ ἔργα σου δέξαγε: James iii. 13.

iii. 18 ὅσῳ μέγας εἶ, τοσοῦτῳ ταπεινοῦ σε αὐτόν, καὶ ἔναντι Κυρίου εὐρήσεις χάριν, *ib.* x. 21 πλούσιος καὶ ἔνδοξος καὶ πτωχός, τὸ καύχημα αὐτῶν φόβος Κυρίου: James i. 9, 10.

iv. 1—6 τὴν ζωὴν τοῦ πτωχοῦ μὴ ἀποστερήσης... ἀπὸ δεομένου μὴ ἀποστρέψῃς ὀφθαλμόν καὶ ρῆ δῶς τόπον ἀνθρώπῳ καταράσασθαί σε· καταρωμένου γάρ σε ἐν πικρία ψυχῆς αὐτοῦ τῆς δεήσεως αὐτοῦ ἐπακούσεται ὁ ποιήσας αὐτόν, *ib.* xxxii. 13, 17: James v. 4, ii. 15, 16.

iv. 10 γίνου ὀρφανοῖς ὡς πατήρ καὶ ἀντὶ ἀνδρὸς τῆ μητρὶ αὐτῶν, καὶ ἔση ὡς υἱὸς Ὑψίστου: James i. 27.

iv. 29 μὴ γίνου τραχὺς (*al.* ταχύς) ἐν γλώσση σου καὶ νωθρὸς καὶ παρεμένος ἐν τοῖς ἔργοις σου, *ib.* v. 11 γίνου ταχύς ἐν ἀκροάσει σου, καὶ ἐν μακροθυμίᾳ φθέγγου ἀπόκρισιν: James i. 19, ii. 14—26.

v. 13 δόξα καὶ ἀτιμία ἐν λαλιᾷ, καὶ γλώσσα ἀνθρώπου πτώσις αὐτῷ, *ib.* xix. 16 τίς οὐχ ἠμάρτησεν ἐν τῇ γλώσση αὐτοῦ; *ib.* xiv. 1 μακάριος ἀνὴρ ὃς οὐκ ὠλίσθησεν ἐν στόματι αὐτοῦ, *ib.* xxii. 25 τίς δώσει ἐπὶ στόμα μου φυλακὴν... ἵνα ρῆ πέσω ἀπ' αὐτῆς, καὶ ἡ γλώσσά μου ἀπολέση με, *ib.* xxv. 8, xxviii. 26: James iii. 2.

vi. 18 ὡς ὁ ἀροτριῶν καὶ ὁ σπείρων προσέλθε αὐτῇ (σοφίᾳ), καὶ ἀνάμενε τοὺς ἀγαθοὺς καρποὺς αὐτῆς: James v. 7.

vii. 10 ρῆ ὀλιγοψυχῆσης ἐν τῇ προσευχῇ σου: James i. 6.

x. 7 μισητὴ ἔναντι Κυρίου καὶ ἀνθρώπων ὑπερηφανία, *ver.* 9 τί ὑπερηφανεύεται γῆ καὶ σποδός; *ver.* 12 ἀρχὴ ὑπερηφανίας ἀνθρώπου ἀποσταμένου ἀπὸ Κυρίου, καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ ποιήσαντος αὐτόν ἀπέστη ἡ καρδιά αὐτοῦ, *ver.* 18 οὐκ ἔκτισται ἀνθρώποις ὑπερηφανία, *ib.* xiii. 19 βδέλυγμα ὑπερηφάνῳ ταπεινότης, *ib.* xv. 8 ἡ σοφία μακρὰν ἐστὶν ὑπερηφανίας: James iv. 6.

x. 22 οὐ δίκαιον ἀτιμάσαι πτωχὸν συνετὸν καὶ οὐ καθήκει δοξάσαι ἄνδρα ἀμαρτωλόν: James ii. 2, 3, 6.

x. 10 βασιλεὺς σήμερον καὶ αὔριον τελευτήσῃ, *ib.* xi. 16, 17 (where the rich oppressor says) εὗρον ἀνάπαυσιν καὶ νῦν φάγομαι ἐκ τῶν ἀγαθῶν μου, καὶ οὐκ οἶδε τίς καιρὸς παρελεύσεται καὶ καταλείψει αὐτὰ ἑτέροις καὶ ἀποθανεῖται: James iv. 14.

xi. 25 κάκωσις ὤμας ἐπιλησμονὴν ποιεῖ τρυφῆς: James i. 25.

xii. 11 ἔση αὐτῷ ὡς ἐκμεμαχὼς ἔσοπτρον: James i. 23.

xiv. 23 (μακάριος ἀνὴρ) ὁ παρακύπτων διὰ τῶν θυρίδων αὐτῆς (σοφίας): James i. 25.

xv. 6 (ὁ φοβούμενος Κύριον) εὐφροσύνην καὶ στέφανον ἀγαλλιήματος καὶ ὄνομα αἰῶνος κατακληρονομήσει: James i. 12.

xv. 11—20 ρῆ εἶπῃς ὅτι διὰ Κύριον ἀπέστην· ἃ γὰρ ἐμίσησεν οὐ ποιήσεις· ρῆ εἶπῃς ὅτι αὐτός με ἐπλάνησεν, οὐ γὰρ χρεῖαν ἔχει ἀνδρὸς ἀμαρτωλοῦ. πᾶν βδέλυγμα ἐμίσησεν ὁ Κύριος... αὐτὸς ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἐποίησεν ἄνθρωπον καὶ ἀφῆκεν αὐτόν ἐν χειρὶ διαβουλίου αὐτοῦ... ἔναντι ἀνθρώπων ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ὁ θάνατος καὶ ὁ ἐὰν εὐδοκῆση δοθήσεται αὐτῷ: James i. 12—15.

xvii. 3, 4 κατ' εἰκόνα ἑαυτοῦ ἐποίησεν αὐτοὺς· ἔθηκε τὸν φόβον αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ πάσης σαρκὸς καὶ κατακυριεύει θηρίων καὶ πετεινῶν: James iii. 9, 7.

v i. 26 τί φωτεινότερον ἡλίου; καὶ τοῦτο ἐκλείπει, *ib.* xxvii. 11 καὶ δὲ ἄφρων ὡς σελήνη ἀλλοιοῦται: James i. 17.

xviii. 15, xxxi. 16. xliii. 22 καύσων: James i. 11.

xviii. 17 μωρὸς ἀχαρίστως ὀνειδιεῖ καὶ δόσις βασκάνου ἐκτῆκει ὀφθαλμοίς, xx. 14 (ἄφρων) ὀλίγα δώσει καὶ πολλὰ ὀνειδιεῖ, xli. 22 μετὰ τὸ δοῦναι ρῆ ὀνειδίσει: James i. 5.

xix. 18—22 πᾶσα σοφία φόβος Κυρίου καὶ ἐν πάσῃ σοφία

ποίησις νόμου... ἔστι πανουργία καὶ αὕτη βδέλυγμα, χxi. 12 οὐ παιδευθήσεται ὃς οὐκ ἔστι πανουργός, ἔστι δὲ πανουργία πληθύνουσα πικρίαν: James iii. 13—17.

xxi. 15 (λόγον σοφόν) ἤκουσεν ὁ σπαταλῶν καὶ ἀπήρσεν αὐτῷ, xxvii. 13 ὁ γέλως αὐτῶν ἐν σπατάλῃ ἀμαρτίας: James v. 5.

xxviii. 1, 2 ὁ ἐκδικῶν παρὰ Κυρίου εὐρήσει ἐκδίκησιν... ἄφες ἀδίκημα τῷ πλησίον σου, καὶ τότε δεηθέντος σου αἱ ἀμαρτίαι σου λυθήσονται: James ii. 13.

xxviii. 12 ἐὰν φυσῆσης σπινθῆρα ἐκκαήσεται, καὶ ἐὰν πτύσης ἐπ' αὐτὸν σβεσθήσεται, καὶ ἀμφότερα ἐκ τοῦ στόματός σου ἐξελεύσεται. ψιθυρὸν καὶ δίγλωσσον καταρᾶσθαι, xxxi. 24 εἰς εὐχόμενος καὶ εἰς καταρώμενος, τίνος φωνῆς εἰσακούσεται ὁ δεσπότης; James iii. 10.

xxviii. 13—26, esp. ver. 14 γλῶσσα τρίτη πολλοὺς ἐσάλευσεν, καὶ διέστησεν αὐτοὺς ἀπὸ ἔθνους εἰς ἔθνος καὶ πόλεις ὄχυράς καθεῖλε, ver. 18 πολλοὶ ἔπεσαν ἐν στόματι μαχαίρας, ἀλλ' οὐχ ὡς οἱ πεπτωκότες διὰ γλῶσσαν, ver. 21 θύνατος πονηρὸς ὁ θάνατος αἰτῆς, καὶ λυσιτελῆς μᾶλλον ὁ ἄδης αὐτῆς· οὐ μὴ κρατήσῃ εὐσεβῶν καὶ ἐν τῇ φλογὶ αὐτῆς οὐ καήσονται· οἱ καταλείποντες Κύριον ἐμπεσοῦνται εἰς αὐτήν, καὶ ἐν αἰτοῖς ἐκκαήσεται καὶ οὐ μὴ σβεσθῆ· ἐπαρσοταλήσεται αὐτοῖς ὡς λέων, καὶ ὡς πάρδαλις λυμανεῖται αὐτούς: James iii. 5—8.

xxix. 10 ἀπόλεσον ἀργύριον δι' ἀδελφὸν καὶ φίλον καὶ μὴ ἰωθήτω ὑπὸ τὸν λίθον εἰς ἀπώλειαν· θές τὸν θησαυρόν σου κατ' ἐντολὰς Ὑψίστου, καὶ λυσιτελήσει σοι μᾶλλον ἢ τὸ χρυσίον, xli. 10 ὡς γὰρ ὁ χαλκὸς ἰοῦται, οὕτως ἡ πονηρία αὐτοῦ, xxxiv. 5 ὁ ἀγαπῶν χρυσίον οὐ δικαιωθήσεται, καὶ ὁ διώκων διαφθορὰν αὐτὸς πλησθήσεται: James v. 2, 3.

xxxii. 22 φονεύων τὸν πλησίον ὁ ἀφαιρούμενος συμβίωσιν καὶ ἐκχέων αἷμα ὁ ἀποστερῶν μισθὸν μισθίου: James v. 4.

xxxvi. 2 ὁ ὑποκρινόμενος ἐν νόμῳ ὡς ἐν καταγιγίδι πλοῖον: James i. 6.

xxxviii. 9 ἐν ἀρρώστημάτι σου μὴ παράβλεπε, ἀλλ' εὖξαι Κυρίῳ καὶ αὐτὸς ἰάσεται σε: James v. 14.

Book of Wisdom—

i. 1, 2, 3 ἐν ἀπλότητι καρδίας ζητήσατε αὐτόν (τὸν Κύριον), ὅτι εὐρίσκεται τοῖς μὴ πειράζουσιν αὐτόν, ἐμφανίζεται δὲ τοῖς μὴ ἀπιστοῦσιν αὐτῷ. σκολιοὶ γὰρ λογισμοὶ χωρίζουσιν ὑπὸ Θεοῦ: James i. 6—8, ii. 4, iv. 3.

i. 11 φυλάξασθε γογγυσμὸν ἀνωφελῆ καὶ ἀπὸ καταλαλιᾶς φείσασθε γλώσσης: James iv. 11, v. 9.

ii. 4 παρελεύσεται ὁ βίος ἡμῶν ὡς ἴχνη νεφέλης, καὶ ὡς ὀμίχλη διασκεδασθήσεται διωχθεῖσα ὑπὸ ἀκτίνων ἡλίου: James iv. 14.

i. 10 καταδυναστεύσωμεν πένητα δίκαιον, μὴ φεισώμεθα χήρας, 12¹—20, esp. ver. 20 θανάτῳ ἀσχήμονι καταδικάσωμεν αὐτόν, cf. xv. 14, xvii. 2: James ii. 6, v. 6.

ii. 23 ὁ Θεὸς ἔκτισεν τὸν ἄνθρωπον ἐπ' ἀφθαρσία, καὶ εἰκόνα τῆς ἰδίας ἰδιότητος ἐποίησεν αὐτόν: James iii. 9.

iii. 4—6 ἐν ὄψει ἀνθρώπων ἐὰν κολασθῶσιν (οἱ δίκαιοι), ἡ ἐλπίς αὐτῶν ἀθανασίας πλήρης, καὶ ὀλίγα παιδευθέντες μεγάλα εὐεργετηθήσονται, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς ἐπέειρασεν αὐτούς... ὡς χρυσὸν... ἐδοκίμασεν αὐτούς: James i. 2, 3, 12, 13.

v. 8 τί ὠφέλησεν ἡμᾶς ἡ ὑπερηφανία; καὶ τί πλοῦτος μετὰ ἀλαζονείας συμβέβληται ἡμῖν; παρῆλθεν ἐκεῖνα πάντα ὡς σκιά, ver. 15, 16 δίκαιοι δὲ ... λήψονται τὸ βασιλείον τῆς εὐπρεπείας καὶ τὸ διάδημα τοῦ κάλλους ἐκ χειρὸς Κυρίου: James iv. 6, 16, i. 10, 11, 12.

vii. 7 foll. viii. ix. x., wisdom given in answer to prayer: James i. 17.

vii. 18 τροπῶν ἀλλαγᾶς καὶ μεταβολᾶς καιρῶν, ver. 29 ἔστι γὰρ

σοφία εὐπρεπεστέρα ἡλίου καὶ ὑπὲρ πᾶσαν ἄστρον θέσιν, φωτὶ συγκρινομένη εὐρίσκεται προτέρα· τοῦτο μὲν γὰρ διαδέχεται ἡ σοφία, σοφίας δὲ οὐκ ἀντισχύει κακία: James i. 17.

ix. 6 κἂν γάρ τις ἦ τέλειος ἐν υἱοῖς ἀνθρώπων τῆς ἀπὸ σοῦ σοφίας ἀπούσης εἰς οὐδὲν λογισθήσεται: James i. 5.

ix. 17 βουλήν δέ σου τίς ἔγνω, εἰ μὴ σὺ ἔδωκας σοφίαν, καὶ ἔπεμψας τὸ ἅγιόν σου πνεῦμα ἀπὸ ὑψίστων: James i. 2—5, iii. 15, 17.

xi. 9 ὅτε γὰρ ἐπειράσθησαν, καίπερ ἐν ἐλέει παιδευόμενοι, ἔγνωσαν πῶς μετ' ὀργῆς κρινόμενοι ἀσεβεῖς ἐβασανίζοντο· τούτους μὲν γὰρ ὡς πατὴρ νοθετῶν ἐδοκίμασας, ἐκείνους δὲ ὡς βασιλεὺς καταδικάζων ἐξήτασας: James i. 2, 3, 12.

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Mund. Orif. M. i. p. 7 (τὸ νοητὸν φῶς) ἐστὶν ὑπερουράνιος ἀστὴρ πηγὴ τῶν αἰσθητῶν ἀστέρων: James i. 17.

Leg. All. i. p. 50 M φιλόδωρος ὧν ὁ Θεὸς χαρίζεται τὰ ἀγαθὰ πᾶσι καὶ τοῖς μὴ τελείοις, *Plantat.* p. 342 τὴν ἐκ τοῦ προαιρετικῶς εἶναι φιλόδωρον...ἐλπίδα ζωπυρεῖν: James i. 17.

p. 52 contrasts τὴν ἐπίγειον σοφίαν with τὴν θείαν καὶ οὐράνιον: James iii. 15, 17.

ib. οὐ γὰρ δύεται καὶ σβέννυται ἀλλ' αἰεὶ πέφυκεν ἀνατέλλων ὁ ὀρθὸς λόγος: James i. 17.

p. 64 περίττου πανουργίας ἀπέχεσθαι: James i. 21 ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν...περισσεῖαν κακίας.

p. 72 πᾶν μὲν οὖν τὸ γεννητὸν ἀναγκαῖον τρέπεσθαι: ἴδιον γὰρ ἐστὶ τοῦτο αὐτοῦ, ὡσπερ Θεοῦ τὸ ἄτρεπτον εἶναι, cf. p. 82: James i. 17.

p. 72 ὁ νοῦς σὺν πολλαῖς δυνάμεσι καὶ ἐξέσιν ἐγεννάτο, λογικῇ, ψυχικῇ, φυτικῇ, ὥστε καὶ αἰσθητικῇ: James iii. 15.

p. 80 ὅταν γὰρ ἀμαρτῆ...αἰτιᾶται τὰ θεῖα, τὴν ἰδίαν τροπὴν προσάπτων Θεῷ, cf. *De Prof.* p. 558: James i. 13, 14.

p. 86 κάλλιστον ἀγῶνα τοῦτον διάθλητον καὶ σπούδασον στεφανωθῆναι κατὰ τῆς τοῦ ἀλλοῦ νικώσης ἡδονῆς καλὸν καὶ εὐκλεᾶ στέφανον: James i. 12.

p. 102 δωρεὰ καὶ ἐνεργεσία καὶ χάρισμα Θεοῦ τὰ πάντα, 108 Θεοῦ ἴδιον τὰ μὲν ἀγαθὰ προτείνειν καὶ φθάνειν δωρούμενον, cf. i. p. 161 ii. p. 246: James i. 17.

p. 108 τὸν ἐγκύμονα θείων φώτων λόγον: James i. 17.

p. 131 Comparison of reason and passion to the ship and the chariot guided by the rudder and the reins, cf. *Agric.* i. 271: James iii. 3, 4.

p. 132 Folly of forming plans without reference to Providence: James iv. 13.

p. 135 οὗτοι ἐξέρχονται μὲν ἀπὸ τῶν ἀμαρτημάτων, εἰς ἕτερα δὲ ἐξέρχονται· τὸν δὲ τελείως ἐγκρατῆ δεῖ πάντα φεύγειν τὰ ἀμαρτήματα καὶ τὰ μείζω καὶ τὰ ἐλάττω: James ii. 14.

p. 141 ἀνάγκη ὅταν ἀπὸ τῆς τοῦ Θεοῦ φαντασίας ἐξέλθῃ διάνοια, νεὼς αὐτίκα θαλαττευούσης τρόπον, ἀντιστατούντων βιαίως πνευμάτων, ὧδε καὶ ἐκείσε φέρεσθαι: James i. 6.

Cherubim i. p. 142 M τὸ μὲν θεῖον ἄτρεπτον τὸ δὲ γεγόμενον φύσει μεταβλητόν: James i. 17.

p. 147 τίς ὁ σπείρων τὰ καλὰ πλὴν ὁ τῶν ὄλων πατήρ; σπείρει μὲν οὗτος, τὸ δὲ γέννημα τὸ ἴδιον ὃ ἔσπειρε δωρεῖται: James i. 18.

¹ Many of the quotations which follow will be found in Schneckenburger's commentary and in Siegfried's *Philo*, pp. 310 foll.

p. 149 ὅταν ὁ ἐν ἡμῖν νοῦς αἰσθήσει πλησίαση, ἥδε συλλαμβάνει... ἐγκύμων τε γίνεται καὶ εὐθὺς ὠδίνει καὶ τίκτει κακῶν ψυχῆς τὸ μέγιστον: James i. 15.

p. 161 ὁ Θεὸς δωρητικὸς τῶν ἀπάντων: James i. 17.

Sacr. Ab. et Caini p. 173 παντελεῖς αἱ τοῦ ἀγεννήτου δωρεαὶ πᾶσαι: James i. 17.

p. 177 γένεσιν μᾶλλον Θεοῦ προτετιμήκασι: James i. 23, iii. 6.

p. 181 οὐχ ἵνα σάλον καὶ τροπὴν καὶ κλύδωνα ὧδε καὶ ἐκεῖσε φορούμενος ἀστάτως ὑπομένης, ἀλλ' ἵνα, ὡσπερ εἰς... λιμένα τὴν ἀμετὴν ἀφικόμενος, βεβαίως ἰδρυνθῆς: James i. 6.

Deterius potiori insidiari p. 195 πεπλάνηται τῆς πρὸς εὐσέβειαν ὁδοῦ θρησκευίαν ἀντὶ ὁσιότητος ἡγούμενος: James i. 27.

p. 196 ἐπιστομίζων ταῖς τοῦ συνειδότος ἡνίαϊς τὸν αὐθάδη δρόμον γλώττης, cf. *Mut. Nom.* p. 615, *Sacr. Ab. et C.* 171: James iii. 2.

p. 199 πηγὴ λόγων διάνοια καὶ στόμιον αὐτῆς λόγος, ὅτι τὰ ἐνθυμήματα διὰ τούτου καθάπερ νάματα ἀναχεῖται: James iii. 10.

p. 200 ἀχαλίνω κεκρημένους γλώττη, cf. *Somn. M.* i. p. 695 τὸ στόμα ἐάσαντες ἀχαλίνωτον, *Monarch.* ii. p. 219: James i. 26.

Poster. Caini 230 and 231 a description of the δίψυχος, esp. ὄντως γὰρ ἀτρέπτω ψυχῇ πρὸς τὸν ἀτρέπτον Θεὸν μόνη πρόσοδος ἐστίν: James i. 7, 8.

ib. Θεοῦ μὲν ἴδιον στάσις, γενέσεως δὲ μετάβασις: James i. 17, iii. 6.

p. 244 ἡ πρὸς Θεὸν ὁδὸς, ἅτε βασιλέως οὔσα, εἰκότως ὠνόμασται βασιλική... ἣν ὁ νόμος καλεῖ Θεοῦ ῥῆμα: James ii. 8.

p. 261 τὴν μισάρετον καὶ φιλήδονον γένεσιν, cf. above p. 177: James iii. 6.

Deus immut. p. 284 οὐ μόνον δικάσας ἐλεεῖ, ἀλλ' ἐλεήσας δικάζει· πρεσβύτερος γὰρ δίκης ὁ ἔλεος παρ' αὐτῷ ἐστίν: James ii. 13.

Agricultura p. 316 οὐδὲν ἔστιν ὃ μὴ πρὸς ἠδουῆς δελεασθὲν εἴλκυσται, cf. p. 512, 568, ii. p. 470, 474: James i. 14.

p. 322 ὅταν ὁ πόλεμος ἐγγὺς καὶ ἐπὶ θύρας ὦν ἤδη τυγχάνη: James v. 8, 9.

De Plantatione p. 335 καθάπερ ἀνίσχων ἥλιος ὅλον τὸν οὐρανοῦ κύκλον φέγγους ἀναπληροῖ, τὸν αὐτὸν τρόπον αἱ ἀρετῆς ἀκτῖνες ἀναλάμπασαι τὸ διανοίας χωρίον μεστὸν αὐγῆς καθαρᾶς ἀπεργάζονται, cf. p. 566, 631, ii. p. 254: James i. 17.

De Ebrietate p. 368 τὸν ἐν ψυχῇ τῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν ἐμφύλιον πόλεμον, cf. *Victim.* ii 253 ὅτῳ ἐγκάθηνται καὶ ἐλλοχῶσιν ἐπιθυμίαι, also p. 445, 678, ii. 205: James iv. 1.

De Conf. Linguae p. 412 βραδὺς ὠφελῆσαι, ταχὺς βλάψαι: James i. 19.

De Migr. Abr. p. 445 εἰ γὰρ τις βουληθεῖ τὸν ὄχλον μιᾶς ψυχῆς διανείμαι πολλὰς ἂν εὗροι τάξεις ἀκοσμούσας, ὧν ἠδοναὶ ἢ ἐπιθυμίαι... καὶ αἱ τούτων συγγενεῖς ταξιαρχοῦσι: James iv. 1.

ib. οὗτος ὁ ὄρος ἐστὶ τοῦ μεγάλου, τὸ τῷ Θεῷ συνεγγίζειν ἢ ᾧ ὁ Θεὸς συνεγγίζει: James iv. 8.

p. 454 μηδὲν οὖν μήτε τῶν εἰς εὐλογίας καὶ εὐχάς, μήτε τῶν εἰς βλασφημίας καὶ κατάρτας ἐπὶ ταῖς ἐν προφορᾷ διεξόδοις ἀναφερέσθω μᾶλλον ἢ διανοία, ἀφ' ἧς ὡσπερ ἀπὸ πηγῆς ἐκάτερον εἶδος τῶν λεχθέντων δοκιμάζεται, cf. p. 199: James iii. 10, 11.

p. 455 ὅσα δ' ἂν μὴ εὐρίσκη παρ' ἑαυτῷ (ὁ δίκαιος) τὸν μόνον πᾶμπλουτον αἰτεῖται Θεόν· ὁ δὲ τὸν οὐράνιον ἀνοίξας θησαυρὸν ὄμβρει καὶ ἐπινίφει τὰ ἀγαθὰ ἀθρώα: James i. 5, 17, v. 16.

p. 459 εἰσὶ τινες ἐνδοιασταὶ καὶ ἐπαμφοτερισταὶ πρὸς ἐκάτερον τοῖχον ὡσπερ σκάφος ὑπ' ἐναντίων πνευμάτων διαφερόμενον ἀποκλίνοντες... ἐφ' ἐνὸς στημιχθῆναι βεβαίως ἀδυνατοῦντες: James i. 6, v. 8.

p. 466 ὁ νοῦς... ὡς πρὸς κάτοπτρον ἀφορῶν ἀλήθειαν: James i. 23.

Quis Rer. Div. Haer. p. 512 ἐπιθυμία ὀλκὸν ἔχουσα δύναμιν τὸ ποθούμενον διώκειν ἀναγκάζει: James i. 14.

Cong. Erud. Grat. p. 524 ὑπομονή the queen of virtues: James i. 3, 4, v. 11.

p. 526 ἡ ἄνευ πράξεως θεωρία ψιλή πρὸς οὐδὲν ὄφελος τοῖς ἐπιστήμοσιν: James ii. 14.

p. 529 τοῦ βίου μιμητὴν ἔδει τὸν ἀσκητὴν οὐκ ἀκροατὴν λόγων εἶναι: James i. 23.

De Profugis p. 558 τίς ἂν γένοιτο αἰσχίων κατηγορία ἢ τὸ φάσκειν ρῆ περὶ ἡμᾶς ἀλλὰ περὶ Θεὸν γένεσιν εἶναι τῶν κακῶν; James i. 13.

p. 563 (ὁ λόγος) ἀμέτοχος καὶ ἀπαράδεκτος παντὸς εἶναι πέφυκεν ἀραρτήματος, cf. ii 280 (Θεὸς) μόνος εὐδαίμων, πάντων μὲν ἀμέτοχος κακῶν, πλήρης δὲ ἀγαθῶν τελείων, μᾶλλον δὲ αὐτὸς ὢν τὸ ἀγαθὸν ὅς τὰ κατὰ μέρος ὤμβρισεν ἀγαθὰ: James i. 13 17.

p. 566 ὁ Θεὸς λαμπροτάτῳ φωτὶ ἐαυτῷ τὰ ὅλα αὐγάζει...τὴν αἰθέριον σοφίαν ὁ Θεὸς ἄνωθεν ἐπιψεκάζει, cf. 571, 579: James i. 17.

p. 568 δέλεαρ ὀλκῷ κεχρημένον δυνάμει, cf. 569: James i. 14.

p. 577 καλὴν ταπείνωσιν, φρονήματος ἀλόγου καθαίρεσιν περιέχουσαν: James i. 10, iv. 6, 10.

De Somniis p. 631 ρῆ θαυμάσης εἰ ὁ ἥλιος ἐξομοιοῦται τῷ πατρὶ τῶν συμπάντων, 632 Κύριος γὰρ οὐ μόνον φῶς ἀλλὰ καὶ παντὸς ἑτέρου φωτὸς ἀρχέτυπον, 637 τὰς Θεοῦ αὐγὰς ἄς δι' ἔλεον τοῦ γένους ἡμῶν εἰς νοῦν τὸν ἀνθρώπινον οὐρανόθεν ἀποστέλλει: James i. 17.

p. 664 τροχὸν ἀνάγκης ἀτελευτήτου: James iii. 6.

p. 678 βαθείας εἰρήνης ἀναπλησθέντας τῆς ἐν ἑαυτοῖς, ἢ πρὸς ἀλήθειαν ἐστὶν εἰρήνη, καὶ διὰ τοῦτ' εὐδαίμονας νομισθέντας ὅτι τὸν ἀπὸ τῶν παθῶν ἀναρριπιζόμενον ἐμφύλιον πόλεμον οὐδ' ὄναρ ἐπήσθοντο κ.τ.λ., cf. above p. 368: James iii. 17, 18, iv. 1.

De Abrahamo M ii. p. 8 ὁ τέλειος ὀλόκληρος ἐξ ἀρχῆς: James i. 4.

De Josepho p. 61 εὐδοξεῖς καὶ τετίμησαι; μὴ καταλαζονεύου ταπεινὸς εἶ ταῖς τύχαις; ἀλλὰ τὸ φρόνημα μὴ καταπιπτέτω: James i. 9. 10.

p. 62 εὐρήσει τὸν οὐρανὸν ἡμέραν αἰώνιον νυκτὸς καὶ πάσης σκιᾶς ἀμέτοχον: James i. 17.

De Decalogo p. 192 τὸ κάλλιστον ἔρεισμα τῆς ψυχῆς ἐξέκοψαν τὴν περὶ τοῦ ζῶντος ἀεὶ Θεοῦ ὑπόληψιν, ὥσπερ τε ἀνερμάτιστα σκάψη ὧδε καὶ ἐκεῖσε σαλεύουσι διαφερόμενοι τὸν αἰῶνα: James i. 6.

p. 194 κάλλιστον καὶ βιωφελέστατον τὸ ἀνώμοτον: James v. 12.

p. 196 οὐ γὰρ ὄσιον δι' οὗ στόματος τὸ ἱερώτατον ὄνομα προφέρεταιίτις, διὰ τούτου φθέγγεσθαί τι τῶν αἰσχυρῶν: James iii. 9, 10.

p. 204 μόνη ἐπιθυμία τὴν ἀρχὴν ἐξ ἡμῶν λαμβάνει καὶ ἐστὶν ἐκούσιος: James i. 14.

p. 205 οἱ γὰρ Ἑλλήνων καὶ βαρβάρων πόλεμοι πάντες ἀπὸ μιᾶς πηγῆς ἐρρύησαν ἐπιθυμίας: James iv. 1.

p. 208 (ἐπιθυμία) οἷα φλόξ ἐν ὕλῃ νέμεται δαπανῶσα πάντα: James iii. 9.

De Victimis p. 246 τὸν Θεὸν ἀμιγῆ κακῶν τὰ ἀγαθὰ δωρούμενον: James i. 17.

p. 250 ὀλόκληρον καὶ παντελῆ διάθεσιν ἧς ἡ ὀλόκαυτος θυσία σύμβολον, cf. *Merc. Mer.* p. 265 δεῖ τὸν μέλλοντα θύειν σκέπτεσθαι ρῆ εἰ τὸ ἱερεῖον ἄμωμον, ἀλλ' εἰ ἡ διάνοια ὀλόκληρος αὐτῷ καὶ παντελῆς καθέστηκε: James i. 4.

p. 254 ὁ Θεὸς ἐστὶν ἡλίου ἡλῖος παρέχων ἐκ τῶν ἀοράτων πηγῶν ὁρατὰ φέγγη: James i. 17.

De Spec. Leg. p. 331 λυπούμενων ὀφθαλμοὶ συννοίας γέμουσι καὶ κατηφείας: James iv. 9.

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Minos 317 C τὸ μὲν ὀρθὸν νόμος ἐστὶ βασιλικός, τὸ δὲ μὴ ὀρθὸν οὐ: James ii. 8.

Arist. *Mechan.* 5 τὸ πηδάλιον, μικρὸν ὄν καὶ ἐπ' ἐσχάτῳ τῷ πλοίῳ, τοσαύτην δύναμιν ἔχει ὥστε ὑπὸ μικροῦ οἴακος καὶ ἐνὸς ἀνθρώπου δυνάμεως, καὶ ταύτης ἡρεμαίας, μεγάλα κινεῖσθαι μεγέθη πλοίων: James iii. 4.

Stoic Maxims—

Sapiens liber, dives, rex.

μόνος ὁ σοφὸς ἐλεύθερος. Cic. *Parad.* 34 *quid est libertas? potestas vivendi ut velis: quis igitur vivit ut vult, nisi qui recta sequitur, qui gaudet officio, qui ne legibus quidem propter metum paret, sed eas sequitur et colit, quod id salutare maxime esse judicat: Fin.* iii. 75 *solus liber nec dominationi cujusquam parens nec oboediens cupiditatis: Sen. V. B.* 15. 5 *Deo parere libertas est: Epict. Diss.* iv. 1. 13 αὕτη ἡ ὁδὸς (submission) ἐπ' ἐλευθερίαν ἄγει, αὕτη μόνη ἀπαλλαγὴ δουλείας τὸ δυνηθῆναί ποτ' εἰπεῖν ἐξ ὄλης ψυχῆς τὸ "Ἄγου δέ μ' ὦ Ζεῦ κ.τ.λ., cf. iv. 3 below, quoted under 'Friend of God': James i. 25, ii. 8.

μόνος ὁ σοφὸς πλούσιος, Cic. *Parad.* 42 foll.: Plato, *Phaedr.* p. 279 πλούσιον νομίζοιμι τὸν σοφόν: James ii. 5 οὐχ ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ πλουσίους ἐν πίστει; cf. i. 9, 10.

Cic. *Fin.* iii. 75 (*sapiens*) *rectius appellabitur rex quam Tarquinius qui nec se nec suos regere potuit: Hor. Od.* ii. 2. 21 *regnum et diadema tutum deferens uni, &c.: Philo* ii. p. 39 τῷ γὰρ ὄντι πρῶτος ὁ σοφὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπων γένους ὡς κυβερνήτης μὲν ἐν νηϊ, ἄρχων δὲ ἐν πόλει: James ii. 8 νόμον βασιλικόν, ver. 5.

True joy.—James i. 2.

Sen. *Ep.* 23. 2 *ad summa pervenit qui scit quo gaudeat...disce gaudere...nolo tibi umquam deesse laetitiam; volo illam tibi domi nasci...verum gaudium res severa est, Philo Det. Pot. Ins. M.* i. p. 217 ἐπεὶ ἐν τοῖς τῆς ψυχῆς μόνοις ἀγαθοῖς ἢ ἀνόθευτος χαρὰ εὐρίσκεται, ἐν ἐαυτῷ πᾶς σοφὸς χαίρει.

Solidarity of virtues.—James ii. 10, 11.

Chrys. us ap. Plut. ii. p. 1046 F τὰς ἀρετὰς ἀντακολουθεῖν ἀλλήλαις, οὐ μόνον τῷ τὴν μίαν ἔχοντα πάσας ἔχειν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τῷ κατὰ μίαν ὀτιοῦν ἐνεργοῦντα κατὰ πάσας ἐνεργεῖν· οὐτ' ἄνδρα τέλειον εἶναι τὸν μὴ πάσας ἔχοντα τὰς ἀρετὰς, οὔτε πρᾶξιν τελείαν ἣτις οὐ κατὰ πάσας πράττεται τὰς ἀρετὰς, Stob. *Ecl.* ii. 198 πάντα τὸν καλὸν καὶ ἀγαθὸν ἄνδρα τέλειον εἶναι λέγουσι διὰ το μηδεμίαις ἀπολείπεσθαι ἀρετῆς.

The Friend of God.—James ii. 24.

Plato, *Leg.* iv. 716 D ὁ μὲν σώφρων Θεῷ φίλος, ὅμοιος γάρ, Epict. iv. 3. 9 ἐλεύθερος γάρ εἰμι καὶ φίλος τοῦ Θεοῦ ἵν' ἐκὼν πείθωμαι αὐτῷ.

The indwelling Spirit.—James iv. 5.

Sen. *Ep.* 41. 2 *sacer intra nos spiritus sedet malorum bonorumque nostrorum observator et custos: hic prout a nobis tractatus est, ita nos ipse tractat, Ep.* 73. 15 *Deus in homines venit: nulla sine Deo mens bona est, semina in corporibus humanis divina dispersa sunt, quae, si bonus cultor excipit, similia origini prodeunt, Posid. ap. Gal. Hipp et Plat.* v. p. 469 τὸ δὲ τῶν παθῶν αἴτιον τὸ μὴ κατὰ πᾶν ἔπεσθαι τῷ ἐν αὐτῷ δαίμονι.

Trial and Temptation.—James i. 2, 12—15.

Sen. *Prov.* ii. 2 *omnia adversa exercitationes putet vir fortis, ib.* 6 *doloribus, damnis exagitantur ut verum colligant robur, Epict. fr.* 112 πάσης κακίας οἶόν

τι δέλεαρ ἡδονὴ προβληθεῖσα τὰς λιχνοτέρας ψυχὰς ἐπὶ τὸ ἄγκιστρον τῆς ἀπωλείας ἐφέλκεται, Lucian, *Tyrann.* 4 τὰς ἡδονῶν ὀρέξεις χαλιναγωγεῖν.

ὁ Θεὸς ἀπείραστος κακῶν.—James i. 13.

Plut. ii. 1102 F. πάντων πατὴρ καλῶν ὁ Θεὸς ἐστὶ καὶ φαῦλον οὐδὲν ποιεῖν αὐτῷ θέμις, ὥσπερ οὐδὲ πάσχειν, Anton. vi. 1 οὐδεμίαν ἐν ἑαυτῷ αἰτίαν ἔχει τοῦ κακοποιεῖν, κακίαν γὰρ οὐκ ἔχει, Sext. Emp. *Matt.* ix. 91 τὸ τέλειον καὶ ἄριστον παντὸς κακοῦ ἀναπόδεκτον, cf. Epic. ap. Diog. L. x. 138 τὸ μακάριον καὶ ἄφθαρτον οὔτε αὐτὸ πράγματα ἔχει οὔτε ἄλλω παρέχει.

Desire and Aversion.—James i. 2, iv. 12.

Epic. *Ench.* i. 2 μέμνησο ὅτι ὀρέξεως ἐπαγγελία ἐπιτυχία οὐδ' ὀρέγη· ἐκκλίσεως ἐπαγγελία τὸ μὴ περιπεσεῖν ἐκείνῳ ὃ ἐκκλίνεται· καὶ ὁ μὲν ἐν ὀρέξει ἀποτυχῶν ἀτυχῆς· ὁ δὲ ἐν ἐκκλίσει περιπίπτων δυστυχῆς, *Diss.* iii. 2, 3 πάθος ἄλλως οὐ γίνεται εἰ μὴ ὀρέξεως ἀποτυχῶν οὐσίας ἢ ἐκκλίσεως περιπιπτούσης· οὗτός (ὁ τόπος) ἐστὶν ὁ ταραχὰς, θορύβους, ἀτυχίας ἐπιφέρων . . . ὁ φθονερός, ὁ ζηλοτύπους ποιῶν, *ib.* iv. 10 εἰ μὴ θέλεις ὀρέγεσθαι ἀποτευκτικῶς μὴδ' ἐκκλίειν περιπτωτικῶς, μηδενὸς ὀρέγου τῶν ἀλλοτρίων ἔτι, μηδὲν ἐκκλινε τῶν μὴ ἐπὶ σοι.

Man made in the image of God has authority over the lower animals.
James iii. 7—9.

Cic. *N. D.* i. 90 nec vero intellego cur maluerit Epicurus deos hominum similes dicere quam homines deorum, *Leg.* i. 25 virtus eadem in homine ac Deo est... est igitur homini cum Deo similitudo, *N. D.* ii. 161 jam vero immanes et feras beluas nanciscimur venando ut... utamur domitis et condoceratis, Sen. *Benef.* ii. 29.

Simile of the mirror.—James i. 23.

Epic. *Diss.* ii. 14 τί σοι κακὸν πεποίηκα; εἰ μὴ καὶ τὸ ἔσοπτρον τῷ αἰσχυρῷ ὅτι δεικνύει αὐτὸν αὐτῷ οἷός ἐστιν; Bias ap. Stob. *Flor.* 21. 11 θεῶρει ὥσπερ ἐν κατόπτρῳ τὰς σαυτοῦ πράξεις ἵνα τὰς μὲν καλὰς ἐπικοσμῆς τὰς δὲ αἰσχυρὰς καλύπτῃς.

Simile of the fig-tree and its fruit.—James iii. 12.

Sen. *Ep.* 87 § 25 non nascitur ex malo bonum, non magis quam ficus ex olea, Plut. ii. 472 F. τὴν ἄμπελον σῦκα φέρειν οὐκ ἀξιούμεν οὐδὲ τὴν ἐλαίαν βότρυς.

The venom of the tongue.—James iii. 8.

Lucian, *Fug.* 19 ἰοῦ μεστὸν τὸ στόμα.

The rust of unused wealth.—James v. 3.

Plut. ii. 164 F. ὑπολαμβάνει τὸν πλοῦτον ἀγαθὸν εἶναι μέγιστον· τοῦτο τὸ ψεῦδος ἰὸν ἔχει, νέμεται τὴν ψυχὴν, *ib.* 819 F. φιλοχρηματία ὥσπερ μεστὸν ἰοῦ νόσημα τῆς ψυχῆς, Epic. *Diss.* iv. 6. 14 (principles unused) ὡς ὀπλάρια ἀποκείμενα κατίωται.

Hearing and doing.—James i. 22.

Porphyr. *Abstin.* i. 57 δι' ἔργων ἡμῖν τῆς σωτηρίας, οὐ δι' ἀκροάσεως λόγων ψιλῆς γινομένης.

CHAPTER IV

ON THE RELATION OF THE EPISTLE TO THE OTHER BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

- (1) *Synoptic Gospels.* (2) *Gospel and Epistles of St. John.*
(3) *Acts of the Apostles.* (4) *Epistles of St. Paul.*
(5) *Epistles of St. Peter and St. Jude.* (6) *Epistle to the
Hebrews.* (7) *Apocalypse.*

[The parallels which seem of most importance have an asterisk prefixed.]

(1) SYNOPTIC GOSPELS.

Matthew—

iii. 2 ἡ γυικεν ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν: James v. 8.

*v. 3 μακάριοι οἱ πτωχοὶ (τῷ πνεύματι) ὅτι αὐτῶν ἐστὶν ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν (the words in brackets are omitted in the parallel passage, Luke vi. 20), Matt. xix. 28 καθήσεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς ἐπὶ θρόνους: James ii. 5.

*v. 7 μακάριοι οἱ ἐλεήμονες ὅτι αὐτοὶ ἐλεηθήσονται, *ib.* vi. 14, 15, xviii. 21—35: James ii. 13.

v. 8 μακ. οἱ καθαροὶ τῇ καρδίᾳ: James iv. 8.

v. 9 μακ. οἱ εἰρηνοποιοί: James iii. 18.

*v. 11, 12 μακ. ἐστε ὅταν ὀνειδίσωσιν ὑμᾶς...χαίρετε καὶ ἀγαλλιᾶσθε...οὕτως γὰρ ἐδίωξαν τοὺς προφήτας, Luke vi. 22: James i. 2, v. 10, 11.

v. 16 οὕτως λαμψάτω τὸ φῶς ὑμῶν ὅπως...δοξάζωσιν τὸν πατέρα ὑμῶν: James i. 17.

v. 17 μὴ νομίσητε ὅτι ἦλθον καταλύσαι τὸν νόμον...οὐκ ἦλθον καταλύσαι ἀλλὰ πληρῶσαι: James i. 25 (a law, but a perfect law of liberty).

v. 19 ὅς ἐὰν λύση μίαν τῶν ἐντολῶν τούτων τῶν ἐλαχίστων καὶ διδάξῃ οὕτως τοὺς ἄνθρώπους, ἐλάχιστος κληθήσεται ἐν τῇ βασιλείᾳ τῶν οὐρανῶν· ὅς δ' ἂν ποιήσῃ καὶ διδάξῃ οὗτος μέγας κληθήσεται: James ii. 10, i. 22.

*v. 34—37 ἐγὼ δὲ λέγω ὑμῖν μὴ ὀμόσαι ὄλως, μήτε ἐν τῷ οὐρανῷ... μήτε ἐν τῇ γῇ...μήτε εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα...μήτε ἐν τῇ κεφαλῇ σου...ἔστω δὲ ὁ λόγος ὑμῶν ναὶ ναί, οὐ οὐ· τὸ δὲ περισσὸν τούτων ἐκ τοῦ πονηροῦ ἐστίν: James v. 12.

v. 48 ἔσεσθε οὖν ὑμεῖς τέλειοι, xix. 21 εἰ θέλεις τέλειος εἶναι: James i. 4, iii. 2.

*vi. 16 τὸν ἄρτον ἡμῶν τὸν ἐπιούσιον δὸς ἡμῖν σήμερον: James ii. 15, 16.¹

¹ See Chase (*The Lord's Prayer in the Early Church*, p. 48), who gives reasons for believing that ἐπιούσιος is a second liturgical rendering of the original Aramaic, represented in Matt. by σήμερον, in Luke xi. 3 by τὸ καθ' ἡμέραν, in James ii. 15 by τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς.

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xiv. 30 ὀλιγόπιστε εἰς τί ἐδίστασας; xvii. 20: James i. 6--8.

xv. 13 πᾶσα φυτεία ἣν οὐκ ἐφύτευσευ ὁ πατήρ μου...ἐκριζωθήσεται: James i. 21.

*xviii. 4 ὅστις ταπεινώσει ἑαυτὸν ὡς τὸ παιδίον τοῦτο οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ μείζων ἐν τῇ βασιλείᾳ, xx. 25—27, xxii. 12 ὅστις ὑψώσει ἑαυτὸν ταπεινωθήσεται καὶ ὅστις ταπεινώσει ἑαυτὸν ὑψωθήσεται, Mark ix. 35, Luke xiv. 11, ix. 48, xxii. 26 ὁ μείζων ἐν ὑμῖν γινέσθω ὡς ὁ νεώτερος καὶ ὁ ἡγούμενος ὡς ὁ διακονῶν: James i. 9, 10, iv. 10.

xxi. 21 εἴτε ἐχῆτε πίστιν καὶ μὴ διακρίθητε, cf. Mark xi. 23: James i. 6, ἦ. 4. 1v xxiv 3, 27, 37, 39 ἡ παρουσία: James v. 8

*xxiv. 33 ἐγγύς ἐστιν ἐπὶ θύραις: James v. 8, 9.

*xxv. 34—46 the sheep and the goats: James ii. 13.

Mark—

vi. 13 ἤλειπον ἐλαίῳ πολλοὺς ἀρρώστους καὶ ἐθεράπευον, xvi. 18 ἐπὶ ἀρρώστους χεῖρας ἐπιθήσουσιν καὶ καλῶς ἔξουσιν: James v. 14

*vii. 1—23 condemnation of ceremonialism: James i. 26, 27.

*xii. 28—31 ποία ἐστὶν ἐντολὴ πρώτη πάντων; ἀπεκρίθη ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι πρώτη ἐστὶν Ἄκουε, Ἰσραήλ, Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν Κύριος εἰς ἐστίν, ...δευτέρα αὕτη Ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτὸν μείζων τούτων ἄλλη ἐντολὴ οὐκ ἔστιν, cf. Matt. xxii. 36: James ii. 8—10, 19.

Luke—

iv. 25 ἐκλείσθη ὁ οὐρανὸς ἔτη τρία καὶ μῆνας ἕξ: James v. 17.

v. 22 διαλογισμοί in bad sense, cf. vi. 8, ix. 46, 47, xxiv. 38: James ii. 4.

*vi. 24 οὐαὶ ὑμῖν τοῖς πλουσίοις...οὐαὶ...οἱ ἐμπεπλησμένοι νῦν, οὐαὶ οἱ γελῶντες νῦν, ὅτι πενθήσετε καὶ κλαύσετε: James ii. 6, iv. 9, v. 1—5.

*viii. The parable of the Sower, ver. 8 ἔπεσεν εἰς τὴν γῆν τὴν ἀγαθὴν καὶ φυὲν ἐποίησεν καρπὸν, ver. 11 ὁ σπόρος ἐστὶν ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ, ver. 13 μετὰ χαρᾶς δέχονται τὸν λόγον καὶ...ἐν καιρῷ πειρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται, ver. 15 τὸ δὲ ἐν τῇ καλῇ γῇ οὗτοί εἰσιν οἵτινες ἐν καρδίᾳ καλῇ καὶ ἀγαθῇ ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον κατέχουσιν καὶ καρποφοροῦσιν ἐν ὑπομονῇ, ver. 18 βλέπετε οὖν πῶς ἀκούετε: James i. 18, 19, 21, 25.

viii. 24, 25 ἐπετίμησεν τῷ ἀνέμῳ καὶ τῷ κλύδωνι...καὶ ἐγένετο γαλήνη. εἶπεν δὲ αὐτοῖς Ποῦ ἡ πίστις ὑμῶν: James i. 6.

*xii. 16—21. Parable of the Rich Fool: James iv. 13—15.

*xii. 47 ὁ γνοὺς τὸ θέλημα τοῦ κυρίου αὐτοῦ καὶ μὴ.. ποιήσας πρὸς τὸ θέλημα αὐτοῦ δαρήσεται πολλάς: James iv. 17.

*xvi. 8 τὸν οἰκονόμον τῆς ἀδικίας, ver 9 τοῦ μαμωνᾶ τῆς ἀδικίας: James iii. 6.

xvi. 19 foll. Dives and Lazarus: James ii. 2—7.

xxi. 19 ἐν τῇ ὑπομονῇ κτήσεσθε τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν: James i. 3, 4.

(2) *Gospel and Epistles of St. John.*¹—Though our Epistle does not generally show such a close verbal agreement with the Gospel of St. John as it does with the Synoptic Gospels, yet there is considerable resemblance in respect to such general ideas as the

¹ On the resemblances between the writings of St. James and St. John see P. Ewald *Das Hauptproblem der Evangelienfrage*, Leipzig, 1890, pp. 58 foll. His aim being to prove that the Gospel of St. John is a faithful record of the teaching of Christ, he endeavours to show that it is in harmony with our Epistle, which he regards as the oldest document of the N.T.

World, the Truth, the Light, the Glory, the New Birth, the Liberty of Christ. No doubt the writings of St. John exhibit, as we should expect, a far greater depth of thought and a more advanced Christianity than are to be found in our Epistle; but, along with this, there is a general harmony and community of ideas, such as might naturally result from remembrances of a common teaching, or from continued association on the part of the two writers. If we come to the conclusion that in some cases this similarity is more easily explained by direct borrowing, it seems to me that the borrower is in all probability St. John. The richness and fulness of expression in such passages as 1 John ii. 15, iii. 9, iii. 17, 21, might easily grow out of the brief hints given in the parallels of St. James, but it is scarcely conceivable that the latter should have deliberately discarded thoughts of such interest and value, if he had had them in writing before him. The same considerations will apply to the parallels to our Epistle which are to be found in the writings of St. Peter and St. Paul. It was easy for the latter, writing from a more advanced standing-point, to bring out and to emphasize the more distinctively Christian doctrines which were still undeveloped and to some extent latent in St. James. That St. James should deliberately have gone backwards, when those doctrines had once received definite expression, is at any rate less probable. A further consideration is that, if we allow a connexion between our Epistle and those of the other Apostles, it is easier to explain this on the supposition that the latter were acquainted with the manifesto of the President of the Church at Jerusalem, rather than on the supposition that he was acquainted with a variety of writings addressed to distant Churches. It is to be remembered also that these parallels are not confined to the earlier or the more important Epistles of St. Paul, and that some of the most striking parallels appear in what are thought to be the latest writings in the N. T., viz. the Epistles of St. John, probably composed after the death of St. James, and long after the probable date of his Epistle, as deduced from other considerations.

* i. 4 ἐν αὐτῷ ζωὴ ἦν καὶ ἡ ζωὴ ἦν τὸ φῶς τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ver. 9 ἦν τὸ φῶς τὸ ἀληθινὸν ὃ φωτίζει πάντα ἄνθρωπον ἐρχόμενον εἰς τὸν κόσμον, cf. iii. 19—21, viii. 12, etc. : James i. 17, 18.

i. 14 ὁ λόγος ἐσκῆνωσεν ἐν ἡμῖν καὶ ἐθεασάμεθα τὴν δόξαν αὐτοῦ : James ii. 1.

iii. 3 ἐὰν μή τις γεννηθῆ ἄνωθεν, οὐ δύναται ἰδεῖν τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, ver. 8 το πνεῦμα ὅπου θέλει πνεῖ, ver. 13 ὁ ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καταβάς: James i. 17, 18 (P. Ewald considers γεννάω and ἀποκνέω to be different renderings of the original Aramaic word used by our Lord).

iii. 31 ὁ ἄνωθεν ἐρχόμενος ἐπάνω πάντων ἐστίν· ὁ ὧν ἐκ τῆς γῆς ἐκ τῆς γῆς ἐστίν καὶ ἐκ τῆς γῆς λαλεῖ: James iii. 15, 17.

iv. 23 ὁ πατήρ τοιούτους ζητεῖ τοὺς προσκυνούντας: James i. 27.

vi. 33 ὁ ἄρτος τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν ὁ καταβαίνων ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καὶ ζωὴν διδούς τῷ κόσμῳ: James i. 17 πᾶν δώρημα τέλειον ἄνωθεν ἐστίν καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν φώτων.

*vi. 39 τοῦτό ἐστίν τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πέμψαντός με ἵνα πᾶς ὁ θεωρῶν τὸν υἱὸν καὶ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν ἔχη ζωὴν αἰώνιον, cf. i. 13, iii. 3 foll.: James i. 18 βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς, ver. 12.

*vi. 63 τὰ ῥήματα ἃ ἐγὼ λελάληκα ὑμῖν πνεῦμά ἐστίν καὶ ζωὴ ἐστίν, ver. 68 ῥήματα ζωῆς αἰωνίου ἔχετε: James i. 21 δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν.

vii. 19 οὐδεὶς ἐξ ὑμῶν ποιεῖ τὸν νόμον: James iv. 11 ποιητῆς νόμου, cf. i. 22, 25.

*viii. 31, 32 ἐὰν μείνητε ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῷ ἐμῷ... γνῶσεσθε τὴν ἀλήθειαν καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια ἐλευθερώσει ὑμᾶς, cf. xiv. 17, xvii. 17, xviii. 37: James i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ver. 25 ὁ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας καὶ παραμείνας κ.τ.λ. ii. 12.

ix. 41 εἰ τυφλοὶ ἦτε, οὐκ ἂν εἶχετε ἁμαρτίαν· νῦν δὲ λέγετε ὅτι βλέπομεν· ἡ οὖν ἁμαρτία ὑμῶν μένει: James iv. 17.

*xiii. 17 εἰ ταῦτα οἴδατε, μακάριοί ἐστε ἐὰν ποιῆτε αὐτά: James i. 25, iv. 17.

*xiv. 14 ἐάν τι αἰτήσητε ἐν τῷ ὀνόματί μου, ἐγὼ ποιήσω, cf. xv. 7 ἐὰν μείνητε ἐν ἐμοὶ καὶ τὰ ῥήματά μου ἐν ὑμῖν μένη, ὁ ἐὰν θέλητε αἰτήσεσθε καὶ γενήσεται ὑμῖν, xvi. 23 foll.: James i. 5, iv. 3.

xiv. 17 τὸ πνεῦμα τῆς ἀληθείας ὃ ὁ κόσμος οὐ δύναται λαβεῖν: James iv. 4, iii. 14.

xiv. 27 εἰρήνην τὴν ἐμὴν δίδωμι ὑμῖν, οὐ καθὼς ὁ κόσμος δίδωσιν ἐγὼ δίδωμι ὑμῖν: James iii. 13—17, iv. 1 foll.

xv. 14, 15 ὑμεῖς φίλοι μου ἐστὲ ἐὰν ποιῆτε ὅσα ἐγὼ ἐντέλλομαι κ.τ.λ.: James ii. 23.

xv. 18, 19 εἰ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου ἦτε ὁ κόσμος ἂν τὸ ἴδιον ἐφίλει· ὅτι δὲ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου οὐκ ἐστὲ, ἀλλ' ἐγὼ ἐξελεξάμην ὑμᾶς ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου, διὰ τοῦτο μισεῖ ὑμᾶς ὁ κόσμος: James iv. 4, ii. 4.

1 Ep. John—

*i. 5 ὁ Θεὸς φῶς ἐστίν καὶ σκοτία οὐκ ἔστιν ἐν αὐτῷ οὐδερμία: James i. 17.

i. 6 ψευδόμεθα καὶ οὐ ποιοῦμεν τὴν ἀλήθειαν: James iii. 6 ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας.

*i. 8—10 ἐὰν εἴπωμεν ὅτι ἁμαρτίαν οὐκ ἔχομεν, ἑαυτοὺς πλανῶμεν κ.τ.λ.: James iii. 2 πολλὰ γὰρ πταίομεν ἅπαντες, i. 16, 22, 26.

*ii. 3—6 ὁ λέγων ὅτι ἔγνωκα αὐτὸν καὶ τὰς ἐντολὰς αὐτοῦ μὴ τηρῶν ψεύστης ἐστίν κ.τ.λ. cf. iii. 7 μηδεὶς πλανᾷ ὑμᾶς· ὁ ποιῶν τὴν δικαιοσύνην δίκαιός ἐστίν: James iii. 13, i. 16, ii. 14—26.

ii. 9—11 ὁ λέγων ἐν τῷ φωτὶ εἶναι καὶ τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ μισῶν ἐν τῇ σκοτίᾳ ἐστίν κ.τ.λ.: James iii. 13—18 (true and false wisdom), ii. 1—4, 15, 16.

*ii. 15 ἐάν τις ἀγαπᾷ τὸν κόσμον, οὐκ ἔστιν ἡ ἀγάπη τοῦ πατρὸς ἐν αὐτῷ· ὅτι πᾶν τὸ ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, ἢ ἐπιθυμία τῆς σαρκὸς καὶ ἡ ἐπιθυμία τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν καὶ ἡ ἀλαζονία τοῦ βίου οὐκ ἔστιν ἐκ τοῦ πατρὸς: James iv. 4—6, iv. 1, i. 14, 15, iv. 16.

ii. 18 ἐσχάτη ὥρα ἐστίν: James v. 3.

ii. 24 ὁ ἠκούσατε ἀπ' ἀρχῆς ἐν ὑμῖν μενέτω: James i. 25.

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Gentile converts before the Church of Jerusalem. More particularly would this be so, if any phrases in the epistle could be turned against his own doctrine of justification by faith, by those who maintained that Jew and Gentile alike could only be justified by the works of the law. It has been justly remarked that the words 'whoever shall keep the whole law and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all' (James ii. 10) might easily be twisted by the Judaizers so as to represent St. James as insisting on the observance of the whole Mosaic code; and that it is perhaps this misinterpretation which is referred to in the words 'we have heard that certain which went out from us troubled you saying, Ye must be circumcised and keep the law, to whom we gave no such commandment' (Acts xv. 24).¹ On the other hand there is much less likelihood of St. Paul's Epistles, addressed to distant churches and dealing so much with personal questions, being brought under the notice of St. James. That there is a connexion between the epistles of the two men, has been the general belief in the Church from the time of Augustine downwards; but this connexion has been usually explained on the supposition that James meant either directly to controvert Paul's own teaching, or at any rate to put forward considerations which might serve to restrain the extravagances of his followers. It has been pointed out however by the more careful students of our Epistle, such as Neander and Bp. Lightfoot, that the argument therein contained on Faith and Works has no bearing on St. Paul's doctrine, its purport being, in the words of John Bunyan, to insist that 'at the Day of Doom, men shall be judged according to their fruit. It will not be said then *Did you believe?* but, *Were you doers or talkers only?*' 'For as the body without the soul is but a dead carcass, so *saying*, if it be alone, is but a dead carcass also'—a doctrine which of course is common to St. Paul, as to every other writer in the N.T.

But it does not follow, as some have maintained, that because our Epistle gives no answer to St. Paul's argument addressed to the Romans, there is therefore no connexion between them. I think it is impossible to read carefully the passages given below, without feeling that the one writer copied from the other; and that, while St. James has no reference to St. Paul, St. Paul on the contrary writes with constant reference to St. James, sometimes borrowing

¹ Plumptre, p. 40 foll.

phrases or ideas, sometimes introducing a distinction for the purpose of avoiding ambiguity, at other times distinctly controverting his arguments as liable to be misapplied, though conscious all the while of a general agreement in his conclusions. As examples of borrowing, sometimes with additions and improvements, I will only refer here to Rom. ii. 13, 25, v. 3, vii. 23, xiv. 4, 22. As examples of new distinctions introduced compare James ii. 24 *ἐξ ἔργων δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος καὶ οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως μόνον*, with Gal. ii. 16 *οὐ δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ*.

The controversial matter must be dealt with at greater length. The two main points at issue are (1) the necessity of works, (2) Abraham's justification by faith. James had said over and over again 'Faith without works is dead' (ii. 17, 20, 24, 26); his meaning being (as is plain from ver. 14, and the illustration of a philanthropy which is limited to words (vv. 15, 16), as well as from the whole tone and argument of the Epistle), not to depreciate faith, which is with him not less than with St. Paul the very foundation of the Christian life (cf. i. 3, 6, ii. 1, v. 15), but to insist that faith, like love, is valueless, if it has no effect on the life, but expends itself in words. St. Paul himself does the same in 1 Thess. i. 3, Gal. v. 6, 1 Cor. xiii. 2, Rom. ii. 6—20, and indeed throughout his Epistles; but in arguing against his Judaizing antagonists, who denied salvation to the Gentiles unless they were circumcised and in all other respects performed 'the works of the law,' he had maintained that it was impossible for men to be justified by these works, and that it was by faith alone that even the Jews and Abraham himself, no less than Gentiles, must be justified. He therefore challenges the phrase of St. James *ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων ἀργή ἐστίν, νεκρά ἐστίν* by a direct contradiction, *λογιζόμεθα γὰρ δικαιοῦσθαι πίστει ἄνθρωπον χωρὶς ἔργων νόμου*, in support of which he appeals (1) to Deut. xxvii. 26 'Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them,' as proving the absolute obedience required by the law, Gal. iii. 10, (2) to the confession of the Psalmist (xiv. cxliii. 2, cf. Rom. iii. 20, Gal. iii. 16) that 'by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified,' and to that of the Preacher (iii. 20, cf. Rom. iii. 23) 'there is not a just man upon earth that doeth good and sinneth not.' If the contrary suppo-

sition were true; if St. James wrote after St. Paul, must he not, with these passages before him, have either attempted to meet the arguments, if he dissented; or if he agreed with them (as he certainly does in ii. 10, 11 and in iii. 2), would he not have avoided the use of phrases such as *χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων*, which were liable to be misunderstood alike by the followers and the opponents of the Apostle to the Gentiles?

St. Paul goes on to argue that the blessings promised to Abraham and all the families of the earth in him, and the covenant made with Abraham and his seed, are anterior to and irrespective of the law; that the Scripture expressly attributes to Abraham a righteousness, not of works, but of faith, and states generally that 'the just shall live by faith.' To these arguments again no reference is made by St. James, except to the familiar quotation *ἐπίστευσεν Ἀβραὰμ τῷ θεῷ καὶ ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην* (James ii. 21, 22), which was probably in common use among the Jews to prove that orthodoxy of doctrine sufficed for salvation. His answer is that Abraham's faith proved itself by action, when he offered Isaac on the altar: if he had not acted thus, he would not have been accounted righteous, or called the Friend of God. It is interesting to observe how St. Paul deals with this statement, to which he distinctly refers in Rom. iv. 2. St. James had said *Ἀβραὰμ ὁ πατὴρ ἡμῶν οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη*; St. Paul replies *εἰ γὰρ Ἀβραὰμ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη, ἔχει καύχημα*, but this, as he shows, is inconsistent with the phrase 'reckoned for righteousness,' which, like the similar phrase in Ps. xxxii. 1, 2, implies an act of free grace on the part of God, not a strict legal obligation of wages earned for work done. His second answer is to replace the quotation in its original context (Rom. iv. 16—22), as spoken of the birth, not of the sacrifice of Isaac. Abraham's faith in the promised birth was a settled trust in God, a long-continued hoping against hope: it was this posture of mind, not any immediate action consequent upon it, which was reckoned to him for righteousness (*ἐνεδυναμώθη τῇ πίστει δούς δόξαν τῷ Θεῷ καὶ πληροφορηθεὶς ὅτι ὃ ἐπήγγελται δυνατὸς ἐστίν καὶ ποιῆσαι. διὸ ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην*). Nor is he content to leave to the Jews the exclusive boast in the fatherhood of Abraham (James ii. 21): all who inherit Abraham's faith are sons of Abraham (Gal. iii. 7, Rom. iv. 12). All this is most apposite in

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1 *Thessalonians* (A.D. 52)¹—

v. 23 ὁ Θεὸς...ἀγιάσαι ὑμᾶς ὁλοτελεῖς, καὶ ὁλόκληρον ὑμῶν τὸ πνεῦμα καὶ ἡ ψυχὴ καὶ τὸ σῶμα ἀμέμπτως ἐν τῇ παρουσίᾳ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τηρηθείη: James i. 4 ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι καὶ ὁλόκληροι, cf. iii. 15, v. 8, ii. 1, i. 27.

1 *Corinthians* (Spring of A.D. 57)—

*i. 27 τὰ μωρὰ τοῦ κόσμου ἐξελέξατο ὁ Θεὸς ἵνα καταισχύνῃ τοὺς σοφοὺς, καὶ τὰ ἀσθενῆ τοῦ κόσμου ἵνα καταισχύνῃ τὰ ἰσχυρά...ὅπως μὴ καυχῆσθαι πᾶσα σὰρξ ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ: James ii. 5 οὐχ ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ πλουσίους ἐν πίστει, i. 9, 10 καυχάσθω δὲ ὁ ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ, ὁ δὲ πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ.

ii. 9 ἂ ὀφθαλμὸς οὐκ εἶδεν...ὅσα ἠτοίμασεν ὁ Θεὸς τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν: James i. 12, ii. 5.

*ii. 14 ψυχικὸς δὲ ἄνθρωπος οὐδέχεται τὰ τοῦ πνεύματος τοῦ Θεοῦ, μωρία γὰρ αὐτῷ ἐστίν: James iii. 15 οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη ἀλλὰ ἐπίγειος, ψυχικὴ, δαιμονιώδης.

*iii. 18 μηδεὶς ἑαυτὸν ἐξαπατάτω· εἴ τις δοκεῖ σοφὸς εἶναι ἐν ὑμῖν, μωρὸς γενέσθω, cf. Gal. vi. 3 εἰ γὰρ δοκεῖ τις εἶναι τι, μηδὲν ὄν, ἑαυτὸν φρεναπατᾷ: James i. 26 εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλῶσσαν ἀλλ' ἀπατῶν καρδίαν ἑαυτοῦ κ.τ.λ.

vi. 9, xv. 33, cf. Gal. vi. 7, μὴ πλανᾶσθε: James i. 16 μὴ πλανᾶσθε (nowhere else in N. T.).

x. 12 βλέπομεν δι' ἐσόπτρου, cf. Cor. iii. 18 τὴν δόξαν Κυρίου κατοπτριζόμενοι: James i. 23 ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ.

xv. 35 ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις Πῶς ἐγείρονται οἱ νεκροί; James ii. 8 ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις Σὺ πίστιν ἔχεις (the phrase is not uncommon, and is apparently used in different senses by St. Paul and by St. James).

2 *Corinthians* (Autumn of A.D. 57)—

iv. 6 ὁ Θεὸς ὁ εἰπὼν Ἐκ σκότους φῶς λάμψει, ὃς ἔλαμψεν ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ἡμῶν πρὸς φωτισμὸν τῆς γνώσεως: James i. 17 δῶρημα τέλειον... καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν φῶτων.

*vi. 7 ἐν λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ἐν δυνάμει Θεοῦ, cf. Col. i. 5 ἐλπίδα ἣν προηκούσατε ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῆς ἀληθείας τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, Eph. i. 13 ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας, τὸ εὐαγγέλιον τῆς σωτηρίας, 2 Tim. ii. 15 ὀρθοτομοῦντα τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας: James i. 18 βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας (the phrase occurs nowhere else in N. T. but is found in LXX. Psa. cxix 43 μὴ περιελῆς ἐκ τοῦ στόματός μου λόγον ἀληθείας, ὅτι ἐπὶ τοῖς κρίμασί σου ἐπήλπισα, καὶ φυλάξω τὸν νόμον σου διὰ παντός.

*viii. 2 ἐν πολλῇ δοκιμῇ θλίψεως ἢ περισσειᾷ τῆς χαρᾶς αὐτῶν: James i. 2, 21.

*xii. 20 ἔρις ζῆλος θυμοὶ ἐριθίαι καταλαλιαὶ...ἀκαταστασίαι: James iii. 14, 16, iv. 11.

Galatians (Close of A.D. 57)—

On the relation between St. Paul and St. James in regard of Justification and the example of Abraham, see ii. 15, 16, iii. 6, and compare the remarks at the head of this section (4).

¹ I take the dates from Lewin's *Fasti Sacri* except in the case of the Epistles to the Galatians and Philippians, where I follow Br. Lightfoot (*Gal.* pp. 36—56 and *Phil.* pp. 30—46).

iii. 26 πάντες γὰρ υἱοὶ Θεοῦ ἐστὲ διὰ τῆς πίστεως ἐν Χ. Ἰ., iv. 6 ὅτι δὲ ἐστὲ υἱοί, εξαπέστειλεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ Υἱοῦ αὐτοῦ εἰς τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν κράζον Ἀββᾶ ὁ Πατήρ : James i. 18, iv. 5.

iv. 22—31 the son of the bondwoman and the son of the free, Mount Sinai and Jerusalem which is above, v. 13 ἐπ' ἐλευθερίᾳ ἐκλήθητε, ver. 18 εἰ πνεύματι ἄγεσθε οὐκ ἐστὲ ὑπὸ νόμον : James i. 25, ii. 12.

v. 3 ἡφειλέτης ἐστὶν ὁλον τὸν νόμον ποιῆσαι : James ii. 10 ὅστις ὁλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ πταίσῃ δὲ ἐν ἐνί, γέγονεν πάντων ἔνοχος.

v. 17 ἡ σὰρξ ἐπιθυμῆι κατὰ τοῦ πνεύματος, τὸ δὲ πνεῦμα κατὰ τῆς σαρκός, ταῦτα γὰρ ἀλλήλοις ἀντίκειται : James iv. 4, 5.

vi. 9 τὸ καλὸν ποιῶντες μὴ ἐγκακῶμεν· καιρῶ γὰρ ἰδίῳ θερίσομεν μὴ ἐκλυόμενοι : James v. 7.

Romans (A.D. 58)—

*i. 16, 17 (τὸ εὐαγγέλιον) δύνανται Θεοῦ ἐστὶν εἰς σωτηρίαν παντὶ τῷ πιστεύοντι...δικαιοσύνη γὰρ Θεοῦ ἐν αὐτῷ ἀποκαλύπτεται, cf. iii. 21, 25 : James i. 21 δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν, ver. 20 ὀργὴ ἀνδρὸς Θεοῦ δικαιοσύνην οὐκ ἐργάζεται. The phrase δικ. Θε. is taken from Micah vi. 5.

ii. 1 ὁ ἄνθρωπος πᾶς ὁ κρίνων...τὰ γὰρ αὐτὰ πράσσεις ὁ κρίνων, cf. ix. 20 : James ii. 20 ὁ ἄνθρωπος κενέ, iv. 11 quoted below on xiv. 4.

*ii. 5 θησαυρίζεις σεαυτῷ ὀργὴν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ ὀργῆς : James v. 3 ἐθησαυρίσατε ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις, ver. 5 ἐθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς. Both founded on precedents in O.T.

*ii. 13 οὐ γὰρ οἱ ἀκροαταὶ νόμου δίκαιοι παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ, ἀλλ' οἱ ποιηταὶ νόμου δικαιοθήσονται : James i. 22 γίνεσθε ποιηταὶ λόγου καὶ μὴ ἀκροαταὶ ρόνον, 25 ὁ δὲ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας... οὐκ ἀκροατῆς...γενόμενος ἀλλὰ ποιητῆς ἔργου, οὗτος μακάριος, cf. ii. 24, iv. 11 ποιητῆς νόμου.

ii. 17—24 on teachers who do not practise what they teach : James iii. 1 on over-eagerness to teach and the dangers of teaching.

*ii. 25 ἐὰν παραβάτης νόμου ᾖ ἡ περιτομὴ σου ἀκροβυστία γέγονεν, ver. 27 : James ii. 11 εἰ δὲ οὐ μοιχεύεις φονεύεις δι', ἔργον παραβάτης νόμου.

iii. 28 λογίζομεθα δικαιοῦσθαι πίστει ἄνθρωπον χωρὶς ἔργων νόμου : James ii. 24, compare remarks at the head of this section (4).

*iv. 1—5, 16—22. Paul here betrays a consciousness that Abraham had been cited as an example of works, and endeavours to show that the word λογίζομαι is inconsistent with this : James ii. 21—23.

iv. 20 εἰς τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν τοῦ Θεοῦ οὐ διεκρίθη τῇ ἀπιστίᾳ ἀλλ' ἐδυναμώθη τῇ πίστει, cf. xiv. 23 : James i. 6, ii. 4.

*v. 3—5 καυχώμεθα ἐν ταῖς θλίψεσιν, εἰδότες ὅτι ἡ θλίψις ὑπομονὴν κατεργάζεται, ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ δοκιμὴν, ἡ δὲ δοκιμὴ ἐλπίδα, ἡ δὲ ἐλπίς οὐ κατασχύνει, ὅτι ἡ ἀγάπη τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐκκέχυται, cf. 1 Cor. 27—29 : James i. 2—4 πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἠγάσασθε ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε...γινώσκοντες ὅτι τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονὴν, ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω ἵνα ᾖτε τέλειοι. (Here it is more probable that Paul is working up a hint received from James, than that the less complete analysis should have been borrowed from the more complete.) Cf. also James i. 9 καυχάσθω ὁ ἀδελφὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει.

vi. 23 τὰ γὰρ ὀψώνια τῆς ἀμαρτίας θάνατος, τὸ δὲ χάρισμα τοῦ Θεοῦ ζωὴ αἰώνιος : James i. 15.

*vii. 23 βλέπω ἕτερον νόμον ἐν τοῖς μέλεσίν μου ἀντιστρατευόμενον τῷ νόμῳ τοῦ νοός μου καὶ αἰχμαλωτίζοντά με τῷ νόμῳ τῆς ἀμαρτίας τῷ ὄντι ἐν τοῖς μέλεσίν μου, cf. vi. 13 : James iv. 1 πόθεν πόλεμοι ; οὐκ ἐντεῦθεν ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν

ὑμῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ὑμῶν; (Here too James is simpler, Paul more developed.)

*viii. 7 τὸ φρόνημα τῆς σαρκὸς ἔχθρα εἰς Θεόν, τῷ γὰρ νόμῳ τοῦ Θεοῦ οὐχ ὑποτάσσεται: James iv. 4 ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν, ver. 7 ὑποτάγητε τῷ Θεῷ, ἀντίστητε δὲ τῷ διαβόλῳ.

*viii. 21 αὐτὴ ἡ κτίσις ἐλευθερωθήσεται...εἰς τὴν ἐλευθερίαν τῆς δόξης τῶν τέκνων τοῦ Θεοῦ, ver. 23 ἀλλὰ καὶ αὐτοὶ τὴν ἀπαρχὴν τοῦ πνεύματος ἔχοντες... στενάζομεν υἰοθεσίαν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι, xi. 16 εἰ ἡ ἀπαρχὴ ἁγία καὶ τὸ φύραμα: James i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς...εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχὴν τινα τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων, ver. 25 νόμος ἐλευθερίας. (Paul works up the hint of St. James into a far more elaborate conception.)

x. 3 ἀγνοοῦντες τὴν τοῦ Θεοῦ δικαιοσύνην καὶ τὴν ἰδίαν ζητοῦντες στήσαι: see above on i. 16, 17.

xi. 17, 18 κατακαυχᾶσθαι: James ii. 13, iii. 14.

xii. 14 εὐλογεῖτε καὶ μὴ καταρᾶσθε: James iii. 10.

*xiii. 3 θέλεις δὲ μὴ φοβεῖσθαι; τὸ ἀγαθὸν ποιεῖ: James ii. 20 θέλεις δὲ γνῶναι; Ἀβραὰμ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη;

xiii. 12 ἀποθώμεθα τὰ ἔργα τοῦ σκότους, ἐνδυσώμεθα τὰ ὄπλα τοῦ φωτός: James i. 21 ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν καὶ περισσεῖαν κακίας...δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν.

*xiv. 4 σὺ τίς εἶ ὁ κρίνων ἀλλότριον οἰκέτην; τῷ ἰδίῳ κυρίῳ στήκει ἢ πίπτει, cf. ii. 1 and 1 Cor. iv. 3—5 ὁ ἀνακρίνων με Κύριός ἐστιν, ὥστε μὴ πρὸ καιροῦ τι κρίνετε: James iv. 11 εἷς ἔστιν νομοθέτης καὶ κριτής, σὺ δὲ τίς εἶ, ὁ κρίνων τὸν πλησίον; (It is hardly conceivable that a later writer could lose the point of ἀλλότριον οἰκέτην and τῷ ἰδίῳ κυρίῳ, though these are natural improvements to make, if the simpler form is the older.)

*xiv. 22, 23 σὺ πίστιν ἔχεις; κατὰ σαυτὸν ἔχε...ὁ δὲ διακρινόμενος, ἐὰν φαγῆ, κατακέκριται, ὅτι οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως: James ii. 18 σὺ πίστιν ἔχεις κἀγὼ ἔργα ἔχω, i. 16 αἰτεῖτω ἐν πίστει μηδὲν διακρινόμενος, ὁ γὰρ διακρινόμενος ἔοικε κλύδωνι θαλάσσης.

Philippians (A.D. 62)—

i. 11 πεπληρωμένοι καρπὸν δικαιοσύνης: see on Heb. xii. 11.

iii. 9 τὴν ἐκ Θεοῦ δικαιοσύνην: see on Rom. i. 16.

iv. 6 ὁ Κύριος ἐγγύς: James v. 8.

Colossians (A.D. 63)—

ii. 4 ἵνα μή τις παραλογίσηται ὑμᾶς ἐν πιθανολογίᾳ: James i. 22 παραλογισάμενοι ἑαυτούς.

iii. 8 νυνὶ δὲ ἀπόθεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς τὰ πάντα, ὀργὴν, θυμὸν, κακίαν, βλασφημίαν: see on Eph. iv. 22.

iii. 12 ἐνδύσασθε...ταπεινοφροσύνην, πραῦτητα, μακροθυμίαν: James i. 21, iv. 10, v. 7.

Ephesians (A.D. 63)—

i. 5 προορίσας ἡμᾶς εἰς υἰοθεσίαν...κατὰ τὴν εὐδοκίαν τοῦ θελήματος αὐτοῦ: James i. 18 βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς.

i. 13 τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας, see on 2 Cor. vi. 7.

*iv. 13, 14 μέχρι καταστήσωμεν οἱ πάντες...εἰς ἄνδρα τέλειον...ἵνα μηκέτι ὦμεν νήπιοι, κλυδωνιζόμενοι καὶ περιφερόμενοι παντὶ ἀνέμῳ τῆς διδασκαλίας: James i. 4 ἵνα ᾦτε τέλειοι καὶ ὀλόκληροι ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι, ver. 6 ὁ διακρινόμενος ἔοικεν κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ἀνεμιζο-

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common quotations from the O.T., are such as to prove conclusively that the one borrowed from the other. Nor can there be much doubt as to which of the two was the borrower, if we observe how, in almost every case, the common thought finds fuller expression in St. Peter. Thus both Epistles are addressed to the Diaspora, but in St. Peter we have the distinctive touch *ἐκλεκτοῖς παρεπιδήμοις διασπορᾶς*. St. James addresses the Twelve Tribes of the Diaspora without limitation; but his letter, as I have argued in the chapter on the *Persons Addressed*, would probably be circulated mainly among the Jews of the Eastern Dispersion; while St. Peter, writing, as I imagine, during the imprisonment of St. Paul at Rome to the Jews of Asia Minor, with the view of removing their prejudices against his teaching, took the Epistle of St. James as his model, but ingrafted upon it the more advanced Christian doctrine which he shared with St. Paul. If we accept the genuineness of the Second Epistle, we shall find an interesting parallel in the close relation between it and the Epistle of St. Jude. These however are of course matters of more or less uncertainty. But the close connexion between James i. 2 and 1 Pet. i. 6, 7 is proved beyond all doubt by the recurrence in both of the phrases *ποικίλοις πειρασμοῖς* and *τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως* with its unusual order of words. Assuming then, as we must, that one copied from the other, we find the trial of faith illustrated in St. Peter (as in Psa. lxvi. 10, Prov. xvii. 3, Job xxiii. 10, Zech. xiii. 9, Mal. iii. 3) by the trying of the precious metals in the fire: we find also the addition, *ὀλίγον ἄρτι, εἰ δέον, λυπηθέντες*, which looks as if it were intended to soften down the uncompromising Stoicism of St. James' *πάσαν χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε*. Again comparing James i. 18 and 1 Pet. i. 23, we find the bare 'begat he us with the word of truth' of the former expanded into 'having been begotten again not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the word of God which liveth and abideth.' So in 1 Pet. ii. 1, 2, the simpler expression of James (i. 21) 'Wherefore putting away all filthiness and overflowing of malice, receive with meekness the implanted word which is able to save your souls' is elaborated into 'Putting away therefore all malice and all guile and hypocrisies and envies and all evil speakings, as newborn babes long for the spiritual (*λογικόν*) milk which is without guile, that ye may grow thereby unto salvation.' Compare also James i. 12 with 1 Pet. v. 4

where 'the crown of life' becomes 'the crown of glory which fadeth not away'; James iv. 10 with 1 Pet. v. 6, where 'Humble yourselves in the sight of God and he shall exalt you' becomes 'Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God that he may exalt you in due time.' In the immediate context the simple 'Resist the devil' of James, becomes 'Your adversary the devil as a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour; whom resist steadfast in the faith' in Peter. The most important changes are those in which the tone of the New Testament is substituted for that of the Old, as in 1 Pet. ii. 21, where Christ is set before us as our example of patient suffering, in contrast with James v. 10, where the example of the prophets is appealed to. Perhaps under this head may be mentioned the change from *στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας*, in James v. 9, to *ὁ Θεὸς αὐτὸς στηρίξει* in 1 Pet. v. 10; and the employment of the emphatic *πρὸ πάντων* to enforce the exhortation to brotherly love in 1 Pet. iv. 8, instead of the exhortation to abstain from swearing in James v. 12.

There is a curious difference between the use made of quotations from the Old Testament in the two Epistles. St. James seldom quotes exactly. We can see by his phraseology that he has some passage of the Old Testament in his mind, but he uses it freely to colour his language, applying it to his own immediate purpose without any scrupulous reference to its original context. It is this laxity of quotation which causes the difficulty in James iv. 4-6 and presents what is probably an 'unwritten word' of Christ under two forms in i. 12 and ii. 5. If we turn to the quotations which are common to him and to St. Peter, we often find the inexact and careless reminiscences of the former corrected and supplemented in the latter. Thus there can be little doubt that when St. James used the phrase *δοκίμιον πίστεως* he had in his mind Prov. xxvii. 21 *δοκίμιον ἀργυρίῳ καὶ χρυσῷ πύρωσις, ἀνὴρ δὲ δοκιμάζεται διὰ στόματος ἐγκωμιαζόντων αὐτόν*, and Prov. xvii. 3, which is nearer in meaning though less closely allied in expression, *ὡς περ δοκιμάζεται ἐν καμίνῳ ἄργυρος καὶ χρυσός, οὕτως ἐκλεκταὶ καρδίαι παρὰ Κυρίῳ*, and accordingly we find St. Peter supplying these words (*δοκίμιον*) *πολυτιμότερον χρυσοῦ τοῦ ἀπολλυμένου διὰ πυρὸς δὲ δοκιμαζομένου*. Another quotation appears in James i. 10, 11 (let the rich man boast in his humiliation) *ὅτι ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρελεύσεται· ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος σὺν τῷ καύσωνι καὶ*

ἐξήρανε τὸν χόρτον καὶ τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ ἐξέπεσεν καὶ ἡ εὐπρέπεια τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ ἀπόλετο· οὕτως καὶ ὁ πλούσιος ἐν ταῖς πορείαις αὐτοῦ μαρανθήσεται. This is evidently taken mainly from Isa. xl. 6, 7, where the perishing nature of man is contrasted with the imperishableness of God's Word. St. James, it will be seen, confines himself to the former branch of the comparison, limiting it indeed to the case of the rich man, and makes no mention here of the Word. But in 1 Pet. i. 23 the new life communicated by the living and abiding Word of God, which St. James treats of in another part of his Epistle, is the subject of the discourse (*ἀναγεγεννημένοι...διὰ λόγου ζῶντος Θεοῦ καὶ μένοντος*); this is then proved by the quotation, given almost literally from Isaiah, as follows: *διότι πᾶσα σὰρξ ὡς χόρτος καὶ πᾶσα δόξα αὐτῆς ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου· ἐξηράνη ὁ χόρτος καὶ τὸ ἄνθος ἐξέπεσεν· τὸ δὲ ῥῆμα Κυρίου μένει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα*, the only changes being the insertion of the first ὡς, the substitution of *αὐτῆς* for *ἀνθρώπου* and of *Κυρίου* for *τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν*. In the passage of St. James we observe the intermingling of another quotation from the Book of Jonah iv. 8 *ἐγένετο ἅμα τῷ ἀνατεῖλαι τὸν ἥλιον καὶ προσέταξεν ὁ Θεὸς πνεύματι καύσωνι*.

In the difficult passage James iv. 4-6 ('whosoever would be a friend of the world becomes thereby an enemy of God. Or think ye that the Scripture saith without meaning, Jealously yearneth the Spirit which he hath implanted in you? But he giveth more grace: wherefore he saith') *ὁ Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν*, the concluding Greek words are exactly the same as in 1 Pet. v. 5, being taken literally from the LXX. of Prov. iii. 34, except that this latter has *Κύριος* for *ὁ Θεός*. The context however in which they occur differs much in the two Epistles. St. Peter uses them to enforce the duty of humility in our intercourse with our fellow-men, 'Ye younger be subject unto the elder: yea all of you gird yourselves with humility for *God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble*,' which is probably the original application in the Proverbs; but St. James, as we have seen, seems to make 'the proud' equivalent to 'the friends of the world,' and the 'humble' to be those who submit themselves to God.

The last quotation is that from the Hebrew (not the LXX.) of Prov. x. 12 'Hatred stirreth up strife, but *love covereth all sins*,'

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THE EPISTLE OF ST. JAMES

i. 22 τὰς ψυχὰς ἡγνικότες ἐν τῇ ὑπακοῇ τῆς ἀληθείας εἰς φιλαδελφίαν ἀνυπόκριτον: James iv. 8 ἀγνίσατε καρδίας, i. 18 λόγῳ ἀληθείας, iii. 17 ἢ ἄνωθεν σοφία...μεστὴ ἐλέους...ἀνυπόκριτος.

*i. 23 ἀναγεγεννημένοι οὐκ ἐκ σπορᾶς φθαρτῆς ἀλλ' ἀφθάρτου διὰ λόγου ζῶντος Θεοῦ καὶ μενόντος, διότι πᾶσα σὰρξ ὡς χόρτος καὶ πᾶσα δόξα αὐτῆς ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου· ἐξηράνθη ὁ χόρτος καὶ τὸ ἄνθος ἐξέπεσεν, τὸ δὲ ῥῆμα Κυρίου μένει: James i. 18 (cf. above on ver. 3), i. 10 (ὁ πλούσιος) ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρελεύσεται, ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος καὶ ἐξήρανεν τὸν χόρτον καὶ τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ ἐξέπεσεν.

*ii. 1 ἀποθέμενοι οὖν πᾶσαν κακίαν καὶ πάντα δόλον καὶ ὑπόκρισιν καὶ φθόνους καὶ πάσας καταλαλιὰς ὡς ἀρτιγέννητα βρέφη τὸ λογικὸν...γάλα ἐπιποθήσατε ἵνα ἐν αὐτῷ αὐξήθητε εἰς σωτηρίαν (resumes i. 13), cf. iii. 21 σαρκὸς ἀπόθεσις ῥύπου: James i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς, 21 διὸ ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν καὶ περισσείαν κακίας ἐν πραύτητι δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς, iii. 14, 17, iv. 11.

*ii. 11 παρακαλῶ...ἀπέχεσθαι τῶν σαρκικῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν αἵτινες στρατεύονται κατὰ τῆς ψυχῆς: James iv. 1 πόθεν πόλεμοι;...οὐκ ἐντεῦθεν ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν ὑμῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ὑμῶν;

*ii. 12 τὴν ἀναστροφὴν ὑμῶν ἔχοντες καλὴν ἵνα...ἐκ τῶν καλῶν ἔργων ἐποπτεύοντες δοξάσωσι τὸν Θεόν, cf. iii. 2 τὴν ἐν φόβῳ ἀγνὴν ἀναστροφὴν, 16 τὴν ἀγαθὴν ἐν Χριστῷ ἀναστροφὴν: James iii. 13 δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας.

ii. 15 ὡς ἐλεύθεροι...ἀλλ' ὡς Θεοῦ δοῦλοι: James i. 25, ii. 12 νόμος ἐλευθερίας, i. 1 Θεοῦ δοῦλος.

ii. 18 ὑποτασσόμενοι τοῖς δεσπόταις, iii. 1 ὑποτασσόμενοι τοῖς ἀνδράσιν, see below v. 5: James iv. 7 ὑποτάγητε τῷ Θεῷ.

ii. 20, 21 εἰ ἀγαθοποιοῦντες καὶ πάσχοντες ὑπομενεῖτε, τοῦτο χάρις παρὰ Θεῷ· εἰς τοῦτο γὰρ ἐκλήθητε, ὅτι καὶ Χριστὸς ἔπαθεν ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν, ὑμῖν ὑπολιμπάνων ὑπογραμμόν: James v. 10, 11 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς κακοπαθίας καὶ τῆς μακροθυμίας τοὺς προφήτας...ἰδοὺ μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομείναντας, cf. i. 12.

ii. 25 πλανώμενοι ἐπεστράφητε: James v. 19 εἰς τὴν ἐν ὑμῖν πλανηθῆναι...καὶ ἐπιστρέψη τις αὐτόν.

iii. 15 μετὰ πραύτητος, cf. ver. 4: James i. 21 ἐν πραύτητι.

iv. 7 πάντων τὸ τέλος ἡγγικεν· σωφρονήσατε οὖν: James v. 8 στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας, ὅτι ἡ παρουσία τοῦ Κυρίου ἡγγικεν, ver. 3 ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις.

*iv. 8 πρὸ πάντων τὴν εἰς ἑαυτοὺς ἀγάπην ἐκτενῆ ἔχοντες, ὅτι ἀγάπη καλύπτει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν: James v. 12 πρὸ πάντων μὴ ὀμνύετε, ver. 20 γινώσκετε ὅτι ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἁμαρτωλὸν...καλύψει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν. Cf. the original Prov. x. 12 'love covereth all sins,' where the LXX. has πάντας τοὺς μὴ φιλονεικοῦντας καλύπτει.

iv. 14 τὸ τῆς δόξης καὶ τὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ πνεῦμα: James ii. 1 τὴν πίστιν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν, τῆς δόξης.

iv. 12, 13 μὴ ξενίζεσθε τῇ...πυρώσει πρὸς πειρασμὸν ὑμῖν γινομένη...ἀλλὰ χαίρετε ἵνα καὶ ἐν τῇ ἀποκαλύψει τῆς δόξης αὐτοῦ χαρῆτε ἀγαλλιώμενοι: see above on i. 6.

iv. 16 εἰ ὡς Χριστιανὸς (πάσχει)...δοξαζέτω τὸν Θεὸν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι τούτῳ: James ii. 7 τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς.

*v. 4 κομειῖσθε τὸν ἁμαράντινον τῆς δόξης στέφανον, cf. i. 3: James i. 12 λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς.

*v. 5, 6 νεώτεροι ὑποτάγητε πρεσβυτέροις· πάντες δὲ ἀλλήλοις τὴν ταπεινοφροσύνην ἐγκομβώσασθε, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν. ταπεινώθητε οὖν ὑπὸ τὴν κραταιὰν χεῖρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἵνα ὑμᾶς ὑψώσῃ ἐν καιρῷ, ver. 8 γρηγορήσατε· ὁ ἀντίδικος

ὑμῶν διάβολος... περιπατεῖ ζητῶν καταπιεῖν· ᾧ ἀντίστητε στερεοὶ ἐν τῇ πίστει: James iv. 6, 7 διὸ λέγει Ὁ Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται, ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν· ὑποτάγητε οὖν τῷ Θεῷ, ἀντίστητε δὲ τῷ διαβόλῳ, ver. 10 ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου καὶ ὑψώσει ὑμᾶς, v. 16 ἐξομολογεῖσθε οὖν ἀλλήλοις τὰς ἀμαρτίας καὶ εὐχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων, after bidding the sick to send for the elders to pray over them in ver. 14. I cannot but think that there is remarkable similarity in the extension of the injunction, that the elders should pray for the people and hear their confession (as is implied in ver. 14), to the mutual prayer and confession of ver. 16, and the extension in St. Peter from submission of the younger to the elder to mutual submission.

v. 10 ὁ Θεὸς... ὀλίγον παθόντας αὐτὸς... στηρίξει: James v. 9 μακροθυμήσατε καὶ ὑμεῖς, στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας.

2 Peter—

i. 1 πίστιν ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν: James i. 20 δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ.

i. 12 ἐστηριγμένους ἐν τῇ παρουσίᾳ ἀληθείας: James v. 10.

i. 16 παρουσίαν, cf. iii 4, 12: James v. 8.

i. 17 ὑπὸ τῆς μεγαλοπρεποῦς δόξης: James ii. 1.

ii. 2 δι' οὗς ἡ ὁδὸς τῆς ἀληθείας βλασφημηθήσεται, ver. 15 καταλείποντες εὐθείαν ὁδὸν ἐπλανήθησαν: James v. 19, 20.

ii. 7 ὑπόδειγμα μελλόντων: James v. 10.

*ii. 13, 14 ἡδονὴν ἡγουμένοι τὴν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ τρυφήν, σπίλοι καὶ μῶμοι ἐν τρυφῶντες ἐν ταῖς ἀπάταις... ὀφθαλμοὺς ἔχοντες μεστοὺς μοιχαλίδος... δελιάζοντες ψυχὰς ἀστηρίκτους: James v. 5, i. 14. 27, iv. 4, iii. 17.

iii. 3 ἐπ' ἐσχάτων τῶν ἡμερῶν... κατὰ τὰς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας αὐτῶν πορευόμενοι: James v. 3, i. 14.

iii. 14 σπουδάσατε ἄσπιλοι... εὐρεθῆναι ἐν εἰρήνῃ: James i. 27, iii. 18.

Jude—

1 Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δοῦλος: James i. 1.

9 διακρινόμενος, cf. ver. 22: James i. 6.

19 ψυχικοί: James iii. 15.

(6) Epistle to the Hebrews—

I have given reasons above (4) for supposing that the eleventh chapter of this Epistle was written with a knowledge of St. James' argument on Faith. If I am not mistaken there is a further allusion to St. James in ch. xii. 11, where (as in 1 Pet. i. 6) there seems to be a kind of concession to those who felt themselves unequal to the high-strained appeal *πάσαν χαρὰν ἡγήσασθε*. 'Chastisement,' the writer allows, 'does not seem for the moment to be a ground for rejoicing but for grief, nevertheless afterwards'—it has the effect St. James ascribes to it—'it produces the peaceable fruit of righteousness.' It may be added that the evils of the Jewish Church are more developed, and the threatened judgments more imminent, in this Epistle than in St. James; that persecutions are referred to as matters of the past (x. 32-34), and

that in xiii. 7 many have seen an allusion to the martyrdom of St. James himself.

- i. 3 ὧν ἀπαύγασμα τῆς δόξης: James ii. 1.
 ii. 4 κατὰ τὴν αὐτοῦ θέλησιν, x. 10 ἐν ᾧ θελήματι ἡγιασμένοι ἐσμέν: James i. 18
 βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς.
 ii. 10 διὰ παθημάτων τελειῶσαι, cf. v. 8, 13, 14, vi. 1: James i. 4 ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ
 ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι.
 iii. 6 ἐὰν τὸ καύχημα τῆς ἐλπίδος κατάσχωμεν: James i. 9 καυχάσθω
 δὲ ὁ ἀδελφὸς—ἐν τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ.
 iv. 11 ἐν τῷ αὐτῷ ὑποδείγματι τῆς ἀπειθείας, viii. 5 ὑπόδειγμα τῶν
 ἐπουρανίων: James v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα κακοπαθίας.
 v. 7 τὸν δυνάμενον σώζειν αὐτὸν ἐκ θανάτου: James iv. 12 ὁ δυνά-
 μενος σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι.
 vi. 1 θεμέλιον καταβαλλόμενοι μετανοίας ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων καὶ πίστεως ἐπὶ
 Θεόν, cf. ix. 14 καθαρῶς τὴν συνείδησιν ὑμῶν ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων εἰς τὸ
 λατρεύειν Θεῷ ζῶντι: James ii. 26 ἡ πίστις χωρὶς ἔργων νεκρά ἐστίν,
 i. 26, 27.
 vii. 19 οὐδὲν ἐτελείωσεν ὁ νόμος, ἐπεισαγωγὴ δὲ κρείττονος ἐλπίδος δι' ἧς
 ἐγγίζομεν τῷ Θεῷ, vii. 16, ix. 11, x. 1 σκίαν ἔχων ὁ νόμος τῶν μελλόντων
 ἀγαθῶν...οὐδέποτε δύναται τοὺς προσερχομένους τελειῶσαι: James i. 4,
 25, ii. 12, iv. 8.
 x. 24 κατανοῶμεν ἀλλήλους εἰς παροξυσμὸν...καλῶν ἔργων, μὴ ἐγκαταλείποντες
 τὴν ἐπισυναγωγὴν ἑαυτῶν, cf. Tit. iii. 8: James iii. 13.
 *x. 36 ὑπομονῆς ἔχετε χρεῖαν ἵνα τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Θεοῦ ποιήσαντες κομί-
 σησθε τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν: James i. 4, 12.
 xi. while James uses the word πίστις loosely and inconsistently, in *Heb.* we
 have a definition of faith followed by a host of examples which exhibit it as
 the root of action. In all probability it was written after the Romans and
 James; compare ver. 8—10, 17—19, on Abraham, ver. 31 on Rahab: James
 ii. 21—23, 25: see remarks under section (4) above.
 xii. 1 ἀποθέμενοι τὴν εὐπερίστατον ἀμαρτίαν δι' ὑπομονῆς τρέχωμεν τὸν
 προκείμενον ἀγῶνα, ver. 7 εἰς παιδείαν ὑπομένετε: James i. 21, ver. 4.
 *xii. 11 πᾶσα μὲν παιδεία πρὸς μὲν τὸ παρὸν οὐ δοκεῖ χαρᾶς εἶναι ἀλλὰ λύπης,
 ὕστερον δὲ καρπὸν εἰρηνικὸν τοῖς δι' αὐτῆς γεγυμνασμένοις ἀποδί-
 δωσιν δικαιοσύνης, ver. 14, 15 εἰρήνην διώκετε...ἐπισκοποῦντες μή τις ρίζα
 πικρίας ἐνοχλῇ: seems to explain James i. 2—4 πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἡγήσασθε
 ...ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι, iii. 18 καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρε-
 ται τοῖς ποιοῦσιν εἰρήνην.
 xiii. 4 τίμιος ὁ γάμος καὶ ἡ κοίτη ἀμίαντος, cf. vii. 26: James v. 7, i. 27.
 xiii. 18 καλῶς ἀναστρέφεισθαι: James iii. 13 δεῖξάτω ἐκ τῆς
 καλῆς ἀνατροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ.

(7) *Apocalypse*—

- i. 3 μακάριος ὁ ἀναγνώσκων καὶ οἱ ἀκούοντες τοὺς λόγους τῆς
 προφητείας καὶ τηροῦντες τὰ ἐν αὐτῇ γεγραμμένα ὁ γὰρ καιρὸς
 ἐγγύς, cf. xxii. 10: James i. 25, v. 8.
 i. 9 ἐν τῇ βασιλείᾳ καὶ ὑπομονῇ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, cf. ii. 2, 3, 19, iii. 10
 ἐτηρήσας τὸν λόγον τῆς ὑπομονῆς μου καγὼ σε τηρήσω ἐκ τῆς ὥρας
 τοῦ πειρασμοῦ, xiii. 10, xiv. 12: James i. 2—4, 12, ii. 5, 10.
 *ii. 9 οἶδά σου τὴν θλίψιν καὶ τὴν πτωχείαν, ἀλλὰ πλούσιος εἶ: James
 ii. 5.
 *ii. 10 ἵνα πειρασθῆτε...γίνου πιστὸς ἄχρι θανάτου, καὶ δώσω σοι
 τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς: James i. 12.

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CHAPTER V

THE CONTENTS OF THE EPISTLE

The design of the Epistle is on the one hand to encourage those to whom it is addressed to bear their trials patiently, and on the other hand to warn them against certain errors of doctrine and practice.

I. *Of Trial.*—i. 1-18.

(1) Trial is sent in order to perfect the Christian character. That it may have this effect wisdom is needed; and this wisdom is given in answer to believing prayer.—i. 2-6.

A warning against double-mindedness. The believer should recognize the greatness of his calling, and not allow himself to be either elated or depressed by outward circumstances.—i. 7-11.

(2) Patient endurance of trial leads to the crown of life promised to all that love God.—i. 12.

(3) Though outward trial is appointed by God for our good, we must not imagine that the inner weakness which shows itself under trial is from God. God is perfect goodness, and only sends what is good. The disposition to misuse God's appointments comes from man's own lusts, which, if yielded to, lead to death as their natural consequence.—i. 13-15.

(4) So far from God's tempting man to evil, it is only by His will, through the regenerating power of His word, that we have been raised to that new and higher life which shall eventually penetrate and renew the whole creation.—i. 16-18.

II. *How we should receive the Word.*—i. 19-27.

(1) As humble listeners, not as excited speakers.—i. 19-21.

(2) Nor is it enough to listen to the word; we must carry it out in action.—i. 22-24.

- (a) Blessing comes to him alone who patiently studies the word, and frames his life in accordance with the law of liberty embodied therein.—i. 25.
- (b) Ritual observance is of no avail unless it helps us to rule the tongue, and practise brotherly kindness and unworldliness.—i. 26, 27.

III. *Warning against respect of persons.*—ii. 1-13.

(1) Courtesy to the rich, if combined with discourtesy to the poor, is a sign of weakness of faith, and proves that we are not whole-hearted in the service of Him who is the only glory of believers.—ii. 1-4.

(2) The poor have more title to our respect than the rich, since they are often rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom; while it is the rich who maltreat the brethren and blaspheme the name of Christ.—ii. 5-7.

(3) If it is from obedience to the royal law of love that we show courtesy to the rich, it is well: but if we do this only from respect of persons, it is a breach of the law and a defiance of the lawgiver, no less than murder or adultery.—ii. 8-11.

(4) Remember that we shall all be tried by the law of liberty, which looks to the heart, and not to the outward action only. It is the merciful who obtain mercy.—ii. 12, 13.

IV. *Belief and Practice.*—ii. 14-26.

(1) A mere profession of faith without corresponding action is of no avail.—ii. 14.

(a) As may be seen in the parallel case of benevolence when it does not go beyond words.—ii. 15-17.

(b) Without action we have no evidence of the existence of faith.—ii. 18.

(c) The orthodox belief of the Jew is shared by the demons, and only serves to increase their misery.—ii. 19.

(2) True faith, such as that of Abraham and Rahab, necessarily embodies itself in action.—ii. 20-26.

V. *Warnings with regard to the use of the tongue.*—iii. 1-12.

(1) Great responsibility of the office of teacher.—iii. 1.

(2) Difficulty and importance of controlling the tongue.—iii. 2-8.

(a) In our human microcosm the tongue plays the part of the world, and it is used by the powers of evil for our ruin.—iii. 6.

(b) Its malign and devastating influence.—iii. 5-8.

(c) It is like the rudder of a ship: he who can rule it rules the whole life and activity.—iii. 2-4.

(3) Inconsistency of supposing that we can offer acceptable praise to God as long as we speak evil of man who is made in the image of God.—iii. 9-12.

VI. *True and false Wisdom.*—iii. 13-18.

(1) The wisdom which comes from God is simple and straightforward, full of kindness and all good fruits.—iii. 13, 17, 18.

(2) If there is a wisdom which does not conduce to peace, but is accompanied by bitterness and jealousy, it is not from above, but is earthly, carnal, devilish.—iii. 14-16.

VII. *Warning against quarrelsomeness and worldliness.*—iv. 1-17.

(1) The cause of quarrelling is that each man seeks to gratify his own selfish impulses, and to snatch his neighbour's portion of worldly good.—iv. 1, 2.

(2) No satisfaction can be thus obtained. Even our prayers can give us no satisfaction if they are infected with this worldly spirit.—iv. 3.

(3) God demands the service of the whole heart, and will reveal Himself to none but those who yield up their wills to His.—iv. 4-6.

(4) Therefore resist the devil, who is the prince of this world, and turn to God in humble repentance.—iv. 7-10.

(5) Cease to find fault with others. Those who condemn their neighbours condemn the law itself, and usurp the office of Him, the Lord of life and death, who alone has the power and right to judge.—iv. 11, 12.

(6) Worldliness is also shown in the confident laying-out of plans of life without reference to God.—iv. 13-17.

VIII. *Denunciations and Encouragements.*—v. 1-11.

(1) Woe to those who have been heaping up money and living in luxury on the very eve of judgment. Woe especially to those who have ground down the poor and murdered the innocent.—v. 1-6.

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We will next consider the doctrinal basis of St. James' practical teaching. Man was created in the image of God (iii. 9), the All-Good (i. 13, 17); but he has fallen into sin by yielding to his lower impulses against his sense of right (i. 14, 15, iv. 1-3, 17); and the natural consequence of sin is death, bodily and spiritual (i. 15, v. 3, 5). Not only is man liable to sin; but as a matter of fact we all sin, and that frequently (iii. 2). God of His free bounty has provided a means by which we might conquer sin and rise to a new life, in His word sown in our hearts (i. 18 *βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας*, i. 21 *δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν*). Our salvation depends on the way in which we receive the word (i. 21). If we have a steadfast faith in God's goodness as revealed to us through our Lord Jesus Christ (i. 13, ii. 1, i. 5-7); if we read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the word, so as to make it the guiding principle of our life, the law of liberty by which all our words and actions are regulated (i. 25, ii. 12), then our souls are saved from death, we are made inheritors of the kingdom promised to those that love God (i. 12, 25, ii. 5).

But the training by which we are prepared for this crown of life is not pleasant to the natural man. It involves trial and endurance (i. 2-4, 12): it involves constant watchfulness and self-control, and prayer for heavenly wisdom, in order that we may resist the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil (i. 26, iii. 2-8, 15, iv. 1, iv. 5). Thus faith is exercised; we are enabled to see things as God sees them (ii. 1, 5); to rise above the temporal to the eternal (i. 9-11); to be not simply patient, but to rejoice in affliction (i. 2, v. 7, 8, 10, 11), and exult in the hope set before us (i. 9-12); until at last we grow up to the full stature of a Christian (i. 4, iii. 2), wise with that wisdom which comes from above, the wisdom which is steadfast, unpretending, gentle, considerate, affectionate, full of mercy and good fruits, the parent of righteousness and peace (iii. 17, 18).

But there are many who choose the friendship of the world instead of the friendship of God, so vexing His Holy Spirit, and yielding themselves to the power of the devil; yet even then He does not leave them to themselves, but gives more grace. He hedges in their way in the present, and warns them of further judgment to come (iv. 4-6, v. 1-8). If they humble themselves

under His hand and repent truly of their sins, He will lift them up; if they draw nigh to Him, He will draw nigh to them (iv. 7-10). Here, too, we may be helpful to one another by mutual confession, and by prayer for one another. Great is the power of prayer prompted by the Spirit of God (v. 15-20).

It is characteristic of the austere tone of the Epistle that it, alone of the Epistles of the New Testament, contains no attempt to conciliate the favour of the readers by direct words of praise.^x In it we hear the bracing call of duty uttered by one who speaks with earnest sympathy indeed and without a particle of Pharisaic assumption, but who feels that he has the right to speak and expects to be obeyed.

CHAPTER VI

PERSONS TO WHOM THE EPISTLE IS ADDRESSED, AND PLACE FROM WHICH IT IS WRITTEN

ST. JAMES addresses the Twelve Tribes in the Dispersion. For the meaning of this phrase see the note on i. 1. I propose here to sum up briefly the historical facts which it represents.

If we view the history of Israel from the outside, one of its most remarkable characteristics is the long series of compulsory transplantations undergone by this people from the time of Tiglath-Pileser up to the present day. The Assyrian transplantation took place in the latter half of the eighth century B.C. In it, we are told that the tribes of Reuben and Gad and the half-tribe of Manasseh, together with the bulk of the Samaritans and some of the tribe of Judah, were removed to upper Mesopotamia (1 Chron. v. 26, 2 Kings xvii. 4—6, and xviii. 13). In the second transplantation the tribes of Judah and Benjamin were removed to Babylon about the year 600 B.C. (Dan. i. 1, 2, 2 Kings xxiv. 14—16, xxv., Jer. lii.). The extent and importance of the Eastern Dispersion is shown in the Books of Esther and Tobit: Philo, writing shortly after the Christian era, says that Babylonia and the most fertile satrapies beyond the Euphrates were inhabited by Jews (*ad Caium* M. 2, p. 587); and we learn from Josephus that early in the first century after Christ, Mesopotamia was for some fifteen years under the rule of the Jewish leaders Asidaeus and Anilaeus,¹ and that, after the death of the latter, more than 50,000 Jews were massacred in the city of Seleucia (*Ant.* xviii. 9. 4—9). A third transplantation was that to Egypt, which commenced as a voluntary emigration in the time of Nebuchadnezzar (2 Kings xxv. 26), but received a great development in the foundation of Alexandria under Alexander and

¹ Lewin, *Fasti Sacri*, gives A.D. 18 to 33 as the period of their rule.

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proseucha; and Strabo (*ap. Jos. Ant. xiv. 7. 2*) says that 'it is hard to find a spot in the whole world which is not occupied and dominated by Jews,' the privileges they had enjoyed under their Greek rulers being confirmed and extended by the Roman emperors from the same motives of policy. So Josephus says (*c. Ap. ii. 39*) 'there is no city, no tribe, whether Greek or barbarian, in which Jewish law and Jewish custom have not taken root.'

It was expected of the members of the Diaspora that they should not only send to the temple their yearly didrachmon, but that they should at least once in their life go up to offer their sacrifice there in person. Among those who listened to Peter's address on the day of Pentecost there were inhabitants of Parthia, Media, Elam, Mesopotamia, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the parts of Libya about Cyrene, Rome, Crete, Arabia. Those who disputed with Stephen are said to have belonged to the synagogue of the freedmen of Rome, of Cyrene and Alexandria, and of Cilicia and Asia (*Acts vi. 9*). Philo enumerates the following provinces as inhabited by Jews: Egypt, Phoenicia, Syria, Pamphylia, Cilicia, the greater part of Asia as far as Bithynia and Pontus, Thessalia, Boeotia, Macedonia, Aetolia, Attica, Argos, Corinth, the fairest districts of the Peloponnese, Euboea, Cyprus, Crete, not to mention the settlements beyond the Euphrates (*Leg. ad Caium M. 2 p. 587*). The proselytes who attached themselves to the worship of the synagogues, the *εὐσεβεῖς* and *σεβόμενοι* of the Acts, as they shared in the persecutions of the Jews (*Tac. Ann. ii. 85, Suet. Dom. 12*), would doubtless be generally reckoned as belonging to the Diaspora. It was as occasional visitors to Jerusalem that the Jews and Proselytes of the Dispersion would come under the cognizance of the President of the Christian community at Jerusalem. The instructions and warnings contained in his Epistle would naturally be founded on his observation of their special needs and dangers, as well as on his intimate acquaintance with the national character and the general conditions of the time. On this something will be said presently.

It may be asked however whether we are to understand St. James as using the word Diaspora here in its widest sense, or whether he had any special portion of the Diaspora in his eye

when he wrote. St. Peter (i. 1) confines himself to the Diaspora of Asia Minor. His Epistle, as we have seen, was drawn up with a distinct reference to that of St. James, which in some respects served as a model for his own. It seems natural therefore to suppose that one reason why it was addressed to these particular provinces of the Diaspora was that they were less likely to be acquainted with the Epistle of St. James than the provinces omitted. It is also probable that the name Diaspora would be understood to refer, in the first instance, to the original Eastern Diaspora, settled in Babylon and Mesopotamia, and extending as far as the eastern and northern borders of Palestine. Josephus tells us that his *History of the Jewish War* was first written in Aramaic and addressed *τοῖς ἄνω Βαβυλῶν*, whom he afterwards explains to be the dwellers in Parthia, Babylonia, Arabia, Adiabene, and the countries on the other side of the Euphrates (*B. J. Proem. i. 2*), but that subsequently he translated it into Greek for the benefit of the Romans (*Ap. i. 9*). It is also noticeable that these eastern provinces are the ones first named in the list given of the foreign Jews who were present at the feast of Pentecost (*Acts ii. 9—11*). We know that there were Christians in Damascus and Antioch at a very early period (*Acts ix. 2, 10, 14, 19, 25, xi. 19—21*), as well as in Cyprus and Phoenicia (*Acts iv. 36, xi. 19, 20*). St. Peter writes from Babylon (v. 13), which is probably to be understood literally of the city on the Euphrates and the surrounding district. An early legend represents a King of Edessa corresponding with our Lord and welcoming the mission of the apostle Thaddæus (*Euseb. H. E. i. 13*).

We will now see what more is to be learnt in regard to the readers of the Epistle from the Epistle itself. James writes to them as being himself a servant of Jesus Christ (i. 1), and he assumes that they hold the faith of Christ (ii. 1), and recognize that they are no longer under a yoke of bondage but under the perfect law of liberty (i. 25, ii. 12). They are mixed up however with men who are not only unbelievers but who blaspheme the name of Christ and persecute the believers (ii. 6, 7). The believers themselves are mostly poor (ii. 5); the few rich belonging to their body (i. 10) are in danger of falling away through covetousness, worldliness and pride (iv. 3—6, 13—16). The rich generally appear as persecutors and oppressors, keeping back the hire of their labourers,

killing innocent men, themselves the slaves of lust and luxury, fattening themselves in the day of slaughter (ii. 6, 7, v. 3—6). The Church is under the superintendence of Elders, who, or some of whom, are possessed of miraculous gifts of healing; St. James gives instructions as to the use of this gift (v. 14, 15). Their place of meeting is the synagogue, to which strangers are admitted (ii. 2—4). They are exposed to trials of many kinds, especially from their rich oppressors, and it is one main object of the Epistle to encourage them to patient endurance (i. 2, 12, ii. 6, v. 7, 8, 10, 11). There is much however to blame in themselves: their faith is very weak; they are inclined to murmur and complain both against God and against man (i. 6—8, 13, iv. 11, v. 9); their religion and their philanthropy alike are a matter of words and forms, without corresponding feelings and actions (i. 22, 25—27, ii. 14—26); they are deficient in genuine love of man as man; they are haughty to the poor, obsequious to the rich (ii. 1—9, 15, 16). They are censorious, quarrelsome, given to oaths, ambitious, self-confident, eager to set themselves up as teachers, greedy of pleasure, forgetful of God (iii. 1, 6, 9, 14, iv. 1—8, 13, 16, v. 12).

How far do these characteristics agree with what we read elsewhere? First, as to the rich oppressors: I have pointed out, in my note on ii. 6, that these were in all probability Jews. The Gentiles for a long time took no interest in the internal disputes of Jewish sects: they might punish the Christian missionaries as disturbers of the public peace, but they were very unlikely 'to blaspheme Christ' themselves (James ii. 7). Again, if they were Gentiles, why should the rich, rather than the poor, take the trouble to persecute such an insignificant body? In Ephesus and Philippi, it is the rabble who make the loudest outcry against the Christians. On the other hand, if we turn to the Jews, we find that the rich were as a fact the leaders in the persecutions. It was the party of the high priest, the wealthy Sadducees (Jos. *Ant.* xviii. 1. 4), who laid hold of the Apostles, as recorded in Acts iv. 1—3; it was with their sanction and that of the Sanhedrin in general, including the Pharisaic section (Acts xxii. 5, xxvi. 10, 12), both being combined against the disciples, as they had been against their Master (Joh. xi. 47, 57, xviii. 3, Matt. xxvi. 3), that Saul, the Pharisee, took the lead in the stoning of Stephen

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the declaration of the Apostles that they were themselves eye-witnesses of the resurrection of Christ.

If further proof were needed to show that the persecutors referred to by St. James were wealthy Jews and not Gentiles, it might be found in the absence of all allusion to Gentiles in our Epistle. Nothing is said as to hardships suffered from them, nothing as to the duty of evangelizing them, or as to the conditions under which they should be received into the Church, nothing as to difficulties of social intercourse, e.g. as regards eating or marriage. There is no reference to that which was the burning question at the Council of Jerusalem (A.D. 51) and on the occasion of St. Paul's later visit to Jerusalem (A.D. 58), viz. the necessity of the rite of circumcision (Acts xv., xxi. 21—25), a question which occupies such an important place in the Epistles to the Galatians and the Romans. It is inconceivable that, if the question were one about which difficulties were generally felt or which was giving rise to practical complications at the time, it could have been passed over in a circular letter addressed to Jewish residents in Gentile lands, especially as the writer inadvertently uses language which, though not itself bearing on this subject, might seem at first sight to have a reference to St. Paul's argument, that circumcision is unnecessary, because faith in Christ is the sole means of justification. We may therefore conclude with considerable probability that it had not yet become a matter of pressing importance. If we compare the First Epistle of St. Peter we find a different state of things; the Gentiles are there distinctly alluded to, as making false charges against the Christians (ii. 12), who are exhorted to submit to the constituted civil authorities and silence their gainsayers by their good behaviour (ii. 13—15). It is further stated that some of the Christians had joined in the immoralities of the Gentiles in their unconverted days, and had subsequently incurred their displeasure by the change in their way of life (iv. 3, 4).

As to the faults of the Christians, the tone of St. James is much more severe than that of St. Peter in his First Epistle, but so far as the latter does specify any charge, it is that of impatience, murmuring, evil-speaking, to which we find many parallels in the plainer spoken Epistle of St. James. St. Paul, as we have seen, in his Epistles to the Galatians and Romans lays stress mainly on the

temptation which beset the Jews to substitute legal righteousness, the performance of the works of the law with all its slavish scrupulosity, for the righteousness which is by faith in Christ; but he also takes occasion to warn them against another and no less dangerous error, that an orthodox profession of faith, unaccompanied by the fruits of good living, could suffice for salvation. While the former error forms the subject of the first four chapters of the Galatians, the second is dealt with in the two later chapters. It is not abstract faith which avails, but faith working by love: those who fulfil the works of the flesh shall not inherit the kingdom of God: whatever a man soweth that shall he reap (Gal. v. 14—26). So he insists in his Epistle to the Romans that it is not the hearer but the doer of the law that is justified (ii. 13); that it is vain to profess a knowledge of God and claim to be a guide to the blind, an instructor of the foolish, unless we practise what we preach (ii. 17—23). He warns his readers against laying the blame of their own sins on God (ix. 19 foll.); he urges them to patience in tribulation, to perseverance in prayer, to bless and curse not, to condescend to things that are lowly, to give place to wrath (xii. 12—19), not to judge others, since we shall all stand at the judgment-seat of God, to follow after things which make for peace, and things whereby we may edify one another (xiv. 3, 4, 10—13, 19); and to turn away from those which cause divisions (xvi. 17). The parallels from St. James will be found in a previous chapter (p. 92 foll.).

It has been pointed out above that there is no allusion in this Epistle to the controversy between the Judaizers and the upholders of Gospel freedom, nay, that this controversy is so entirely ignored that the writer is able to use the technical terms of the controversy with a totally different reference. In like manner other controversies or topics which are handled elsewhere by his contemporaries are left unnoticed by him. There is no direct reference to the atoning sacrifice of Christ; none to the Sacraments; none to the details of the Second Coming; none to Church organization, as in the Pastoral Epistles. There is no allusion to incipient gnosticism, as in the Epistle to the Colossians and those to Timothy and Titus and in the writings of St. John. It is assumed that those addressed accept Jesus as the Messiah, that the new law of liberty has been written in their hearts by the

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The arguments of the Tübingen school, in opposition to the Jewish nationality of those addressed, will be considered in the chapter which follows on the Date of the Epistle. Various incidental expressions have been noticed by editors¹ as bearing on this point. Abraham is called 'our father' in ii. 21, which in this straightforward matter-of-fact Epistle must, by all rules of interpretation, be taken, like the 'Twelve Tribes of the Dispersion,' in its literal sense, unless reason can be shown to the contrary. The readers are supposed to be acquainted with the story of Job, Elijah and the prophets (v. 11, 17). The phrase 'Lord of Sabaoth' (v. 4), the reference to Jewish oaths and to the Jewish propensity to curse and swear (iii. 9, v. 12), the term 'synagogue' used for their place of meeting (ii. 1), the high value attributed to the Law and to the confession of the Unity of God—all mark the Jewish nationality of the readers, and would be unmeaning or inappropriate if the Epistle were addressed to Gentiles. The same thing appears from the reference to their avarice and their restless pursuit of wealth (iv. 13—16, v. 1—4).

As regards the place from which the Epistle was written, if we are right in supposing that it was written by the Brother of the Lord, there can be little doubt that it was dated from Jerusalem. This supposition is confirmed by incidental allusions to the early and latter rains (v. 7), to the effect on vegetation of the burning wind (i. 11), to the existence of salt and bitter springs (iii. 11), to the cultivation of figs and olives (iii. 12), and to the neighbourhood of the sea (i. 6, iii. 4).

¹ See Beyschlag, p. 8.

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This date is confirmed by the absence of any reference either to the fall of Jerusalem,

The results thus obtained are confirmed by a comparison of the Epistle with contemporary history. If it had been written between the fall of Jerusalem (A.D. 70) and the death of Clement (usually dated about A.D. 95) it must inevitably have had some reference to the preceding calamity in which so many Jews of the Dispersion had been involved. In our Epistle there is a reference to tribulation, but this arises from the oppression and persecution of the Christians by rich and prosperous Jews, who are compared to beasts fattened for slaughter, and over whom it is said that judgment is already impending: the writer is looking forward, not backward. I need not say how utterly inappropriate such language would be, if addressed to the crushed and broken remnant of the Jews in the years immediately following the utter ruin of their city and temple and nation under Titus. The leaders of the persecution, the Sadducean hierarchy, had been exterminated. The wealthier Jews in general, partly from the hatred of their Gentile neighbours, partly from internal animosities, from desire of revenge for past ill-treatment, or from mere greed and envy of the rich on the part of the poor, had been plundered of everything in the reign of terror which prevailed, alike in Jerusalem itself and generally throughout the East, wherever Jews were to be found. If here and there a solitary individual had succeeded in saving some fraction of his former possessions, certainly he had no longer the power to persecute others.

or to the admission of Gentiles into the Church.

A second mark of time in the Epistle is its silence as to the existence of Gentile Christians and the conditions on which Gentiles should be admitted into the Church. If it was written after the violent agitation caused by St. Paul's preaching to the Gentiles and after the decision of the Council of Jerusalem (51), it must surely have contained some reference to these events. It is impossible to suppose that St. James, who was responsible for the compromise agreed to at the Council, and who refers to it subsequently on a later visit of St. Paul to Jerusalem (Acts xxi. 26), would have failed to make use of the opportunity to urge the Jews of the Dispersion to observe the terms of the compact and deal fairly by their Gentile neighbours. Nor does it seem possible to accept Dr. Plummer's suggestion that it may have been written between 53 and 62 (*St. James*, p. 61), after the controversy on the subject had cooled down; because we have

no evidence that the controversy did cool down during that period. On the contrary, the furious assault of the Jews on St. Paul at Jerusalem (A.D. 58) turned on this very question. When he began to speak of his commission to the Gentiles, they burst out, 'Away with such a fellow from the earth' (Acts xxii. 22); and St. James had previously warned him that, among the believing Jews, there were many thousands zealous for the law, who had been informed that he taught the Jews among the Gentiles to forsake Moses and not to circumcise their children (Acts xxi. 20, 21). This was at Jerusalem: how far the excitement was from having cooled down in the provinces, is evident from the Epistle to the Galatians (57). It does not seem that the baptism of Cornelius had aroused anything like the same exasperation, partly no doubt because St. Peter was not suspected as St. Paul was, partly because Cornelius was already a 'proselyte of the gate,' and did not pass at once from heathenism to Christianity like St. Paul's converts. On hearing the explanation of the former 'they of the circumcision' held their peace and glorified God' (Acts xi. 18). There is no reason therefore for throwing back the date of the Epistle to the period before the conversion of Cornelius. But it probably was not much later, for we read shortly afterwards (Acts xi. 20) that the Greeks in Antioch received the word from some of those who had been scattered in the persecution of Stephen, and that Barnabas was sent from Jerusalem to inquire into the circumstances.

Another evidence of the early date of the Epistle may be found in the hints which it lets fall as to Church discipline and order. The synagogue is their place of meeting, though it is a synagogue of which Christians have the control.¹ No mention is made of 'bishops' or 'deacons,' but only of teachers and elders (iii. 1, v. 14). Teaching seems to be still quite unorganized, as in the Church of Corinth (1 Cor. xiv. 26 foll.): it is not confined to regularly ordained church officers: there is no warning (as in 1 Tim. v. 22), to 'lay hands suddenly on no man': all we find is a deprecation of the eagerness on the part of individual members of the congregation to come forward as instructors. The elders, called 'elders of the Church' to distinguish them from the elders of the Jewish community, are supposed either themselves to possess miraculous powers of healing

The allusions to Church order and discipline contained in the Epistle are in accordance with an early date.

¹ See note on ii. 2.

or to control the exercise of such powers on the part of others: they are to pray for the sick and apparently to hear their confession (v. 14, 15); but this does not imply any distinctive spiritual authority, for in the next verse the injunction is made general, 'Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another.' It is interesting to compare the parallel passage in 1 Pet. v. 1-5. There the elders hold a much more important position: they are fellow elders of the Apostle himself, shepherds of the flock of God, who shall receive their reward from the chief Shepherd on his appearance: the younger are to be subject to them. But then follows, as in St. James, the extension of this injunction to all, including the elders themselves; *πάντες δὲ ἀλλήλοις τὴν ταπεινοφροσύνην ἐγκομβώσασθε*, 'yea, all of you gird yourselves (cf. Joh. xiii. 4) with humility towards one another.' Further the means enjoined by St. James for the miraculous healing take us back to the earliest age of the Church. The only other reference in the New Testament to the use of oil for the sick, is in St. Mark's account of the mission of the Twelve, 'They anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them' (vi. 13).

So too is its
Judaic tone.

No less confirmatory of an early date is the Judaic tone of the Epistle. The change from a narrow national and ceremonial religion to the universal and spiritual religion promulgated by Christ cannot be made in a moment, even where the old religion is as corrupt and irrational as modern Hinduism; far less where there is so much to satisfy the claims of the reason and conscience, as in the law of Moses. That law was intended as a schoolmaster to bring men to Christ. Those who had been duly prepared by it and 'were waiting for the consolation of Israel' were able at once to welcome Jesus as the expected Messiah, to accept his spiritualization of the Law given on Sinai, and acknowledge their own inability to fulfil the new law of liberty except through the promised help of the Holy Spirit. The sermons reported in the Acts scarcely go beyond this. A few perhaps would be able to make a further advance, and confess the Divinity of Christ and the atonement wrought by Him for the sins of the whole world, but the majority of Jewish Christians between the day of Pentecost and the fall of Jerusalem were probably even less advanced. They did not understand that the former things had passed away, and that from henceforth neither

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letters from the high priest to excite the authorities of the synagogues against the Christians. The tone used by St. James in reference to the trials of the Christians does not imply, as the tone of St. Peter would seem to do, that the persecution was then either at its height or immediately impending (1 Pet. iv. 12), but rather to the sequel of a persecution with its *πειρασμοὶ ποικίλοι* of animosities excited and losses endured, of liability to insults and to interference with their religious services, as in Heb. x. 32. If those addressed were still suffering under severe persecutions we should have heard less of their petty rivalries and worldly scheming. As to the position of St. James in the Church of Jerusalem, the first intimation we have of it is in Gal. i. 18, where St. Paul mentions that he saw him and St. Peter on his visit to Jerusalem three years after his conversion. A more certain proof of it may be found in Peter's message, sent to him on the occasion of his escape from prison in 44 A.D. (Acts xii. 17). Lastly the picture given of the Church is not that of one just founded. A circular letter cannot of course take note of the special circumstances of each individual congregation, and it is quite possible and even probable that some of those addressed may have only lately received the Gospel, but it is evident that the majority must have been Christians of some years' standing. Taking into account these various considerations we may perhaps name the year 40 A.D., as the earliest, and 50 A.D. as the latest, at which the Epistle could have been written.

The prevailing view at the present time is in favour of an early date.

This is pretty much the conclusion which has been arrived at by the majority of recent editors and others who have treated of the date of the Epistle; so that we may say that it is now generally recognized as being the earliest portion of the New Testament. This is the view of Schneckenburger (*Annot.* p. 138, *Beiträge* 200 ff.), Neander (*Planting of the Christian Church*, Eng. tr. 1842), Von Hofmann, Huther, Beyschlag (*Comm. and Theol. Stud. u. Krit.* for 1874), Erdmann, Schegg, Alford, Plumptre, Ritschl, *Altkatholische Kirche* ed. 2, Weiss, *Einleitung*, 1886, p. 706 foll., P. Ewald, *Hauptproblem*, 1890, Mangold's edition of Bleek's *Einleitung*, 1886, pp. 706, 713, Lechler, *Apostolic and Post-Apostolic Times* (Eng. tr. 1886, vol. i. 290). I venture to think that the grounds for this conclusion have been considerably strengthened by the minute comparison made in

a previous Chapter, between the parallel passages in St. James and in the Epistle to the Romans and the First Epistle of St. Peter. If I am not greatly mistaken, that comparison has proved not only that St. James has not copied from the other Epistles, but that these show distinct traces of having been written with reference to his Epistle. The strength however of the general argument is not to be measured by the strength of any one line of proof, however irrefragable we may deem it, but by the cumulative force of many converging probabilities. After having given many years' study to the subject, I am convinced that the more closely it is examined, the more will this hypothesis of the priority of our Epistle be found to meet all difficulties, and explain all the facts of the case.

Those who take a different view suppose that it was either written by St. James towards the close of his life, or that it is a forgery from the hand either of an Ebionite or of a Christian Essene, whether in the first or second century. The former view is maintained by Kern (ed. 2), Wiesinger, Woldemar Schmidt, Bruno Brückner, Wordsworth, and Farrar (*Early Days of Christianity*, p. 310 foll.).

The reasons assigned by the last-mentioned writer are (1) 'the prevalence of the name of Christ, instead of the title the Christ.' But the name Christ never occurs by itself in this Epistle, but only in the phrase *Ἰησοῦς Χριστός*, which is found without the article in every book of the New Testament, except the Gospel of St. Luke and the Third Epistle of St. John; whereas the phrase *Ἰησοῦς ὁ Χριστός* or *ὁ Χριστὸς Ἰησοῦς* occurs nowhere, except in the Acts (four times) and once in Coloss. ii. 6.

A second argument is 'the condition and wide dissemination of the churches to which it is addressed,' which make it necessary to assume that 'many years had elapsed since the day of Pentecost.' As to this, there is nothing to suggest the wide dissemination of the churches to which it is addressed, beyond the phrase 'The Twelve Tribes of the Diaspora,' which is no doubt wide enough in conception, but defines nothing as to the actual extent of country occupied. It is consistent with two copies sent, say, to Antioch and to Damascus, or with one hundred copies distributed throughout the East. All that it implies is that the advice contained in the letter is in the opinion of the writer suitable for all or any Jews

Examination of the grounds on which it has been assigned to the close of St. James's life.

(1) 'Use of the name "Christ" without the article.'

(2) 'Condition of the churches addressed.'

of the Dispersion. The argument derived from the 'condition of the churches' is more fully stated in Davidson's *Introduction* (1868) I. 288, 'Distinctions of places in Christian churches, an ambitious love of preeminence, an unworthy partiality for the rich, are inconsistent with an early period.' 'Amid the worldly views and arrangements which prevailed in these Christian assemblies early Christian love had grown cold.'

There is no ground for attributing an ideal perfection to the primitive Christians

I have only two faults to find with this argument. It is contradicted, first, by all we know of the facts of the case, and, secondly, by general experience. All the evidence we have as to the state of the early Church from the baptism of Christ to the last record in the Acts is opposed to these dreams of an ideal perfection. It is unnecessary to refer to 'the ambitious love of preeminence,' the faithlessness, the narrowness, which marked even the greatest of the Apostles during our Lord's lifetime. Let us start with the day of Pentecost. Take the early chapters of the Acts; how long did the state of things described in the fourth chapter continue? How long could it be said that the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and one soul and had all things in common? In the very next chapter we find Ananias and Sapphira lying to the Holy Ghost: in the sixth chapter the Grecian Jews murmur against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily visitation: in the eighth chapter Simon wishes to purchase spiritual gifts with money: in the fifteenth chapter we read of the jealousy of the Jews towards the Gentiles, which almost proved fatal to the infant Church: in the nineteenth Paul meets with disciples who had not so much as heard 'whether there be any Holy Ghost': in the twentieth he warns the elders of the Church at Ephesus that after his departure 'grievous wolves shall enter in, yea, from among your own selves shall men arise speaking perverse things to draw away the disciples after them': in the twenty-first it seems that Christian Jews joined with others who were zealous for the law, in the attempt to kill Paul. If we turn to the Epistles, we find in Rom. ii. and xiv. many of the faults condemned by St. James. The Corinthians within five years of their conversion are broken up by schisms: they are as much given to vainglory and jealousy and strife and censorious judgments as the churches to which St. James writes. They are more addicted to sins of the flesh; they indulge to excess even when they meet

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(3) 'Waning belief in the nearness of the Second Coming'

therefore, brethren,...for the Coming of the Lord is at hand.' I have myself referred to the same passage, as proving that the writer shared the belief expressed by St. Paul in his earlier Epistles as to the immediate Coming of the Lord. It is in strong contrast with the language used in 2 Peter iii. 3, 8: 'Knowing this, that in the last times mockers shall come...saying Where is the promise of his coming? for from the days that the fathers fell asleep all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation': 'But forget not this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.' It seems to me that the words of St. James, while they prove his own expectation of the speedy appearance of the Lord, do not at all disprove the same expectation on the part of those whom he addresses. A man might easily be impatient under continued ill-treatment, even though he believed, as an abstract dogma, that the Judge was soon to appear. St. James urges him to make it a living truth, affecting his daily practice. A fourth argument is that founded on the discussion about faith and works, which Archdeacon Farrar thinks 'finds its most reasonable explanation in the supposition that he is striving to remove the dangerous inferences to which St. Paul's doctrine of justification by faith was liable.' The difficulty as to the absence of any reference to the subject debated in the Council of Jerusalem is got over by the assumption that 'the circumcision question was speedily forgotten.' On these points I have already said all that I think necessary.¹

Arguments of Dr. Davidson to prove that it was written by an anonymous Ebionite shortly before the fall of Jerusalem

I turn now to other arguments adduced by Dr. Davidson. He is of opinion that 'the direction to send for the elders of the Church, and their use of oil with the prayer of faith, savours of a post-apostolic time.' Why? The Apostles made use of oil in healing the sick (Mark vi. 13), and any Jewish community would be under the direction of elders. But 'the office of elder was originally confined to the Church's outer guidance,' and here 'the office of eldership is separated from the members of the Church, a thing which did not exist in primitive Christianity.' The meaning is not very clearly expressed. If certain members of the Church were chosen to hold the office of elder, they were *ipso facto* separated from the other members of the Church; and spiritual functions are certainly implied in 1 Thess. v. 12-14, 1 Pet. v. 2, and in Acts xx. 17 and 28.

¹ Compare the earlier paragraphs of this chapter and pp. lxxxviii to xci.

The passage in St. James seems to imply an earlier condition of things, for he there enjoins *mutual* confession and prayer.

Dr. Davidson goes on to deny the authenticity of the Epistle on the ground (1) that its polemic aspect towards the doctrine of justification by faith alone, assigns it to a post-apostolic period. [This argument has, of course, no weight with those who do not recognize any polemic aspect towards St. Paul's doctrine. I have shown, in ch. iv., that St. James is attacking that most ancient of all religious heresies, which puts words and professions in the place of deeds and conduct.] (2) 'The style of writing is too good for James.' Something has been said on this point already in pp. xli. and xlii., and more will be said shortly in the chapter on the Language of the Epistle. (3) 'It is not likely that James, the Lord's brother, would have directly opposed Paul's doctrine...That he should have written against it argues a want of respect for the Apostle of the Gentiles incompatible with James's position.' Quite true; but of no force against those who deny the polemic aspect. (4) 'The essential doctrines of Christianity are wanting in the Epistle...Had James written it, we should naturally expect some mention of Christ's resurrection at least...On the other hand, the Mosaic law, circumcision, &c., are passed over, and the royal law of liberty is exalted...The writer had therefore attained to a subjective standpoint beyond James; to ideas of Christian liberty like the Pauline...Although the statement of Christian doctrines is incomplete as well as imperfect, and the writer's point of view more Jewish than Christian, he occupies a spiritual stage in Jewish Christianity which James the Just scarcely reached.' It might be well if the writer of these confused and self-contradictory sentences would take the trouble carefully to compare the teaching of the Sermon on the Mount with that of St. James, and consider how far his remarks are applicable to the former. (5) 'The letter is professedly addressed to all Jewish-Christians out of Palestine. But were there churches composed of such members?...Churches were of a mixed character except in Palestine. Wiesinger therefore may well ask, Where shall we look for the Jewish-Christians out of Palestine which will satisfy the requirements of the Epistle?—a question not answered by reference to Acts ii. 5-11, xi. 19, &c., because the passages are far from implying the extensive establishment of Jewish-Christian churches immediately after Pentecost.

The earliest history contains no clear trace of such churches widely scattered through the lands.' In answer we may say that undoubtedly there must have been such churches previously to the admission of Gentiles into the Church, otherwise than as proselytes. It was to persecute such a church that Saul went to Damascus with authority from the high priest. Such were all churches founded before the conversion of Cornelius, and the great majority of churches founded before 51, except those founded by St. Paul. There is just as little point in Dr. Davidson's further remark that 'the writer does not convey the impression that his knowledge of their condition was minute or specific, for his language is general, such as a late author, writing in his name, would employ.' Of course a circular letter cannot deal with personal relations. Dr. Davidson then states his own conclusion that it was written after James's death, in his name, by a moderate Ebionite, shortly before the destruction of Jerusalem. One does not quite see why the moderate Ebionite should have been capable of writing in 68 the letter which we have been just told it was impossible for St. James to have written six years before. If the moderate Ebionite 'occupied a spiritual stage which James the Just hardly reached,' should we not 'naturally expect some mention of Christ's resurrection at least'? But these men in buckram, who are always at the disposal of our modern critics, are wonderfully Protean in their characteristics as in their powers.

Von Soden's arguments against the genuineness of the Epistle are opposed to facts.

Let us turn, however, from the halting and hesitating disciple, with his intervals of English common-sense, to the uncompromising idealism and superiority to fact of the German school, to whose guidance he has surrendered himself. We may take Von Soden as one of the latest representatives of the school. Here is a summary of his Introduction to our Epistle, so far as it relates to its date and authenticity, which is contained in the *Hand-Kommentar zum N.T.*, brought out under the direction of Professors Holtzmann, Lipsius, and others, in 1890:—

In thought and expression there is considerable resemblance between our epistle and the writings of Clement of Rome, and especially of Hermas. There is however no reason to suppose any literary connexion between them. They resemble one another, simply because they were produced under the same conditions. This view is confirmed by the fact that no trace of our epistle is to be found throughout the 2nd century. Hegesippus knows nothing of an epistle of James. The supposed reminiscences in Clement of Alexandria are just as likely to be reminiscences of Philo or Peter or Clement of Rome.

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Epistle to Contemporary Writings. Some may be surprised to hear that Marcion's favourite gospel is distinguished by Ebionite leanings.¹ It is true however that in some cases, not by any means the majority, the references to the words of Christ which occur in our Epistle approach more nearly to the form in which they are given by St. Luke, than to the form in which they are given by St. Matthew. The quotations in my fourth chapter will show that it is quite a mistake to speak of section v. 17—vi. 13 in the latter, or of the Gospel and Epistles of St. John, as affording no parallels to St. James. Nor is it true that the Epistle betrays no knowledge of the Hebrew. Compare my note on v. 20, where the quotation from Prov. x. 12 has no resemblance to the rendering of the LXX.

The next paragraph of Von Soden treats of the Readers for whom the Epistle was intended. He argues that the address to the Twelve Tribes of the Dispersion is entirely misleading, and possibly a later insertion, as Harnack has suggested. His reasons are as follows :

Von Soden
finds nothing
Judaic in the
Epistle.

Nothing in the letter suggests Jewish readers. No reference is made to the Temple, the Worship, the Law. Instead of this, the one supreme rule of life, by obedience to which man receives the blessing of salvation, is the implanted word, which is styled the perfect law of liberty. But there is no attempt to connect this law with the teaching of the Old Testament ; and the prescribed Jewish ritual is not argued against, but simply ignored. It is impossible that monotheism could have been the distinctive article of faith with Jewish Christians : impossible that they could have magnified this faith to the depreciation of works. Nor could works with them ever mean works of love as distinguished from works of the law. [Then follows the argument, already noticed, as to the impossibility of discovering any purely Jewish church in the Diaspora. I have shown above that, previous to the Council of Jerusalem, the great majority of churches must have been of this type.] Von Soden well draws out the impossibility of the burning question, of the admission of Gentiles into the Church, being ignored in an epistle addressed to the Diaspora (*if written after this date*). He gives us again the old argument, answered above, that we cannot conceive first love cooling down, say, in a period of ten years.

¹ Apparently the only ground for this strange assumption is that on two occasions St. Luke records our Lord's teaching in its strong paradoxical form, without the explanatory additions by which it is qualified elsewhere. Thus in Luke vi. 20 we read *μακάριοι οἱ πτωχοί*, but in Matt. v. 3 we have the addition *τῷ πνεύματι*; in Luke xviii. 25 we have nothing to soften the statement 'It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God,' but in Mark x. 24 the word 'rich' is explained by 'them that trust in riches.' But it is a mere misuse of words to characterize as Ebionism even an ascetic admiration of poverty. The essence of Ebionism is of course the rejection of the divinity of Christ, and the belief in the permanent obligation of the Jewish ceremonial, with which was connected a high esteem for the Gospel of St. Matthew, and a strong aversion to St. Paul's writings.

He considers that it was written at a time of degeneracy, when the Jewish element in the Church had lost all significance; that perhaps the title may be after all genuine, because Christians had then learnt to regard themselves as the true Israel, strangers and pilgrims in the world, waiting for the hour of their Lord's appearing. If it had been really intended for Jews, there must have been more of local colouring. The instances alleged for this local colouring are not exclusively applicable to Jews.

The only argument here which seems to call for examination is founded on the fact that the Jewish Christians are charged with laying too much stress, not on their ritual (the works of the law), but on their orthodox belief in one God. No doubt there is a striking difference between the language of St. James and the language of St. Paul on this point; a difference entirely in accordance with all we know of the two men. St. James, living among Jews, himself practising the Jewish ritual, saw no objection to Jewish Christians continuing their ritual observances, as long as they ascribed no merit to them. He warns his readers, however, not to suppose that the outward rite could commend them to God (i. 27): the religious service which God approved consisted in charity and unworldliness. Is not this perfectly natural teaching from a Jewish apostle to Jewish believers, who would at once recognize it as a re-publication of the teaching of Isaiah and Micah on the same subject? Does then the improbability consist in the assumption that Jewish Christians were in danger of trusting in their orthodox monotheism to the neglect of the perfect law of love? It is plain at any rate that if there were any people who were likely to pride themselves on this belief, they must have been Jews by birth, not Gentiles. Moreover we know as a matter of fact that Jews did pride themselves just on this point, did believe that their orthodoxy placed them on a pinnacle above all other people, and was of itself efficient to salvation; compare the words of Justin spoken to a Jew (*Tryph.* p. 370 D), 'You and others like you (*i.e.* Judaizing Christians) deceive yourselves with words, saying that, though you should be sinners, yet because you know God, the Lord will not impute sin to you,' and see Lightfoot, *Gal.* pp. 154-164, and the quotations in my note on ii. 19. In the same way they are rebuked by John the Baptist and by our Lord for priding themselves on their descent from Abraham (Matt. iii. 8, 9, vii. 21-23, Luke xiii. 24-30). It would be just as rational to deny that the sapiential books of the Bible and Apocrypha were written for Jews by Jews, as to deny this of the Epistle of St. James.

Its teaching as to the value of ritual and orthodox belief is just what might be expected from St. James writing to Jews;

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To go now a little more into detail, Von Soden tells us that nothing is said of the Temple, the Worship, the Law. We have seen that with regard to worship, a most important rule is laid down, which implies the insignificance of the Mosaic ritual no less than our Lord's words 'neither in this mountain nor yet at Jerusalem.' As to the Temple, one does not quite see how it could be introduced in a letter to Jews residing abroad, unless it were to urge them to send contributions more regularly or to come up more frequently to Jerusalem. But trivial details of this sort would be entirely out of place in the exhortations of one who may be best described as the living embodiment of the Sermon on the Mount. As to the Law, how can it be said to be ignored, when there is a distinct reference to the common Jewish error, that you might pick and choose your favourite commandment and confine your attention to that: 'Whoever offends in a single point is guilty of the whole law; for he that said Thou shalt not commit adultery, said also Thou shalt not kill' ? and when in iv. 11 the Law appears as the representative of the Law-giver and Judge ? This conception of the Law, as the expression of the mind and will of God, leads at once to its being regarded as a Law of Liberty, the guiding principle of life, not the mere written statute. Von Soden asks why St. James does not point out that such a Law of Liberty was already recognized in the Old Testament. The answer is that it was unnecessary, because the very phrase would naturally recall to the minds of his Jewish readers similar expressions in the Old Testament (see note on i. 25), and would also be felt to be in entire accordance with the ethical teaching of Christ, as contained in what we know as the Sermon on the Mount, and probably in the earliest summaries provided for the use of believers.

Meaning of
the term
'works' in
the Epistle.

Lastly Von Soden asserts that Jewish Christians would never limit the sense of *ἔργα* to 'works of love' but would necessarily include in it St. Paul's 'works of the law.' In the actual passage in question (ii. 14-26) we need not limit *ἔργα* to works of love, strictly speaking: the sacrifice of Isaac (ii. 21) could hardly be described as such. They are *ἔργα καλά* in the widest sense; though they exhibit no doubt the joint action of faith and love, if there is any meaning in the illustration from almsgiving contained in vv. 15, 16, and any reference to the royal law of

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more exact and appropriate in the former than in the latter. For instance the exhortation to rejoice in tribulation is common to both ; but in Peter we see that there is real occasion for it—those whom he addresses are actually in the midst of a fiery trial, suffering for righteousness' sake (iii. 14, iv. 12) ; this persecution is the work of the devil whom they resist by their patient endurance (v. 8, 9) ; they are bidden to exult, not in their trial itself, but in the glory which is to follow, the salvation ready to be revealed in the last time (i. 5, iv. 13) ; they are encouraged by the reminder of their high calling (i. 3, ii. 9, 20, 21, iii. 14, &c.), by the example of Christ whose sufferings they share (ii. 21, iii. 18, iv. 13), and by the hope of the promised reward (i. 4, 7). The tone of the epistle is throughout that of hopefulness, and the exultant joy in tribulation is only the issue and climax of this hopefulness. In James it is just the reverse : he borrows the phrase ' manifold temptations,' but there is no special appropriateness in it ; those whom he addresses are not suffering persecution from the heathen : so too he borrows the phrase ' resist the devil,' but this is not connected with the general thought of trial ; he bids them rejoice in tribulation, but he gives no reason for their doing so ; he has not prepared the way for it by the spirit-stirring appeals and encouragements of Peter ; if he refers to the future it is only to remind them of the terrible coming of the Judge.

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Now to examine this: could any one imagine from Brückner's description that St. James grounds his exhortation to rejoice, on the fact that trial works endurance, and endurance Christian perfection (i. 2—4) ? could he imagine that it is James who says, he who endures trial will receive the crown of life, the kingdom promised to all that love God (i. 12, ii. 5) ? that it is James who speaks of the profession of Christianity as in itself a patent of nobility (i. 9), and refers to the fact of Christ's being the glory of Christians as annihilating all earthly distinctions (ii. 1) ? It is no doubt true that he puts in the fore-front of his Epistle the high-toned, uncompromising summons to rise superior to human weakness, and rejoice in what the world thinks misery. I have elsewhere spoken of this as an instance of the stoicism of St. James, and pointed out how the same demand is softened down by the gentler and more sympathetic Apostle. But it is not more stoical than it is Christ-like : it is a reminiscence, like so much besides, of the actual words of his divine Brother, ' Blessed are ye that weep now ; blessed are ye when men shall hate you, and separate you from their company, and cast out your name as evil for the Son of man's sake ; rejoice ye in that day and leap for joy.' If Christ did not shrink from this sublime paradox, if paradox was one of the most efficient weapons used by Him as well as by older reformers, by Socrates and the Stoics, to shake men out of their slumbers and rouse them to aim at a new and higher ideal, why

are we to dispute St. James's right to use it, as if it could only be ascribed to an unintelligent repetition of St. Peter's language? If Brückner had paid a little more attention to our Epistle he would have seen that one of its most marked characteristics is the commencement of each paragraph by a statement of the practical maxim, usually a precept or an interrogation, which it is intended to enforce; e.g. i. 19 contains the maxim, 'Let each be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to wrath,' which is explained and illustrated in vv. 20—27; the injunction against respect of persons in ii. 1 is explained and illustrated in vv. 2—10; the maxim that faith without works is valueless in ii. 14 is explained and illustrated in vv. 15—26, &c. Again, it is true that there is no reference in our Epistle to persecutions from the heathen; but, if the readers are liable to be dragged before the Jewish courts on a charge of Christianity by their unbelieving countrymen (ii. 6, 7); if they are oppressed by their rich neighbours, who withhold their wages and threaten their life (v. 4—6); it is surely a little absurd to deny that they are ἐν ποικίλοις πειρασμοῖς. It is true again that the devil is not referred to as the cause of these outward πειρασμοί, but rather as the god of this world, the inspirer of a false wisdom, the instigator of all the evil wrought by means of the tongue (iv. 4—7, iii. 6, 15); which some may perhaps consider to be both a deeper and a wider conception of diabolic activity than that in the parallel passage of St. Peter.

Brückner next compares James i. 18, 21 with 1 Pet. i. 23, ii. 1. The general conception in both is the same, that Christians are born again through the instrumentality of the Word of God; and the practical inference the same, to cast away all that might hinder the reception of the Word; but while all is natural and straightforward in Peter, James shows that he copies without understanding, by his use of the term ἔμφυτον. In ver. 18 he had said that God ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, in ver. 21 he says δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον, but how can we receive what has been already engrafted?

(2) the doctrine of regeneration,

This is a criticism founded simply on a misapprehension of the meaning of a term, as to which see my note *in loco* and also (for the force of these verbals in -τος) on ἀπείραστος i. 13.

The next point raised is, that in 1 Pet. v. 1—11 there is a better logical connexion than in the parallel passage James iv. 6—10, and that the former is therefore the original. The general drift in Peter is as follows:—(vv. 1—4) the elders are admonished to take charge of the flock of Christ, not as having dominion over them, but as setting them an example: by so doing they will receive from the chief Shepherd, on his appearing, the crown of glory which fadeth not away: (vv. 5—7) the admonition is extended to

(3) the admonition to resist the devil,

others, 'Likewise ye younger be subject unto the elder ; yea, all of you gird yourselves with humility to serve one another, for God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble : humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon him because he careth for you. (vv. 8-10) Be sober, be watchful ; your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour ; whom withstand, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are accomplished in your brethren who are in the world ; and the God of all grace who called you unto His eternal glory in Christ, after that ye have suffered a little while, shall Himself perfect, stablish, strengthen you.'

The order of thought here is the following : the elders are not to lord it over the younger ; the younger are to be subject to the elder, or rather all are to serve one another, girding themselves with humility. So far humility is an attitude of man towards man : in what follows it is the attitude of man towards God. God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble : if we humble ourselves before him, he will exalt us in due time. It would seem from the following clause that this exaltation refers, in the first place, to the deliverance from temporal anxieties. The devil appears in ver. 8 as the cause of these anxieties : he seeks to terrify the Christians into apostasy ; but God will stablish and strengthen them after a short period of suffering. It can hardly be said that the logical connexion is very strict in these verses. The admonition to the elders has little to do with withstanding the devil, as the cause of their present anxieties ; and humility towards man does not seem quite the same thing as humility towards God. •

Now take the parallel passage in James : (iv. 1-3) quarrels come from unsatisfied lusts ; you are unsatisfied, because you either do not ask of God, or you ask in a worldly spirit ; (ver. 4) the friendship of the world is enmity with God ; whoever seeks the world's friendship, thereby becomes the enemy of God ; (vv. 5-10) the Spirit of God within us jealously demands the possession of our whole heart, but gives all the more grace (in consequence of that jealousy). Hence the Scripture says, 'God resists the proud (i.e. the worldly), but gives grace to the humble.' Be subject therefore to God, and withstand the devil (the prince of this world), and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you. Repent, and humble yourselves in the sight of God, and he will exalt you.

I think no careful reader can fail to see that Brückner has

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acquaintance with our Epistle, he would naturally employ it of a matter of more general importance.

Bruckner's conclusion is that the Epistle was forged by an Essene living at Rome in the latter half of the second century.

In a later chapter of the same volume Bruckner deals with the Epistles which he assigns to the second century as having been written after the 1st epistle of Peter. These are the second to the Thessalonians, and those to the Colossians and Ephesians, belonging to the earlier half of the century ; and secondly, the Pastoral Epistles, James, Jude, the second of Peter, and those of John, which he considers to have been written subsequently to 150 A.D. With regard to our Epistle he refers to what he had said before, as to its being copied from 1 Pet. and cites parallels from Romans, Corinthians, Hebrews, Apocalypse and the Gospel of St. Matthew to show that it was written after these. In reply to Beyschlag he asserts that the Judaizing tone of the Epistle is not the naive Judaism of an early Jewish Christian writer, but that it implies a late stage of the doctrinal development, inasmuch as it attacks Paulinism as the seed of an existing Gnosticism. The writer betrays his Essene tendency by his prohibition of swearing, his contempt for riches, his dislike of trade, warning against sins of the tongue, high esteem of poverty, &c. He takes the pseudonym of James, as a contemporary had taken that of Peter ; because the traditional reputation of the ascetic president of the Church of Jerusalem seemed likely to give most authority to his teaching. Partly in order to imitate his style, partly to mark his own opposition to all that was characteristic of Paul, he makes use of the simple salutation *χαίρειν*, which he found in a circular ascribed to James in the Acts. The address to the Twelve Tribes of the Diaspora cannot be taken literally. The true address reveals itself in the phrase 'your synagogue' (ii. 2), by which we are in all probability to understand a little conventicle of Essene Christians at Rome. The phrase 'Diaspora' denotes similar scattered conventicles, in which alone 'the true Israel,' 'the poor,' are to be found. By 'the rich,' who occasionally drop into their conventicles and so cruelly oppress and persecute the brethren, is meant Christians outside of the conventicle. All the warnings of the epistle are meant to preserve this little flock from the snares of Paulinism.

Pfleiderer's general view of the development of post-Pauline Christianity.

It is difficult for Englishmen to treat these baseless vagaries with becoming seriousness. To us they at once suggest the great Shakespearian Cryptogram, or somebody's attempt to prove that the *Annals* of Tacitus were written by a monk of the Middle Ages. But that we may not be too hasty in assuming that the new criticism has nothing more solid to offer us, we will turn now to a better known name, and examine what Pfleiderer has to tell us in his *Urchristenthum*, which is an expansion of the Hibbert Lectures delivered by him in 1885.

He distinguishes two lines of development in post-Pauline Christianity. The one, which he calls Christian Hellenism, is represented by the epistle to the Hebrews, which he assigns to the end of the 1st century, the first epistle of Clement (between 100 and 120 A.D.), the first of Peter (not earlier than Trajan), that of Barnabas (between 120 and 125 A.D.), the epistles to the Colossians and Ephesians and the Gospel of John (about 140 A.D.) The other, which he calls Antignostic Hellenism, marks the period of the Antonines. It is again subdivided into Catholicized Hellenism and Catholicized Paulinism

(p. 845). The former branch is represented by the Johannean and the Pastoral epistles, the epistle of Polycarp to the Philippians, which with Volkmar's expurgations may be regarded as a fairly genuine piece, the Ignatian epistles, together with that of Jude and the second of Peter. The latter branch is represented by the second epistle of Clement, the Shepherd of Hermas, written about the same time as the Gospel of Matthew (that is, towards the middle of the 2nd century), the epistle of James and the Didaché, which last Pfeiderer considers to be later than Hermas and possibly later than Clemens Alexandrinus. This Catholicized Paulinism is characterized by a practical undogmatic tone, reminding one of the Synoptic Gospels.

This brief sketch of Pfeiderer's view of the general development of Christianity was needed in order to enable the reader to appreciate his remarks on James in particular (pp. 865-880).

Pfeiderer agrees with Schwegler that our epistle is just the Shepherd stripped of its Apocalyptic imagery. In both writings we have a protest on behalf of the practical piety of the common people against the increasing secularization of religion in the wealthy and intellectual circles, which we may compare with similar protests made by the Waldensians or Minorites in later times. Our epistle must evidently belong to the post-Pauline period; otherwise it must have contained some reference to the controversial topics of which St. Paul treats, such as the abrogation of the Mosaic law, circumcision, sabbaths and festivals, the position of Israel as the chosen people, the relation of the Old to the New Covenant, &c. The question then arises, How long after the death of St. Paul must it be placed? We are enabled to answer this partly from the lateness of patristic evidence as to the existence of the epistle, and partly from its dependence on other Christian writings. (1) As to the former our epistle is in a worse position than any other of the books of the N. T. Origen is the first to quote it directly, and he expressly says that it was not generally recognized as canonical. There is no reference to it in Clemens Alexandrinus or Irenaeus or Tertullian, not even in the Clementines. Moreover it is omitted in the Muratorian canon, which recognizes the Shepherd. This silence of the oldest witnesses is inexplicable if it belonged to the Apostolic age. (2) The writer was acquainted with the epistles to the Romans and Galatians, as is apparent from his use of the Pauline formula of 'justification by faith'; also with the epistle to the Hebrews, the Apocalypse (including the most recent portion of the latter, which dates from the time of Hadrian), the 1st epistle of Peter, above all with Hermas, whom Pfeiderer regards as the older writer, because the aphorisms of St. James are there found embedded in a suitable context. In any case the two writings were composed under similar circumstances and without doubt nearly at the same time. These facts prove that the address to the Twelve Tribes of the Diaspora is not to be understood literally. If there were then any pure Jewish churches it could only have been in Judea, which is excluded by the term Diaspora. Besides what reason could there be for confining the exhortation of the epistle to the Jewish Christians? It was not they but the Gentiles who were in danger of trusting in faith without works. We must therefore understand the phrase in reference to the true Israel scattered throughout the world. It is a mistake to lay any stress on the term 'synagogue,' which is freely used of Christian churches by Hermas and Ignatius.

He considers that the author of our Epistle was a contemporary of Hermas and borrowed from him.

The aim of the writer is the restoration of a retiring unworldly Christianity of self-renunciation and brotherly kindness: what he especially attacks is the worldliness of the upper classes. His condemnation of a wisdom which he

characterizes as earthly, psychical, devilish, reminds us of the words in which Hermas describes the Gnostic teachers and prophets who were to be found at Rome in the middle of the second century, and must probably be understood of these. Jude, too, speaks of the Gnostics as *ψυχικοί*, and charges them with complaining of destiny (v. 16 *μεμφίμοιροι*), which we may compare with James i. 13, where we read of some who complain of God as tempting them to evil. So we are told of a treatise addressed to the Gnostic Florinus by Irenaeus, in proof that God was not the author of evil. The reference in iv. 11 to those who 'judge the law,' would apply to the attacks of such Gnostics as Cerdon and Marcion on the O. T. Lastly, the degradation of Paul's justifying faith into an unfruitful assent of the intellect was nowhere so likely to be found as among the Gnostics. To this ultra-Pauline Gnosticism James opposes no Judaizing theology, but the simple rules of practical Christianity as understood by the Catholic Church. His polemic does not touch Paul's own doctrine: Paul would never have given the name of faith to this dead intellectual assent; but it does touch the Gnostics who claimed the authority of Paul, and James fails to distinguish between the two views. This is easily explicable from the fact that James himself, like his contemporaries (compare the Ignatian and the Pastoral Epistles), no longer uses faith in its old sense of absolute trust, forming the only foundation of Christian piety, but makes it coordinate with love, patience, obedience, works, &c.

The Soteriology of the Epistle approaches so nearly to that of the Gospels, that it is no wonder some have been tempted to assign it to a very early period. This however has been shown to be impossible by a comparison with other Christian writings; and it is also inconsistent with the absence of all allusion to the apologetic and eschatological topics which so much occupied the attention of the early Church. We find here no attempt to prove that Jesus was the Messiah, and that he would shortly return to reveal the promised salvation. The undogmatic character of the epistle is to be explained, like the dogmatic simplicity of John, not on the supposition that it was written before Christianity had become dogmatic, but that dogma was already securely settled. The Church of Rome, however, with its predominantly practical tendency, rejected those speculative and mystical elements of Paulinism, which were retained and developed by the churches of Asia Minor. And thus it is that the Catholicized Paulinism of the second century approaches so nearly to pre-Christian Hellenism. Monotheism, the Moral Law, Future Retribution, these are the prominent doctrines in both; the only difference being that, in the former, these doctrines are based upon Revelation and propagated by an organized institution.

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It will be seen that on several points Pfleiderer recedes from the ground occupied by his predecessors of the negative school. He allows that our Epistle could not have been written whilst the admission of Gentiles into the Church was still a burning question: he allows that it is not intended as an answer to the Epistle to the Romans, and that in fact St. Paul would have assented to all that is said in it as to the futility of an unfruitful faith. He does not regard the author as an Ebionite or Essene, or suppose him to be addressing some small dissenting body: on the contrary, James is a typical Catholic of the latter half of the second century, and gives expression to the ethical undogmatic Christianity of the

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Hermas' (p. 868). As examples he gives James iv. 7, 'Resist the devil and he will flee from you,' compared with *Mand.* xii. 5 (abridged), where Hermas says, 'Man desires to keep the commands of God, but the devil is strong and overcomes him.' The angel answers, 'The devil cannot overcome the servants of God who place their hope entirely in Him. If you resist him he will be vanquished and flee away.' On this it may be observed (1) that the saying occurs in three other passages of Hermas (*Mand.* vii. 2, xii. 2, 4), and that it also occurs thrice in what is probably a much earlier treatise, the *Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs*; (2) that every text quoted by a preacher is naturally imbedded in a suitable context, if the preacher knows his business; (3) that St. James's style is confessedly condensed and aphoristic, but this is no evidence of lateness, rather the contrary; (4), that, as has been shown above in answer to Brückner, the saying is quite in its place in our Epistle. His other examples are James iii. 15 (the contrast of earthly and heavenly wisdom) compared with *Mand.* xi., James i. 27 (on true religion) compared with *Mand.* viii., James i. 20 ('the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God') compared with *Mand.* v., a passage which would have been more appropriately compared with James iv. 5. As to all these examples I am confident that every unprejudiced reader who takes the trouble to examine them, will agree with me, that it would be as reasonable to say that any modern sermon is older than its text, as to say that these comments are older than the parallels in St. James. There is not even any marked abruptness in the original context to excuse such extraordinary perversity of judgment. And then the fatuity of imagining that a man of such strong individuality, whose every word attests his profound and unshakeable convictions, could condescend to borrow from one so immeasurably his inferior, whose thoughts show about an equal mixture of cleverness and silliness, and whose language, as Dr. Taylor has proved, is little more than a patchwork of old materials, new furbished to avoid detection!

Origen's witness in favour of the canonicity of our Epistle.

As regards Pfleiderer's attempt to prove the lateness of our Epistle from the absence of patristic evidence in its favour, I must refer the reader to my second chapter, where he will find quotations enough to enable him to decide the matter for himself. But as he has made the assertion that Origen expressly says

that it was not recognized as canonical (*aber ausdrücklich als ungezweifelte Schrift*), I will here briefly sum up the evidence of Origen on this point: (1) he never denies the genuineness of the Epistle; (2) he simply uses in one passage (*Comm. in Joh. xix. 6, Lomm. ii. 190*) the ambiguous phrase *ἡ φερομένη Ἰακώβου ἐπιστολή*, which at the outside means that, though the Epistle was in general circulation under that name, yet he did not take upon himself to assert its authenticity; (3) in Rufinus' Latin translation of Origen's writings we find our Epistle referred to as follows: *Comm. in ep. ad Rom. iv. 1, in alio Scripturae loco, ib. iv. 8 audi et Jacobum fratrem Domini, ib. ix. 24 Jacobus Apostolus dicit*, and frequently; cf. *Hom. in Ex. iii. 3, viii. 4, Lev. ii. 4*, where it is also called *Scriptura divina*; (4) these expressions of the Latin, which some have without ground suspected, are borne out by similar expressions in the original Greek; thus in *Sel. in Psalm. xxxi. 5* (Lomm. xii. p. 129) the Epistle (*ὡς παρὰ Ἰακώβω*) is referred to as *ἡ γραφή*, and it is quoted as authoritative in *Sel. in Exod. xv. 25, Comm. in Joh. xx. 10* and elsewhere (see above, pp. lxiii. foll.); (5) in two distinct passages Origen gives a list of the Sacred Books, and in both of these the Epistle of St. James is included (*Hom. in Gen. xxvi. 18, Hom. in Jos. vii. 1*; see Westcott, *Canon*, pp. 406 foll.).

I next take the assertion that, if our Epistle had been written before the Council of Jerusalem, it must have contained arguments to prove that Jesus was the Messiah, such as those we find ascribed to St. Peter in the Acts, and must also have dwelt more upon the Second Coming. If the writer were addressing unconverted Jews, as St. Peter does in Acts ii., or were endeavouring to recall Jews who were in danger of falling away, as the author of the Epistle to the Hebrews does, such arguments would no doubt be in place; but as he is writing to believers, who accept Christ as the Lord of Glory and future Judge (James ii. 1, v. 9), such arguments would be out of place in a short letter, directed to the special object of inculcating a practical morality on those who were already believers. Nor can I see why we should expect more to be said about the Second Coming. Is it not enough that we are told 'the Judge stands before the the door,' and 'he that endureth temptation shall receive the crown of life'? Another point is that James has lost the old meaning of faith, and makes it, not the foundation of the Christian life, but merely one

It is not true that the phenomena of our Epistle are inconsistent with an early date.

among a number of co-ordinate virtues. I do not deny that he at times uses *πίστις* in the sense of a mere intellectual belief; but when he describes the Christian religion as 'the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ' (ii. 1), when he makes faith the essential condition of all prevailing prayer (i. 6, v. 15), when he ascribes the beginning of spiritual life to our regeneration by the word of truth (i. 18)—and how can we receive that word except through the instrumentality of faith?—he seems to me to rate faith as highly as St. Paul himself. Yet even St. Paul sets faith below love, and goes so far as to say, 'Though I have all faith so as to remove mountains, but have not charity, I am nothing.'

I really cannot see that Pfleiderer has anything else in the way of argument to offer for his view. All that he tells us is that towards the middle of the second century the Catholic Church had very much lost its hold of distinctive doctrine, that it was secular in tone, and was occupied in controversy with the Gnostics, to whom he considers that allusion is made by James, where he condemns a psychical and diabolical wisdom, and speaks against those who judge the law, and who impute to God the blame for their wrong-doing. If it were certain that the epistle dated from this time, we might be justified in supposing such allusions, but as all probability is against it, we have no reason to go so far to explain references which would be applicable in any age. The only difficulty would be in the term *ψυχικός*, but this is already used in the first Epistle to the Corinthians.

On the other hand it has some characteristics which are inexplicable on Pfleiderer's hypothesis.

Without entering into any discussion as to the correctness of Pfleiderer's estimate of the state of Christianity under the Antonines, and without repeating the positive argument for the early date of James, I will simply mention here some characteristics of the Epistle which seem to me inexplicable on the hypothesis of the date given by Pfleiderer. The first, already noticed by Beyschlag, relates to the heading, 'James the servant of God.' It is quite consistent with the modesty which marks the Epistle throughout, that James himself should adopt this humble title; but is it conceivable that a late writer, wishing to secure a hearing by the adoption of a famous name, should throw away all the distinguishing adjuncts, Apostle, Bishop of Jerusalem, Bishop of Bishops, Brother of the Lord, and call himself plain James, a name which could attract no attention and excite no interest? Would

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Large demands on the credulity of their readers made by the advanced critics.

of the New Testament are forgeries of the second century. I have endeavoured to show the improbability of this theory in the case of one small Epistle. Others have done the same for other books of the New Testament. But the improbability attaching to the theory as affecting one or another separate book of the New Testament is as nothing in comparison with the combined improbability of one half of the books having been forged in the second century. For consider the demand thus made upon us. We have on the one side a century which beyond all question witnessed the greatest advance in morality and religion which has ever taken place on this earth. If this advance is to be explained by natural causes we must assume the existence of extraordinary powers, spiritual, moral and intellectual, in the men by whom it was brought about. The histories of the time, written by contemporaries, as we believe—at any rate written, as even our opponents admit, within a hundred years, more or less, of the events which they record—tell us that there were such men then living, and depict them so clearly and vividly that we seem to be personally acquainted with them. Again we have letters purporting to be written by some of these men, which so fully answer the expectations excited by the histories and soar so high above the ordinary level of human thought, that they have for some eighteen centuries been regarded by the most enlightened of mankind as containing, along with the histories, a divine ideal and an inspired rule of conduct for the whole human race. On the other hand we have in the second century an age in which the Christian Church, as far as we can judge from its history and from the undisputed writings of the time, was decidedly wanting in power and ability, not merely in comparison with the first, but in comparison with most of the later centuries. Yet it is in this feeble age that Baur and his followers have sought to find the authors of the books which bear, and in the judgment of united Christendom worthily bear, the great names of James, Peter, Paul, and John. It is not one author of this inspired stamp they are in search of, but four at least; for there is no pretence that any one individual could have produced works so diverse in doctrine, thought and style; nay, their separatist hypotheses make it necessary for them to assume a fifth, a sixth, and even a seventh author. And yet not a trace of one of them is to be found in the history or literature of the second century. No one is bold

enough to name a man whom he considers capable of having written even the least of these works. Would it be at all a wilder hypothesis if one were to assume that half the plays of Shakspeare were written by an anonymous author or authors of the time of Charles the Second?

How are we to account for such extraordinary aberration on the part of able and honest men? It seems to me that it is due partly to prejudice and partly to an error of method. First, as to prejudice: they start with two assumptions, (1) that the presumption is always against the truth of tradition; (2) that miracles are impossible. The former prejudice is a natural reaction from the opposite extreme, that tradition is always right; and it falls in with the natural delight in novelty, and the temptation to take the side which affords most scope for new and startling combinations. There is also a natural impatience at the tone of virtuous orthodoxy often assumed by the defenders of tradition, and a generous eagerness to take the side which has suffered most from misrepresentation in the past, and which still finds it necessary at times to resist attempts on the part of the champions of authority to intimidate opponents and stifle discussion; a feeling too that, in order to the final ascertainment of truth, the negative argument is as needful as the positive, and that up to the present century the former has scarcely had justice done to it among Christian writers. The second prejudice naturally leads to the attempt to weaken the force of the evidence adduced in favour of miracles. If the accounts of miracles proceed from eye-witnesses, it is difficult, on this hypothesis, not to condemn them of deliberate falsehood, which our opponents are unwilling to do, not simply because they do not wish to give unnecessary offence, but because they are themselves convinced of the honesty and high tone of the writers. If, however, it can be proved that these writers lived a hundred years after the events they record, then they are simply the mouthpiece of tradition, which, without any deliberate falsification, would spontaneously clothe the bare nucleus of fact with the garment of the supernatural.

Next, as to the error of method. Men assume *a priori* that the Christian Church and Christian theology must have had such and such a development; that if we find one doctrine especially prominent in a particular writer, he must have been

Their axioms
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method.

the author of that doctrine, which must therefore have been unknown before him and denied by all but his immediate school; and again, that if we meet with any teaching which seems inconsistent with such a doctrine, it must have proceeded from a controversialist of the opposite school: so that we are guilty, for instance, of an anachronism in assigning to Christ the words, 'Think not that I am come to destroy the law and the prophets,' 'One jot or one tittle shall not pass from the law' (Pfleiderer, page 492 foll.), since they involve the principles of Paulinism and anti-Paulinism. But why cannot we act here as we do in the parallel case of the disciples of Socrates? We do not dispute the genuineness of a Cynic or Cyrenaic or Academic phrase attributed to Socrates, because he did not carry out these different lines of thought to the full extent to which each was carried by his disciples. Yet it is assumed *a priori* that James, Peter, and John being typical of particular aspects of Christianity, anything in their writings which appears to be inconsistent with that special aspect must be pronounced spurious; that even a man so many-sided and so full of growth as St. Paul must be tied down to the ideas which occupied him during a certain critical period of the Church's development. If we were to impose the same rule on Mr. Gladstone, how little we should leave him of all the books and speeches which now bear witness to his incessant activity and versatility of mind.

But perhaps the most mischievous manifestation of the *a priori* method is when it seizes on some small side-incident, and makes it the corner-stone of a huge theory, by which all the phenomena are to be explained, or, in the event of a too stubborn resistance, to be exploded. Such an incident is the difference between St. Peter and St. Paul, of which passing mention is made in Galatians ii. 11, 12, and in which Baur finds the key to the whole of the early history of the Church as well as to the Christian literature of the first two centuries. It might really seem as if to some of his followers the main article of the Creed was 'I believe in the quarrel between Peter and Paul, and in the well-meaning but unsuccessful attempts of Luke and others to smooth it over and keep it in the background.'

It may encourage those who are fearful as to the results of the present attack on the integrity of the books of the New Testament,

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CHAPTER VIII

ON THE GRAMMAR OF ST. JAMES

ORTHOGRAPHY

Instead of the more usual forms we meet with the following :

Consonants.

σσ for ττ is the ordinary use in the Greek Testament, as in πράσσω, φυλάσσω, τaráσσω, and in our Epistle φρίσσουσιν ii. 19, ἀντιτάσσεται iv. 6 : see Hort *G.T.* App. pp. 148, 149, W. Schmid *Der Atticismus* ii. p. 82, s.v. ἀρμόττειν.

We find however the following exceptions, according to the readings of the best MS. :

τὸ ἔλαττον Heb. vii. 7, ἔλαττον *adv.* 1 Tim. v. 9, ἐλαττοῦσθαι John iii. 30, ἠλάττωσας Heb. ii. 7 (from LXX.), ἠλαττωμένον Heb. ii. 9, ἠλαττόνησε 2 Cor. viii. 15 (from LXX.); but ἐλάσσω John ii. 10, ἐλάσσουσι Rom. ix. 12 (from LXX.).

ἡττημα 1 Cor. vi. 7, Rom. xi. 12, ἡττηται 2 Pet. ii. 19, ἡττωνται *ib.* ver. 20 ; but ἡσσωθήτε 2 Cor. xii. 13, ἡσσων 1 Cor. xi. 17, ἡσσων *adv.* 2 Cor. xii. 15.

κρεῖττον 1 Cor. vii. 9, 1 Pet. iii. 17, 2 Pet. ii. 21 and often in Hebrews ; but κρεῖσσων 1 Cor. vii. 38, *ib.* ix. 17, Phil. i. 23, Heb. vi. 9, x. 34.

[The usage of Josephus varies like that of the N.T. Thus in *Ant.* xix. (ed. Niese) we find ἔτασσων § 99, but διετάττετο § 325 ; κρεῖσσων § 112, but κρειπτόνων § 211 ; ἡσσων § 173, ἡσσωμένοι § 181, but ἔλαττον § 291 ; ἀπαλλάσσων § 213, but ἐξαλλάττων xvi. 12. The double sigma seems however to be constant in πράσσω.]

In some words the σσ is preserved in the later Attic also, as in ἄβυσσος, βασίλισσα, πτήσσω, πτώσσω, ἐρέσσω.

ν for γν is constant in the N. T. in γίνομαι and γινώσκω.

According to Meisterhans, *Gr. d. Att. Inschr.* p. 141, *γίγνομαι* is the reading of the Attic inscriptions without exception up to 292 B.C., and *γίνομαι*, equally without exception, between 290 and 30 B.C.

Vowels.

ι for *ει* in abstract substantives: see Hort *l.c.* p. 153, and compare *ἐριθία(?)* James iii. 16, *ἀλαζουίαις* iv. 16, *κακοπαθίας* v. 10; but *περισσείαν* i. 21, *θρησκεία* i. 27 (*ἐθελοθρησκία* Col. ii. 23).

πρόϊμος for *πρώϊμος* (v. 7), for which Hort compares *χρεοφειλέτης*, *Στοϊκός*.

πραϋτης for the classical *πραότης* i. 21; the forms *πραῦς* and *πρᾶος* are both classical, the former being preferred in the feminine and generally in the oblique cases.

Hiatus.

Hiatus is not shunned by the Hellenistic, as it is by the later Attic writers. Thus in i. 4 it occurs six times; and elision is proportionably rare, the only words elided in our Epistle being *ἀλλά* in ii. 18 *ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις* (but *ἀλλὰ ἀπατῶν* i. 26, *ἀλλὰ ἐπίγειος* iii. 15), *ἐπί* in ii. 7 *ἐφ' ὑμᾶς*, v. 7 *ἐπ' αὐτῶ*, and v. 14 *ἐπ' αὐτόν*; *ἀπό* in *ἀφ' ὑμῶν* iv. 7, v. 5; *παρά* in *παρ' ᾧ* i. 17; *κατά* in *καθ' ἑαυτήν* ii. 17, *καθ' ὁμοίωσιν* iii. 9, *κατ' ἀλλήλων* v. 9. On the other hand we have *ὑπό* unelided in iii. 4 *ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου*: in fact the only word which is uniformly elided in the *G.T.* is *παρά*, but the word is comparatively rare, and does not occur before a proper name beginning with a vowel. Of unelided *κατά* we find instances in Acts iii. 17 *κατὰ ἄγνοιαν*, *ib.* xxii. 3 *κατὰ ἀκρίβειαν*, Rom. ii. 2 *κατὰ ἀλήθειαν*, *ib.* iii. 5, 1 Cor. iii. 3, ix. 8, xv. 32 *κατὰ ἄνθρωπον*, Rom. xiv. 15 *κατὰ ἀγάπην* &c. Unelided *ἐπί* is found in Luke iii. 2 *ἐπὶ Ἰωάννην*, *ib.* v. 36 *ἐπὶ ἱμάτιον*, *ib.* xi. 17 *ἐπὶ οἶκον*, *ib.* xxi. 10 *ἐπὶ ἔθνος* &c.; unelided *ἀπό* in Luke viii. 43 *ἀπὸ ἐτῶν*, *ib.* xiii. 21 *ἀπὸ ἀνατολῶν*, *ib.* xvi. 18 *ἀπὸ ἀνδρός*; unelided *ὑπό* in Luke vii. 27 *ὑπὸ ἀνέμου*, *ib.* xxi. 24 *ὑπὸ ἐθνῶν* &c. Unelided *διά* is found in Heb. v. 14 *διὰ ἕξιν*, 2 Cor. v. 7 *διὰ εἴδους* and before proper names. In general we may say that elision takes place before a pronoun or word with which the preposition is habitually joined, but not before a proper name or a word which it is important to make distinct.

Other modes of avoiding hiatus are crasis, *ν ἐφελκυστικόν*, and final *ς* in such words as *οὕτως*.

Of crasis we have two examples, *καγώ* ii. 18, where see note, and *κᾶν* for *καὶ ἄν* (= *ἐάν*) v. 15. For this use of *ἄν* see John xii. 32, xiii. 20, xvi. 23, xx. 23; and for the crasis Mark xvi. 18, Luke xiii. 9, also Winer p. 51.

ν ἐφελκυστικόν and the final *ς* in *οὕτως* are constant in St. James as in the rest of the N.T.:¹ cf. i. 6 *ἔοικεν κλύδωνι*, ii. 12 *οὕτως λαλεῖτε*.

INFLEXIONS.

(A) *Nouns*, (B) *Verbs*.

A. (a) *Indeclinable Hebrew names*, Ἀβραάμ ii. 21, Παάβ ii. 25, Σαβαώθ v. 4, Ἰώβ v. 11.

(b) *Irregular*, Ἰησοῦς i. 1, ii. 1.

(c) *Neuter nouns of third declension taking the place of masculine nouns of second declension*, e.g. τὸ ἔλεος James ii. 13 and always in N.T.; also in Test. Zab. 5, 7, 8, Clem. R. 9, 28, &c. ὁ ἔλεος always in classical writers, Philo M. ii. 44 ἐλέω, 52 ἔλεον: so τὸ σκότος is regularly used in N.T. while it is rare in classical writers: ζῆλος and πλοῦτος, always masculine in classical writers, as in James and the rest of the N.T., are sometimes used by St. Paul as neuters in the nom. and acc., see Eph. i. 7 (but ὁ πλοῦτος in Eph. i. 18), 2 Cor. ix. 2 τὸ ζῆλος (but τὸν ζῆλον in 2 Cor. vii. 7).

(d) *Adjectives with two instead of three terminations*, μάταιος i. 36, as in Tit. iii. 9, cf. Winer p. 80.

(e) *The dual is not used in the N.T.*

B. (a) *Indicative Mood of Verbs*.

a. *Future*:

(1) Of verbs in *-ιζω* (see Hort *l.c.* p. 163, Meisterhans *l.c.* p. 143). *-ίσω* for *-ιῶ* usually, except in 2nd and 3rd pl., cf. ἐγγίσει iv. 8 (?), γνωρίσει Eph. vi. 21, γνωρίσουσιν Col. iv. 9 (?), βαπτίσει Matt. iii. 11 and elsewhere, χωρίσει Rom. viii. 35, θερίσει 2 Cor. ix. 6 (*bis*), Gal. vi. 7, 8 (*bis*), θερίσομεν 1 Cor. ix. 11, Gal. vi. 9,

¹ The best editors however have *ἔδοξε κάμοι* Luke i. 2, *ἔλαχε τοῦ ἰβ.* i. 9. See Winer p. 44, Schmid ii. p. 250, Meisterhans, *Gramm. d. Att. Inschr.* pp. 88, 89.

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Veitch, who also gives examples of the use of the 1st aor. from Empedocles, Theophrastus, &c.

γ. Perfect.

(1) 3rd pl. *-αν* for *-ασι*: *εἰσελήλυθαν* v. 4, see examples cited in note, and Hort *Notes on Orthography* (*G.T.* app. p. 166).

(2) *οἶδα, οἶδας* for *οἶσθα* John xxi. 15, 1 Cor. vii. 16 and always in N.T., also found in classical authors, *e.g.* Xen.: *Mem.* iv. 6. 6, Eur. *Alc.* 780. *οἶδαμεν* Matt. xxii. 16 and always in N.T., also in classical authors, *e.g.* Xen. *Anab.* ii. 4. 6. *οἶδατε* James iv. 4 and usually in N.T., also in classical writers: *ἴστε* is however found in i. 19, Heb. xii. 17, perhaps in Eph. v. 5. *οἶδασιν* Luke xi. 44 and usually in N.T., also in Xen. *Oec.* xx. 14; but *ἴσασιν* in Acts xxvi. 4. Cf. Schmid i. pp. 85, 232.

(b) Imperative Mood.

(1) *ἦτω* for *ἔστω* v. 12, where see note. Veitch cites Hippocr. viii. 340, Aretaeus i. 2. 79.

(2) *κάθου* for *κάθησο* ii. 3, see note.

SYNTAX.

The Article.

The simplest use of the article when coupled with a singular noun is to single out, as concerned in the assertion made, one particular member of the class denoted by the noun, which member is supposed to be at once recognized by the reader either from his general knowledge, as *ὁ Θεός*, or from information supplied in the context, as *τὴν ἐσθῆτα, τῷ πτωχῷ* in ii. 3, after previous mention. Thus in ii. 14 *μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν*; the article marks that the faith spoken of has been already described in the previous words; in ii. 25 *ἡ πόρνη* refers to one particular harlot, Rahab, of whom alone the assertion made holds good; in iii. 5 and the following verses *ἡ γλῶσσα* refers to the human tongue exclusively; in v. 9 *ὁ κριτής* is the Lord who is shortly to appear in judgment. Sometimes the class may consist, in the mind of the speaker, of one member only: *e.g.* i. 7 *παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου* of the one God, i. 11 *ὁ ἥλιος...τῷ καύσωνι*, i. 27 *τοῦ κόσμου*, v. 18 *ὁ οὐρανός*. On the other hand the absence of the article implies that the

assertion made about the noun is not more true of one member of the class than of another. This is naturally expressed by the English indefinite article in such passages as i. 6 ἔοικεν κλύδωνι, where the comparison is to a wave generally, not to any particular wave; so in iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι; and ii. 18 εἰὰν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχωσιν, ii. 24 ἐξ ἔργων δικαιούται ἄνθρωπος, i. 23 ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ.

When the class as a whole is spoken of, the article is used either with the collective noun, as ἡ ἐκκλησία v. 14; or with the plural of the persons or things composing the class, as οἱ πλούσιοι ii. 6, τῶν ἵππων iii. 3, τοὺς ἀνθρώπους iii. 9; or with one such person or thing, considered as typical or representative of the class (the 'generic' article), e.g. ὁ πλούσιος i. 12, ἡ πηγή iii. 11, ὁ γεωργός v. 7. If the article is omitted, the plural denotes that some of the class are concerned in the assertion, without saying anything as to the rest of the class, as καὶν ἀμαρτίας ἢ πεποιηκώς v. 15, πλῆθος ἀμαρτιῶν v. 20, ἐξ ἔργων δικαιούται ἄνθρωπος ii. 24, ἔλκουσιν ὑμᾶς εἰς κριτήρια ii. 6.

If two or more nouns denoting different persons or things are joined by καί, the article is regularly repeated with each, as in iii. 11 τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρὸν; but if the nouns taken together are regarded as denoting or constituting one person or thing, the article is only used with the first, as in iii. 9 εὐλογοῦμεν τὸν Θεὸν καὶ Πατέρα.

One case in which the Greek use of the article agrees with French and German in opposition to the English is that of abstractions such as ἡ δόξα, ἡ πίστις, which are thus, as it were, personified and looked at as something existing apart from the person or action with which they are concerned, cf. ii. 17 ἡ πίστις, εἰὰν μὴ ἔχη ἔργα, νεκρά ἐστίν, ii. 20, 22 ἡ πίστις συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἡ πίστις ἐτελειώθη, where R. V. has 'Faith wrought with his works and by works was faith made perfect.' In the oblique cases the article is generally omitted unless (as in i. 2 τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως, ii. 1 τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν) the noun is defined by the context. Thus we have ii. 14 εἰὰν πίστιν λέγη τις ἔχειν and i. 6 αἰτείτω ἐν πίστει, because it is not faith absolute, faith as a self-existent idea, which is spoken of, but merely faith relative, a quality attributed to an act or an individual. So ii. 24 ἐξ ἔργων

δικαιούται ἄνθρωπος καὶ οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως μόνον : from actions, not from believing.' In v. 15 ἡ εὐχή τῆς πίστεως σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα, the article is used with εὐχή because of the preceding προσευξάσθωσαν, and πίστεως has the article by sympathy, unless we prefer to translate 'Faith's prayer,' giving its full personifying force to the article. It is not necessary however, either in classical or Hellenistic Greek, for the abstract noun always to take the article even in the nominative: thus we have ii. 13 κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως, where we might have expected τὸ ἔλεος τῆς κρίσεως κατακαυχᾶται, but the absence of the article gives a further point to the antithesis, first by bringing together the contrasted words, and second by calling attention to the connotation of the words. So iii. 10 ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος ἐξέρχεται εὐλογία καὶ κατάρα 'out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing,' which might of course also be translated 'a blessing and a curse.' Such omission of the article is especially common in proverbs or other familiar and sententious phrases.

We will now consider the case in which the Greek anarthrous noun is represented in English by the noun with definite article. A well-known instance is that of βασιλεύς standing for the king of Persia. Here the intermediate stage would be ὁ βασιλεύς 'the king *par excellence*,' as Englishmen were accustomed to speak of 'the Duke' meaning 'the Duke of Wellington'; then after a time βασιλεύς by itself gets to be regarded as a proper name. In our Epistle, we find the article regularly used with Κύριος and Θεός in the nominative (*e.g.* i. 13, ii. 5, 19, iv. 6, 15, v. 11, 15); but the oblique cases sometimes take the article (*e.g.* iv. 4 ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ...ἐχθρὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, ii. 1 τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου, v. 7, 8 ἡ παρουσία τοῦ Κυρίου *bis*, iv. 7 ὑποτάγητε τῷ Θεῷ, iv. 8 ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ, ii. 23 ἐπίστευσεν τῷ Θεῷ, iii. 9 εὐλογοῦμεν τὸν Κύριον, i. 27 παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ, i. 7 παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου) and sometimes omit it (*e.g.* i. 1 Θεοῦ καὶ Κυρίου δούλος, i. 20 ὀργὴ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται, iii. 9 καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ, ii. 23 φίλος Θεοῦ, v. 4 τὰ ὦτα Κυρίου, v. 10 ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου, v. 11 τὸ τέλος Κυρίου, i. 13 ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι, iv. 10 ἐνώπιον Κυρίου). The practice of St. James in this respect is that of the other writers of the N.T. The nominative Θεός, when it stands as the subject of the sentence, is rarely found without the article: St. Paul uses the anarthrous

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phrase. Of (1) we have the following examples: τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν v. 7, τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς iii. 13, τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον i. 21; of (2) τὴν ἐσθῆτα τὴν λαμπράν ii. 3, τῇ φύσει τῇ ἀνθρωπίνῃ iii. 7, ὁ νομοθέτης ὁ δυνάμενος iv. 12, ταῖς ταλαιπωρίαις ὑμῶν ταῖς ἐπερχομέναις v. 1, ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἐργατῶν τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας, ὁ ἀφυστερημένος v. 4; of (3) ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινός (so B) i. 9, νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας i. 25, ἀτμίς ἐστε ἢ πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη iv. 14, where the article makes the tendency to appear and disappear a quality of the vapour, and not a mere accidental circumstance; so in Heb. vi. 7 γῆ γὰρ ἡ πιούσα, ix. 2 σκηνὴ κατεσκευάσθη ἡ πρώτη; of (4) we have τὰ ἐπιτήδεια τοῦ σώματος ii. 16, τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως iii. 6, ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου iv. 4, ἡ ὁρμὴ τοῦ εὐθύνοντος iii. 4. The loose construction (4) is more usual than the compact (1) in St. James and the N.T. generally, especially where a pronoun is concerned, as τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ, ἐν τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ (very rarely the compact, as in i. 18 τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων,¹ Phil. ii. 30 τὸ ὑμῶν ὑστέρημα): sometimes the gen. precedes, as in iii. 3 τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλινοὺς, v. 12 ἦτω ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναί, 1 Tim. iv. 14 ἵνα σου ἡ προκοπὴ φανερὰ ᾖ. The loose construction also prevails in long or complex phrases, cf. iv. 1 τῶν ἡδονῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν, where the more idiomatic form would have been τῶν ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν στρατευομένων ἡδονῶν, and i. 5 παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς, where we might have expected either π. τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς διδόντος, or π. τοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς διδόντος Θεοῦ: so i. 3 τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως might have been more compactly expressed τὸ τῆς πίστεως ὑμῶν δοκίμιον. Classical parallels will be found in the note on i. 5. We find the compact construction however in iii. 9 τοὺς καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας and frequently in both Epistles of Peter, as in the First i. 14 ταῖς πρότερον ἐν τῇ ἀγνοίᾳ ὑμῶν ἐπιθυμίαις, ii. 9 τοῦ ἐκ σκότους ὑμᾶς καλέσαντος, ii. 15 τὴν τῶν ἀφρόνων ἀνθρώπων ἀγνωσίαν, iii. 2 τὴν ἐν φόβῳ ἁγίᾳ ἀναστροφὴν ὑμῶν, v. 1 ὁ καὶ τῆς μελλούσης ἀποκαλύπτει δόξης κοινωνός: in the Second i. 4 τῆς ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ἐν τῇ ἐπιθυμίᾳ φθορᾶς, ii. 7 τῆς τῶν ἀθέσμων ἐν ἀσελγείᾳ ἀναστροφῆς, ii. 10 τοὺς ὀπίσω σαρκὸς ἐν ἐπιθυμίᾳ μiasμοῦ πορευομένους.

¹ This shows that A. Buttman, p. 102 (cited in Winer p. 193 n.), is wrong in his limitation, 'The insertion of the personal pronoun occurs in Paul only, and with no other pronoun than ὑμῶν.' Cf. also 1 Joh. ii. 27 τὸ αὐτοῦ χρίσμα, 1 Th. ii. 19, Rom. iii. 24.

If we wish to distinguish the shades of meaning attaching to these different modes of qualifying the noun, (1) denotes the final stage of thought by which the subject is combined with its qualification so as to form one new complex subject; (2) gives the definite subject first, and then adds its qualification as a second thought; (3) gives an indefinite subject first, and afterwards defines it by its qualification: this has still more the air of a second thought. Both (2) and (3) may serve a rhetorical purpose by giving prominence to the qualification, which is to some extent merged and lost in (1). The last (4) is the least artistic form, and gives the mental impression in its first rough shape, unmodified by the secondary action of the mind.

In these compound phrases the use of the article is also affected by what may be called the Law of Correlation or Sympathy. If one noun is dependent on another, the article is, in general, used either with both or with neither; and thus, if the one noun can dispense with the article, it is sometimes omitted with the other also, even when, if it stood alone, the latter would naturally have taken the article. Thus we have *ἄνθος χόρτου* i. 10, not *ἄνθος τοῦ χόρτου*, *δοῦλος Θεοῦ* i. 1, not *δοῦλος τοῦ Θεοῦ*, *ἄκροατῆς λόγου* i. 23, not *ἄκροατῆς τοῦ λόγου*, *ἡμέρα σφαγῆς*, not *τῇ ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς* or *ἡμέρᾳ τῆς σφαγῆς*, *νόμον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας* i. 25, *διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας* ii. 12; so *ἔργα νόμου* or *τὰ ἔργα τοῦ νόμου*, not *ἔργα τοῦ νόμου* or *τὰ ἔργα νόμου*. Apparent exceptions may sometimes be explained (as v. 10 *ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου*, v. 11 *τὸ τέλος Κυρίου*) by the fact that *Κύριος* is a proper name, the construction being the same as in *τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰώβ*.

From the above uses of the article in an attributive phrase we must carefully distinguish its use in predication, of which the type is *ἀγαθὸς ὁ ἀνὴρ*, the subject being known by the presence of the article, the predicate by its absence, as in i. 26 *τούτου μάταιος ἡ θρησκεία*, iv. 4 *ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν*. Hence we characterize *μακάριος ἀνὴρ* in i. 12 as a predicate (like *τέλειος ἀνὴρ* in iii. 2), 'He is a blessed man who,' instead of dividing them with the English Version and making *ἀνὴρ* subject, 'Blessed is the man.' The same phrase is shown to be predicative in Rom. iv. 8 (*μακάριος ἀνὴρ οὗ οὐ μὴ λογίσηται ἁμαρτίαν*) by the preceding *μακάριοι ὧν ἀφέθησαν αἱ ἀνομίαί*. And so *θρησκεία καθαρὰ* in i. 27 'this, viz. visiting widows and orphans,

&c., is pure religion,' cf. Acts ix. 15 σκεῦος ἐκλογῆς ἐστὶ μοι οὗτος, John i. 19 αὕτη ἐστὶν ἡ μαρτυρία Ἰωάννου. We have examples of oblique predication in i. 27 ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν, v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς κακοπαθίας τοῦς προφήτας, and ii. 5 οὐχ ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοῦς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ πλουσίους ἐν πίστει; 'has not God chosen the poor to the world (to be) rich in faith?' The article however may be used with the predicative noun when it does not denote a class in which the subject is included, but a concept of equal extension with which it is declared to be identical, as iii. 6 ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἢ γλῶσσα καθίσταται 'the tongue is (represents) the unrighteous world.'

The English possessive pronoun is expressed in classical Greek by the article alone, except for the sake of clearness or emphasis. So too occasionally in the N.T., e.g. Matt. xxvii. 24 ἀπενίψατο τὰς χεῖρας, Luke v. 13 ἐκτείνας τὴν χεῖρα, James ii. 15 λειπόμενοι τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς 'in lack of their daily food' [or perhaps 'the day's food'], ii. 14 εἰ πῶς πίστις λέγει τις ἔχει, ἔργα δὲ μὴ ἔχει, μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν; 'can his faith save him?' [But perhaps it is better to take the article simply as referring to the previous πίστις, 'can the faith (spoken of) save him' ?], v. 16 ἐξομολογεῖσθε ἀλλήλοις τὰς ἀμαρτίας 'confess your sins to each other,' or perhaps 'confess the sins (spoken of in v. 15)'. The latter however seems here less appropriate, as the sins spoken of in v. 15 were those of the sick man alone.

Generally however in the N.T. the genitive of the demonstrative or personal pronoun is added, e.g. i. 21 τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν, ii. 8 τὸν πλησίον σου, ii. 18 τὴν πίστιν σου... τῶν ἔργων μου, iii. 6 τοῖς μέλεσιν ὑμῶν, i. 8 ταῖς ὁδοῖς αὐτοῦ, i. 10 τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ... τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ, i. 11 τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ... τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ... ἐν ταῖς πορείαις αὐτοῦ. Where two nouns are joined the genitive of the pronoun may be stated only once, e.g. iii. 13 δεῖξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς (αὐτοῦ) τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ, iv. 9 ὁ γέλως ὑμῶν εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω καὶ ἡ χαρὰ (ὑμῶν) εἰς κατήφειαν, ii. 18 δείξω ἐκ τῶν ἔργων μου τὴν πίστιν (μου).

Occasionally the article is omitted, and the possessive pronoun alone employed, as in i. 26 μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλῶσσαν ἑαυτοῦ ἀλλ' ἀπατῶν καρδίαν ἑαυτοῦ, ii. 2 εἰς συναγωγὴν ὑμῶν if we translate 'into your synagogue' instead of 'into a synagogue (or 'meeting') of yours,' v. 20 ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρ-

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intended to emphasize the contrast by bringing together the contrasted nouns, as in ii. 13, of which I have spoken above: v. 20 *πολὸν ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη* 'the supplication of a righteous man availeth much in its working' might perhaps be better translated 'a righteous man's supplication availeth much when actuated by the Spirit.' iii. 18 *καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται*, here it is to be noted that *καρπ. δικ.* is a phrase found in Phil. i. 11, Heb. xii. 11, as well as in Amos vi. 2, Prov. xi. 30, and is therefore liable to the abbreviation which naturally attaches to all proverbial expressions. Possibly also the writer may have felt that the proleptic use of *καρπός* would have acquired additional harshness if the article were prefixed. It would have been natural to say *τὸ σπέρμα σπείρεται*, but *καρπός* is not that which is sown, but that which it is hoped will spring up. Peaceful sowing results in righteousness as its fruit.

I proceed to the case of anarthrous epithets where the English has the definite article. Such are v. 3 *ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις* 'in the last days,' which occurs also in 2 Tim. iii. 1: it may be compared with 1 John ii. 18 *ἐσχάτη ὥρα ἐστίν*, 1 Pet. i. 5 *ἐν καιρῷ ἐσχάτῳ*, Sir. i. 11 *εὖ ἔσται ἐπ' ἐσχάτων*, and even ii. 3 *ἐπ' ἐσχάτων σου*. On the other hand we find *ἐν ταῖς ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις* Acts ii. 17, and *τῇ ἐσχάτῃ ἡμέρᾳ* seven times in St. John's Gospel. In James v. 7 the R.V. 'until it receive the early and the latter rain' stands for the Greek *ἕως λάβῃ πρόϊμον καὶ ὄψιμον*. In this last case both article and substantive are dropped by colloquial abbreviation, as we have 'Paul's' in old writers for 'St. Paul's church.'

In English we join the article with the superlative, even when it forms part of the predicate; whereas the Greeks always omitted it in such cases (*e.g.* *πάντων φιλομαθέστατος Κῦρος ἦν*), and also where the superlative denotes a high degree of any quality, as James iii. 4 *ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου πηδαλίου*. Similarly the classical writers omit the article with the ordinal numeral, as Thuc. v. 81 *τέταρτον καὶ δέκατον ἔτος τῷ πολέμῳ ἐτελεύτα*, and so, in Matt. xx. 3 and elsewhere, we find expressions like *περὶ τρίτην ὥραν*. The omission is probably to be accounted for by the wish to shorten familiar expressions where there is no danger of misunderstanding being caused by it, just as we might say '7th Victoria,' or 'Acts seven two.'

I come now to the phrases which I had reserved before: i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, with which may be compared 2 Cor. vi. 7 ἐν λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ἐν δυνάμει Θεοῦ, and Col. i. 5 ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῆς ἀληθείας τοῦ εὐαγγελίου. The meaning in the two latter expressions is the same, but in Colossians it is stated at length, whereas in Corinthians the Apostle just touches it in his rapid enumeration of the different ways in which he showed himself a minister of God. Similarly we have λόγον ζωῆς Phil. ii. 16. Both λόγος and ἀλήθεια belong to the class of abstract words which may either take the article or not, according to the pleasure of the speaker; and if one is made anarthrous, the other will usually be so too by the rule of sympathy or correlation. A precisely similar case is ii. 12 διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι. In both cases I think the qualifying noun gains additional importance by the omission of the article. In ii. 8 we have the anarthrous adjective νόμον τελεῖτε βασιλικόν, where the adjective comes in rather as an after-thought to complete the phrase νόμον τελεῖτε. In my note I have compared πνεῦμα ἅγιον, διαθήκη ἁγία Luke i. 72, 1 Macc. i. 15, 73.

The remaining case (i. 25) combines the adjective and the genitive νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας. Here the addition would be quite regular if τέλειον were absent. It is best, I think, to regard νόμον τέλειον as parallel to νόμον βασιλικόν above, being equivalent to τὸν τέλειον νόμον.

It must indeed be confessed that the Hellenistic writers are very lax in their use of the article with a noun qualified by an attributive adjective or genitive. They may be said to have introduced into Greek prose the freedom of Greek poetry, itself a tradition handed down from the Homeric ages, before the use of the article had been developed out of the demonstrative pronoun. This freedom would naturally commend itself to foreigners learning Greek, to whom Greek gender would be as great a stumbling-block as German or French gender is to Englishmen now, and who, as a matter of fact, did often confuse the masculine and neuter gender, see above p. cliv. We find examples in Baruch i. 3 ἐν ᾧσι παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ, where ἐν ᾧσι may be regarded as a prepositional phrase (like ἐκ στόματος λέοντων 1 Mace. ii. 60), Bar. i. 8 τὰ σκεύη οἴκου Κυρίου, where the omission of the article before οἴκου is probably to be explained by

its forming a phrase with Κυρίου, Sir. i. 5 *ρίζα σοφίας τίνι ἀπεκαλύφθη*; ('the root of wisdom'), ver. 9 *φόβος Κυρίου καύχημα* 'the fear of the Lord is glory,' ver. 16 *στέφανος σοφίας φόβος Κυρίου* 'the fear of the Lord is the crown of wisdom,' vii. 9 *Θεῷ ὑψίστῳ* 'to the most high God,' xxxi. 13 *πνεῦμα φοβουμένων Κυρίου ζήσεται*, Psalm. Sal. iii. 7 *ἀλήθεια τῶν δικαίων παρὰ Θεοῦ* 'the truth of the just comes from God,' iii. 16 *ἡ ζωὴ αὐτῶν ἐν φωτὶ Κυρίου*, xiii. 1 *δεξιὰ Κυρίου ἐσκέπασέν με* followed by *ὁ βραχίον Κυρίου ἔσωσέν με*, Job xxxi. 18 *διὰ ἀσέβειαν δώρων ὧν ἐδέχοντο*, xxxviii. 17 *ἀνοίγονται πύλαι θανάτου*, v. 31 *δεσμὸν Πλειάδος ἔγνωσ*; xxxix. 1 *ἔγνωσ καιρὸν τοκετοῦ τραγελάφων πέτρας*; Prov. ii. 17 *ἡ ἀπολιπούσα διδασκαλίαν νεότητος καὶ διαθήκην θείαν ἐπιληλησμένη*, ver. 22 *ὁδοὶ ἀσεβῶν ἐκ γῆς ὀλοῦνται*, iii. 33 *κατὰρα Θεοῦ ἐν οἴκοις ἀσεβῶν*, 'the curse of God is on the houses of the impious,' 2 Sam. xxiv. *ἐπάταξε καρδία Δαβὶδ αὐτόν*, Jonah ii. 4 *ἀπέρριψάς με εἰς βάθη καρδίας θαλάσσης*. We also find the article omitted with the participle when used as a substantive, as in Prov. v. 13 *οὐκ ἤκουον φωνὴν παιδεύοντός με*. For similar omissions in N.T. cf. Luke i. 15 *ἐκ κοιλίας μητρὸς αὐτοῦ*, v. 17 *ἐν πνεύματι καὶ δυνάμει Ἡλίας, ἐπιστρέψαι καρδίας πατέρων ἐπὶ τέκνα καὶ ἀπειθεῖς ἐν φρονήσει δικαίων*, v. 35 *δύναμις Ὑψίστου ἐπισκιάσει σε*, v. 51 *διεσκόρπισεν ὑπερηφάνους διανοίᾳ καρδίας αὐτῶν*, v. 78 *διὰ σπλάγχνα ἐλέους Θεοῦ ἡμῶν*, ii. 9 *δόξα Κυρίου*, v. 13 *πλήθος στρατιᾶς οὐρανοῦ*, v. 25 *προσδεχόμενος παράκλησιν τοῦ Ἰσραήλ*, Heb. iv. 3 *ἀπὸ καταβολῆς κόσμου*, v. 13 *λόγον δικαιοσύνης*, 1 Pet. i. 1 *ἐκλεκτοῖς παρεπιδήμοις διασπορᾶς*, v. 23 *διὰ λόγου ζῶντος Θεοῦ καὶ μένοντος* 'by the word of God which liveth and abideth,' iii. 12 *ὀφθαλμοὶ Κυρίου ἐπὶ δικαίους καὶ ὦτα αὐτοῦ εἰς δέησιν αὐτῶν, πρόσωπον δὲ Κυρίου ἐπὶ ποιῶντας κακά*, 2 Pet. ii. 5 *ἀρχαίου κόσμου οὐκ ἐφείσατο...κατακλυσμὸν κόσμῳ ἀσεβῶν ἐπάξας*. It is curious that the Apocalypse in spite of its startling solecisms of construction approaches more nearly to the classical usage as regards the article than many other parts of the N.T.

The use of the article with *πᾶς* and *ὅλος* is the same in the N.T. as in ordinary Greek. When *πᾶς* is anarthrous, it is equivalent to the Eng. 'every,' if joined to a common singular noun, as in i. 17 *πᾶν δώρημα τέλειον*, i. 19 *πᾶς ἄνθρωπος*, iii. 7 *πᾶσα φύσις θηρίων*, iii. 16 *πᾶν φαῦλον πρᾶγμα*: if joined to an abstract

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PRONOUNS.

Demonstrative.

οὗτος used to emphasize the apodosis in i. 23 εἴ τις ἀκροατῆς... οὗτος ἔοικεν ἀνδρὶ κ.τ.λ., i. 25 ὁ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον τέλειον... οὗτος μακάριος. See Winer, p. 199. As subject, attracted to the gender of the predicative noun, i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ αὕτη ἐστίν, ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανούς.

ὅδε, supposed to be used for ὁ δεῖνα, see n. on 13, εἰς τήνδε τὴν πόλιν.

αὐτός = Lat. *ipse*, emphatic, (a) ordinary use i. 12 ὁ Θεὸς ἀπειραστός ἐστίν, πειράζει δὲ αὐτὸς οὐδένα, ii. 6 (οἱ πλούσιοι) αὐτοὶ ἔλκουσιν ὑμᾶς: (b) special Hellenistic use ii. 7 οὐκ αὐτοὶ βλασφημοῦσιν, see notes on the two verses: (c) the nom. does not seem to be used pleonastically, as by St. Luke in xxiv. 13, 14 δύο ἐξ αὐτῶν ἦσαν πορευόμενοι...καὶ αὐτοὶ ὠμίλουν πρὸς ἀλλήλους.

ὁ αὐτός iii. 10 ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος, ver. 11 ἐκ τῆς αὐτῆς ὀπῆς. St. James does not use αὐτὸς ὁ in this sense, as St. Luke does in the phrase αὐτῇ τῇ ὥρᾳ (lit. 'at the very hour'), which occurs in ii. 38, vii. 21, Acts xvi. 18 and elsewhere.

αὐτός = Lat. *is*, unemphatic in the oblique cases; but gaining a certain emphasis by repetition, as in iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν καὶ ἐν αὐτῇ καταρώμεθα: or by position as in St. Luke xxiv. 24 αὐτὸν δὲ οὐκ εἶδον, ver. 31 αὐτῶν δὲ διηνοίχθησαν οἱ ὀφθαλμοί. It is also used pleonastically, not only in the genitive with the article, as in the cases mentioned above; but when occurring in apposition to the noun, or participle equivalent to noun, as in iv. 17 εἰδότε καὶ μὴ ποιοῦντι ἁμαρτία αὐτῷ ἐστίν.

αὐτοῦ instead of ἑαυτοῦ,¹ in i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχὴν τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων (ACP have ἑαυτοῦ); i. 26 Tregelles and Tischendorf read (with Sin. AKL &c.) μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλώσσαν αὐτοῦ ἀλλὰ ἀπατῶν καρδίαν αὐτοῦ, where I have followed WH. in reading (with B+) ἑαυτοῦ. See also note on v. 20, where some of the latest editors read ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ.

ἑαυτοῦ is used for σεαυτοῦ in i. 22 γίνεσθε ποιηταὶ καὶ μὴ ἀκροαταὶ μόνον παραλογιζόμενοι ἑαυτούς, ii. 4 διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς. We find however σεαυτόν in ii. 8.

¹ See Lightfoot on Col. i. 20, Hort *App.* 144 and examples in Schweighauser's *Lex. Polyb.* s. v.

The use of the article with the demonstrative pronoun is the same as in classical writers, cf. i. 7 ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος, iii. 15 αὕτη ἡ σοφία, iv. 13 τήνδε τὴν πόλιν.

Relative.

Attracted ii. 5 κληρονομοῦς τῆς βασιλείας ἧς ἐπηγγείλατο. Indefinite (with εἰάν for ἄν) iv. 4 ὅς ἐάν βουληθῆ φίλος εἶναι τοῦ κόσμου; ii. 10 ὅστις ὅλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ, iv. 13 (οἱ λέγοντες...κερδήσομεν) οἵτινες οὐκ ἐπίστασθε τὸ τῆς αὔριον, 'whereas ye know not,' see note.

Interrogative.

τίς introducing hypothetical clause iii. 13 τίς σοφὸς ἐν ὑμῖν; δειξάτω; with pregnant force iv. 12 σὺ τίς εἶ; 'how weak and ignorant?'

ποία ἡ ζωή; iv. 14: dependent i. 24 ἐπελάθετο ὁποῖος ἦν. Double question iii. 5 ἠλίκον πῦρ ἠλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει.

Indefinite with idiomatic force i. 18 εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχὴν τινα τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων.

NUMBER AND GENDER.

A singular noun is used for a plural in iii. 14 εἰ ἐριθίαν ἔχετε ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ ὑμῶν, in contrast with v. 5 ἐθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν, and v. 8 στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν.

A singular verb precedes two subjects joined by καί: iii. 10 ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος ἐξέρχεται εὐλογία καὶ κατάρα.

First plural of verb used in courtesy: iii. 1 μεῖζον κρίμα λημφόμεθα, iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν καὶ ἐν αὐτῇ καταρῶμεν.

A plural verb and adjective follow a subject consisting of two nouns joined by a disjunctive conjunction in ii. 15 ἐάν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχωσιν.

A plural verb follows a singular indefinite pronoun: ii. 16 εἰάν τις ἐξ ὑμῶν εἶπῃ...μὴ δώτε δέ.

The imperative ἄγε is used as an exclamation with a plural in iv. 13 ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες, and v. 1 ἄγε νῦν οἱ πλούσιοι.

The neuter plural referring to persons is used with a plural verb in ii. 19 τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν.

The plural of abstract nouns is used to express the various manifestations of the abstract idea, e.g. ii. 1 *μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν.*

CASES.

(1) *Nominative.*

There is a tendency in the Hellenistic writings, notably in the Apocalypse, to put the noun of apposition into the nominative, even where the original noun is oblique; thus we have in iii. 8 *τὴν γλῶσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται* followed by *ἀκατάστατον κακόν, μεστὴ ἰοῦ* which we can here explain as a new sentence with the subject *ἡ γλῶσσά ἐστιν* understood; but such an explanation fails in Apoc. iii. 12 *γράψω ἐπ' αὐτὸν τὸ ὄνομα τῆς καινῆς Ἱερουσαλήμ, ἡ καταβαίνουσα ἀπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ μου, καὶ τὸ ὄνομά μου τὸ καινόν,* and in other passages referred to in my note. We have however many examples of the ordinary apposition, as in the nom. i. 1 *Ἰάκωβος δούλος,* ver. 8 *ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος... ἀνὴρ δίψυχος,* ii. 21 *Ἀβραὰμ ὁ πατὴρ ἡμῶν,* ii. 25 *Ῥαὰβ ἡ πόρνη,* i. 27 *θρησκεία καθαρὰ αὕτη ἐστίν, ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανούς,* where *αὕτη* is in apposition to the following infinitive: in the gen. i. 1 *Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ,* and the harsh use in ii. 2 *τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, τῆς δόξης,* where see note; in the acc. ii. 21 *Ἰσαὰκ τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ:* not to mention such cases as i. 1 *ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς ταῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ,* iii. 6 *ἡ γλῶσσα ἡ σπιλοῦσα,* v. 4 *ὁ μισθὸς ὁ ἀφυστερημένος,* which are treated of under the article.

(2) *Accusative.* See *Prepositions.*

Of Duration, v. 17 *οὐκ ἔβρεξεν ἐνιαυτοὺς τρεῖς.*

Adverbial (defining the extent of the action), i. 6 *μηδὲν διακρινόμενος,* iii. 2 *πολλὰ πταίειν.*

Subject of Infinitive: see below, under *Pleonasm.*

(3) *Genitive.* See *Prepositions* and *Infinitive.*

With substantives, (a) possessive, (a₁) objective, (a₂) subjective, (b) of quality, (c) of material.

(a₁) i. 22 *ποιητῆς λόγου,* iv. 11 *ποιητῆς νόμου,* i. 25 *ποιητῆς ἔργου,* iv. 4 *φίλος τοῦ κόσμου,* ii. 1 *τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου* (representing the verbal phrase *πιστεύω Κυρίῳ* or *εἰς Κ.*).

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(c) ii. 5 τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ.

(d) iii. 7 πᾶσα φύσις δαμάζεται τῇ φύσει, iii. 18 καρπὸς σπείρεται τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην.

Instrumental.

i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν λόγῳ, ii. 25 ἑτέρα ὁδῷ ἐκβαλοῦσα, v. 14 ἀλείψαντες ἐλαίῳ, v. 17 προσευχῇ προσηύξατο with intensive force, see note.

PREPOSITIONS.

With accusative.

διά. *expressing the ground*, iv. 2 οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι.

εἰς. *of place*, i. 25 παρακύψας εἰς νόμον, ii. 6 εἰς κριτήρια ἔλκειν, iv. 13 πορευσόμεθα εἰς τὴν πόλιν: *of reference*, i. 19 βραδὺς εἰς ὀργήν, ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκούσαι: *of result and purpose*, iv. 9 ὁ γέλως εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω, i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχήν, v. 3 ὁ ἴος εἰς μαρτύριον ἔσται, cf. Mark xiv. 55 ἐζήτουν μαρτυρίαν εἰς τὸ θανατῶσαι, Acts vii. 19 ποιεῖν τὰ βρέφη ἔκθετα εἰς τὸ μὴ ζωογονεῖσθαι, found especially in St. Paul's Epistles, but also, though rarely, in classical authors, e.g. Xen. Mem. iii. 6. 2 εἰς τὸ ἐθελῆσαι ἀκούειν, and Kühner's n. on Anab. viii. 8. 20. The use in ii. 23 ἐλογίσθη εἰς δικαιοσύνην is unclassical.

ἐπί. *of place*, ii. 21 ἀνεύγκας Ἰσαὰκ ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον, ii. 3 ἐπιβλέπειν ἐπὶ τὸν φοροῦντα, v. 14 προσευξάσθωσαν ἐπ' αὐτόν, iii. 7 τὸ ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς.

κατά. 'according to,' iii. 9 καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας, ii. 8 κατὰ τὴν γραφήν, ii. 17 νεκρά ἐστὶν καθ' ἑαυτήν ('taken by itself').

πρός. *of time*, iv. 14 πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη (unclassical): 'in accordance with,' iv. 5 πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ ('jealously'), see examples of adverbial use in Schmid *Atticismus* ii. p. 242.

ὑπό. 'below' (i.e. 'on a lower level than'), ii. 3 ὑπὸ τὸ ὑποπόδιον: 'under' (tropical), v. 12 ὑπὸ κρίσιν πεσεῖν, cf. Dem. 56. 59 τὰ μέγιστα ὑπὸ τὴν τῶν δικαστηρίων ἔρχεται ψῆφον.

With genitive.

ἀντί. 'instead of,' iv. 15 οἱ λέγοντες Σήμερον πορευσόμεθα... ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς Ἐὰν κ.τ.λ., cf. Xen. Hier. v. 1 ἀντὶ τοῦ ἄγασθαι φοβοῦνται, Mem. I. 2. 64 ἀντὶ τοῦ μὴ νομίζειν θεούς, φανερός ἦν θεραπέων.

ἀπό. (a) *motion from*, (b) *separation*, (c) *origin and cause*.

(a) i. 17 καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ Πατρὸς, iv. 7 φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν, v. 19 πλανᾶσθαι ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας.

(b) i. 27 ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου, where ἀπό belongs to both τηρεῖν and ἄσπιλον, or rather to their joint effect (cf. Luke xii. 15 φυλάσσεσθε ἀπὸ πλεονεξίας, Acts xx. 26 καθαρὸς ἀπὸ τοῦ αἵματος).

(c) i. 13 ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι, v. 4 ὁ μισθὸς ὁ ἀφυστερημένος ἀφ' ὑμῶν.

διά. = instrumental dative, ii. 12 διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας κρίνεσθαι (cf. Rom. ii. 12 διὰ νόμου κριθήσονται).

ἐνώπιον (Hellenistic). iv. 10 ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου.

ἐξ. *local*, iii. 10 ἐκ στόματος ἐξέρχεται εὐλογία, iii. 11 ἐκ τῆς ὀπῆς βρύει τὸ γλυκύ: *partitive*, ii. 16 τίς ἐξ ὑμῶν; *causal*, ii. 21, 24, 25 ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη, iv. i. ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν μάχαι, ii. 22 ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἡ πίστις ἐτελειώθη, ii. 18 δείξω ἐκ τῶν ἔργων μου τὴν πίστιν, iii. 18 δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα. (In the last three examples the force is nearly that of the instrumental dative.)

ἐπί. *local*, v. 17 οὐκ ἔβρεξεν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.

ἕως (not used as a preposition before Aristotle). v. 7 μακροθυμήσατε ἕως τῆς παρουσίας.

κατά. 'against,' v. 9 στενάζετε κατ' ἀλλήλων, iii. 14 ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας.

παρά. i. 5 αἰτεῖν παρὰ Θεοῦ, i. 7 λήμψεται παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου.

πρό. *local*, v. 9 πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν ἕστηκεν: *tropical*, v. 12 πρὸ πάντων μὴ ὀμνύετε.

ὑπέρ. v. 16 εὐχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων.

ὑπό. *expressing the agent* (used of inanimate things and abstractions), i. 14 ὑπὸ τῆς ἐπιθυμίας πειράζεται, iii. 4 ὑπὸ ἀνέμων ἐλαυνόμενα, ὑπὸ πηδαλίου μετáγεται, iii. 6 φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ γέεννης, ii. 9 ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμον.

χωρίς. ii. 18 χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων, *ib.* 20, 26.

With Dative.

ἐν. (a) of place, 'in,' 'among,' hence of clothing, (b) of circumstances and accompaniments of action, (c) of time, (d) of the sphere, (e) of mental state, (f) of ground or cause, (g) of instrument:

(a) iii. 6 ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν, i. 23 κατανοεῖν τὸ πρόσωπον ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ (here it approximates to use g), iii. 14

ἐριθίαν ἔχετε ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ, iv. 1 πόθεν μάχαι ἐν ὑμῖν ; v. 13 τίς ἐν ὑμῖν ; v. 14 ἀσθενεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν ; ii. 4 διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς, ii. 2 πτωχὸς ἐν ἐσθῆτι ῥυπαρᾷ.

(b) i. 8 ἀκατάστατος ἐν ταῖς ὁδοῖς, i. 11 ἐν ταῖς πορείαις μαρανθήσεται, i. 27 ἐπισκέπτεσθαι χήρας ἐν τῇ θλίψει αὐτῶν, v. 10 ἐλάλησαν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου, v. 14 ἀλείψαντες ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι (the action is accompanied by the use of the Name).

(c) v. 4 ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις.

(d) i. 4 ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι, i. 25 μακάριος ἐν τῇ ποιήσει, ii. 5 πλούσιος ἐν πίστει, ii. 10, iii. 2 ἐν ἐνί, ἐν λόγῳ πταίειν.

(e) i. 21 ἐν πραύτητι δέξασθε τὸν λόγον, iii. 13 δειξάτω τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας, ii. 1 ἐν προσωπολημψίαις τὴν πίστιν ἔχετε, ii. 16 ὑπάγετε ἐν εἰρήνῃ, iii. 18 ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται, i. 6 αἰτεῖν ἐν πίστει, iv. 16 καυχάσθω ἐν ταῖς ἀλαζονίαις αὐτοῦ.

(f) i. 9 καυχάσθω ἐν τῷ ὕψει, i. 10 κ. ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει, iv. 3 ἐν ταῖς ἡδύναϊς δαπανᾶν.

(g) iii. 9 ἐν τῇ γλώσση εὐλογοῦμεν τὸν Κύριον, cf. i. 23.

In i. 17 we find ἐνι used for ἐνεστι, παρ' ᾧ οὐκ ἐνι παραλλαγή, see note.

ἐπί. (a) ground, (b) the object of any emotion.

(a) v. 1 ὀλολύζοντες ἐπὶ ταῖς ταλαιπωρίαις.

(b) v. 7 μακροθυμῶν ἐπ' αὐτῷ (i.e. the crop).

παρά. expressive of (a) an attribute, (b) a judgment.

(a) i. 17 παρ' ᾧ οὐκ ἐνι παραλλαγή.

(b) i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ αὕτη ἐστίν.

σύν. i. 11 ἀνέτειλεν σὺν τῷ καύσωνι.

VERB.

Voices.

Active and Middle combined iii. 3, 4, 5 ἴδε τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλινοὺς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν, ... ἴδοὺ καὶ τὰ πλοῖα μεταάγεται ὑπὸ πηδαλίου... ἴδοὺ ἠλίκον πῦρ ἠλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει, iv. 2, 3 οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς· αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε.

Passive used impersonally, iv. 15 κὰν ἀμαρτίας ἧ πεποιηκῶς ἀφεθήσεται αὐτῷ.

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Subjunctive (a) hypothetical after *εάν* ii. 2, 14, 15, 16, 17, iv. 15, v. 19, after *κάν* v. 16; (b) of time after *όταν* i. 2, *έως* v. 7; (c) of purpose after *ίνα* i. 4, v. 9, 13, after *όπως* v. 16; (d) indefinite after *ός εάν* iv. 4, after *όστις* ii. 10; (e) of aorist with prohibitive force ii. 11 *μή μοιχεύσης*.

Optative not used.

Infinitive.

(a) *Without article*. Besides the ordinary use after *δύναμαι*, *δυνατός*, *θέλω*, *χρή*, *μέλλω*, we find the infinitive after *είδóτι* iv. 17, the epistolary *χαίρειν* depending on *λέγω* understood i. 1, and *έπισκέπτεσθαι* used in apposition to the subject of the sentence in i. 27.

(b) *With article* (1) after preposition i. 18 *άπεκύησεν ήμās εις τó ειναί ήμās άπαρχήν*, i. 19 *ταχύς εις τó άκούσαι*, *βραδύς εις τó λαλήσαι*, iii. 3 *χαλινούς εις τά στόματα βάλλομεν εις τó πείθεσθαι*, iv. 3 *ούκ έχετε δια τó μή αίτείσθαι*, iv. 15 *άγε νύν οί λέγοντες Κερδήσομεν...άντι τού λέγειν κ.τ.λ.*; (2) in the genitive expressive of aim, v. 17 *προσηύξατο τού μή βρέξαι*, not used for simple infin. as in Luke xxiv. 25 *βραδείς τού πιστεύειν*.

PARTICIPLE.

(a) *Without article*.

Present, (1) describing a noun, either as attribute, e.g. i. 7 *έοικεν κλύδωνι άνεμιζομένω και ριπιζομένω*, i. 23 *έοικεν άνδρι κατανοούντι τó πρόσωπον*, v. 16 *ίσχύει δέησις ενεργουμένη* (that is if we take this to mean 'an inspired prayer'; if we translate 'prayer is of might if urgent,' it will come under a different head); or as predicate, e.g. ii. 15 *εάν υπάρχωσιν λειπόμενοι*, iii. 15 *έστιν αύτη ή σοφία άνωθεν κατερχομένη*: (2) standing for a noun iv. 17 *είδóτι καλόν ποιείν και μή ποιούντι άμαρτία έστίν* 'to one knowing how to do right and not doing it there is sin,' where in classical Greek we should at least have had *τῷ μή ποιούντι*, if not *τó μή ποιείν*: (3) explaining a preceding adjective i. 4 *όλόκληρος, έν μηδενί λειπόμενος*: (4) explaining a preceding adverb or adverbial phrase i. 17 *πάν δώρημα άνωθεν έστιν, καταβαίνον από τού Πατρός*, i. 6 *έν πίστει, μηδέν διακρινόμενος*, ii. 12 *ούτως λαλείτε ως μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι*: (4) qualifying a verb, either by describing its mode

of action, as i. 14 πειράζεται ὑπὸ τῆς ἐπιθυμίας ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος, v. 1 κλαύσατε ὀλολύζοντες, v. 7 ἐκδέχεται τὸν καρπὸν μακροθυμῶν; or by introducing some new consideration, which may be causal, as i. 2 πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε γινώσκοντες κ.τ.λ., iii. 1 μὴ γίνεσθε διδάσκαλοι εἰδότες κ.τ.λ.; or concessive, as iii. 3 τὰ πλοῖα τηλικαῦτα ὄντα καὶ ὑπὸ ἀνέμων σκληρῶν ἐλαυιόμενα μέταγεται ('though so great'); or may describe the circumstances under which the action takes place, as i. 13 μηδεὶς πειραζόμενος λεγέτω i. 26 εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλῶσσαν ἀλλ' ἀπατῶν καρδίαν; or even denote the consequence, as ii. 9 ἀμαρτίαν ἐργάζεσθε ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμου, i. 22 μὴ γίνεσθε ἀκροαταὶ μόνου παραλογιζόμενοι ἑαυτούς ('ye commit sin and are convicted,' 'be not hearers only and thus deceive yourselves').

Aorist expresses priority of time, e.g. i. 12 δόκιμος γενόμενος λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον ('after being tried'), i. 15 ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἀμαρτίαν, ἡ δὲ ἀμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα ἀποκνεῖ θάνατον ('when it has conceived,' 'when it has come to maturity'); when joined with an imperative the aorist denotes that the action expressed by it must be done before the action expressed by the imperative, e.g. i. 21 ἀποθέμενοι ῥυπαρίαν δέξασθε τὸν λόγον ('lay aside filthiness and receive the word'), v. 14 προσευξάσθωσαν ἀλείψαντες ('let them anoint and pray'). The prior action may be the cause of what follows, e.g. i. 18 βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς. It may also explain a preceding adverbial phrase, e.g. ii. 21 ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη ἀνενέγκας Ἰσαάκ, ii. 25 ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη ὑποδεξαμένη τοὺς ἀγγέλους.

Perfect only found in the periphrastic subjunctive v. 15 ἡ πεποιηκώς.

Future does not occur. Instead we have the periphrastic μέλων κρίνεσθαι ii. 12.

(b) *With article.*

Present as attributive adjective i. 5 παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς, i. 21, ii. 3, iii. 6, iv. 1, v. 1; as substantive iii. 4 ὅπου ἡ ὄρμη τοῦ εὐθύνοντος βούλεται, v. 15 ἡ εὐχὴ σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα, i. 6, 12, ii. 3, 5, iii. 18, iv. 11, 12. Often the reference is not confined to present time, but is equally applicable to past and future, as in the examples quoted.

Aorist. Always used of something which precedes the main action : as attribute in ii. 7 τὸ ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθέν, v. 4 τῶν ἐργατῶν τῶν ἀμησάντων; as subject i. 25 ὁ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον, ii. 13, v. 11, v. 20.

Perfect as attribute iii. 9 τοὺς ἀνθρώπους τοὺς γεγονότας, v. 4 ὁ μισθὸς ὁ ἀφυστερημένος.

COMPOUND SENTENCE.

(1) *Substantival Clauses.*

(a) *Indirect statement.* This is never expressed in this Epistle by the infinitive, but only by ὅτι with indicative.

ὅτι follows γινώσκω i. 3, ii. 20, v. 20; οἶδα iii. 1, iv. 1; ὁράω ii. 24, v. ii.; βλέπω ii. 22; δοκέω ix. 5; οἶμαι i. 7; πιστεύω, ii. 19.

(b) *Indirect question.* i. 24 ἐπελάθετο ὁποῖος ἦν.

[*The direct statement* is frequently used in quotations by St. James, being introduced once by a pleonastic ὅτι in i. 13 λεγέτω ὅτι πειράζομαι; but generally appended immediately to the verb of saying, as in ii. 3, 11, 23, 18, iv. 5, 13, 15, or to the noun γραφή, as in ii. 8.]

(2) *Adjectival clauses introduced by relative pronouns.*

i. 12 bis, i. 17, ii. 5, iv. 5, 13, v. 10.

(3) *Adverbial clauses.*

(a) *Causal clause.*

i. 10 καυχάσθω...ὅτι παρελεύσεται, i. 12 μακάριος...ὅτι λήμψεται, i. 22, 23 γίνεσθε ποιηταὶ...ὅτι ἔοικεν, v. 8 στηρίξατε καρδίας ὅτι ἠγγικεν, iv. 3 οὐ λαμβάνετε διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε.

(b) *Temporal (α), Local (β), and Modal (γ) clauses.*

(α) i. 2 χαρὰν ἠγάσασθε ὅταν περιπέσητε, v. 7, μακροθυμῶν ἕως λάβῃ. (β) iii. 4 μετὰγεται ὅπου ἡ ὁρμὴ βούλεται, iii. 16 ὅπου ζῆλος, ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία. (γ) ii. 26 ὥσπερ τὸ σῶμα νεκρόν, οὕτως καὶ ἡ πίστις.

(c) *Final clause.*

i. 4 ἡ ὑπομονὴ ἔργου τέλειον ἔχέτω, ἵνα ἦτε τέλειοι, iv. 3

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μή with imperative i. 22 γίνεσθε ποιηταὶ καὶ μὴ ἀκροαταί.

μή with participle in imperative clause i. 5 αἰτείτω μηδὲν διακρινόμενος.

μή with participle implying condition iv. 17 εἰδότε καλὸν ποιεῖν καὶ μὴ ποιοῦντι ἁμαρτία ἐστίν.

μή with participle in subjunctive clause depending on ἵνα i. 4 ἵνα ἦτε τέλειοι ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι.

μή with participle preceded by article ii. 13 ἡ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος, where the reference is not to a particular person but to a class, see Winer p. 606.

i. 5 αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν καὶ μὴ ὀνειδίζοντος. Here we might suppose *μή* to be used with the participle because the principal verb is imperative, as in Luke iii. 11 ὁ ἔχων δυὸ χιτῶνας μεταδότη τῷ μὴ ἔχοντι (but this too is better explained as generic, not *huic qui non habet*, but *ei qui non habeat*), *ib.* xix. 27 τοὺς ἐχθρούς μου τούτους τοὺς μὴ θελήσαντάς με βασιλεῦσαι ἀγάγετε ὧδε (but here too I should rather take it as a clause in apposition, referring τούτους to a certain type of men, 'the fellows that would not have me reign over them,' not simply 'these men who would not'); but I think it is better explained as in 2 Cor. v. 21 τὸν μὴ γνόντα ἁμαρτίαν ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν ἁμαρτίαν ἐποίησεν *eum qui non nosset peccatum pro nobis peccatum fecit*, 'one whose characteristic was sinlessness he made sin'; so here, 'let him ask of God whose characteristic it is to give to all without upbraiding.'

μή interrogative expecting negative answer ii. 14 μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν; iii. 11 μήτι ἡ πηγὴ...βρῦει τὸ γλυκὺ; iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι;

οὔτε used for οὐδέ iii 12 οὔτε ἀλυκὸν γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ.

OTHER ADVERBS AND PARTICLES.

ἄ γ ε interjectional, not found elsewhere in N.T., occurs in the LXX. and classical authors, see note on iv. 13.

ἀ λ λ ά. In four passages it has its ordinary force of contrasting a positive with a negative conception, as in i. 25 οὐκ ἀκροατῆς... ἀλλὰ ποιητής, i. 26, iii. 15, iv. 11. In the remaining passage, ii. 18 ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις, it appears to have the unusual force of the Latin *immo*, adding emphasis to what has been already said; cf. 1 Pet. iii. 14 ἀλλ' εἰ καὶ πάσχοιτε διὰ δικαιοσύνην, μακάριοι, and see note *in loco*.

άν (see above under subjunctive and compound sentences) is not used by our author with the past indicative, though this is common enough in other books of the N.T. e.g. Heb. xi. 2, 9, Gal. iv. 15, Matt. xi. 21, or with the optative, a construction which is found only in Luke and Acts. It is omitted with *ὅστις* before a subjunctive in ii. 10, and likewise with *ἕως* in v. 7. The former construction is very rare in the N.T. but is found occasionally in classical Greek, both verse and prose: the latter is not uncommon in the N.T. and is found in classical poetry and in Aristotle. Instead of *άν* we find *ἐάν* used with the relative in classical Greek as well as in the N.T., see note on *ὅς ἐάν* iv. 4.

ἐν τε ὕθεν, pleonastic use before *ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν* iv. 1.

ἔπειτα used, as in classical authors, after *πρῶτον μὲν* without an accompanying *δέ* in iii. 17.

ὅπου, used for *ἕπη* or *ὅποι* iii. 4.

οὕτως, generally used with reference to a preceding comparison, as in i. 11, ii. 17, but in ii. 12 explained by what follows, *οὕτως λαλεῖτε ὡς μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι*, seemingly pleonastic in iii. 10, where see note.

ὧδε is used, as in the N.T. generally and in Theocritus and the post-classical writers, of place,¹ for the classical *ἐνταῦθα* or *ἐνθάδε*, of which the former is not found in the N.T. and the latter only in Luke (including Acts) and John.

ἤ interrogative, = Latin *an*, implying a negative answer, iv. 5.

ELLIPSIS.

Of substantive in agreement with adjective or adjectival phrase: v. 7 *ἕως λάβη πρόϊμον καὶ ὄψιμον (ὑπέρον)*, iii. 12 *οὔτε ἀλυκὸν (ὑδωρ) γλυκὸν ποιῆσαι ὑδωρ*, iv. 14 *τὸ τῆς αὔριον (ἡμέρας)*.

Of substantive depending on previous substantive: v. 14 *ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι (τοῦ Κυρίου)*, see note.

Of subject to verb: i. 12 *ὃν ἐπηγγείλατο (ὁ Κύριος) τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν*, iv. 6 *διὸ λέγει (ὁ Θεός)*, ii. 23 *ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην (τὸ πιστεύειν understood from previous clause)*, iii. 8 quoted below

¹ It is denied by most grammarians following Aristarchus that the local sense is found in Homer and the earlier authors, but in many passages its use seems to approach very near to that of our 'hither,' e.g. *Il.* xviii. 392 *ἠφαιστε πρόμολ' ὧδε*, *Soph. O. T.* 7 *ὧδ' ἐλήλυθα*, and other passages quoted in Ellendt's *Lex.*, *Plato Prot.* 328 *ὧδε ἀφικέσθαι*.

under *Substantive Verb*, i. 5 εἴ τις λείπεται σοφίας αἰτείτω . . . καὶ δοθήσεται αὐτῷ (σοφία), iv. 10 ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου καὶ (Κύριος) ὑψώσει ὑμᾶς.

Of object or adverbial clause: i. 19 ἴστε (τοῦτο) ἀδελφοί, i. 25 ὁ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον καὶ παραμείνας (ἐν αὐτῷ), cf. John viii. 31 εἰ μὴ μείνητε ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῷ ἐμῷ ἀληθῶς μαθηταί μου ἐστέ, 2 John 9 μὴ μένων ἐν τῇ διδαχῇ τοῦ Χριστοῦ.

Of substantive verb: ii. 14 and 16 τί ὄφελος (ἐστίν); iii. 2 οὗτος τέλειος ἀνὴρ, iii. 6 ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, iii. 8 ἀκατάστατον κακὸν (ἡ γλῶσσά ἐστίν) μεστή ἰοῦ, iii. 13 τίς σοφὸς ἐν ὑμῖν; iii. 16 ὅπου ζῆλος, ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία, iv. 1 πόθεν μάχαι;

Of verb governing infinitive: iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι; οὔτε ἀλυκὸν γλυκὺ (δύναται) ποιῆσαι [or is ποιήσει the right reading here?]

PLEONASM.

Of ἀνὴρ, with δίψυχος i. 8 (as in Herm. Mand. ix. 6), μακάριος i. 12, κατανοοῦντι i. 23, χρυσοδακτύλιος ii. 2, cf. Luke xxiv. 19 (Ἰησοῦς) ἐγένετο ἀνὴρ προφήτης.

Of ἄνθρωπος, with ἐκεῖνος i. 7, with πᾶς i. 19.

Of the subject of the infinitive: iii. 3 τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλινοὺς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν εἰς τὸ πείθεσθαι αὐτοὺς ἡμῖν, iv. 4 οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς, iv. 13-15 ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες . . . ἀπὸ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς.

Of the possessive pronoun or its equivalents: iv. 1 ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν ὑμῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ὑμῶν, see above, under *Article*.

Of the demonstrative pronoun, added immediately before or after the verb, in apposition with a remote noun, for the sake of clearness or emphasis: i. 23 εἴ τις ἀκροατὴς ἐστίν . . . οὗτος ἔοικεν: or introducing an explanatory phrase or noun in apposition: i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ ἐστίν αὕτη ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανούς.

Of αὐτός in other cases beside the genitive: iii. 17 εἰδότε καὶ μὴ ποιοῦντι ἁμαρτία αὐτῷ ἐστίν.

Of φύσις with gen.: iii. 7 πᾶσα φύσις θηρίων δαμάζεται, common in the Stoic writings, see note *in loco*.

Of καρδία with gen.: i. 26 ἀπατῶν καρδίαν ἑαυτοῦ.

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causative verb, we find the predicative noun preceding in i. 27 ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν, v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς κακοπαθίας τοὺς προφήτας: the subject precedes in ii. 5 ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ πλουσίους ἐν πίστει, and in i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχήν. Sometimes an adverbial phrase supplies the place of an oblique subject, as in i. 2 χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε, which might have been expressed χ. ἠγ. πειρασμούς or τὸ πειρασμοῖς περιπεσεῖν: sometimes of an oblique predicate, as in ii. 1 μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν, which might have been expressed μὴ προσωπολημπτοῦσαν ἔχ. τ. π.

(4) The verb usually precedes the case it governs unless the speaker intends the substantive to be emphatic, as in ii. 14 τί ὄφελος εἰὰν πίστιν λέγη τις ἔχειν, ἔργα δὲ μὴ ἔχη, where λέγη τις intervening between πίστιν and its verb gives additional force to the former. In this Epistle the verb precedes in 88 cases and follows in 32, omitting relative clauses.

ON THE STYLE OF ST. JAMES

The last chapter contained a survey of the grammatical usages of our Epistle. In the present chapter I propose to consider what conclusions may be drawn from that survey, as well as from an examination of the vocabulary of the Epistle, from its use of rhetorical figures, rhythm and arrangement of words, in reference to the Author's command over the resources of the Greek language and the distinctive qualities of his style.

To deal first with any peculiarities of *Inflexion*, he adheres to classical usage with the majority of the writers of the N.T. as regards the gender of *πλοῦτος* and *ζῆλος*, which are sometimes made neuter by St. Paul.

As regards the Future, the reading *κερδήσομεν* is not quite certain in iv. 13. It is not found elsewhere in the Bible, but the only trace of the Attic *κερδανῶ* is the doubtful reading in 1 Cor. ix. 21, while the aor. *ἐκέρδησα* is common. Again, *φάγομαι* in v. 3 is the only future of *ἐσθίω* employed in the N.T. In the LXX. *ἔδομαι* and *φάγομαι* are both common, and are sometimes used in the same passage without any difference of meaning, e.g. Numb. xviii. 10 *φάγομαι*, ver. 11 *ἔδομαι*, Deut. xii. 20 and 24 *φάγομαι*, ver. 22 *ἔδεται*, so too *καταφάγομαι* and *κατέδομαι*.

As to the Perfect, we find parallels to *εἰσελήλυθαν* in John, Luke, Paul, and Laconian inscriptions. As there is no instance of the 3rd pl. either of the imperfect or 2nd aor. in our Epistle, there is no evidence to show whether James would have used such barbarous forms as *εἶχοσαν* with John, or *παρελάβοσαν* with Paul, see Hort *Appendix*, p. 165.

As to the Imperative, *ἦτω* occurs twice in the LXX. and only in one other place of the N.T. (1 Cor. xvi. 22). It is also found in inscriptions from Asia Minor. *κάθου* occurs elsewhere in the N.T. only in quotations from the LXX. : it is said to have been used by

Aristophanes and Menander, but does not occur in their existing remains. See below, notes on ii. 3, v. 12.

I go on now to *Syntactical Uses*.

The Article. We found James omitting this, contrary to classical usage, where the noun was defined by a possessive pronoun, as in
 ✓ i. 26 χαλιναγωγῶν γλώσσαν ἑαυτοῦ, ἀπατῶν καρδίαν ἑαυτοῦ, v. 20 σώσει ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ. This license, common in LXX., is very rare in the other books of the N.T. except in the first two chapters of St. Luke and in quotations from the LXX., cf. Matt. xix. 28 ἐπὶ θρόνου δόξης αὐτοῦ, Luke i. 15 ἐκ κοιλίας μητρὸς αὐτοῦ, ver. 25 ἀφελεῖν ὄνειδος μου, ver. 51 ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ...διανοία καρδίας αὐτῶν, Heb. x. 16 ἐπὶ καρδίας αὐτῶν (fr. LXX.), Jude 14 ἐν ἀγίαις μυριάσιν αὐτοῦ. See above, p. clxii. foll.

A similar license found in our Epistle is the omission of the article when the noun is defined by a genitive other than a pronoun, as in i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ii. 12 διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας κρίνεσθαι, i. 20 ὀργὴ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται. This is very common in the LXX. and occurs, I think, in all the books of the N.T., especially after a preposition, e.g. 1 Cor. i. 1 διὰ θελήματος Θεοῦ, *ib.* ii. 15 τίς ἔγνω νοῦν Κυρίου, vi. 9 Θεοῦ βασιλείαν, x. 21 ποτήριον Κυρίου, Heb. x. 39 εἰς περιποίησιν ψυχῆς, x. 28 ἀθετήσας νόμον Μωυσέως, xii. 22 πόλει Θεοῦ ζῶντος, ἐκκλησίᾳ πρωτοτόκων ἀπογεγραμμένων ἐν οὐρανοῖς. The omission of the article with the attribute, as in ii. 8 νόμον βασιλικόν, is less frequent except in the combination πνεῦμα ἅγιον: we find it however in 1 Pet. i. 23 διὰ λόγου ζῶντος, 2 Pet. ii. 5 ἀρχαίου κόσμου οὐκ ἐφείσατο, ver. 8 ψυχὴν δικαίαν ἐβασάνιζεν, ver. 15 καταλείποντες εὐθείαν ὁδόν. See above p. clxiv. foll.

St. James' use of the *Pronoun* is more idiomatic than is usual in the N.T. I cannot call to mind any other example of τις used, like *quidam*, to soften what might seem a harsh or exaggerated expression, as in i. 18 ἀπαρχὴν τινα. We have also the double interrogative ἠλίκον πῦρ ἠλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει; and the pregnant use of ὅστις = 'whereas' in iv. 13, for which compare Acts xvii. 11 οὗτοι ἦσαν εὐγενέστεροι τῶν ἐν Θεσσαλονίκη, οἵτινες ἐδέξαντο τὸν λόγον κ.τ.λ. 'in that they received the word,' *ib.* vii. 53, Rom. i. 25, Phil. iv. 3 with Lightfoot's note, Winer p. 209 n., and for examples from classical writers Isaeus vi. 43 εἰς τοῦτο ἀναιδείας

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v. 470); v. 14 after *προσεύχομαι* (cf. Mark xvi. 18 ἐπὶ ἀρρώστους χεῖρας ἐπιθήσουσιν, Acts viii. 17, Acts ix. 17, but more usually with dat. as in Mark v. 23, vii. 30).

πρός: for the post-classical phrase *πρός ὀλίγον* iv. 14, cf. Plut. *Mor.* 116 A, Justin M. *Apol.* i. 12 οὐκ ἄν τις τὴν κακίαν πρὸς ὀλίγον ἤρεῖτο. There is only one instance of *πρός* with gen. in N.T. (Acts xxviii. 34), and six with the dat.; but the acc. is sometimes used where we might have expected *παρά* with dat., as in Matt. xiii. 56 αἱ ἀδελφαὶ πρὸς ἡμᾶς εἰσίν.

ἐν: the following are unclassical, *λαλεῖν* and *ἀλείφειν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι* v. 10, 14, *πλούσιος ἐν πίστει* i. 6 (where a classical writer would rather have used the simple gen. or dat.), *καυχάσθω ἐν τῷ ὕψει* i. 9 (where a classical writer would rather have used *ἐπί*), *ἐν τῇ γλώσση εὐλογεῖν* iii. 9 (instead of the simple dat.). These uses are shared by the other writers of the N.T.

Tenses and Moods.—We have examples of the idiomatic use of these in the gnomic aorist, i. 11, 24, and the juxtaposition of aor. and perf. in i. 24 *κατενόησε καὶ ἀπελήλυθεν* and of the pres. and perf. in iii. 17 *δαμάζεται καὶ δεδάμασται*. The use of the moods also conforms to the classical standard except that the optative is absent, as it is also in Matthew, Mark, the Gospel and Epistles of *Jōh̄n*, and the Epistle to the Hebrews and the Apocalypse. We have no instance in our Epistle of such constructions as *ἵνα* followed by a fut. ind., which we find in John xvii. 2 *ἵνα δώσει*, 1 Pet. iii. 1 *ἵνα κερδηθήσονται*, and frequently in the Apocalypse; still less of *ἵνα* with pres. ind. as in 1 Cor. iv. 6 *ἵνα φυσιοῦσθε*, Gal. iv. 17 *ἵνα ζῆλοῦτε*, though it is possible that these forms may be used by mistake either for pres. subj. or fut. ind. (Winer p. 363). A similar license is the use of *ἐάν* with indic. in 1 Thess. iii. 8 *ἐάν ὑμεῖς στήκετε*, Acts viii. 31 *ἐάν μή τις ὀδηγήσει*, Luke xix. 40 *ἐάν οὗτοι σιωπήσουσιν*, 1 John v. 15 *ἐάν οἶδαμεν*; of *ὅταν* with indic. Apoc. iv. 9 *ὅταν δώσουσιν*, Mark xi. 19 *ὅταν ἐγένετο* ver. 25 *ὅταν στήκετε*, Mark iii. 11 *ὅταν ἐθεώρουν*. Again, St. James affords no instance of unclassical uses of the infinitive, such as *ἐγένετο... ἐλθεῖν*, so common in Luke; nor of the gen. of the article with inf. instead of the simple inf. as in Luke xvii. 1 *ἀνένδεκτόν ἐστιν τοῦ τὰ σκάνδαλα μὴ ἐλθεῖν*, Acts iii. 11 *πεποιηκόσι τοῦ περιπατεῖν*; nor of *ἵνα* with subj. instead of simple inf. as in Matt. xviii. 6 *συνφέρεи αὐτῷ ἵνα κρεμασθῇ λίθος*, John iv. 34 *ἐμὸν βρῶμά ἐστιν*

ἵνα ποιῶ τὸ θέλημα, Luke i. 43 πόθεν μοι τοῦτο ἵνα ἔλθῃ ἡ μήτηρ, 1 Cor. iv. 3 ἐμοὶ εἰς ἐλάχιστόν ἐστιν ἵνα ὑφ' ὑμῶν ἀνακριθῶ, or instead of the inf. with art. explaining the purport of what precedes, as in Phil. i. 9 τοῦτο προσεύχομαι, ἵνα ἡ ἀγάπη περισσεύσῃ, 1 John iv. 17 ἐν τούτῳ τετελείωται ἡ ἀγάπη, ἵνα παρρησίαν ἔχωμεν, or where we should have expected the inf. with ὥστε, e.g. Gal. v. 17 ταῦτα ἀλλήλοις ἀντίκειται ἵνα μὴ ἂν ἐὰν θέλητε ποιῆτε, 1 Th. v. 4 οὐκ ἐστὲ ἐν σκότει, ἵνα ἡ ἡμέρα ὑμᾶς ὡς κλέπτας καταλάβῃ.

On the whole I should be inclined to rate the Greek of this Epistle as approaching more nearly to the standard of classical purity than that of any other book of the N.T., with the exception perhaps of the Epistle to the Hebrews. The author of the latter has no doubt greater copiousness, and more variety of constructions; he is also occasionally very idiomatic, as in the phrase ἔμαθεν ἀφ' ὧν ἔπαθεν v. 8; but while the distinction between μή and οὐ is carefully preserved in our Epistle, we find in the Hebrews μή used incorrectly after ἐπεὶ ix. 17 ἐπεὶ μή τότε (αἰ. μήποτε) ἰσχύει, ὅτε ζῆ ὁ διαθέμενος, and with the participle xi. 8 ἐξῆλθεν μὴ ἐπιστάμενος, ver. 13 κατὰ πίστιν ἀπέθανον μὴ κομίσαντες, ver. 27 πίστει κατέλιπεν Αἴγυπτον μὴ φοβηθεὶς τὸν θυμὸν τοῦ βασιλέως (in contrast with James i. 25). Again, the latter writer is less accurate in his use of the moods and tenses than our author. Thus we find the aor. with οὐπω in xii. 4, where a classical writer would have used the perfect, οὐπω μέχρῃς αἵματος ἀντικατέστητε...καὶ ἐκλέλησθε τῆς παρακλήσεως: we find ὅταν with the aor. subj. followed by pres. ind. in i. 6 ὅταν πάλιν εἰσαγάγῃ τὸν πρωτότοκον εἰς τὴν οἰκουμένην λέγει, where ὅταν ἐξαγάγῃ seems to be equivalent to εἰσάγων: we find irregular uses of the inf. in ii. 3 ἀρχὴν λαβοῦσα λαλεῖσθαι, ii. 15 διὰ παντὸς τοῦ ζῆν, ix. 24 εἰς οὐρανὸν εἰσῆλθεν νῦν ἐμφανισθῆναι τῷ προσώπῳ τοῦ Θεοῦ, vi. 10 οὐ γὰρ ἄδικος ὁ Θεὸς ἐπιλαθέσθαι τοῦ ἔργου: we find post-classical uses of the prepositions, e.g. παρά after the comparative in i. 4, iii. 3 and elsewhere; εἰς used with persons, ii. 3 εἰς ἡμᾶς ἐβεβαιώθη, εἰς τὸ used of the consequence xi. 3 πίστει νοοῦμεν κατηρτίσθαι τοὺς αἰῶνας ῥήματι Θεοῦ εἰς τὸ μὴ ἐκ φαινομένων γεγονέναι; ἀπό used where a classical writer would have written διά with acc. v. 7 εἰσακουσθεὶς ἀπὸ τῆς εὐλαβείας; not to mention the use of such a Pauline anacoluthon as xiii. 5 ἀφιλάργυρος ὁ τρόπος, ἀρκούμενοι τοῖς παροῦσιν.

✓ I do not of course assert that St. James writes with the same facility as St. Paul. The former was evidently a slow and careful writer, while the latter speaks as he is moved, without regard to accuracy or ornament, in the provincial Greek which was familiar to him from childhood. Nor again is it meant that the Greek of our Epistle is such as could be mistaken for that of a classical writer. There are undoubtedly harsh phrases, such as i. 17 τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα, i. 23 τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως, ii. 4 κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν, and awkward and obscure sentences, such as -ii. 1 μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τῆν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τῆς δόξης, iii. 6 ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἢ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν ἢ . . . φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως, iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι; οὔτε ἄλυκὸν γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ, also iv. 5, 6, 17. But Schleiermacher and Dr. S. Davidson are entirely mistaken when they allege as proofs that 'the author was not accustomed to write Greek' such thoroughly idiomatic phrases as i. 2 ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις, and the admirably energetic βουληθεὶς in i. 18 (βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας). Nor can I see that there is any ground for stumbling in the use of πορείαις in i. 11 or of ἀπεκύησεν in i. 18. The latter, it is true, is not a classical word, but the question is not, of course, about classical, but about post-classical Greek, in which this word was of general use. If it is objected that St. James uses, in the sense of 'begetting,' a word which properly means 'to bring forth,' the answer is that both here and in i. 15 the word is used metaphorically, and that in the Hebrew Scriptures terms properly employed of the mother are used to denote God's relation towards mankind.

VOCABULARY.¹

I proceed now to examine the vocabulary of St. James, giving lists (1) of the words which are apparently used for the first time by him, (2) of words used by him alone among biblical writers, (3) of LXX. words employed by him alone among the writers of the N.T. It might be useful to draw up similar lists showing the percentage of classical and post-classical words employed by each of the N.T. writers.

¹ In making this list I have been materially assisted by the lists given in Thayer's *Lexicon* and in *Studia Biblica*, i. p. 149.

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ἀλησμόνη i. 25, only found besides in Sir. xi. 25; ἐπιστήμων iii. 13, cl., Deut. i. 13, &c.; γέλωσ iv. 9 cl., Gen. xxi. 6; ἔοικε i. 6, 23, cl., Job. vi. 25; ἔμφυτος i. 21 cl., Wisdom xii. 10; εὐπρέπεια i. 11, cl., Ps. l. 2; θανατήφορος iii. 8, cl., Numb. xviii. 22; κακοπαθία v. 10 cl., Mal. i. 13; κατιώω v. 3, post-cl., Lam. iv. 1; κατοικίζω iv. 5 cl., Exod. ii. 21 +; κεύφω iv. 5, cl., Isa. xlix. 4; μαραίνω i. 11, cl., Job xv. 30; μετάγω iii. 3, 4, cl., 1 Kings viii. 48 +; μεγαλαύχεω (or μεγάλα αὐχέω) iii. 5, cl., Ezek. xvi. 50 + (the simple αὐχέω is class., but does not occur in LXX.); νομοθέτης iv. 12, Ps. ix. 20; ὄλολυζω v. 1, cl., Joel i. 5 +; ὄψιμος v. 7, cl., Deut. xi. 14 +; παραλλαγή i. 17, cl., 2 K. ix. 20; πρόϊμος v. 7, cl., Deut. xi. 14; σήπω v. 2, cl., Job. xl. 7; ταλαιπωρέω iv. 9, cl., Mic. ii. 4 +; τροπή i. 17, cl., Deut. xxxiii. 14 +; τροχός iii. 6, cl., Ps. lxxxiii. 13 +; τρυφάω v. 5, cl., Neh. ix. 25 +; φλογίζω, iii. 6, cl., Ps. xcvi. 3; φρίσσω ii. 19, cl., Job iv. 14 +; ὁμοίωσις iii. 9, cl., Gen. i. 26 +; πικρός iii. 11, 14, cl., Gen. xxvii. 34 +; ποίησις i. 25, cl., Sir. xix. 18; ταχύς i. 19, cl., Prov. xxix. 20 +; ὑλη iii. 5, cl., Isa. x. 17 +; φιλία iv. 4, cl., Prov. xix. 7 +.

Of the unusual words mentioned above it is to be noted that some are of a technical nature, connected with fishing, as ἀνεμίζω, ρίπιζω, ἐνάλιος, ἐξέλκω, πηδάλιον, άλυκον. Possibly the last may have been a local expression for a salt spring. Others are connected with husbandry, as ἀμάω, βρύω, ἐπιτηδεία, κατιώω, μαραίνω, ὄψιμος, πρόϊμος, σέσηπε, σητόβρωτος. Others however are perfectly general, as ἀνέλεος, πολύσπλαγχνος, ἀπείραστος, θρησκός, εὐπειθής. Then there are others, very common in classical writers, which we wonder not to find used in the other parts of the N.T., such as χρή, γέλωσ, ἔοικε, ὑλη, ἀπλώσ, πικρός, ταχύς, λείπεσθαι to be wanting in.' In some cases this absence may be due to accident, since we find other forms of the same stem commonly used. Thus we have many instances of ἐν τάχει, and we find also ταχινός, ταχέως, ταχύ, τάχιον, τάχιστα. In like manner we find πικρία, πικραίνω, πικρῶσ, γελᾶν and καταγελᾶν, ἀπλοῦσ and ἀπλότης. There is no mention of forests in the N.T. except in St. James, which accounts for ὑλη not being found: but χρή and ἔοικε stand on another footing. For the latter we always have ὁμοίός ἐστι in the other books; and for the former either δεῖ (used sometimes where a classical writer would certainly have preferred χρή) or ὀφείλω. It appears then that, so far as the use of these two

words is concerned, St. James is more idiomatic than the other canonical writers, and for the rest that he uses with freedom rare words and compounds, all of them correctly formed and some of them possibly formed by himself. He is however a purist in regard to those combinations of prepositions and adverbs which are so marked a feature of late Greek, e.g. *ὑπερλίαν* 2 Cor. xi. 5, *ἐφάπαξ* Heb. vii. 27, *ἐκπάλαι* 2 Pet. ii. 3, *ἀπὸ τότε* Matt. iv. 17, *ἀπὸ πέρυσι* 2 Cor. viii. 10, cf. Winer, p. 525.

Another point deserving notice in St. James, which might seem to denote limited acquaintance with the language, is his use of general instead of special terms; though, as regards *ποιεῖν* and *διδόναι*, Vorst (*Hebr.* pp. 158—163, 167, 59) considers that this extended use is derived from the corresponding Hebrew words.

ποιεῖν. ἔλεος ii. 13, εἰρήνην iii. 18, ἁμαρτίαν v. 15, συκῆ ἐλαίας οὐ ποιεῖ iii. 12, ἀλυκὸν οὐ δύναται γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ iii. 12, ποιήσομεν ἐκεῖ ἐνιαυτόν iv. 13, ποιεῖν καλόν iv. 17, π. καλῶς ii. 8, 19, cf. ποιητῆς λόγου i. 22, ποιητῆς νόμου iv. 11, ποιητῆς ἔργου i. 25.

ἔργα ζεσθαῖ. ἁμαρτίαν ii. 9, δικαιοσύνην i. 20, τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονήν i. 3.

λαμβάνειν. τι παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου i. 7, τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς i. 12, κρίμα λήμψεσθε iii. 1, αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε iv. 3, ἕως ἂν (ὁ καρπὸς) λάβῃ προίμον v. 7, ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τοὺς προφήτας v. 10.

ἔχειν. ἡ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἔχέτω i. 4, μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν ii. 1, πίστιν, ἔργα ἔχει τις ii. 14, 18, πίστις ἔχει ἔργα ii. 17 (cf. Clem. R. ii. 6, 9 ἔργα ἔχοντες), ζῆλον ἔχετε ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ iii. 14, ἐπιθυμεῖτε καὶ οὐκ ἔχετε iv. 2.

διδόναι. ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν v. 18.

I go on now to speak of the style of the Epistle, as exhibited in the writer's use of rhetorical figures and of rhythm. Though we do not find here the oratorical power of the epistle to the Hebrews or the rapid and impassioned eloquence of St. Paul; though there is no attempt to build up a number of subordinate clauses into elaborate periods; yet there is something too of rhetorical skill, and at times of idiomatic phraseology which is very telling. The sentences are short, simple, direct, conveying weighty thoughts in weighty words, and giving the

impression of a strong and serious individuality as well as of a poetic imagination.

Use of metaphor and simile :

(1) *derived from rural life*, i. 10 the transitory nature of earthly prosperity is illustrated by the flower which withers away and loses all its beauty under the burning sun and wind; iii. 11 the right use of speech is illustrated by the spring which only gives forth sweet water, by the tree which produces only its own proper fruit; iii. 18 righteousness is a fruit whose seed is sown in peace; iv. 14 man's life is like a shifting mist; v. 7 patience under persecution is inculcated by the example of the husbandman who waits patiently for the rains which shall bring the crop to perfection; iii. 5 a careless word is compared to the spark which sets on fire a forest; iii. 3 as the horse is turned by the bridle, so man's activity is controlled by putting a check on the tongue; iii. 8 the tongue is like the deaf adder which refuses to hear the voice of the charmer.

(2) *derived from sea and stars*, i. 6 a man who cannot make up his mind is compared to a wave driven by the wind and tossed; iii. 4 the control which a man is enabled to exert over his actions by learning to bridle his tongue is compared to the steering of a ship by the rudder; i. 17 God the source of all light is compared to a sun which never suffers obscuration or change.

(3) *derived from domestic life*, i. 15 the development of sin is compared to conception, birth, growth and death; i. 18 the renewal of man's nature by the reception of the Divine Word is compared to conception and birth; i. 23 a careless listener is compared to one who gives a hasty glance at a mirror; ii. 26 the relation between the acceptance of a dogma and practical goodness is compared to that between the body and the animating spirit of life; iv. 4 unfaithfulness to God is compared to adultery; v. 2 the decay and rust to which stored up wealth is liable is a symbol of the disease which eats away the unjust and covetous soul.

(4) *derived from public life*, i. 12 the future happiness of the righteous is described as 'the crown of life,' iv. 1 pleasures are like a hostile army encamped in our body, v. 4 wages which are kept back cry to God for justice.

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*Paronomasia:*¹
 (1) It is a ma
 together clauses at
 word or some of it
 πιστεως κατεργ
 τέλειον έχέτω,
 εἰ δέ τις λείπει
 ἐν πίστει μηδ
 μενος κ.τ.λ.; i.
 ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειρά
 κακῶν, πειράζε
 ται ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδία
 ἀμαρτίαν, ἡ δ
 βραδύς εἰς τὸ
 ἀνδρὸς Θεοῦ δικα
 ἔμφυτον λόγον
 ἀκραταί μόν
 οὐ ποιητῆς...οὐ
 ποιητῆς ἔργου,
 i. 26, 27 εἰ τις
 θρησκεία θρη
 εἰσέλθη ἀνὴρ χ
 ἔλθη δὲ καὶ πτ
 ἐπὶ τὸν φορῶντα
 πτωχῶ εἶπητε κ.
 ...ὑμεῖς δὲ ἠτιμάσα
 ...αὐτοὶ βλασφη
 of these verses; ii.
 κρίσις ἀνέλεο
 ἔλεος κρίσεως
 16, the phrase πίσ
 ἐξ ἔργων δικα
 δικαιοῦσθαι ο
 five times in other c
 twice, (ἡ πίστις)
 χωρὶς πνεύματος
 σου...κἀγὼ σοι
¹ I use this term in
 Atticismus, to express th

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ἅπαντες· εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει, οὗτος δυνατὸς χαλινὰ γω-
γῆσαι καὶ ὄλον τὸ σῶμα· ἴδε τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλι-
νοὺς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν καὶ ὄλον τὸ σῶμα
μετάγομεν· ἴδου καὶ τὰ πλοῖα μετάγεται; iii. 5-8 ἡ
γλῶσσα μικρὸν μέλος ἐστίν· ἴδου ἡλίκου πῦρ ἡλίκτην
ὑλὴν ἀνάπτει· καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ
γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν... ἡ φλογί-
ζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως καὶ φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς
γεέννης. πᾶσα φύσις θηρίων τε καὶ πετεινῶν ἐρπετῶν τε
τε καὶ ἐναλίων δάμαζεται καὶ δεδάμασται τῇ φύσει
τῆ ἀνθρωπίνῃ· τὴν δὲ γλῶσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι
δύναται ἀνθρώπων; iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν καὶ ἐν
αὐτῇ καταρώμεθα... ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος ἐξέρχεται εὐλογία
καὶ κατάρα; iii. 11-18 τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρὸν... συκῆ
ἐλαίας, ἄμπελος σῦκα... ἄλυκὸν γλυκὺ... εἰ ζῆλον πικρὸν
ἔχετε καὶ ἐριθίαν... οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν
κατερχομένη... ὅπου γὰρ ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία, ἀκαταστασία...
ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή ἐστίν, ἔπειτα εἰρη-
νικὴ, μεστὴ καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν... καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν
εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην; iv. 1-3 πόθεν
πόλεμοι καὶ πόθεν μάχαι; οὐκ ἐντεῦθεν ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν
... μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε. οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰ-
τεῖσθαι αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε,
ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς δαπανήσητε; iv. 4-10 ἡ φιλία τοῦ
κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ· ὃς ἐὰν οὖν βουλευθῆ φίλος
εἶναι τοῦ κόσμου ἐχθρὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ καθίσταται... ὁ Θεὸς
ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν·
ὑποτάγητε οὖν τῷ Θεῷ... ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ καὶ
ἐγγίσει ὑμῖν... ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου; iv. 11, 12
μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων ἀδελφοί· ὁ καταλαλῶν
ἀδελφοῦ ἢ κρίνων τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ καταλαλεῖ
νόμου καὶ κρίνει νόμον· εἰ δὲ νόμον κρίνεις οὐκ εἶ
ποιητὴς νόμου ἀλλὰ κριτής. εἰς ἔστιν νομοθέτης καὶ
κριτής· σὺ δὲ τίς εἶ, ὁ κρίνων τὸν πλησίον; iv. 13-17 αὔριον
... τὸ τῆς αὔριου, ποιήσομεν... ποιήσομεν, φαινο-
μένη... ἀφανιζομένη, καυχᾶσθε... καύχησις, καλὸν
ποιεῖν... ποιοῦντι; v. 3-11 ὁ ἄργυρος κατίωται καὶ ὁ ἰὸς
φάγεται τὰς σάρκας... μακροθυμήσατε ἕως τῆς παρουσίας
τοῦ Κυρίου... μακροθυμῶν... μακροθυμήσατε καὶ

ὑμεῖς, ὅτι ἡ παρουσία τοῦ Κυρίου ἤγγικεν. μὴ στενάζετε ἵνα μὴ κριθῆτε· ἰδοὺ ὁ κριτῆς πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν ἔστηκεν· ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς μακροθυμίας τοῦς προφήτας· μακαρίζομεν τοῦς ὑπομείναντας· τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰὼβ ἠκούσατε; v. 17–20 προσευχῇ προσηύξατο τοῦ μὴ βρέξαι, καὶ οὐκ ἔβρεξεν...καὶ πάλιν προσηύξατο...ἐάν τις πλανηθῆ καὶ ἐπιστρέψῃ τις αὐτόν, γινώσκετε ὅτι ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἁμαρτωλὸν ἐκ πλάνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ σώσει ψυχὴν.

I have quoted all the examples of the recurrence of a word or stem under one head for convenience sake; but it will be easily seen that the recurrence is not always due to the same cause. It is partly owing to the preference for short sentences, which require the noun to be repeated for the sake of clearness; whereas in a complex sentence the relative pronoun or some connecting particle might have answered the purpose. But it is plain that the repetition is often intended to give emphasis, as in *i. 19 βραδύς*, *ii. 6, 7 αὐτοί*, *iii. 6 φλογίζουσα—φλογιζομένη*, *iii. 7 δαμάζεται καὶ δεδάμασται*, *iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ*, *iv. 1 πόθεν*, *iv. 12 ἀδελφός* and *νόμος*, *v. 17 προσευχῇ προσηύξατο*. It is probable however, as we may judge from the following section, that the recurrence of the same sound was in itself pleasing to the writer and contributed, along with his love of definiteness, to produce repetition where there is no special reason to be found in the circumstances of the case.

Alliteration and Homoeoteleuta :

With the letter *d* :

i. 1 δοῦλος ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς ταῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ.

i. 6 αἰτείτω δὲ μηδὲν διακρινόμενος, ὁ γὰρ διακρινομενος ἔοικε κλύδωνι.

ii. 16 μὴ δώτε δὲ τὰ ἐπίτηδεια.

iii. 8 τὴν δὲ γλώσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται.

d and *p* : *i. 21* διὸ ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν καὶ περισσεῖαν κακίας ἐν πραΰτητι δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον κ.τ.λ.

p : *i. 2* πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις.

i. 17 πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον...ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν φώτων, παρ' ᾧ οὐκ ἐνὶ παραλλαγῇ ἢ τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα, cf. also *i. 3, 11, 22, iii. 2*.

ἅπαντες· εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει, οὗτος δυνατὸς χαλίνῳ ἀγωγῆσαι καὶ ὄλον τὸ σῶμα· ἴδε τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλινουὺς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν καὶ ὄλον τὸ σῶμα μετάγομεν· ἴδου καὶ τὰ πλοῖα μετάγεται; iii. 5-8 ἡ γλῶσσα μικρὸν μέλος ἐστίν· ἴδου ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει· καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν...ἡ φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως καὶ φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γεέννης. πᾶσα φύσις θηρίων τε καὶ πετεινῶν ἔρπετῶν τε τε καὶ ἐναλίῳν δάμαζεται καὶ δεδάμασται τῇ φύσει τῇ ἀνθρωπίνῃ· τὴν δὲ γλῶσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται ἀνθρώπων; iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν καὶ ἐν αὐτῇ καταρώμεθα...ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος ἐξέρχεται εὐλογία καὶ κατάρα; iii. 11-18 τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρὸν...συκῆ ἐλαίας, ἄμπελος σῦκα...ἀλυκὸν γλυκὺ...εἰ ζῆλον πικρὸν ἔχετε καὶ ἐριθίαν...οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη...ὅπου γὰρ ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία, ἀκαταστασία... ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή ἐστίν, ἔπειτα εἰρηνικὴ, μεστὴ καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν...καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην; iv. 1-3 πόθεν πόλεμοι καὶ πόθεν μάχαι; οὐκ ἐντεῦθεν ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν...μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε. οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε, ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς δαπανήσητε; iv. 4-10 ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ· ὃς ἐὰν οὖν βουλευθῆ φίλος εἶναι τοῦ κόσμου ἐχθρὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ καθίσταται...ὁ Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν· ὑποτάγητε οὖν τῷ Θεῷ...ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ καὶ ἐγγίσει ὑμῖν...ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου; iv. 11, 12 μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων ἀδελφοί· ὁ καταλαλῶν ἀδελφοῦ ἢ κρίνων τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ καταλαλεῖ νόμου καὶ κρίνει νόμον· εἰ δὲ νόμον κρίνεις οὐκ εἶ ποιητὴς νόμου ἀλλὰ κριτῆς. εἷς ἔστιν νομοθέτης καὶ κριτῆς· σὺ δὲ τίς εἶ, ὁ κρίνων τὸν πλησίον; iv. 13-17 αὔριον...τὸ τῆς αὔριον, ποιήσομεν...ποιήσομεν, φαινομένη...ἀφανιζομένη, καυχᾶσθε...καύχησις, καλὸν ποιεῖν...ποιοῦντι; v. 3-11 ὁ ἄργυρος κατίωται καὶ ὁ ἰὸς φάγεται τὰς σάρκας...μακροθυμήσατε ἕως τῆς παρουσίας τοῦ Κυρίου...μακροθυμῶν...μακροθυμήσατε καὶ

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p, l, th : i. 24 ἀπελήλυθεν καὶ ἐπελάθετο.

l : i. 4 τέλειον, τέλειοι, ὀλόκληροι, λειπόμενοι.

iii. 4 πλοῖα τηλικαῦτα... ὑπὸ ἀνέμων σκληρῶν ἐλαυνόμενα μετάγεται ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου πηδαλίου ὅπου... βούλεται.

m : iii. 5 μικρὸν μέλος ἐστὶν καὶ μεγάλα αὐχεῖ.

k : i. 26, 27 δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι, χαλιναγωγῶν γλῶσσαν... καρδίαν. θρησκεία καθαρὰ... ἐπισκέπτεσθαι χήρας... ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου.

ii. 3 κάθου ὧδε καλῶς.

iv. 8 καθαρίσατε χεῖρας... ἀγνίσατε καρδίας.

n and o : ii. 10 ὅστις γὰρ ὄλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ, πταιίσῃ δὲ ἐνὶ γέγονεν πάντων ἔνοχος.

Alliteration is the more marked when it affects the prominent words as in i. 21 διὸ...δέξασθε...δυνάμενον.

Sometimes we have the recurrence not of one letter only but of a syllable, as in v. 2 ὁ πλοῦτος σέσηπεν, τὰ ἱμάτια σητόβρωτα γέγονεν, ii. 4 οὐ διεκρίθητε καὶ ἐγένεσθε κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν, i. 24 cited above; or of several syllables (ὁμοιοτέλευτα) as i. 7 ἀνεμιζομένῳ καὶ ῥιπιζομένῳ, i. 14 ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος, ii. 16 θερμαίνεσθε καὶ χορτάζεσθε, ii. 19 πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουν, iv. 9 ταλαιπωρήσατε καὶ πενθήσατε καὶ κλαύσατε, v. 5 ἐτρυφήσατε καὶ ἐσπαταλήσατε, v. 6 κατεδικάσατε, ἐφονεύσατε, iii. 17 ἀδιάκριτος, ἀνυπόκριτος, v. 4 τῶν ἀμησάντων...τῶν θερισάντων, ii. 12 οὕτως λαλεῖτε καὶ οὕτως ποιεῖτε. Sometimes there is a recurrence of the same preposition in compounds, as ἀπὸ in i. 15, and i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν...ἀπαρχήν, παρά in i. 25 ὁ δὲ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον καὶ παραμείνας, and i. 17 παρ' ᾧ...παραλλαγή. This similarity of sound is often used to mark a correspondence or give point to an antithesis, as in i. 10, 11 where the former sentence ends with παρελεύσεται, the latter with μαρανθήσεται, v. 2, 3 ὁ πλοῦτος ὑμῶν...ὁ χρυσὸς ὑμῶν. Often this is combined with balancing of clauses (ἰσόκωλα) as in i. 19 ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι, βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι, iv. 7 ὑποτάγητε τῷ Θεῷ, ἀντίστητε δὲ τῷ διαβόλῳ, iv. 8 καθαρίσατε χεῖρας ἁμαρτωλοὶ καὶ ἀγνίσατε καρδίας δίψυχοι, i. 15 ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν, ἡ δὲ ἁμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα ἀποκνεῖ θάνατον, iv.

13 πορευσόμεθα εἰς τήνδε τὴν πόλιν καὶ ποιήσομεν ἐκεῖ ἐνιαυτὸν καὶ ἐμπορευσόμεθα καὶ κερδήσομεν. The frequency of these parallels in St. James does not require us to suppose that he had been trained in the use of their figures of speech by the Greek rhetoricians, but is probably to be traced to his familiarity with Hebrew poetry, which is founded on the principle of parallelism.¹

Asyndeton:

This figure is most commonly used in enumeration (1) and antithesis (2). Of the former we have examples in iii. 15 οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη, ἀλλὰ ἐπίγειος, ψυχικὴ, δαιμονιώδης, and 17 ἡ ἄνωθεν σοφία πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή ἐστιν, ἔπειτα εἰρηλική, ἐπιεικὴς, εὐπειθής, μεστή ἐλέους καὶ καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν, ἀδιάκριτος, ἀνυπόκριτος, i. 19 βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι, βραδὺς εἰς ὀργήν, v. 6 κατεδικάσατε, ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον. Of the latter we have an example in the verse last quoted, ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον being followed by οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν, where it would have been more usual to insert ὁ δέ before οὐκ; also in i. 19 ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι, βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι, i. 27 ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανοὺς καὶ χήρας, ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν, ii. 13 ἡ γὰρ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος· κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως, where again we might have expected τὸ δὲ ἔλεος κατακαυχᾶται. But the writer also uses *asyndeton* to express a result, iv. 2 οὐκ ἔχετε· φονεύετε (or φθονεῖτε if that is the true reading)...οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν· μάχεσθε.

Rhythm:

I have mentioned that St. James makes no attempt at elaborate periods. There are I think only two sentences in his Epistle which exceed four lines: one is ii. 2-4, where the construction is clearly defined, εἰς τὴν πόλιν εἰσέλθῃ ἀνὴρ χρυσοδακτύλιος...εἰσέλθῃ δὲ καὶ πτωχός...ἐπιβλέψητε δὲ ἐπὶ τὸν φοροῦντα...καὶ εἶπητε...καὶ τῷ πτωχῷ εἶπητε...οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς; the other (iv. 13-15) ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες Σήμερον πορευσόμεθα...οἵτινες οὐκ ἐπίστασθε...ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν Ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θέλη, ζήσομεν

¹ See Jebb's *Sacred Literature*, Lond. 1820, in which James i. 9, 10, 15, 17, 22, 25, iii. 1-12, iv. 6-10, v. 1-6, are analysed as specimens of parallelism.

κ.τ.λ. contains, it is true, an anacoluthon, but the mind is not kept in suspense; each clause is intelligible in itself. On the other hand, we find sentences of ten lines in the 1st epistle of Peter, of twelve lines in the epistle to the Hebrews, and of more than twenty in the epistle to the Ephesians. The complexity of the sentences in these epistles and in St. Paul's writings generally arises from the accumulation (1) of relative clauses, one depending on another, as in Col. i. 24-29 ὑπὲρ τοῦ σώματος αὐτοῦ, ὃ ἐστὶν ἡ ἐκκλησία, ἧς ἐγενόμην διάκονος... τοῖς ἁγίοις αὐτοῦ, οἷς ἠθέλησεν ὁ Κύριος γνωρίσαι τί τὸ πλοῦτος τῆς δόξης... ὃ ἐστὶν Χριστὸς... ὃν ἡμεῖς καταγγέλλομεν... εἰς ὃ καὶ κοπιῶ, (2) of participles, including genitives absolute, as in Heb. ix. 6-10 τούτων δὲ οὕτως κατεσκευασμένων... εἰσίστασιν οἱ ἱερεῖς τὰς λατρείας ἐπιτελοῦντες... τοῦτο δηλοῦντος τοῦ πνεύματος... ἔτι τῆς πρώτης σκηνῆς ἐχούσης τάξιν... καθ' ἣν θυσίαι προσφέρονται μὴ δυνάμεναι τελειῶσαι τὸν λατρεύοντα, Col. ii. 13-15 συνεζωποίησεν ἡμᾶς αὐτῷ, χαρισάμενος τὰ παραπτώματα, ἐξαλείψας τὸ καθ' ἡμῶν χειρόγραφον... καὶ αὐτὸ ἤρκεν ἐκ τοῦ μέσου προσηλώσας... ἀπεκδυσάμενος... καὶ ἐδειγμάτισεν... θριαμβεύσας αὐτούς, (3) of prepositional phrases, as in Eph. i. 3 εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς... ὁ εὐλόγησας ἡμᾶς ἐν πάσῃ εὐλογίᾳ ἐν τοῖς ἐπουρανίοις ἐν Χριστῷ καθὼς ἐξελέξατο ἡμᾶς ἐν αὐτῷ πρὸ καταβολῆς κόσμου, εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀνόμους κατενώπιον αὐτοῦ ἐν ἀγάπῃ, προορίσας ἡμᾶς εἰς υἰοθεσίαν διὰ Ἰησοῦ εἰς αὐτόν, κατὰ τὴν εὐδοκίαν... εἰς ἔπαινον τῆς χάριτος ἧς ἐχαρίτωσεν ἡμᾶς ἐν τῷ ἠγαπημένῳ, ἐν ᾧ ἔχομεν τὴν ἀπολύτρωσιν διὰ τοῦ αἵματος αὐτοῦ, τὴν ἄφεσιν τῶν παραπτωμάτων, κατὰ τὸ πλοῦτος τῆς χάριτος αὐτοῦ, ἧς ἐπερίσσευσεν εἰς ἡμᾶς ἐν πάσῃ σοφίᾳ... γνωρίσας τὸ μυστήριον... κατὰ τὴν εὐδοκίαν αὐτοῦ ἣν προέθετο ἐν αὐτῷ εἰς οἰκονομίαν... ἀνακεφαλαιώσασθαι τὰ πάντα ἐν τῷ Χριστῷ, τὰ ἐπὶ τοῖς οὐρανοῖς καὶ τὰ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἐν αὐτῷ, ἐν ᾧ κ.τ.λ. This sentence may stand as an epitome of the other ways in which St. Paul fills out his sentences: e.g. (4) with nouns in apposition, as τὴν ἄφεσιν; (5) with epexegetic infinitive, as εἶναι ἡμᾶς, ἀνακεφαλαιώσασθαι. St. James, on the other hand, never doubles the relative, never uses genitive absolute, does not accumulate prepositions, or use the epexegetic infinitive—in a word, never allows his principal sentence to be lost in the rank luxuriance of the subordinate clauses. This appears plainly from the following statistics. The number of

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words, cf. *μαρανθήσεται, πειράζομαι* above, *δελεαζόμενος* i. 14, *ἀποσκίασμα* i. 17, *μάταιος ἢ θρησκεία* i. 26, *ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν* (where observe the alliteration in *g* and *p*) ii. 5, *μεστήλιου θανατηφόρου* iii. 8, *ἐπίγειος, ψυχική, δαιμονιώδης* iii. 15, *ἀφανιζομένη* iv. 14, *Κυρίου Σαβαὼθ εἰσελήλυθαν* v. 4.

St. James employs this strong weighty rhythm in poetical and prophetic passages, such as we find chiefly in the 1st and 3rd chapters and the beginning of ch. v. In argumentative or colloquial passages, such as we find in chapters ii. and iv. and the latter part of chapter v., the rhythm employed is very different, generally plain and unlaboured, and often crisp, sharp, abrupt, running much into interrogations, as in ii. 14 *τί ὄφελος ἀδελφοί μου εἰν πίστιν λέγει τις ἔχειν, ἔργα δὲ μὴ ἔχη; μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν;* v. 13 *κακοπαθεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν; προσευχέσθω εὐθυμεῖ τις; ψαλλέτω.*

If we are asked to characterize in a few words the more general qualities of St. James' style, as they impress themselves on the attentive reader, perhaps these would be best summed up in the terms, energy, vivacity, and, as conducive to both, vividness of representation. By the last I mean that dislike of mere abstractions, that delight in throwing everything into picturesque and dramatic forms, which is so marked a feature in our Epistle. This is seen partly in the use of metaphorical expressions of which I have spoken above. Thus the thought of an undecided character calls up the image of some light object tossing on the surface of the wave; the development of sin in the heart and life takes the form of the birth and growth of a living creature; the conviction produced by the Word is figured by the reflexion of the face in the mirror and so on. And often the figure becomes more realistic by the way in which it is introduced, as an actual narrative of a past event: so in i. 11 of the withering of the flower, in i. 24 of the man looking into the mirror, 'he beheld himself, and is gone, and straightway forgot what manner of man he was.' In like manner, abstract qualities are exhibited in concrete shape. Is it respect of persons, or an unreal profession of philanthropy which calls for rebuke? St. James at once dramatizes the scene; particularizing the place—the synagogue; the persons—the rich with his fine clothes and gold ring, the poor in his shabby attire; the opposite treatment of the two—the fawning on the rich *σὺ κάθου ὧδε*

καλῶς, the supercilious neglect of the poor *σὺ στήθι ἐκεῖ ἢ κάθου ὑπὸ τὸ ὑποπόδιόν μου*. With a similar fine irony he paints the behaviour of the *soi-disant* philanthropist, 'If a brother or sister be naked and in lack of daily food, and one of you say to them, Go in peace, be ye warmed and filled, and yet ye give them not the things needful to the body; what does it profit?' Even error of doctrine receives the same dramatic treatment, e.g. i. 13 'Let no man say when he is tempted ὅτι ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι'; and so in ii. 18 foll. where the vanity of faith without works is exposed; and iv. 13 foll. where the worldly feeling on one side, and the religious feeling on the other, are embodied in the contrasted speeches, 'To-day or to-morrow we will go to this city, and spend a year there, and trade and get gain,' and again 'If the Lord will, we shall live and do this or that.' In further illustration of what I understand by the quality of vividness I will only instance the frequent reference to examples, such as Abraham, Rahab, Job, Elijah; and the personification of the Law in iv. 11, of the Tongue in iii. 1—8. Suffice it to say that it pervades the whole of the Epistle, and is markedly seen in the detailed particularity of the descriptions, such as that of the oppression of the rich in v. 1—6. All this tends to give vivacity and energy to the style. Other causes of vivacity are the appealing ἀδελφοί μου, and the very frequent use of interrogation and of the imperative mood. It is scarcely worth while to quote, but I will just refer to v. 13 'Is any among you suffering? let him pray. Is any cheerful? let him sing praise. Is any among you sick? let him call for the elders of the church': for the imperative, compare i. 2 and following verses, *πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε—ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργου τέλειον ἐχέτω—αἰτείτω—μὴ οἰέσθω—καυχάσθω*. Compare too the sudden apostrophes, *μὴ πλανᾶσθε—ἴστε—ἀκούσατε—θέλεις δὲ γινῶναι—βλέπεις—ὁρᾶτε—ἴδε—ἰδού—ἄγε νυν*.

In specifying energy as the prominent feature of St. James' style, I mean that, whatever he says, he says foreibly, with the tone of one who is entirely convinced both of the truth and of the importance of the message which he has to deliver. He wastes no words; he uses no circumlocution; at times, as in ii. 1, he even becomes obscure from over-condensation; he pays no more regard to the persons of men than did Elijah or John the Baptist. We feel, as we read, that we are in the presence of a

strong, stern, immovable personality, a true pillar¹ and bulwark² of the Church, one in whom an originally proud and passionate nature, richly endowed with a high poetical imagination and all a prophet's indignation against wrong-doing and hypocrisy, is now softened and controlled by the gentler influences of the wisdom which cometh from above. Still in its rugged abruptness, in the pregnant brevity of its phrases, in the austerity of its demand upon the reader, in concentrated irony and scorn, this Epistle stands alone among the Epistles of the New Testament. Take for instance the language used of those who place their reliance in the holding of an orthodox creed, *σὺ πιστεύεις ὅτι εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός· καλῶς ποιεῖς· καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουν*: compare this, not with the writings of a weakling like Hermas, whom some have ventured to name in the same breath with St. James, but with the writings of St. Paul himself. The flashes of irony, which break through St. Paul's splendid vindication of his apostolic authority in the Second Epistle to the Corinthians, seem passionless and pale, contrasted with the volcanic energy which glows beneath the denunciations of St. James. Or take the woes pronounced on the rich in the fifth chapter of our Epistle: would it be possible to find anywhere a nobler example—I will not say of Demosthenic, but of Hebraic *δεινότης*, than where the rust of the unused coin is first made to witness to the defrauding of the labourer, and then avenges his ill usage by eating away the heart of his oppressor? And what energy there is in the pathetic close, *κατεδικάσατε, ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον· οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν!*

¹ Στῦλος, Gal. ii. 9.

² 'Oblias' in Hegesippus *ap.* Eus. *H.E.* ii. 23.

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sent it to the 'upper barbarians,' whom he explains to be the Jews beyond the Euphrates, &c.; he afterwards made a translation into Greek, *χρησάμενός τισι πρὸς τὴν Ἑλληνίδα φωνὴν συνέργοις*.¹

The Bishop considers that these parallels make it probable *a priori* that the Epistle was written in Aramaic. He supports this conclusion by the assumption that St. James could not have written such Greek as that in which the Epistle has come down to us, containing, as it does, many words with classical rather than biblical associations, and implying a wide range of classical reading.²

'This rich vocabulary is not unlike that which may have been possessed by a professional interpreter, but is very remarkable if we attribute it to an unlearned Jew writing perhaps the earliest book of the N.T.'

Lastly the hypothesis of an Aramaic original is supported by a comparison between our present Greek text and that which must have been the parent of the Corbey version (pp. 136-144). The most remarkable of these divergences are the omission of *τῆς πίστεως* in i. 3; the translation of *τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα* by '*modicum obumbrationis*' (= *ῥοπή ἀποσκιάματος*) in i. 17; *blasphemant in bono nomine* for *βλασφημοῦσι τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα* ii. 7, which Br. W. compares with v. 10 and v. 15, where the genitives *τῆς κακοπαθίας* and *τῆς πίστεως* are also expressed by prepositional phrases, *de malis passionibus*, *in fide*, such as might be used in Hebrew or Syriac; *exploratores* for *τοὺς ἀγγέλους* ii. 25 as in the Syriac and other versions; *et lingua ignis seculi iniquitatis* for *καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας* iii. 6, where the Peshitto has 'the tongue is a fire; the world of iniquity is as it were a wood'; *fornicatores* for *μοιχαλίδες* iv. 4 agrees with the Peshitto; *inconstans* for *ἀκαταστασία* iii. 16, and *frater* for *ἀδελφοί* iv. 11, are said to be easily explicable as renderings of the same Hebrew word. *Qui araverunt* for *τῶν ἀμησάντων* v. 4, *frequens*

¹ *c. Ap. i. 9, B. J. Prooem. 1.*

² This argument is founded on certain lists of words, which I found very helpful in drawing up my own lists in Ch. IX. They contain however some inaccuracies: e.g. among 'classical non-Septuagint words' we find *ἀλυκός*, *ἀμάω*, *ἀποκνέω*, which occur either in the O.T. or Apocrypha in the passages indicated in my list; we find also *δίψυχος*, which, as far as I know, is never used in profane Greek of any epoch, and *ρυπαρία*, for which the earliest authority is post-classical. To the 'very rare words' should be added *ἐπιλησμονή*, *πολύσπλαγχνος*, *προσωπολημπτεῖν*, *χαλιναγωγεῖν*.

for *ἐνεργουμένη* v. 16, the omission of *κενῶς*, and the translation of *ἐπιποθεῖ* by *convalescit* in iv. 5, are also cited as evidences of a different original.¹

Before dealing with these arguments it may be well to turn to the Greek text itself and see whether it reads like an original or a translation. It must be granted that this is not altogether an easy matter to decide. There are no doubt many translations which tell their character at once; translations from Oriental languages, which seem to make it their aim to exhibit in the crudest colours the contrast of eastern and western thought and speech; translations from the German, which faithfully preserve the heavy prolixity of the original; or translations which betray a different origin by their affectation of French elegance and lightness. The case however even here would be complicated, if it were a question whether a particular book were an original, written, say, by an Anglicized German, or a translation from the German by an Englishman; and this is really the question before us; for all that could be claimed for our Epistle, supposing it not to be a translation from the Aramaic, is that it was written by a Greek-speaking Jew. So much is plain from the style and vocabulary, even if we were entirely in the dark as to the writer. There is however nothing in it of the scrupulous anxiety of a translator cautiously treading in the footsteps of his author. On the contrary, it is written in strong, simple Greek, used with no slight rhetorical skill by one who has something of his own to say, and says it with perfect freedom. If a translation, it is a translation of the stamp of our authorized English version, or of Luther's German version, which have become the recognized standards and models of excellence in their respective languages. But the frequent use of the different figures of speech, alliteration, homoeoteleuton, &c., to which attention has been called in a previous chapter, is an ornament which a translator is hardly likely to venture upon for himself, and which it will often be impossible to reproduce in a

¹ Bp. W. also quotes the Corbey version, *res vestrae* for *ἱμάτια* in v. 2, as pointing to 'the double sense of the Syriac and Chaldee *mān*,' which stands here in the Peshitto for 'garment,' but is commonly used for 'goods' of any kind. In the *Classical Review* v. 68 I have adduced a parallel from Rufinus' version of Euseb. *H. E.* ii. 23 (a fuller) λαβὼν τὸ ξύλον ἐν ᾧ ἀπεπέριξε τὰ ἱμάτια *fullo arrepto fuste in quo res exprimere solent*, which may suggest that this use of *res* was not more uncommon in the later Latin than the colloquial use of 'things' for 'clothes' in English.

different language. If we compare *χαίρειν* and *χαράν*¹ in i. 1, 2, with the Vulgate *salutem* and *gaudium*, or *πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις* with the Vulgate *in tentationes varias incideritis*, none could doubt that the former in each case was the original. A still stronger argument will be supplied if we hold with Ewald that i. 17 *πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον* is a quotation from a hexameter poem. Another test of a translation is the obscurity arising from a misapprehension of the meaning of the original. Examples of this may be found even where the translator has a consummate mastery of his own language, e.g. Ps. xlix. 5 (P.B.) 'Wherefore should I fear when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me about,' *ib.* lix. 8 'Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns, so let indignation vex him even as a thing which is raw,' which have at last been made intelligible to English readers in the R.V. Compare also 1 Tim. vi. 5, 'supposing that gain is godliness' where the R.V. has 'supposing that godliness is a way of gain,' or in our Epistle i. 21 'superfluity of naughtiness' where the R.V. has 'overflowing of wickedness.' When we meet with an unmeaning or difficult expression of this kind in a translation, we naturally turn to the original to see how it arose. The question is then: Do we meet with any difficulty in our Epistle such as might suggest that it is due to the misunderstanding of an assumed original? Perhaps there are two passages as to which, if they occurred in an undoubted translation, we should be curious to know what was the original intended by them. The first is the phrase *φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως* in iii. 6, and the second *πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ κατώκισεν ἐν ὑμῖν*. It hardly seems likely that St. James would have used the obscure phrase 'wheel of existence' if it sounded as strange to those whom he was addressing as it sounds to us now. The more probable supposition is that it had got into familiar use among Greek-speaking Jews. And this is confirmed by the parallel passages quoted in my note. The second difficulty turns simply on the use of the phrase *πρὸς φθόνον* for 'jealously,' to which no precise parallel has been adduced; but *φθόνος* and *φθονέω* being sometimes used of jealousy rather than envy, there seems no insuper-

¹ The use of *χαίρειν* in itself is strongly opposed to the idea of an Aramaic original, which would naturally have used the word meaning 'Peace,' as the Peshitto does; and this would have rendered impossible the play on words contained in *χαράν*.

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may reasonably suppose that our author would not have scrupled to avail himself of the opportunities within his reach, so as to master the Greek language, and learn something of Greek philosophy. This would be natural, even if we think of James as impelled only by a desire to gain wisdom and knowledge for himself, but if we think of him also as the principal teacher of the Jewish believers, many of whom were Hellenists, instructed in the wisdom of Alexandria, then the natural bent would take the shape of duty: he would be a student of Greek in order that he might be a more effective instructor to his own people.¹ The use of rare compounds, to which the Bishop calls attention, is certainly remarkable; but I am not sure that it is most easily explained by his supposition of the employment of a professional interpreter. A man of ability, who has to express himself in a foreign tongue, which he has learnt partly from books, is not unlikely to be insensible to the distinction between the language of poetry and prose, and to eke out his limited resources by combining familiar roots. I think this might be illustrated from the style of the Book of Wisdom, and from the English writings of foreigners, e.g. Kossuth's *Speeches*.

It appears to me then (1) that the phenomena of the Greek epistle, which goes under the name of St. James, are strongly against its being a translation; (2) that the writer was acquainted with the Greek books of the Apocrypha and with the principles of the Stoic philosophy; (3) that the balance of probability is in favour of St. James having been able to write Greek, but that this need not preclude us from supposing that he may have availed himself of the assistance of a Hellenist 'brother' in revising his Epistle. A fourth reason which indisposes me to accept the hypothesis of an Aramaic original is the fact of its disappearance without leaving any trace behind. The existing Syriac version of St. James is generally supposed to be a translation from the Greek; and 'it is significant that the Edessene scribes do not seem to recognize any tradition that the Epistle was written in any language

¹ It may be worth while to note that James is mentioned by an ancient writer as the translator of the original Hebrew of St. Matthew's Gospel into Greek, see the *Synopsis Scripturae Sacrae* included in the writings of Athanasius (Migne, vol. iv. p. 432) τὸ μὲν οὖν κατὰ Ματθαῖον εὐαγγέλιον ἐγράφη ὑπ' αὐτοῦ τοῦ Ματθαίου τῆ Ἑβραϊδὶ διαλέκτῳ... ἡρμηνεύθη δὲ ὑπὸ Ἰακώβου τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ τοῦ Κυρίου τὸ κατὰ σάρκα, ὃς καὶ πρῶτος ἐχειροτονήθη ἐπίσκοπος ὑπὸ τῶν ἁγίων ἀποστόλων ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις. Probably this was only a guess suggested by the resemblance between our Epistle and St. Matthew's Gospel.

but Greek. As far as I know, they content themselves with the title "Epistle of James the Apostle." One ancient MS. however in the Brit. Mus. adds to the subscription "which he wrote from Jerusalem" (G. H. Gwilliam).

With regard to the inferences drawn from the peculiarities of the Corbey version, it may be worth while to compare the variations in the Peshitto, whether regarded as witnessing to the contents of an original Greek or an original Aramaic text. I quote the Latin translation given in Leusden and Schaaf's *Nov. Test. Syr.* 1717.

i. 3 *κατεργάζεται υπομονήν, facit vos possidere patientiam.*

i. 4 *ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἔχέτω, ipsi autem patientiae erit opus perfectum.*

i. 6 *ἔοικεν κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ἀνεμιζομένῳ καὶ ῥιπιζομένῳ, similis est fluctibus maris quos commovet ventus.*

i. 7 γάρ omitted.

i. 11 *σὺν τῷ καύσῳ, in calore suo.*

i. 14 *ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος, et curit et attrahitur.*

i. 17 *πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον, omnis donatio bona et completa.*

i. 18 *εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχὴν τινα, ut essemus primitiae.*

i. 19 *ἴστε ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί· ἔστω δὲ πᾶς ἄνθρωπος ταχύς, et vos fratres mei dilecti, quisque ex vobis sit velox.*

i. 21 *περισσεῖαν κακίας, multitudinem malitiae.*

i. 25 *ἀκροατῆς ἐπιλησμονῆς auditor auditionis quae oblivioni traditur.* [Here the Peshitto gives a more exact parallel to the corresponding clause (implying as the Greek original ἀκροατῆς ἀκοῆς in contrast with ποιητῆς ἔργου). Is this to be regarded as an explanatory addition?]

ii. 4 *κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν, interpretes cogitationum malarum.*

ii. 8 *μέντοι, et.*

ii. 13 *κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως, exultabimini supra iudicium.*¹

iii. 2 *χαλιναγωγῆσαι, in servitute continere* [destroying the connexion with the χαλινοῦς of the following verse].²

¹ 'The Syriac is a little vague perhaps, but I have no doubt that the *present* is the tense intended.'—G. H. G.

² 'The connexion of the verses is however maintained by the use of the same verb in different conjugations: ver. 2 "who is able to subjugate all his body"; ver. 3 "that the horses may subjugate themselves to us." The metaphor is also lost in i. 26, where the Peshitto has "hold" (not "bridle") "his tongue."—G. H. G.

iii. 4 ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου πηδαλίου, *a ligno exiguio.*

iii. 5 ἰδοὺ, *etiam.*

iii. 6 καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν, ἡ σπιλοῦσα ὅλον τὸ σῶμα καὶ φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως, καὶ φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γέννης, *et lingua ignis est, et mundus peccati veluti silva est, et ipsa lingua, cum sit inter membra nostra, maculat totum corpus nostrum et incendit series generationum nostrarum quae currunt veluti rotae, ac incenditur ipsa igne.*¹ [On the interpolation *veluti silva* I have said something in my note. The interpretation of the phrase φλογίζουσα...τῆς γενέσεως seems to be an explanatory paraphrase, like that in i. 25.]

iii. 17 ἀνυπόκριτος, *vultum non accipit.*²

iv. 9 ταλαιπωρήσατε καὶ πενθήσατε καὶ κλαύσατε, *humiliate vos et lugete.*

iv. 16 πᾶσα καύχησης τοιαύτη πονηρά ἐστίν, *omnis gloriatio quae est ejus modi a malo est.*

v. 2 σέσηπεν, *corrupta sunt et fetuerunt.*

v. 6 οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται, *et non restitit.*

In these variations I do not see that there is anything to suggest that the Peshitto represents more truly than the Greek the thought of the original author. On the contrary we find that the force of the Greek is often lost or blurred by the disappearance of a metaphor, as in i. 14, i. 26, iii. 2, or by the substitution of a weaker for a more vigorous phrase, as in i. 6, i. 17, i. 21, ii. 8, iii. 6, v. 6. The variations of the Corbey Latin seem to me to belong generally to the same category; and to be due either to want of ability or want of conscientiousness on the part of the translator. Where they appear to be confirmed by the variations of the Peshitto, it is possible, as Prof. Rendel Harris has shown in his brilliant study on the Codex Bezae, that the Latin was directly influenced by the Syriac. 'The Syriasm found in the Latin text of several ancient MSS. exceed in harshness the Syriasm of the Greek text.' He considers that the Latin text of the Codex Bezae dates from the second century and arranges its constituents (prior to the end of that century) in the following order:

¹ 'The relative *quae* here refers to *series*.'—G. H. G.

² 'This is the regular Syriac rendering of ὑποκριτής and its cognates.'—G. H. G.

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CHAPTER XII

APPARATUS CRITICUS¹

GREEK MANUSCRIPTS

I. *Manuscripts written in large capitals (Uncials)*

Fourth Century

B. CODEX VATICANUS. No. 1209 in the Vatican Library at Rome. Written continuously without breathings or accents. Stops are rare, but a full stop is sometimes represented by a vacant space. Probably contained all the canonical books of the Old and New Testament; but almost the whole of Genesis, part of the Psalms, the later chapters of Hebrews, the Pastoral Epistles, Philemon and the Apocalypse are now wanting. It is generally regarded as the most valuable of all the MSS. containing a pure Pre-Syrian text (W H. *Intr.* p. 150) and is not unfrequently followed by Westcott and Hort against the other chief MSS., compare i. 9, 22, ii. 3, 19, 26, iv. 8, 9, 14, v. 7, 14, 20. Errors from itacism are frequent, especially the confusion of *αι* and *ε* (as in ii. 14 κατακαυχατε, 24 οραται B¹, iv. 6 αντιτασσετε, iv. 8 φευξετε B¹, v. 7 εκδεχετε B¹, v. 16 εξομολογισθαι B¹, προσευχεσθαι B¹) and the writing of *ει* for *ι* (as in i. 6 διακρεινομενος, ρειπιζομενω, ii. 6 ηπειμασατε, iii. 7 ανθρωπεινη, iv. 8 υμειν, iv. 14 ατμεις, v. 3 εις B¹, v. 7 τειμιον). The codex has at length been made accessible to

¹ The materials for my Apparatus Criticus have been found mainly in Westcott and Hort's *Introduction and Text*, the Greek Testaments of Alford and Tregelles, the articles by Bishop Wordsworth and Professor Sanday contained in *Studia Biblica* for 1885, the *Introduction to Textual Criticism* by Horne and Tregelles, Scrivener's *Plain Introduction to the Criticism of the New Testament*, 1883; above all, in Tischendorf, eighth edition, published 1869 and 1872, together with the still incomplete *Prolegomena* by C. R. Gregory, of which Part I. appeared in 1884, Part II. in 1890. I have also compared, throughout, the photograph of *Codex B*, Sabatier's *Latin Versions*, the *Codex Amiatinus* by Tischendorf, the *Codex Fuldensis* by Ranke, together with Weihrich's edition of the *Speculum*, and Schepss' edition of *Priscillian*.

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SIN. (or **Σ**). CODEX SINAITICUS, discovered by Tischendorf in the convent at Mount Sinai on Feb. 4, 1859, and published by him in 1862. It is now in the library at St. Petersburg. It is written continuously without stops or breathings. Contained originally the whole of the Old Testament, including the Apocrypha (of this a large portion is now wanting); the New Testament (still entire); the Epistle of Barnabas and the Shepherd of Hermas (of this last a large part is lost). Errors from itacism, such as the confusion of *αι* and *ε*, *ει* and *ι*, are frequent. Westcott and Hort consider it the most valuable MS. after B, giving in the main a Pre-Syrian text but to a certain extent corrupted by Western and Alexandrian readings. Tischendorf, as was natural, *codicem suum re vera praestantissimum fortasse plus aequo miratus est* (C. R. Gregory *Prol.* to Tischendorf's N.T. p. 353), and has in some instances been thus induced to prefer what seems to me an inferior reading. See especially iii. 5, 6, where his text is *ἰδοῦ ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει ἡ γλῶσσα. πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας, ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν, καὶ σπιλοῦσα ὅλον τὸ σῶμα καὶ φλογιζομένη κ.τ.λ.*, iv. 2 *μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε. καὶ οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς· αἰτεῖτε κ.τ.λ.*

Fifth Century.

A. CODEX ALEXANDRINUS in the British Museum. Contains the Old and New Testaments, together with two epistles of Clement. It is written continuously with occasional stops and, very rarely, a breathing or accent. A photographic facsimile of the N.T. was brought out by the authorities of the British Museum in 1879.

C. CODEX EPHRAEMI. No. 9 in the Library at Paris. This is a palimpsest containing fragments of the Old and New Testaments, over which were written in the 12th century some treatises of Ephraem the Syrian. About three-fifths of the N.T. are preserved. The writing is continuous, with occasional stops, and spaces left at the end of a paragraph. It was printed by Tischendorf in 1843. The end of St. James (iv. 3 to v. 20) is wanting.

Ninth Century.

K. (also marked K₂, to distinguish it from Codex Cyprius the K of the Gospels). CODEX MOSQUENSIS in the Library of the Holy Synod at Moscow. Contains the Catholic Epistles with a catena and St. Paul's Epistles with the scholia of Damascenus. The text is written in square uncials with breathings, accents and stops, the comment in round letters. Collated by Matthaei for his edition of the Catholic Epistles published in 1782.

L. (L₂). CODEX ANGELICUS ROMANUS in the Angelican Library of the Augustinian monks at Rome. Contains part of the Acts, the Epistles of St. Paul, and the whole of the Catholic Epistles. Collated by Tregelles and Tischendorf.

P. (P₂). CODEX PORFIRIANUS, a palimpsest belonging to Bishop Porfirius of St. Petersburg: first printed by Tischendorf in *Mon. Sacr. Ined.* vol. 5, 1865, written in a slovenly hand with accents, breathings and stops. Contains the Acts, Catholic Epistles, Epistles of St. Paul, the Apocalypse. Wanting in St. James ii. 13—21.

Besides the above uncial MSS., C. R. Gregory describes three which have not yet been collated (Tischendorf's N.T. vol. iii. p. 445 foll.).

Ⲛ *Vatic. Gr.* 2061 (= Cod. Patiriensis), of the 5th century, containing James iv. 14—v. 20. Shortly to be published by Batiffol.

Ψ. *Athous Laurae*, of the 8th or 9th century, containing James i. ii. iii.

S. *Athous Laurae*, of the 8th or 9th century, contains all the Catholic Epistles.

II. *Manuscripts written in cursive letters (Minuscules).*

C. R. Gregory (Tisch. N.T. *Proleg.* p. 617—652) gives a list of 416 MSS. of the Acts and Catholic Epistles belonging to this class, the greater part being still uncollated. They range from the 9th to the 16th century. They are usually referred to by their number, but Scrivener in the appendix to his edition of the Codex Augiensis denoted a certain number by the use of small letters *a, b, c, to p*,¹

¹ These have now had numbers assigned to them by Gregory, pp. 638 foll., 795 foll.; and by Scrivener himself, p. 259 f., ed. 3.

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2. *Speculum* (*m*). This is a common-place book of texts arranged under different heads, wrongly ascribed to St. Augustine. First printed by Cardinal Mai in the *Nova Patrum Bibliotheca* vol. i. pt. 2. The latest edition is that by Wehrich in the *Corp. Scr. Eccl. Lat.* Vienna, 1887, from which the transcript below is taken. Prof. Sanday in his review of Wehrich (*Class. Rev.* iv. 414 foll.) notices the close resemblance between the readings in the *Speculum* and those in the writings of Priscillian edited in the same series by Schepss in 1889 from a MS. of the 6th century. I have therefore placed in the same column with the quotations from the *Speculum* those from

3. *Priscillian* (died 385 A.D.). Dr. Sanday is of opinion that the *Speculum* 'was put together somewhere in the circle in which Priscillian moved, and from a copy of the Bible, which, if not exactly his, was yet closely related to it.' I have distinguished the quotations from those in the *Speculum* by inclosing them in square brackets. Dr. Schepss (p. 17) had already compared Priscillian's version of James v. 1 foll. with that given in the *Speculum*.

II. Vulgate (Vulg.).

1 *Codex Amiatinus*. Written probably at Jarrow about the end of the seventh century,¹ and sent as a present to Rome by Ceolfrid in 716 A.D.; printed by Tischendorf in 1850 and 1854. Contains the whole Latin Bible with the exception of the book of Baruch. In the notes I have mentioned where it differs from the *Codex Fuldensis*, written in the same century, and from the genuine *Speculum* of St. Augustine, edited with the other *Speculum* by Wehrich.

Latt. denotes the consensus of the Latin versions.

B. Syriac.

1. *Pesh.* *The Peshitto* (i.e. 'simple') version contains the whole Bible with the exception of the 2nd epistle of Peter, 2nd and 3rd

St. Matthew and St. Mark, and is transcribed by Tischendorf in the 'Anzeige-Blatt' to the *Wiener Jahrbücher* of 1847, 8, 9. I have not been able to see any transcript of the fragments from St. James, which Tischendorf denotes by the letter (*s*); but it would seem from his critical notes that it is generally in agreement with the Vulgate against Corb. and Spec. [Since the above was written, I have been enabled, through the kindness of Prof. Sanday, to make a copy of Belsheim's transcript of this Codex. See postscript below.]

¹ See *Studia Biblica* ii. p. 273 foll.

of John, Jude and the Apocalypse. It is ascribed to the 2nd century, but was probably revised in the 4th century.

2 *Syr.* The recension by Thomas of Harkel in the 7th century of the version made by Polycarp, a Chorepiscopus, in 508 A.D., for Philoxenus, bishop of Hierapolis.

Syrr. denotes the consensus of the Syriac versions.

C. *Egyptian Versions.*

1. *Copt.* Coptic or Memphitic, the version of Lower Egypt, made probably not later than the 2nd century,¹ contains the whole of the N.T.

2. *Sah.* The Sahidic or Thebaic, the version of Upper Egypt, of about the same antiquity, also contained the entire N.T.

D. *Aethiopic Version.* Assigned to the 4th century.

Aeth^{rom} denotes the text as given in the Roman edition of 1548.

Aeth^{pp} the text in Pell Platt's edition 1826—30.

E. *Armenian Version.*

Arm. made early in the 5th century.

[P.S.—I print below a copy of Batiffol's collation of the Codex Patiriensis, and of Belsheim's Codex Bobiensis, for both of which I am indebted to Prof. Sanday.

LECTIONES COD. PATIRIENSIS

(= **Ⲛ**, Vat. 2061, Gregory *Proleg.* p. 447 *f.*) ad Ep. Jac. iv. 14—v. 17.

iv. 14. ἔπειτα δέ.

iv. 15. ζήσω[μεν] . . . ποιήσωμεν.

v. 3. κατίωται καὶ ὁ ἄργυρος.

v. 3. ὁ ἰὸς ὡς πῦρ.

v. 4. εἰσεληλύθεισαν.

v. 5. ὡς ἐν ἡμέρα.

v. 7. ἕως ἂν λάβῃ.

v. 7. προῖμον *tantum, cum B.*

v. 8. μακροθυμήσατε (*sine οὖν*).

v. 9. ἀδελφοί μου κατ' ἀλλήλων.

So Lightfoot in Scrivener's *Introd.*, p. 371. Some Coptic scholars would assign a later date, at all events to the version of the Catholic Epistles.

- v. 9. κατακριθῆτε.
 v. 10. ὑπόδειγμα δέ.
 v. 10. λάβετε . . . καὶ τῆς μακροθυμίας ἔχετε (*lectio ex duabus confusa*).
 v. 10. τῷ ὀνόματι (*sine ἐν*).
 v. 10. τοῦ Κυρίου.
 v. 11. ὑπομένοντας.
 v. 12. ἀδελφοί (*om. μου*).
 v. 12. εἰς ὑπόκρισιν.
 v. 14. τοῦ Κυρίου.
 v. 15. ἦν pro ἦ.

CODEX BOBIENSIS.

In the Imperial Library of Vienna there is a MS. volume, numbered 16 in the Catalogue, which contains, among a variety of other treatises, fragments of a pre-Hieronymian Latin version of the Acts, the Epistle of St. James, and the First Epistle of St. Peter written on palimpsest. The volume originally belonged to the Monastery of Bobbio, founded by Columban, and was brought from Naples to Vienna in 1717. The fragments were partially published by Tischendorf in the *Anzeigebblatt* to the *Wiener Jahrbucher der Literatur* of 1847, and more completely by J. Belsheim, Christiania, 1886.¹ The text of the Epistles, not of the Acts, approaches very nearly to the Vulgate. It is difficult to read, and in some passages (here printed in italics) could not be determined with certainty. I have preserved the capitals and punctuation of the original.

I. (1) Jacobus dī et dñī ihū xpī servus duodecim tr...sunt in dispersione salutem. (2) omne gaudium existimate fratres mei. cum in temptationibus variis incideritis. (3) scientes quod probatio fidei vestrae patientiam operatur. (4) patientia autem opus perfectum habeat ut sitis perfecti et integri in nullo deficientes. (5) Si quis enim vestrum indiget sapientia petat hic a dō qui dat omnibus affluenter et non improperat et dabitur ei. (6) postulet autem fide nihil dubitans quoniam qui *dubitat similis est fluctui maris qui a vento fertur ac defertur* (7) *ne speret homo ille quid accipit a dō.* (8) *homo duplici corde inconstans in omnibus viis suis.* (9) gloriatur autem frater humilis in altitudine sua (10) et dives autem in humilitate sua quoniam sicut flos faeni transibit (11) exortus est enim sol cum ardore arescit faenum et flos ejus decidit et decor vultus ejus deperdit ita et dives in itineribus suis marescit. (12) beatus vir qui suffert temptationem quia cum probatus fuerit accipiet coronam vitae quam repromisit dñs diligentibus se (13) nemo cum temptatur dicat quia a dō temptatur. dñs enim non temptator malorum est. ipse autem neminem temptat. (14) unusquisque vero temptatur a concupiscentia *abstractus et illectus.* (15) *deinde concupiscentia cum conceperit parit peccatum vero cum consummatum est generat mortem.* (16) nolite errare fratres mei dilectissime (17) *omne donum bonum et omne donum perfectum descendens desursum a patre luminum apud quem non est transmutatio.....*(18) *voluntarie generavit nos verbo veritatis ut simus initium aliquid creaturae ejus.* (19) scite fratres mei dilectissime. si autem omnis homo velox ad audiendum tardus autem ad loquendum et tardus ad iram (20) quod iracundia enim viri justitiam dī non operatur (21) propter quod abicientes omnem immunditiam et abundantiam malitiae in mansuetudine suscipite insitum verbum quod potest salvare animas vestras. (22) Estote autem factores verbi et non auditores tantum fallentes vosinet ipsos. (23) quia si quis auditor est verbi et non factor hic aestimabitur

¹ The above particulars are taken from Belsheim's volume

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cited by Latin writers before the time of Jerome and Augustine, the former of whom has 123 quotations, the latter 389 (*Stud. Bibl.*, pp. 128, 129).

The following writers are referred to in the critical notes. The exact references will be found in Tischendorf :—

Aug.	Augustine, 4th century.	Epiph.	Epiphanius, 4th century.
Cass.	Cassiodorus, 6th.	Jer.	Jerome, 4th.
Cyr.	Cyril of Alexandria, 5th.	Oec.	Oecumenius, 11th.
Dam.	Joannes Damascenus, 8th.	Orig.	Origen, 3rd.
Did.	Didymus of Alexandria, 4th.	Thl.	Theophylact, 11th.
Eph.	Ephraem Syrus, 4th.	Zig.	Euthymius Zigabenus 12th

Other Abbreviations.

<i>ins.</i>	= insert.	+	means that the preceding reading is found in other MSS. besides those particularized.
<i>om.</i>	= omit.	&c.	means that the preceding reading is found in the majority of MSS.
<i>rec.</i>	= textus receptus.		
<i>m.</i>	appended to the sign of a MS. implies a marginal reading.		

THE CATHOLIC EPISTLES.

THOUGH the word *καθολική* does not form part of the Title of the Epistle of St. James in any of the older MSS., yet the fact that this Epistle was included from an early period in the collection known as the Catholic Epistles, which followed the Acts and preceded the Epistles of St. Paul, seems to call for a short note on the history and meaning of the term.

Eusebius is the first to mention the fact in the words *τοιαῦτα τὰ κατὰ τὸν Ἰάκωβον, οὗ ἡ πρώτη τῶν ὀνομαζομένων καθολικῶν ἐπιστολῶν εἶναι λέγεται* (*H.E.* ii. 23), and we find the same asserted in the Catalogues of the Canonical Books ratified by the Councils of Laodicea and of Carthage, as well as in the lists given by Cyril of Jerusalem, Athanasius, Gregory Nazianzen, and Amphilochius before the end of the fourth century.¹ Earlier uses of the term may be found in Clement of Alexandria (*Strom.* iv. 15, p. 605 P), where, in speaking of the Epistle put forth by the Apostolic Council recorded in Acts xv., he says *κατὰ τὴν ἐπιστολὴν τὴν καθολικὴν τῶν ἀποστόλων ἀπάντων*; and in Origen, with reference to the Epistle of Barnabas (*c. Cels.* i. 63) *γέγραπται ἐν τῇ Βαρνάβα καθολικῇ ἐπιστολῇ*, as well as to the Epistles of St. John, St. Peter, and St. Jude.² Apollonius (*c.* 210 A.D.) reproached Themison the Montanist with writing a catholic epistle in imitation of the Apostle (St. John).³

The meaning of the term is thus stated by Oecumenius in his Preface to our Epistle: *καθολικαὶ λέγονται αὐταὶ οἷον εἰ ἐγκύκλιοι οὐ γὰρ ἀφωρισμένως ἔθνεϊ ἐνὶ ἡ πόλει, ὡς ὁ θεῖος Παῦλος τοῖς Ῥωμαίοις ἢ Κορινθίοις προσφωνεῖ ταύτας τὰς ἐπιστολάς ὁ τῶν τοιούτων τοῦ Κυρίου μαθητῶν θίασος, ἀλλὰ καθόλου τοῖς πιστοῖς ἤτοι Ἰουδαίοις τοῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ, ὡς καὶ ὁ Πέτρος, ἡ καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς ὑπὸ τὴν αὐτὴν πίστιν Χριστιανοῖς τελούσιν.* Thus understood, the term is not properly applicable to the 2nd and

¹ See the quotations in Westcott's *History of the Canon*, App. D.

² For the references see Pott's *Commentary*, p. 3.

³ See Eus. *H.E.* v. 21. On the supposed mention of Catholic Epistles in the Muratorian Fragment, see Zahn *N. K.* II. i. p. 93,

3rd Epistles of St. John, which would, however, naturally be regarded as appendages to the First Epistle.

A secondary and later meaning of the term is derived from its use in reference to the Church. An epistle came to be called catholic as being catholic in spirit and accepted by the Catholic Church: hence it is sometimes equivalent to 'canonical.'¹

¹ See *Dict. of Ch. Ant. s.v.*, Westcott, *Canon*, p. 477 n.

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ΙΑΚΩΒΟΥ ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ.

ΚΕΦ. α΄.

1 Ἰάκωβος, Θεοῦ καὶ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δούλος, ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς ταῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ χαίρειν.

2 Πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἠγάσασθε, ἀδελφοί μου, ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις·

3 γινώσκοντες ὅτι τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονήν.

4 Ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω, ἵνα ᾦτε τέλειοι καὶ ὀλόκληροι, ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι.

5 Εἰ δέ τις ὑμῶν λείπεται σοφίας, αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς καὶ μὴ ὀνειδίζοντος, καὶ δοθήσεται αὐτῷ.

6 Αἰτείτω δὲ ἐν πίστει, μηδὲν διακρινόμενος· ὁ γὰρ διακρινόμενος ἔοικεν κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ἀνεμιζομένῳ καὶ ῥιπιζομένῳ.

7 Μὴ γὰρ οἰέσθω ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος ὅτι λήμψεται τι παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου,

8 ἀνὴρ δίψυχος, ἀκατάστατος ἐν πάσαις ταῖς ὁδοῖς αὐτοῦ.

9 Καυχάσθω δὲ [ὁ] ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει αὐτοῦ,

I.—3. τῆς πίστεως Sin. AB¹CKLP &c. pesh., om. B³⁸¹ corb. syr.

5. του διδοντος θεου: Α του θεου του διδοντος.

7 (and ver. 12). λημψεται Sin. AB,

ληψεται KLP &c. | τι: om. Sin. + | κυριου, Ti. κυριου. Greg. κυριου WH.

9. om. δ bef. αδελφος B arm. (WH. bracket).

VULGATE.

CORBEY MS.

Quotations from
the SPECULUM
and PRISCILLIAN.¹

CODEX AMIATINUS (α).

I—1 Iacobus dei et domini nostri Iesu Christi seruus duodecim tribubus (β) quae sunt in dispersione salutem. 2 Omne gaudium existimate, fratres mei, cum in temptationibus uariis incideritis, 3 scientes quod probatio fidei uestrae patientiam operatur. 4 Patientia (γ) opus perfectum habeat, ut sitis perfecti et integri, in nullo deficientes. 5 Si quis autem uestrum indiget sapientiam (δ), postulet a deo qui dat omnibus affluenter et non impropert, et dabitur ei. 6 Postulet autem in fide, nihil haesitans: qui enim (ϵ) haesitat, similis est fluctui maris, qui a vento mouetur et circumfertur. 7 Non ergo (ζ) aestimet homo ille quod accipiat aliquid a domino, 8 uir duplex (η) animo, inconstans in omnibus uiis suis. 9 Glorietur autem frater humilis in exaltatione sua;

I—1 Iacobus dei et domini Iesu Christi seruus xii tribubus^a quae sunt in dispersione salutem. 2 Omne gaudium existimate fratres mei quando in uarias temptationes incurritis, 3 scientes quod probatio uestra operatur sufferentiam. 4 Sufferentia autem opus consummatum habeat, ut sitis consummati et integri in nullo deficientes. 5 Et si cui uestrum deest sapientia, petat a deo, quia dat omnibus simpliciter et non impropert, et dabitur illi. 6 Petat autem in fide nihil dubitans: qui autem dubitat similis est fluctui maris, qui a uento fertur et defertur: 7 nec speret se homo ille quoniam accipiet aliquid a domino.^b 8 Homo duplici corde inconstans in omnibus uiis suis. 9 Glorietur autem frater humilis in altitudine sua;

^a MS *tribus*.

^b Full stop in MS.

(α) I have taken this from Tischendorf's edition of 1854, but have not thought it necessary to preserve such spellings as *mechaberis*, *merorem*, *praetiosum*. I have compared the readings of the Codex Fuldensis (Ranke's ed 1868) and also those of the genuine *Speculum Augustini* (edited by Wehrich, along with the spurious *Speculum*, which follows in the 3rd col.). The genuine *Speculum* is usually so close to the Vulgate that it has been thought that Augustine himself only gave the references, and that the passages were copied from the Vulgate by a later scribe.

(β) F. *tribus*.

(γ) F. *ins. autem*.

(δ) F. *sapientia*.

(ϵ) F. *autem*.

(ζ) Spec. Aug. *enim*.

(η) F. *duplici*.

¹ The oldest MSS. of the former are (F) Floriacensis, assigned to the end of the 7th century (*Palaeogr. Soc. Ser. II. p. 34*), (S) Sessorianus, (M) Michaelinus, (α and μ) Breviata Theodulphi, all belonging to the 8th or 9th century. The quotations from Priscillian are inclosed in square brackets. The figures denote the pages in Wehrich's and Schepss' editions.

10 ὁ δὲ πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ, ὅτι ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρελεύσεται.

11 Ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος σὺν τῷ καύσωνι καὶ ἐξήρανε τὸν χόρτον, καὶ τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ ἐξέπεσεν, καὶ ἡ εὐπρέπεια τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ ἀπόλετο· οὕτως καὶ ὁ πλούσιος ἐν ταῖς πορείαις αὐτοῦ μαρανθήσεται.

12 Μακάριος ἀνὴρ ὃς ὑπομένει πειρασμόν, ὅτι δοκιμος γενόμενος λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς, ὃν ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν.

13 Μηδεὶς πειραζόμενος λεγέτω ὅτι Ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι· ὁ γὰρ Θεὸς ἀπείραστός ἐστιν κακῶν, πειράζει δὲ αὐτὸς οὐδένα.

14 Ἐκαστος δὲ πειράζεται ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος·

15 εἶτα ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν, ἡ δὲ ἁμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα ἀποκνεῖ θάνατον. 7. 1. 1. 1.

16 Μὴ πλανᾶσθε, ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί·

17 πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον ἄνωθέν ἐστιν, καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν φώτων, παρ' ᾧ οὐκ ἐνὶ παραλλαγῇ ἢ τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα.

18 Βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχὴν τινα τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων.

19 Ἴστε, ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί· ἔστω δὲ πᾶς ἄνθρωπος

11. om. αὐτου after προσωπου B | πορειαις BCLP &c. ποριαis Sin. A + Thl.

12. ανηρ: A ανθρωπος | υπομενεῖ KLP, υπομεινη 13 *sustinerit* corb. + | επηγγειλατο Sin. AB corb. +, επ. ὁ κυριος KLP syr. Thl. Oec. &c., επ. κυριος C, επ. ὁ θεος vulg. copt. aeth. pesh. +

13. απο ABC KLP &c., ὑπο Sin. 69.

15. om. ἡ before επιθυμια C. | ἀποκνεῖ Ti. Treg.

17. εστιν, WH. εστιν Ti. Treg. | καταβαινων A 13 | απο: K + παρα | ενι: Sin. P + εστιν | τροπης αποσκιασματος Sin.³ ACKLP vulg. &c., τροπης αποσκιασματος Sin. B (Dr. Hort suggests that ἀποσκιασματος may be caused either by ἀπό being regarded as a separate word, or by the incorporation of an original αὐτός which precedes βουληθεῖς 'in a good cur-

sive (40) and two Syriac texts.' *Intr.* p. 218. Bp. Wordsworth would prefer to read either ῥοπή ἀποσκίασματος implied in *modicum obumbrationis* corb., or ῥοπῆς ἀποσκίασμα implied in *momenti obumbratio* Aug.).

18. βουληθεῖς: vulg. + βουληθεῖς γαρ, 40 αυτος γαρ βουληθεῖς | αὐτου Sin.¹ BKL &c., Treg. Ti. WH., ἐαυτου Sin.³ ACP. WH.^m See below ver. 26.

19. ιστε Sin.³ ABC 73 83 (*scitote* corb. copt. syr.^m arm., *scitis* vulg.), ὡστε KLP syr. Thl. Oec. &c., ιστω Sin.¹ [και νυν αδελφοι ἡμων εστω aeth.^{pp} εστε αδελ. ἡμ. και εστω aeth.^{ro} *et vos fratres mei dilecti quisque ex vobis sit* pesh.], after ιστε ins. δε A | εστω δε Sin. BCP¹ latt. copt., και εστω A 13, εστω KLP² syr. arm. Thl. Oec. &c.

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ταχύς εἰς τὸ ἀκούσαι, βραδύς εἰς τὸ λαλήσαι, βραδύς εἰς ὀργήν·

20 ὀργή γὰρ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται.

21 Διὸ ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν καὶ περισσεΐαν κακίας ἐν πραύτητι δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν.

22 Γίνεσθε δὲ ποιηταὶ λόγου καὶ μὴ ἀκροαταὶ μόνον παραλογιζόμενοι ἑαυτοῖς·

23 ὅτι εἴ τις ἀκροατῆς λόγου ἐστὶν καὶ οὐ ποιητῆς, οὗτος ἔοικεν ἀνδρὶ κατανοοῦντι τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως αὐτοῦ ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ·

24 κατενόησεν γὰρ ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀπελήλυθεν καὶ εὐθέως ἐπελάθετο ὅποιος ἦν.

25 Ὁ δὲ παρακύψας εἰς νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας καὶ παραμείνας, οὐκ ἀκροατῆς ἐπιλησμονῆς γενόμενος ἀλλὰ ποιητῆς ἔργου, οὗτος μακάριος ἐν τῇ ποιήσει αὐτοῦ ἔσται.

26 Εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι, μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλῶσσαν ἑαυτοῦ ἀλλὰ ἀπατῶν καρδίαν ἑαυτοῦ, τούτου μάταιος ἢ θρησκεία.

27 Θρησκεία καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ καὶ Πατρὶ αὕτη ἐστὶν, ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανούς καὶ χήρας ἐν τῇ θλίψει αὐτῶν, ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου.

20. οὐκ ἐργάζεται Sin. ABC³ +, οὐ κατ-
ἐργάζεται C¹KLP &c.

21. περισσευμα A 13. 68. | πραυτητι
σοφιας P, πρ. καρδιας Thl. | ὑμων Sin.
ABCKP &c. ἡμων L +.

22. λογον: C² 38. 73. 83. + aeth. Thl.
νομου | ακροαται μονον B latt. syr. copt.
arm. aeth. Thl. Treg. WH., μονον ακροα-
ται Sin. ACKLP Oec. &c. Ti.

23. om. οτι A 13 | της γενεσεως: om.
pesh. +

25. παραμεινας: vulg. syr. arm. + add
εν αυτω | οὐκ ακροατης Sin. ABC + latt.
pesh. copt. Aug. Cass. Bede, ούτος οὐκ
ακρ. KLP &c. syr. arm. Thl. Oec.

26 ει Sin. ABKL &c. syr. arm. Thl.
Oec., ει δε CP 13 + latt. pesh. copt. Bede

Tr.^m | θρησκος Treg. | ειναι Sin. ABCP
13 latt. syr. copt. Bede, ειναι εν υμιν KL
&c. Thl. Oec. | χαλινων B. | γλ. εαυτου
BPe 101. latt. Thl. WH., γλ. αυτου Sin.
ACKL Oec. &c. Ti. Treg. WH.^m | καρδ.
εαυτου BC latt. Thl. WH., καρδ. αυτου
Sin. AKLP Oec. &c. Treg. Ti. WH.^m |
θρησκεια ABCKLP &c. Treg. WH., θρησ-
κια Sin. Ti.

27. θρησκεια as in preceding verse: A
70. 83. 123 pesh. add γαρ, syr. latt. copt.
δε | παρα τφ θεφ Sin.³ ABC¹P 13 + Treg.
WH., παρα θεφ Sin.¹ C²KL 40. 73. &c. Ti.
| ins. τφ bef. πατρι A. | om. και bef.
πατρι 99, 126. pesh. aeth. +, cf. Corb. |
εαυτον: A. aeth. σεαυτον | απο: CP εκ.

VULGATE.

COPBEY MS.

SPECULUM AND
PRISCILLIAN.

autem ad loquendum et tardus ad iram (a) : 20 ira (a) enim uiri iustitiam dei non operatur. 21 Propter quod abicientes omnem inmunditiam et abundantiam malitiae in mansuetudine suscipite insitum uerbum dei (β), quod potest saluare animas uestras. 22 Estote autem factores uerbi, et non auditores tantum fallentes uosmetipsos. 23 Quia si quis auditor est uerbi et non factor, hic comparabitur uiro consideranti uultum natiuitatis suae in speculo : 24 considerauit enim (γ) se et abiit et statim oblitus est qualis fuerit. 25 Qui autem perpexerit in lege perfecta (δ) libertatis et permanserit in ea (ε) non auditor obliuiosus factus sed factor operis, hic beatus in facto suo erit. 26 Si quis autem putat se religiosum esse, non refrenans linguam suam sed seducens cor suum, huius uana est religio. 27 Religio autem (ζ) munda et immaculata apud deum et patrem haec est, uisitare pupillos et uiduas in tribulatione eorum, et (η) immaculatum se custodire ab hoc saeculo.

(a) Spec. Aug. *iracundiam* and *-dia* for *iram* and *ira*.

(β) F. om. *dei*.

(γ) F. *autem*.

(δ) Spec. Aug. *legem perfectam*.

(ε) Spec. Aug. and F. om. *in ea*.

(ζ) F. om. *autem*.

(η) F. om. *et*.

omnis homo uelox ad audiendum ; tardus autem ad loquendum, tardus autem ad iracundiam. 20 Iracundia enim uiri iustitiam dei non operatur. 21 Et ideo exponentes omnes sordes et abundantiam malitiae, perclementiam excipite genitum uerbum, qui potest^a saluare animas uestras. 22 Estote autem factores uerbi et non auditores tantum, aliter consiliantes. 23 Quia si quis auditor uerbi est et non factor, hic est similis homini respicienti faciem natalis^b sui in speculo : 24 aspexit se et recessit et in continenti oblitus est qualis erat. 25 Qui autem respexit in legem consummatam libertatis et perseverans, non audiens obliuionis factus, sed factor operum, hic beatus erit in operibus suis. 26 Si quis autem putat se religiosum esse, non infrenans linguam suam, sed fallens cor suum, huius uana est religio. 27 Religio autem munda et immaculata apud dominum haec est : uisitare orphanos et uiduas in tribulatione eorum, seruare se sine macula a saeculo.

^a MS. *potestis*.

^b MS. *natali*.

20 Iracundia enim uiri iustitiam Dei non operatur.

26 (W. p. 524) Si quis putat superstitiosum¹ se esse, non refrenans linguam suam, sed fallens cor suum,² huius uana religio est. 27 (W. p. 411) Sanctitas autem pura et incontaminata haec est apud Deum patrem, uisitare orfanos et uiduas in angustia ipsorum et immaculatum se seruare a mundo.

¹ So S ; *religiosum* M +.

² Om. *sed—suum* M +.

THE EPISTLE OF ST. JAMES

ΚΕΦ. β'.

1 Ἀδελφοί μου, μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, τῆς δόξης.

2 Ἐὰν γὰρ εἰσέλθῃ εἰς τὴν συναγωγὴν ὑμῶν ἀνὴρ χρυσοδακτύλιος ἐν ἐσθήτι λαμπρᾷ, εἰσέλθῃ δὲ καὶ πτωχὸς ἐν ῥυπαρᾷ ἐσθήτι,

3 ἐπιβλέψητε δὲ ἐπὶ τὸν φοροῦντα τὴν ἐσθήτα τὴν λαμπρὰν, καὶ εἶπητε Σὺ κάθου ὧδε καλῶς· καὶ τῷ πτωχῷ εἶπητε Σὺ στήθι ἐκεῖ, ἢ κάθου ὑπὸ τὸ ὑποπόδιόν μου,

4 οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ ἐγένεσθε κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν;

5 Ἀκούσατε, ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί· οὐχ ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ πλουσίους ἐν πίστει καὶ κληρονόμους τῆς βασιλείας ἧς ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν;

6 Ὑμεῖς δὲ ἠτιμάσατε τὸν πτωχόν. Οὐχ οἱ πλούσιοι καταδυναστεύουσιν ὑμῶν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἔλκουσιν ὑμᾶς εἰς κριτήρια;

7 οὐκ αὐτοὶ βλασφημοῦσιν τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς;

8 Εἰ μέντοι νόμον τελεῖτε βασιλικὸν κατὰ τὴν γραφὴν Ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτόν, καλῶς ποιεῖτε·

II.—1. προσωπολημψίαις Sin. ABC, προσωποληψίαις KLP &c. | χριστου, WH.^m χριστου WH. Treg. Ti. | της δοξης bef. του κυριου 69. 73^a c, om. 13. sah. Cass. (τ. δοξης. Treg. Ti. τ. δοξης; WH.).

2. εἰς συναγωγὴν Sin.¹BC, εἰς τὴν σ. Sin.³AKLP &c. Thl. Oec.

3. ἐπιβλεψητε δε BCP + corb. syr. Thl. Treg.^m WH., καὶ ἐπιβλεψητε Sin. AKL &c. Oec. Ti. Treg. | εἶπητε (1st) Sin. ABC + corb. syr. Thl., εἶπ. αυτω KLP vulg. &c. Oec. | ἐκεῖ ἢ καθου Sin. ACKLP &c. Treg. Ti. WH.^m, ἢ καθου ἐκεῖ B corb. WH. | ὧδε ins. (after 2nd καθου) Sin. C²KLP &c. Thl. Oec., om. ABC¹ 13. 65. 69 a c latt. pesh. WH. Ti. Treg. | ὑπο Sin. AB¹CKL &c., ἐπι B²P a c d 13. 29. 69 + pesh. arm. | aft. ὑποποδιον ins. των ποδων A 13 vulg. syr. aeth. Aug.

4. οὐ διεκρίθητε Sin. AB²C 13. 14. 36. 69. 73 + syr. vulg. copt. Treg. Ti. WH., καὶ οὐ διεκ. KLP &c. Thl. Oec., διεκ. B¹ corb. WH.^m (without interrogation).

5. τῷ κοσμῷ Sin. A¹BC¹ syr., ἐν τῷ κοσμῷ 27. 43. 64, ε.τ.κ. τουτω 29 vulg., του κοσμου A²C²KLP &c. pesh., του κοσμου τουτου Aeth. Oec.^{txt.}, qm. 113. | βασιλειας: Sin.¹ A επαγγελιας cf. Heb. vi. 17.

6. ουχ: AC¹ a c 69. 180 ουχι | καταδυναστευουσιν ὑμων Sin.³BCKLP &c. Thl. Oec. Treg. WH., κ. ὑμας Sin.¹ A 19. 20. 65 Ti.

7. ουκ: A c 13 syr. aeth. και.

8. τον βασιλικον P, βασιλικον bef. τελειτε C syr. | ὡς σεαυτον: B ὡς σαυτον, 4. 25. 28. 31 + Thl. ὡς ἑαυτον, a ὡς ἑαυτους.

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9 εἰ δὲ προσωπολημπτεῖτε, ἁμαρτίαν ἐργάζεσθε, ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμου ὡς παραβάται.

10 Ὅστις γὰρ ὅλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ, πταισῆ δὲ ἐν ἐνὶ, γέγονεν πάντων ἔνοχος.

11 Ὁ γὰρ εἰπὼν Μὴ μοιχεύσης, εἶπεν καὶ Μὴ φονεύσης· εἰ δὲ οὐ μοιχεύεις, φονεύεις δὲ, γέγονας παραβάτης νόμου.

12 Οὕτως λαλεῖτε καὶ οὕτως ποιεῖτε ὡς διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι.

13 Ἡ γὰρ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος· κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως.

14 Τί ὄφελος, ἀδελφοί μου, εἰ πῖστιν λέγῃ τις ἔχειν, ἔργα δὲ μὴ ἔχη; μὴ δύναται ἡ πῖστις σῶσαι αὐτόν;

15 Ἐὰν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχωσιν καὶ λειπόμενοι τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς,

16 εἶπη δὲ τις αὐτοῖς ἐξ ὑμῶν Ὑπάγετε ἐν εἰρήνῃ, θερμαίνεσθε καὶ χορτάζεσθε, μὴ δώτε δὲ αὐτοῖς τὰ ἐπιτήδεια τοῦ σώματος, τί ὄφελος;

17 Οὕτως καὶ ἡ πῖστις, εἰ μὴ ἔχη ἔργα, νεκρά ἐστὶ καθ' ἑαυτήν.

18 Ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις Σὺ πῖστιν ἔχεις καὶ γὰρ ἔργα ἔχω·

9. προσωπολημπτετε Sin. ABC (as in ver. 1).

10. τηρηση Sin. BC+latt. Thl. Oec., τηρησει KLP &c., πληρωσει A a c 63. 69 syr., πληρωσας τηρησει 13, τελεσει 66. 73 | πταιση Sin. ABC latt. Thl. Oec., πταισει KLP &c.

11. ειπας A | μη μοιχευσης: Sin. L+μη-σεις | φονευσης—μοιχευσης (transp.) C 69 + syr. arm. Thl. | μοιχευεις φονευεις Sin. ABC, φονευεις μοιχευεις (transp.) 15. 70. arm., μοιχευσεις φονευσεις K &c.

Thl., μοιχευσης φονευσης LP+ | παραβατης: A αποστατης.

13. ανελεος Sin. ABCKP &c., ανηλεος 13. 38+, ανιλεως L + Chrys. Thl. | ελεον K. + Chr. | κατακαυχεται Sin.¹ KL &c., και κατακ. aeth. Thl. +, κατακ. δε Sin.³ 40 + corb. vulg. syr. Oec., κατακαυχασθω 27 + copt., κατακαυχασθω δε A 13, κατακαυατε B (cf. αντιτασσετε iv. 6, φευξετε iv. 8), κατακαυχασθε C² (in eras.) pesh. | ελεος (2nd) Sin. AB+Thl., ελεον CKL+

Oec. (Ti. compares τὸ ἔλεον ap. Herodian *Epim.* p. 235).

14. τι οφελος BC¹ arm. (as in ver. 16) Treg.^m WH., τι το οφελος Sin. AC²KL &c. Treg. Ti. | τις bef. λεγη AC Treg.^m | ἡ πῖστις: corb. spec. *fides sola*, sah. adds *sine operibus*.

15. εαν Sin. B + corb. spec. copt. arm., εαν δε ACKL vulg. &c. | λειπομενοι Sin. BCK syr. arm., λειπ. ωσιν ALP &c. Oec. Thl.

16. ειπη δε: A + και ειπη | οφελος BC¹ (as in ver. 14).

17. εχη εργα: L arm. Thl. Oec. &c. εργα εχη.

18. πῖστιν εχεις, Treg. Ti. π. εχεις WH. π. εχεις; WH.^m | εργα εχω Treg. Ti. ε. εχω. WH. | χωρις των Sin. ABCP + latt. syr. copt. arm. aeth., εκ των KL &c. Thl. | εργαων (1st) Sin. ABP + latt. syr., εργαων σου CKL &c. aeth. Thl. | σοι δειξω Sin. B + WH. Treg. Ti., δειξω σοι ACKL syr. &c.

VULGATE.

9 si autem personas accipitis, peccatum operamini, redarguti a lege quasi transgressores. 10 Quicumque autem totam legem seruauerit, offendat autem in uno, factus est omnium reus. 11 Qui enim dixit Non moechaberis, dixit et Non occides: quod si non moechaberis, occides autem, factus es transgressor legis. 12 Sic loquimini et sic facite, sicut per legem libertatis incipientes iudicari: 13 iudicium enim sine misericordia illi qui non fecerit (a) misericordiam, superexaltat (β) autem misericordia iudicio. 14 Quid proderit, fratres mei, si fidem quis dicat se habere, opera autem non habeat? numquid poterit fides saluare eum? 15 Si autem frater aut soror nudi sint (γ) et indigeant (γ) uictu cotidiano, 16 dicat autem aliquis de uobis illis Ite in pace, caleficamini (δ) et saturamini, non dederitis autem eis quae necessaria sunt corporis (ε), quid proderit? 17 Sic et fides, si non habeat (ζ) opera, mortua est in semet ipsa (η). 18 Sed dicet aliquis (θ) Tu fidem habes, et

- (a) F. *fecit*.
 (β) F. *-exultat*.
 (γ) F. *sunt...indigent*.
 (δ) F. *-ficiemini*.
 (ε) F. *corpori*.
 (ζ) F. *habet*.
 (η) F. *ipsam*.
 (θ) F. *quis*.

CORBEY MS.

9 Si autem personas accipitis, peccatum operamini, a lege traducti tanquam transgressores. 10 Qui enim totam legem seruauerit, peccauerit autem in uno, factus est omnium reus. 11 Nam qui dixit, Non moechaberis, dixit et, Non occides. Si autem non moechaberis, occideris autem, factus es^a transgressor legis. 12 Sic loquimini et sic facite quasi a lege libertatis iudicium sperantes. 13 Iudicium autem non miserebitur ei qui non fecit misericordiam, supergloriatur autem misericordia iudicium. 14 Quid prodest fratres mei si quis dicat se fidem habere, opera autem non habeat? numquid potest fides eum sola saluare? 15 Siue frater siue soror nudi sint, et desit eis uictus cotidianus, 16 dicat autem illis ex uestris aliquis, Uadite in pace, calidi estote et satulli; non dederit autem illis alimentum corporis; quid et prodest? 17 Sic et fides, si non habeat opera, mortua est sola. 18 Sed dicet aliquis, Tu operam^b habes, ego fidem

- ^a MS. *est*.
^b Sab. *opera*.

SPECULUM AND PRISCILLIAN.

II—13 (W. p. 411) Iudicium enim sine misericordia ei¹ qui non fecit misericordiam; quoniam misericordia praefertur iudicio. 14 Quid prode est fratres, si fidem quis dicat in semet ipso manere, opera autem non habeat? Numquid potest fides sola saluare eum? 15 Si frater aut soror nudi fuerint et defuerit eis cotidianus cibus; 16 dicat autem eis aliquis uestrum: Ite in pace et calefacimini et satiemini, et non det eis necessaria corporis, quid prode est haec dixisse eis? 17 Sic et fides quae non habet opera, mortua est circa se.

¹ S. *his*.

δειξόν μοι τὴν πίστιν σου χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων, καὶ γὰρ σοὶ δείξω ἐκ τῶν ἔργων μου τὴν πίστιν.

19 Σὺ πιστεύεις ὅτι εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός· καλῶς ποιεῖς· καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουν.

20 Θέλεις δὲ γνῶναι, ὦ ἄνθρωπε κενέ, ὅτι ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων ἀργή ἐστίν;

21 Ἀβραὰμ ὁ πατὴρ ἡμῶν οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη, ἀνενέγκας Ἰσαὰκ τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον;

22 Βλέπεις ὅτι ἡ πίστις συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἡ πίστις ἐτελειώθη,

23 καὶ ἐπληρώθη ἡ γραφή ἡ λέγουσα Ἐπίστευσεν δὲ Ἀβραὰμ τῷ Θεῷ, καὶ ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην, καὶ φίλος Θεοῦ ἐκλήθη.

24 Ὅρατε ὅτι ἐξ ἔργων δικαιούται ἄνθρωπος καὶ οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως μόνον.

25 Ὅμοίως δὲ καὶ Ῥαὰβ ἡ πόρνη οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη, ὑποδεξαμένη τοὺς ἀγγέλους καὶ ἕτερα ὁδῶ ἐκβαλοῦσα;

26 Ὡσπερ γὰρ τὸ σῶμα χωρὶς πνεύματος νεκρὸν ἐστίν, οὕτως καὶ ἡ πίστις χωρὶς ἔργων νεκρά ἐστίν.

ΚΕΦ. γ΄.

1 Μὴ πολλοὶ διδάσκαλοι γίνεσθε, ἀδελφοί μου, εἰδότες ὅτι μείζον κρίμα λημψόμεθα·

Thl. Oec. Treg.^m, σοὶ corb. aeth. | om. μου after ἐργων (2) latt. syr. | πίστιν (3rd) Sin. BC. + corb. arm., πίστιν μου AKLP vulg. syr. copt. acth. &c. Thl. Oec.

19. εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ θεός Sin. A 68. vulg. pesh. copt. arm. aeth.^{pp} Cyr. Ti. Treg., εἷς ὁ θεός ἐστὶν C syr. WH.^m, εἷς θεός ἐστὶν B 69 a c Thl. WH. Treg.^m, εἷς ὁ θεός corb. aeth.^{ro} Cyr., ὁ θεός εἷς ἐστὶν K²L &c. Did. Oec. (with interrog. Ti. WH.).

20. ἀργη BC¹ + corb. fuld. sah., νεκρα Sin. AC²KLP &c. vulg. syr. copt. arm. aeth. Oec.

22. συνήργει Sin.³ BCKLP &c. vulg. syr. Thl. Oec. WH. Treg.^m, συνεργει

Sin.¹ A corb. Ti. Treg. | ἐτελειώθη; Treg.

23. ἐπίστευσεν δε: L + latt. om. δε.

24. ὄρατε Sin. AB² (by corr. fr.-ται) CP latt. syr. copt. arm. aeth. Thl., ὄρατε τοιωνν KL &c. Oec. | μόνον; Treg.

25. ὁμοίως: C pesh. copt. arm. aeth. οὕτως | δε και: C pesh. copt. arm. και | ἀγγέλους: CLK^m + pesh. corb. arm. κατασκοπους.

26. ὥσπερ γὰρ Sin. ACKLP &c. Ti. Treg. WH.^m, ὥσπερ δε corb. Orig., ὥσπερ B pesh. arm. aeth. WH. | ἐργων Sin. B 69 a Orig. Treg. Ti. WH., τῶν ἐργων ACKLP &c. Thl. Oec. Treg.^m

III.—1. λημψόμεθα Sin. ABC as above.

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2 πολλά γὰρ πταίομεν ἅπαντες. Εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει, οὗτος τέλειος ἀνὴρ, δυνατὸς χαλιναγωγῆσαι καὶ ὅλον τὸ σῶμα.

3 Ἴδε τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλινούς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν εἰς τὸ πείθεσθαι αὐτοὺς ἡμῖν, καὶ ὅλον τὸ σῶμα αὐτῶν μετάγομεν.

4 Ἴδου καὶ τὰ πλοῖα, τηλικαῦτα ὄντα καὶ ὑπὸ ἀνέμων σκληρῶν ἐλαυνόμενα, μετάγεται ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου πηδαλίου ὅπου ἡ ὄρμη τοῦ εὐθύνοντος βούλεται.

5 Οὕτως καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα μικρὸν μέλος ἐστὶν καὶ μεγάλα ἀνχεῖ. Ἴδου ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει.

6 Καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν, ἡ σπιλοῦσα ὅλον τὸ σῶμα καὶ φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως καὶ φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γεέννης.

7 Πᾶσα γὰρ φύσις θηρίων τε καὶ πετεινῶν, ἐρπετῶν τε καὶ ἐναλίων, δαμάζεται καὶ δεδάμασται τῇ φύσει τῇ ἀνθρωπίνῃ.

8 τὴν δὲ γλῶσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται ἀνθρώπων· ἀκατάστατον κακόν, μεστή ἰοῦ θανατηφόρου.

2. δυνατος: Sin. + Cyr. Thl. δυνα-μενος.

3. ιδε CP 'al. plus 40' arm. syr. sah. (*et ecce aeth.*^{PP}) Zig. Thl. (see Notes), ει δε Sin.³ ABKL 'al. 25' latt. copt. Oec. Dam. Treg. Ti. WH., ει δε γαρ Sin.¹ pesh., *quare ergo spec., et insuper aeth.*^{ro}, *sicut autem Bede* | εις τα στοματα: A + arm. syrr. εις το στομα | εις το πειθεσθαι Sin. BC, προς τ. π. AKLP &c. Oec. Thl. | αυτους ημιν Sin. BKLP &c., ημιν αυτους AC + Treg.^m | μεταγομεν αυτων A 13.

4. ιδου: 24 ει δε | ins. τα bef. τηλικαυτα B | σκληρων ανεμων AL &c. | οπου Sin. B sah., οπου αν ACKLP &c. Treg.^m | βουλεται Sin. BL, βουληται ACKP &c. Thl. Oec.

5. ούτως: ὡσαντως A + | μεγαλα αυχει ABC¹P latt. Eph., μεγαλαυχει Sin. C²KL &c. Thl. Oec. | ιδου spec. *et sicut* cf. Bede on v. 3. | ηλικον Sin. A²BC¹P vulg. Oec., ολιγον A¹C²KL &c. corb. syrr. sah. copt. arm. aeth.

6. και η γλωσσα Sin.³ ABCCKLP &c. WH. Treg., η γλωσσα Sin.¹ Ti. (punctuating ἀνάπτει η γλωσσα.) | αδικιας WH. αδικιας. Treg. αδικιας, Ti. (*et mundus iniquitatis sicut silva est pesh.*) | ούτως ins. bef. 2nd η γλωσσα P &c. Thl. Oec., ούτως και L 106, om. Sin. ABCCK + latt. syrr. sah. copt. arm. Dam. | η σπιλουσα: και σπ. Sin.¹ Ti. | τον τροχον της γενεσεως: after γενεσεως ins. ημων Sin. 7. 25. 68 vulg. pesh. (*series generationum nostrarum quae currunt veluti rotae*), acth. (for γενεσεως, γεεννης Thl. Oec.).

7. om. 2nd τε A + arm. | δαμαζεται και δαδαμασται: om. και δεδαμασται pesh.

8. δαμασαι δυναται ανθρωπων BC syr. WH. Treg., δυναται δαμασαι ανθρ. Sin. AKP a c 69. 133 + Treg.^m Ti., δυναται ανθρ. δαμασαι L &c. arm. Cyr. Thl. Oec. | ακαταστατον Sin. ABP latt. +, ακατασχετον CKL &c. Eph. Cyr. Dam. Thl. Oec.

VULGATE.

2 In multis enim offendimus omnes: si quis in uerbo non offendit, hic perfectus est uir: potest etiam circumducere freno (a) totum corpus. 3 Si autem equis (β) frenos in ora mittimus ad consentiendum nobis, et omne corpus illorum circumferimus. 4 Ecce et naues, cum magnae sint et a uentis ualidis minentur (γ), circumferuntur (δ) a modico gubernaculo ubi impetus dirigentis uoluerit. 5 Ita et lingua modicum quidem membrum est et magna exaltat (ε). Ecce quantus ignis quam magnam siluam incendit. 6 Et lingua ignis est, uniuersitas iniquitatis lingua constituitur in membris nostris, quae maculat totum corpus et inflamat rotam natiuitatis nostrae, inflammata a gehenna. 7 Omnis enim natura bestiarum et uolucrum et serpentium ceterorumque (ζ) domantur et domata (η) sunt a natura humana: 8 linguam autem nullus hominum domare potest: inquietum malum, plena ueneno mortifero.

(a) F. *fr. cir.*(β) F. *equorum.*(γ) Passive from *mino*, 'are driven.'(δ) F. adds *autem.*(ε) F. *exultat.*(ζ) Possibly a corruption of *cetorum*, or it may represent a Greek misreading *αλλων* or *εναλλων* for *εναλιων*. F. reads *et uolucrum et repentium etiam ceterorum.*(η) F. *domita.*

CORBEY MS.

2 Multa autem erramus omnes. Si quis in uerbo non errat, hic erit consummatus uir: potens est se infrenare, et totum corpus. 3 Si autem equorum frenos in ora mittimus ut possint consentire, et totum corpus ipsorum conuertimus. 4 Ecce et naues tam magnae sunt et a uentis tam ualidis feruntur, reguntur autem paruulo gubernaculo et ubicumque diriguntur uoluntate^a eorum qui eas gubernant. 5 Sic et lingua paruulum membrum est et magna gloriatur.^b Ecce pusillum ignis in quam magna^c silua incendium facit! 6 Et lingua ignis saeculi iniquitatis: lingua posita est in membris nostris, quae maculat totum corpus et inflamat rotam natiuitatis et incenditur a gehenna. 7 Omnis autem natura bestiarum siue uolatilium, repentium et natantium domatur et domita est: 8 naturae autem humanae linguam nemo hominum domare potest: inconstans malum plena ueneno mortifero.^d

^a By corr. from *uolumptate.*^b MS. *gloriantur.*^c So MS.; *magnam siluam* Sab. See below, ver. 13.^d MS. *mortifera.*

SPECULUM AND PRISCILLIAN.

2 multa enim omnes delinquimus. Si quis in uerbo non delinquit, hic perfectus uir est; potest¹ frenare totum corpus et dirigere. 3 Quare ergo² equis frena in ora³ mittuntur, nisi in eo ut suadeantur a nobis et totum corpus circumducamus? 4 Ecce et⁴ naues quae tam⁵ inmensae sunt sub uentis duris feruntur et circumducuntur a paruissimo gubernaculo ubi impetus dirigentis uoluerit. 5 Sic et lingua pars membri⁶ est, sed est magniloqua. Et sicut paruus ignis magnam siluam incendit, 6 ita et lingua ignis est: et mundus iniquitatis per linguam constat in membris nostris, quae maculat totum corpus et inflamat rotam geniturae⁷ et inflammatur a genitura. 7 Omnis enim natura bestiarum et auium et serpentium et beluarum maritimarum domatur et subiecta est naturae humanae: 8 linguam autem

¹ M + ins. *etiam.*² M + *uero.*³ M + *ore.*⁴ M + om. *et.*⁵ For *quae tam* S has *quiaetam.*⁶ M + ins. *parua.*⁷ The words *rot. gen.* are found in Prisc. p. 26.

9 Ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν τὸν Κύριον καὶ Πατέρα, καὶ ἐν αὐτῇ καταρώμεθα τοὺς ἀνθρώπους τοὺς καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας·

10 ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος ἐξέρχεται εὐλογία καὶ κατάρα. Οὐ χρὴ, ἀδελφοί μου, ταῦτα οὕτως γίνεσθαι.

11 Μήτι ἢ πηγὴ ἐκ τῆς αὐτῆς ὀπῆς βρῦει τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρὸν ;

12 Μὴ δύναται, ἀδελφοί μου, συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι, ἢ ἄμπελος σῦκα ; Οὔτε ἄλυκὸν γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ.

13 Τίς σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιστήμων ἐν ὑμῖν ; δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας.

14 Εἰ δὲ ζῆλον πικρὸν ἔχετε καὶ ἐριθίαν ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ ὑμῶν, μὴ κατακαυχᾶσθε καὶ ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας.

15 Οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἢ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη, ἀλλὰ ἐπίγειος, ψυχική, δαιμονιώδης.

16 Ὅπου γὰρ ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία, ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία καὶ πᾶν φαῦλον πρᾶγμα.

17 Ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή ἐστίν, ἔπειτα εἰρηνική, ἐπιεικής, εὐπειθής, μεστή ἐλέους καὶ καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν, ἀδιάκριτος, ἀνυπόκριτος.

18 Καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην.

9. τον κυριον Sin. ABCP corb. pesh. copt. arm. + Cyr., τον θεον KL vulg. syr. &c. Eriph. Thl. Occ.

12. ελαιας: Vulg. *lucus* | ουτε ἄλυκον γλυκυ ABC¹ + arm. (*neque salinus locus aquam dulcem facere*), οὕτως ουτε αλυκ. γλ. C² latt. pesh. (and reading ουδε for ουτε) Sin. 13, οὕτως ουδεμια (ουτε μια Pc) πηγη ἄλυκον και γλυκυ KLP &c. Thl. Occ.

14. ει δε: AP + add αρα. | εριθιαν 101. 13.^{lect} Dam. WH., ερειθιαν B¹, ερειθειαν A, εριθειαν Sin. B³CKLP &c. Ti. Treg. | τη καρδια: ταις καρδιαις Sin. + latt. syrr. copt. arm. | καυχασθε A + |

και ψευδεσθε κατα της αληθειας ABCKLP &c. Treg. WH., της αληθειας και ψευδεσθε Sin.¹ Ti., κατα τ. α. κ. ψ Sin.³ pesh. *ne inflemini adversus veritatem nec mentiamini.*

15. αλλα Sin. B, αλλ' ACKLP.

16. εριθια 101. 13.^{lect}, εριθεια B¹, ερειθεια B², ερεις C, ερις P. | εκει BCKLP &c., εκει και Sin. A +.

17. ανυποκριτος Sin. ABCP + latt. syr. copt. arm. Did. Eph., και ανυπ. KL &c. Thl. Occ.

18. ο καρπος Sin. | της δικαιοσυνης K Occ. +.

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ΚΕΦ. δ'.

1 Πόθεν πόλεμοι καὶ πόθεν μάχαι ἐν ὑμῖν; οὐκ ἐν-
τεῦθεν, ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν ὑμῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς
μέλεσιν ὑμῶν;

2 Ἐπιθυμεῖτε, καὶ οὐκ ἔχετε· φονεύετε. Καὶ ζηλοῦτε,
καὶ οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν· μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε. Οὐκ
ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς·

3 αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε, διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε, ἵνα
ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς ὑμῶν δαπανήσητε.

4 Μοιχαλίδες, οὐκ οἴδατε ὅτι ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου
ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν; ὅς ἐάν οὖν βουληθῆ φίλος εἶναι
τοῦ κόσμου, ἐχθρὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ καθίσταται.

5 Ἡ δοκεῖτε ὅτι κενῶς ἡ γραφή λέγει Πρὸς φθόνον
ἐπιποθεῖ τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ κατώκισεν ἐν ἡμῖν;

6 μείζονα δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν· διὸ λέγει Ὁ Θεὸς
ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται, ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν.

7 Ὑποτάγητε οὖν τῷ Θεῷ· ἀντίστητε δὲ τῷ διαβόλῳ,
καὶ φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν·

8 ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ, καὶ ἐγγίσει ὑμῖν. Καθαρίσατε
χεῖρας, ἀμαρτωλοί, καὶ ἀγνίσατε καρδίας, δίψυχοι.

IV.—1. ποθεν (2nd) Sin. ABCP corb. spec. +, om. KL vulg. &c.

2. φονευετε MSS. and vv. (followed by full stop WH.^m), φονεετε Oec.^{txt}, φθονεετε Eras. Calv. Bez. Ewald | ουκ εχετε ABKL+WH. Treg., και ουκ εχετε Sin. P + latt. syrr. copt. arm. acth. Thl. Oec. Ti., ουκ εχετε δε rec. Here C comes to an end.

3. δαπανησητε Sin.³ AKLP (with full stop Treg. WH. with comma Ti.), καταδαπανησητε Sin.¹, δαπανησετε B (without following stop).

4. μοιχαλιδες Sin.¹ AB 13 (joined with what precedes in Sin. B Ti.), μοιχοι και μοιχαλιδες Sin.³ KLP &c., μοιχοι latt. pesh. copt. acth. arm. | after 1st κοσμου Sin. vulg. arm. aeth. pesh. add τουτου | εχθρα LP &c. syrr., εχθρα latt. aeth. | του θεου

εστιν ABKLP &c. WH. Treg., εστιν τφ θεφ Sin. copt. Ti. | ος εαν BP + WH. Ti., εαν Sin.¹, ος αν Sin.³ AKL &c. Thl. Oec. Treg. | ουν om. L + | εχθρος, εχθρα Sin.¹

5. κενως om. corb. | λεγει joined with προς φθονον in A 4. 10. 11. 14. 15. 16. 21. 38. + arm. (question after ἡμιν WH. Treg. after λεγει with comma after ἡμιν Ti.) | κατωκισεν Sin. AB 101. 104, κατωκησεν KLP &c. latt. syrr. copt. Thl. Oec.

6. διο λεγει—διδωσιν χαριν om. LP + | ο θεος: 5. 16 + κυριος | αντιτασσετε B cf. ver. 7.

7. αντιστητε δε Sin. AB a b 13 + latt. copt., αντιστητε KLP &c. Th. Oec. | φευξετε B¹, -ται B.²

8. εγγισει B WH., εγγιει Alf. Treg. Ti. (without specifying MSS.).

VULGATE.

IV—1 Unde bella et lites inter uos (a)? nonne (β) ex concupiscentiis uestris quae militant in membris uestris? 2 Concupiscitis, et non habetis: occiditis et zelatis, et non potestis adipisci: litigatis et belligeratis, et (γ) non habetis propter quod non postulatis: 3 petitis et non accipietis (δ), eo quod male petatis, ut in concupiscentiis uestris insumatis. 4 Adulteri, nescitis quia amicitia huius mundi inimica est dei (ε)? Quicumque ergo uoluerit amicus esse sacculi huius, inimicus dei constituitur. 5 An (ζ) putatis quia inaniter scriptura dicat Ad inuidiam concupiscit spiritus qui habitat (η) in uobis? 6 Maiorem autem dat gratiam: propter quod dicit, Deus superbis resistit, humilibus autem dat gratiam. 7 Subditi igitur estote deo: resistite autem diabolo, et fugiet a uobis: 8 adpropinquate (θ) deo (ι), et adpropinquabit (κ) uobis. Emundate manus, peccatores, et purificate corda, duplices animo.

(a) F. *in uobis*.(β) Spec. Aug. and F. insert *hinc*.(γ) F. om. *et*.(δ) F. *accipitis*.(ε) F. *deo*.(ζ) F. *aut*.(η) F. *inhabitat*.(θ) Spec. Aug. *adpropiate*.(ι) F. *domino*.(κ) MS. and F. *--uit*.

CORBEY MS.

IV--1^a Unde pugnae et unde rixae in uobis? Nonne hinc? ex uoluptatibus uestris quae militant in membris uestris? 2 Concupiscitis et non habetis^b: occiditis: et zelatis, et non potestis impetrare: rixatis et pugnatitis et non habetis, propter quod non petitis. 3 Petititis et non accipitis, propter hoc quod male petitis, ut in libidines uestras erogetis. 4 Fornicatores, nescitis quoniam amicitia sacculi inimica dei est? Quicumque ergo uoluerit amicus saeculi esse inimicus dei perseuerat. 5 Aut putatis quoniam dicit scriptura, Ad inuidiam conualescit spiritus qui habitat in uobis? 6 Maiorem autem dat gratiam. Propter quod dicit, Deus superbis resistit, humilibus^c autem dat gratiam. 7 Subditi estote deo: resistite autem diabolo, et fugiet a uobis. 8 Accedite ad dominum, et ipse ad uos accedet.^d Mundate manus peccatores, et sanctificate corda uestra duplices corde.

^a In verses 1—5 the only stops in MS. are after *impetrare*, *fornicatores*, and *dei est*^b MS. *habebitis*.^c MS. *humilis*.^d MS. *accedit*.

SPECULUM AND PRISCILLIAN.

IV—1 (W. p. 525) Unde bella, unde rixae in uobis? nonne de uoluntatibus¹ uestris quae militant in membris uestris² et sunt uobis suauiissima?

[IV—4 (Sch. pp. 57, 90, 94) omnis amicitia mundi inimica est dei.]

7 (W. p. 465) Humiliate uos Deo et resistite diabulo et fugiet³ a uobis: 8 proximate Deo et proximate uobis.⁴

¹ This word being sometimes spelt *uoluptas*, as in Corb. iii. 4, was easily confused with *uoluptas*.² The words from *unde* to *uestris* are found in Prisc. pp. 63, 96.³ *Fugiet* omitted by all the MSS.⁴ *Adpropiate domino et adpropinquabit uobis μ*.

9 Ταλαιπωρήσατε καὶ πενθήσατε καὶ κλαύσατε· ὁ γέλωσ ὑμῶν εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω καὶ ἡ χαρὰ εἰς κατήφειαν.

10 Ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου, καὶ ὑψώσει ὑμᾶς.

11 Μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων, ἀδελφοί· ὁ καταλαλῶν ἀδελφοῦ ἢ κρίνων τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ καταλαλεῖ νόμου καὶ κρινεὶ νόμον· εἰ δὲ νόμον κρινεῖς, οὐκ εἶ ποιητῆς νόμου ἀλλὰ κριτῆς.

12 Εἷς ἔστιν νομοθέτης καὶ κριτῆς, ὁ δυνάμενος σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι· σὺ δὲ τίς εἶ, ὁ κρίνων τὸν πλησίον;

13 Ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες Σήμερον ἢ αὔριον πορευσόμεθα εἰς τήνδε τὴν πόλιν καὶ ποιήσομεν ἐκεῖ ἐνιαυτὸν καὶ ἐμπορευσόμεθα καὶ κερδήσομεν·

14 (οἵτινες οὐκ ἐπίστασθε τὸ τῆς αὔριον· ποία γὰρ ἡ ζωὴ ὑμῶν; ἀτμὶς γάρ ἐστε ἢ πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη, ἔπειτα καὶ ἀφανιζομένη·)

15 ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς Ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ, καὶ ζήσομεν καὶ ποιήσομεν τοῦτο ἢ ἐκεῖνο.

9. και κλαυσατε BKLP &c. Treg. WH., κλαυσατε Sin. A Ti., om. pesh. + Aug. | μεταστραφητω Sin. AKL &c. Oec. Ti. Treg. WH.^m, μετατραπητω BP 69. a c Thl. WH.

10. ταπεινωθητε: Sin. adds ουν | του bef. κυριου L+ |.

11. αλληλων αδελφοι: αδελφοι μου αλληλων A + | η κρινων Sin. ABP syrr. sah. copt. arm. +, και κρ. KL &c. | ουκ ει ποιητης: P + ουκετι ει π., K + ουκετι π. ει.

12. νομοθετης BP WH., δ νομ. Sin. AKL &c. Ti. Treg. WH.^m (εἷς ἔστιν WH., εἷς ἔστιν δ WH.^m) | και κριτης Sin. ABP &c., om. KL+ | συ δε: om. δε sah. syr. arm. + Oec. | δ κρινων Sin. ABP +, ὡς κρινεις KL &c. | τον πλησιον Sin. ABP latt. syrr. copt. arm., τον ἑτερον KL &c. [K + add ὅτι ουκ εν ανθρωπω αλλ εν θεω τα διαβηματα ανθρωπου κατευθυνεται].

13. η αυριον Sin. B 13. 27. 29. 40. 69 + latt. pesh. sah. copt. aeth. Jer., και αυριον AKLP &c. Cyr. Thl. Oec. | πορευσομεθα Sin. BP + latt. Cyr. Oec., πορευσομεθα AKL + Thl. | ποιησομεν BP + WH. Ti., -σωμεν Sin. AKL + Treg. | εκει οιν. A 13 Cyr. | ενιαυτον Sin. BP 36. latt. copt. Jer., ενιαυτον ενα AKL &c. syrr.

arm. Cyr. Thl. Oec | εμπορευσομεθα Sin. ABP +, -σωμεθα KL+ | κερδησομεν Sin. ABP, -σωμεν KL+.

14. επιστασθε: P 68 επιστανται | της αυριον Sin. KL &c. latt. pesh. sah. copt. Thl. Oec. Treg. Ti., τα της αυριον AP 7. 13. 69. 106 a c syr. Treg.^m WH.^m, της αυριον B WH | ποια γαρ η ζωη Sin.³ AKLP &c. Treg.^m WH.^m, ποια η ζωη Sin.¹ c syr. arm. aeth.^{ro} (aeth.^{pp} corb. quiae autem) WH., ποια ζωη B | ὑμων: ἡμων 13. 69. + syr. Thl. | ατμισ γαρ εστε B + syr. arm. aeth. Oec., ατμισ γαρ εστιν L (L ατμη) corb. + Jer. Dam. Thl., ατμισ γαρ εσται KP +, ατμισ εστιν vulg. copt., ατμισ εσται A (ατμισ εστε WH.^m), om. Sin. | η προς Sin. AKL &c. Ti. WH.^m, προς BP WH. | επειτα και Sin. ABK corb., επειτα δε sah. Thl. Oec., επειτα δε και LP &c., επειτα 36. 38. 69 + copt. syr.

15. θεληση Sin. AKL latt. Cyr. &c. Treg. Ti. WH.^m, θελη BP a d 69 Treg.^m WH. | ζησομεν Sin. ABP + (Ti. makes it a part of the protasis), ζησωμεν KL &c. Cyr. Thl. Oec. | και ποιησομεν Sin. ABP +, ποιησομεν vulg. sah. copt. pesh. arm. aeth. Cyr., και ποιησωμεν KL &c. Thl. Oec.

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16 Νῦν δὲ καυχᾶσθε ἐν ταῖς ἀλαζονίαις ὑμῶν· πᾶσα καύχησις τοιαύτη πονηρὰ ἐστίν.

17 Εἰδότες οὖν καλὸν ποιεῖν καὶ μὴ ποιοῦντι, ἁμαρτία αὐτῷ ἐστίν.

ΚΕΦ. ε΄.

1 Ἄγε νῦν οἱ πλούσιοι, κλαύσατε ὀλολύζοντες ἐπὶ ταῖς ταλαιπωρίαις ὑμῶν ταῖς ἐπερχομέναις.

2 Ὁ πλοῦτος ὑμῶν σέσηπεν, καὶ τὰ ἱμάτια ὑμῶν σητόβρωτα γέγονεν·

3 ὁ χρυσὸς ὑμῶν καὶ ὁ ἄργυρος κατίωται, καὶ ὁ ἰὸς αὐτῶν εἰς μαρτύριον ὑμῖν ἔσται καὶ φάγεται τὰς σάρκας ὑμῶν ὡς πῦρ· ἐθησαυρίσατε ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις.

4 Ἴδου ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἐργατῶν τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας ὑμῶν, ὁ ἀφυστερημένος ἀφ' ὑμῶν, κράζει· καὶ αἰβοαὶ τῶν θερισάντων εἰς τὰ ὦτα Κυρίου Σαβαὼθ εἰσελήλυθαν.

5 Ἐτρυφήσατε ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς καὶ ἐσπαταλήσατε· ἐθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς.

6 Κατεδικάσατε, ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον· οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν.

7 Μακροθυμήσατε οὖν, ἀδελφοὶ, ἕως τῆς παρουσίας τοῦ Κυρίου. Ἴδου ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν τῆς γῆς, μακροθυμῶν ἐπ' αὐτῷ ἕως λάβη προῖμον καὶ ὄψιμον.

16. καυχασθε: Sin. + κατακαυχ. | αλαζονίαις Sin. AB¹LP + WH. Ti., αλαζονεῖαις B³K &c. Treg. | πᾶσα: ἅπασα Sin.

V.—1. ἐπερχομέναις ABKLP &c., ἐπ. ὑμῖν Sin. 5. 8. 25 vulg. pesh. copt. arm. aeth.

3. κατίωται bef. καὶ ὁ ἀργυρος A 13 | φαγεται: φαίνετε Sin.¹ | ὡς πῦρ Sin.¹ BKL &c., ὁ ἰος ὡς πῦρ Sin.³ AP + (full stop after ὡς πῦρ Ti. Treg. WH.^m, bef. ὡς πῦρ AL + pesh. Treg.^m WH.), aeth. spec. Thl. add ὃ after πῦρ | ἐσχαταῖς ἡμέραις: A ἡμερ. ἐσχ.

4. ἀφυστερημένος Sin. B¹, ἀπεστερημένος ΔB³P &c., ἀποστερημένος KL | εἰσε-

ληλυθαν BP, -λυθεν A +, εἰσεληλυθασιν Sin. KL &c.

5. om. καὶ A 73. copt. | ἐν ἡμέρᾳ Sin.¹ BP 13. latt. +, ἐν ἡμέραις A, ὡς ἐν ἡμέρᾳ Sin.³ KL &c.

6. δίκαιον· Ti. δίκαιον. WH. | ὑμῖν. Ti. Treg. ὑμῖν; WH.

7. ἐπ' αὐτῷ: ἐπ' αὐτὸν KL &c. Thl., om. vulg. arm. | ἕως λάβη ABKL +, ἕως ἀν λ. Sin. P 13 &c. | προῖμον Sin. AB¹P, πρωῖμον B³KL &c. | ὑέτον bef. προῖμον AKLP &c. pesh., om. B 31. vulg. sah. arm. WH. Treg. Ti., καρπὸν bef. προῖμον Sin.³ (καρπὸν τὸν Sin.¹) copt. +.

VULGATE.

16 Nunc autem exultatis in superbiis uestris. Omnis exultatio talis maligna est. 17 Scienti igitur bonum facere et non facienti, peccatum est illi.

V—1 Agite (*a*) nunc, diuites, plorate ululantes in miseriis quae aduenient uobis. 2 Diuitiae uestrae putrefactae sunt, et uestimenta uestra atineis comesta sunt: 3 aurum et argentum uestrum aeruginavit, et aerugo eorum in testimonium uobis erit et manducabit carnes uestras sicut ignis. Thesaurizastis iram (*β*) in nouissimis diebus. 4 Ecce merces operariorum qui mesuerunt regiones uestras, qui fraudatus est a uobis, clamat (*γ*), et clamor ipsorum in aures domini sabaoth introiuit. 5 Epulati estis super terram et in luxuriis enutristis corda uestra in diem (*δ*) occisionis. 6 Adduxistis (*ε*), occidistis iustum, et (*ζ*) non resistit (*η*) uobis. 7 Patientes igitur estote, fratres, usque ad aduentum domini. Ecce agricola expectat pretiosum fructum terrae, patienter ferens donec accipiat temporaneum (*θ*) et serotinum:

(*a*) Corrected in MS. fr. *age*, which is read by Spec. Aug. and F.

(*β*) Spec. Aug. and F. omit *iram*.

(*γ*) Spec. Aug. *fraudati sunt... clamant*.

(*δ*) F. *die*.

(*ε*) F. *addixistis*.

(*ζ*) Spec. Aug. and F. om. *et*.

(*η*) F. *restitit*.

(*θ*) F. *temporiuum*.

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16 Nunc autem gloriamini in superbia uestra. Omnis gloria talis mala est. 17 Scientibus autem bonum facere et non facientibus, peccatum illis est. V—1 Iam nunc locupletes plorate ululantes in miseriis uestris aduenientibus. 2 Diuitiae uestrae putrierunt, res uestrae tiniauerunt.^a 3 Aurum uestrum et argentum aeruginauit, et aerugo ipsorum crit uobis in testimonium et manducabit carnes uestras tanquam ignis. Thesaurizastis et in nouissimis diebus. 4 et ecce mercedes operariorum, qui arauerunt^b in agris uestris, quod abnegastis, clamabant, et uoces qui messi sunt ad aures domini sabaoth introierunt. 5 Fruiti estis super terram et abusi estis: cibastis corda uestra in die occisionis. 6 Damnastis et occidistis iustum: non resistit uobis. 7 Patientes ergo estote fratres usque ad aduentum domini. Ecce agricola expectat honoratum fructum terrae, patiens in ipso usquequo accipiat matutinum et serotinum fructum.

^a MS. *tiniauer*, Sab. *tinea uero*.

^b 'The contrast between ploughmen and reapers makes the picture more complete...but no extant Greek MS. or other authority has *ploughed*.' —Bp. Wordsworth, *in loc*.

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V—1 (W. p. 395) Age¹ nunc diuites plangite uos ululantes² super miseras uestras quae superueniunt 2 diuitiis uestris. Putruerunt et tiniauerunt uestes³ uestrae. 3 Aurum et argentum uestrum quod reposuistis in nouissimis diebus aeruginauit et aerugo eorum in testimonium uobis erit et comedit⁴ carnes uestras sicut ignis.

[V—1 (Sch. p. 17) age nunc diuites plangite ululantes super miseras uestras quae superueniunt diuitiis uestris; putruerunt et tiniauerunt uestes uestrae; aurum uestrum et argentum uestrum quod reposuistis in nouissimis diebus aeruginabit et aerugo eorum in testimonium uobis erit et comedet carnes uestras sicut ignis.]

5 (W. p. 639) Et uos deliciati estis super terram et luxuriati estis: creastis autem corda uestra in die⁵ occisionis.

¹ *age* M, *agite* S.

² M + om. *ululantes*.

³ M + *uestimenta uestra*.

⁴ *comedit* S, *comedet* M +.

⁵ M *diem*.

8 Μακροθυμήσατε καὶ ὑμεῖς, στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας υμῶν, ὅτι ἡ παρουσία τοῦ Κυρίου ἤγγικεν.

9 Μὴ στενάζετε, ἀδελφοὶ, κατ' ἀλλήλων, ἵνα μὴ κριθῆτε· ἰδοὺ ὁ κριτὴς πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν ἔστηκεν.

10 Ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε, ἀδελφοί, τῆς κακοπαθίας καὶ τῆς μακροθυμίας τοὺς προφήτας οἱ ἐλάλησαν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

11 Ἴδοὺ μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομειναντας· τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰωβ ἠκούσατε, καὶ τὸ τέλος Κυρίου εἶδετε, ὅτι πολὺσπλαγχνός ἐστιν ὁ Κύριος καὶ οἰκτίρων.

12 Πρὸ πάντων δὲ, ἀδελφοί μου, μὴ ὀμνύετε, μήτε τον οὐρανὸν μήτε τὴν γῆν μήτε ἄλλον τινὰ ὄρκον· ἦτω δὲ ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναί, καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ· ἵνα μὴ ὑπὸ κρίσιν πέσητε.

13 Κακοπαθεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν; προσευχέσθω· εὐθυμεῖ τις; ψαλλέτω.

14 Ἀσθενεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν; προσκαλεσάσθω τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας, καὶ προσευξάσθωσαν ἐπ' αὐτὸν αλείψαντες ἐλαίῳ ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι·

15 καὶ ἡ εὐχὴ τῆς πίστεως σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα, καὶ ἐγερεῖ αὐτὸν ὁ Κύριος· κὰν ἁμαρτίας ἢ πεποιηκῶς, ἀφεθήσεται αὐτῷ.

16 Ἐξομολογεῖσθε οὖν ἀλλήλοις τὰ παραπτώματα, καὶ

8. μακροθυμησατε ABKP &c., μακρ. ουν Sin. L +.

9. ἀδελφοί: (A 13 + add μου) bef. κατ ἀλλήλων ABP 5. 13. 69. + Treg. WH., after κατ ἀλλ. Sin. L syr. &c. Thl. Oec. Ti., om. K 15. 16 + | κριθητε: Oec. + κατακριθητε.

10. λαβετε: om. A 13 acth. (adding εχετε after μακροθυμίας with Sin.³ +) | ἀδελφοί ABP +, ἀδ. μου Sin. KL &c. | κακοπαθίας B¹P WH., κακοπαθείας AB³L &c. Treg. Ti., καλοκαγαθίας Sin. | ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι BP +, ἐν ὀνόματι Sin. Chr., τῷ ὀνόματι AKL &c.

11. ὑπομειναντας Sin. ABP latt. syr. +, υπομενοντας KL copt. arm. aeth. Thl. Oec. &c. | ειδετε Sin. B¹K &c., ιδετε AB³ LP + | πολυσπλαγχνός: Thl. + πολυεσπλαγχνός | ὁ κυριος Sin. AP + Treg. Ti. WH., κυριος B WH.^m, om. KL +.

12. προ παντων δε Sin.³ ABLP &c., π. παντων ουν Sin.¹, π. παντων K + | ins. ὁ λογος bef. ὑμων (from Matt. v. 37) Sin.¹ copt. acth. + | και: om. latt. copt. | τὸ Ναί ναὶ καὶ τὸ Οὐ οὐ, WH. τὸ ναὶ ναί, καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ, Ti. | ὑπο κρισιν Sin. AB 8. 13. 25. 27. 29. 36. latt. syr. copt. acth., εἰς ὑποκρισιν KLP &c.

14. ἐπ αυτον: Sin.¹ ἐπ αυτους | αλειψαντες BP a corb. Dam. WH. Ti., αλ. αυτον Sin. AKL &c. Treg. | ονοματι του κυριου Sin. KLP &c. Treg. Ti., ον. κυριου A + Orig. Treg.^m, ον. ιϋ χϋ 6, ον. τ. κυριου ιϋ 7.^{lect}, ονοματι B (WH. bracket του κυριου).

15. αφεθησεται: P + αφεθησονται.

16. ουν Sin. ABKP + vulg. copt. syr. δε 107 pesh., om. L &c. corb. arm. aeth. | τα παραπτωματα KL &c. pesh. Orig. Aug. Thl. Oec., τας ἁμαρτίας Sin

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εὐχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων, ὅπως ἰαθῆτε. Πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη.

17 Ἡλείας ἄνθρωπος ἦν ὁμοιοπαθὴς ἡμῖν, καὶ προσευχῇ προσηύξατο τοῦ μὴ βρέξαι· καὶ οὐκ ἔβρεξεν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἐνιαυτοὺς τρεῖς καὶ μῆνας ἕξ.

18 καὶ πάλιν προσηύξατο, καὶ ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν καὶ ἡ γῆ ἐβλάστησεν τὸν καρπὸν αὐτῆς.

19 Ἀδελφοί μου, εἴαν τις ἐν ὑμῖν πλανηθῆ ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας καὶ ἐπιστρέψῃ τις αὐτόν,

20 γινωσκέτε ὅτι ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρτωλὸν ἐκ πλάνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου, καὶ καλύψει πλῆθος ἀμαρτιῶν.

ABP 5. 6. 13. 43. 65. 73. a c d syr. latt. Eus. Ephr. Dam. WH. Treg. Ti., add ὑμων L. 69. a c latt. syr. copt. aeth. | ευχεσθε Sin. KLP &c. Thl. Oec. Treg. Ti. WH.^m, προσευχεσθε AB 73 Ephr. Treg.^m WH. (altered to suit προσευχ. in ver. 17?).

17. ηλειας B¹ (and Sin. B in Matt. xvii. 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, Luke iv. 26, ix. 8, Mk. viii. 28), ηλιας Sin. AB³KLP &c.

18. υετον εδωκεν BKLP &c. Treg.^m WH., εδωκεν υετον A 13. 73. latt. + Treg. Ti. WH.^m, εδ. τον υετον Sin.

19. αδελφοι μου Sin. ABKP syr. iatt. +, αδελφοι L &c. Did. Oec. | απο της αληθειας ABKLP &c. latt. syr. aeth., απο της οδου της αληθειας Sin. pesh. copt. +.

20. γινωσκετε οτι B 31 c syr. aeth.

Treg.^m WH., γινωσκετω οτι Sin. AKLP &c. Treg. Ti., WH.^m om. corb. sah. | σωσει: corb. Orig. σωζει, fuld. saluauit | ψυχην αυτου εκ θανατου Sin. P. 5. 7. 8. 13. 15. 36 syr. copt. aeth. Ti. WH., την ψ. a. e. θ. A 73. arm., ψυχην εκ θανατου KL &c. sah. Orig. Thl. Oec. Treg., ψ. εκ θανατου αυτου B corb. aeth. WH.^m | καλυπει: vulg. Orig. Dam. καλυπτει.

SUBSCRIPTION.—K with most MSS. has none, B ιακωβου, Sin. επιστολη ιακωβου, A 40. 67. 177 ιακωβου επιστολη, P 63 ιακωβου αποστολου επιστολη καθολικη, L τελος του αγιου αποστολου ιακωβου επιστολη καθολικη, 38 τελος της επιστολης του αγιου αποστολου ιακωβου του αδελφου θεου.

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orate pro inuicem, ut saluemini: multum enim ualet deprecatio iusti adsidua. 17 Helias homo erat similis nobis passibilis, et oratione orauit ut non plueret super terram, et non pluit annos tres et menses sex; 18 et rursus orauit, et caelum dedit pluuiam et terra dedit fructum suum. 19 Fratres mei, si quis ex uobis errauerit a ueritate et conuerterit quis eum, 20 scire debet quoniam qui conuerti fecerit peccatorem ab errore uiae (a) saluabit (β) animam eius a morte et cooperit (γ) multitudinem peccatorum.—
EXPLICIT EPISTULA JACOBI APOSTOLI.

orate pro alterutro ut remittatur uobis: multum potest petitio iusti frequens. 17 Helias homo erat similis nobis, et oratione orauit ut non plueret, et non pluit in terra annis tribus et mensibus sex. 18 Sed iterum orauit, et caelum dedit pluuiam,^a et terra germinauit fructum suum. 19 Fratres mei si quis ex uobis errauerit a ueritate et aliquis eum reuocauerit; 20 qui reuocauerit peccatorem de erroris uia, saluat animam de morte sua et operiet multitudinem peccati.— EXPLICIT EPISTOLA JACOBI FILII ZAEBEDEI.

^a MS. *pluuium*.

(a) MS. *uitae*.

(β) F. *saluauit*.

(γ) Spec. Aug. and F. *operit*.

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kingdom; and in Matt. xix. 28 it is said that the twelve apostles shall hereafter 'sit on twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel': comp. also Rev. vii. 4 foll. The prophets looked forward to the reunion of Israel and Judah (Isa. xi. 12, 13, Jerem. iii. 18), and under Hezekiah and Josiah many of the remnant of the Ten Tribes came up to worship at Jerusalem (2 Chr. xxix. 24, xxx. 1, xxxiv. 9). So twelve goats were offered as a sin-offering for the twelve tribes at the dedication of the second Temple (Ezra vi. 17). There would be no reason for keeping up the old feud between the tribes in the captivity; and while it is probable that some of those who were carried away by Shalmanezar may have adopted the manners and religion of the neighbouring heathen, many would no doubt attach themselves to the later captives from Judah, and either return with the minority of these to Judaea, or continue to live in Assyria with the majority. The book Tobit professes to give the story of a religious captive of the tribe of Naphtali; and Anna (Luke ii. 36) is an instance of a resident in Judah belonging to the tribe of Asher. See *D. of B.* under *Captivities*. This form of address is one among many indications of an early date for the epistle, the Christian Jews not being yet definitely marked off from their unbelieving countrymen. [Hermas (*Sim.* ix. 17) however includes all the nations under heaven in his Twelve Tribes. C.T.]

ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ.] See Introduction on the readers to whom the epistle is addressed, and cf. 1 Pet. i. 1 ἐκλεκτοῖς παρεπιδήμοις διασπορᾶς Πόντου, Γαλατίας, Καππαδοκίας, Ἀσίας καὶ Βιθυνίας (if St. James, as is probable, is here addressing the Jews of the eastern dispersion, this may have suggested to St. Peter his letter to the western dispersion), John vii. 35 εἰς τὴν διασπορὰν τῶν Ἑλλήνων, Deut. xxviii. 25 ἔση διασπορὰ ἐν πάσαις βασιλείαις τῆς γῆς, *ib.* xxx. 4, Ps. cxlvii. 2 τὰς διασπορὰς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ ἐπισυνάξει, Isa. xlix. 6, Jer. xv. 7, Neh. i. 9, Tobit xiii. 3, Judith v. 19 ἐπιστρέψαντες ἐπὶ τὸν Θεὸν αὐτῶν ἀνέβησαν ἐκ τῆς διασπορᾶς οὗ διεσπάρησαν, 2 Macc. i. 27; and Westcott, art. on *Dispersion* in *D. of B.*

χαίρειν.] χαῖρε is the regular form of Greek salutation, as in Luke i. 28, 2 John 10; like *salve* in Latin. In letters it takes the form χαίρειν (λέγει), like *salutem* (*dicit*). Horace (*Ep.* i. 8. 1 and 15) uses the more literal translation *gaudere et bene rem gerere* (χαίρειν καὶ εὖ πράττειν). It is said to have been first used by Cleon in sending news of the capture of Pylos (Luc. *Laps. inter Salut.* 3, Suidas s.v.). Aristophanes in his latest play speaks of it as already old-fashioned, *Plut.* 322 χαίρειν μὲν ὑμᾶς ἐστίν, ἄνδρες δημόται, ἀρχαῖον ἤδη προσαγορεύειν καὶ σαπρὸν ἀσπάζομαι δ'. Plato is said to have preferred the phrase εὖ πράττειν in writing to his intimates (Pl. *Ep.* 3, p. 315). The Pythagoreans used ὑγιαίνειν (see Menage on Diog. L. iii. 61). In the N.T. the epistolary χαίρειν is only found here and in Acts xxiii. 26 (the letter of Lysias to Felix) and xv. 23 (the letter, probably drawn up by St. James, from the Church at Jerusalem to the brethren in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia). In 2 Macc. ix. 19 we find the above forms of salutation combined, τοῖς χρηστοῖς Ἰουδαίοις τοῖς πολίταις πολλὰ χαίρειν καὶ ὑγιαίνειν καὶ εὖ πράττειν βασιλεὺς καὶ στρατηγὸς Ἀντίοχος. The ancient Hebrew salu-

tation was 'Peace' (which the Peshitto gives here), as in Gen. xliii. 23, and (epistolary) in Ezra iv. 17, v. 7. In 2 Macc. i. 1 we have the Greek and Hebrew joined, *χαίρειν καὶ εἰρήνην ἀγαθὴν*. As a spoken salutation we have examples of *εἰρήνη* in Luke x. 5, xxiv. 36 (cf. Jas. ii. 16): the epistolary use is found in 3 John 15 *εἰρήνη σοι*, 1 Pet. v. 14. In the other epistles these simple greetings are further developed, as *χάρις καὶ εἰρήνη* (Rom. i. 7, 1 Cor. i. 3, 2 Cor. i. 2, Gal. i. 3, Eph. i. 2, Phil. i. 2, Col. i. 2, 1 and 2 Thess., Philemon 3, Apoc. i. 4, 1 Pet. i. 2, 2 Pet. i. 2); in the pastoral epistles and in 2 John we have the fuller form *χάρις ἔλεος εἰρήνη*; Jude has *ἔλεος καὶ εἰρήνη καὶ ἀγάπη*. There is no preliminary salutation in Hebrews, 1 John, 3 John. We meet with the final salutation *ἡ χάρις τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰ. Χ. μεθ' ὑμῶν* in many of the epistles. Another final salutation is *ἔρρωσθε* = Lat. *valet* (Acts xv. 29): see Heisen *Nov. Hypr.* pp. 95-144. The use of the form *χαίρειν* naturally suggests the identity of the writer of this epistle with the writer of the circular in the Acts, and is at any rate a strong argument against the view that our epistle was written towards the close of the first century. Is it conceivable that, after the introduction of the fuller Christian salutation, any one professing to write in the name of the most honoured member of the church at Jerusalem would have fallen back on the comparatively cold and formal *χαίρειν*?

2. *πᾶσαν*.] This does not mean strictly totality of joy, as though there were no joy besides, but merely denotes a superior degree to *μεγάλην* or *πολλήν*. Possibly the expression originated in an attraction from *πᾶν εἶναι χαράν*, and is thus equivalent to 'entire, unmixed joy.' Cf. Phil. ii. 29 *μετὰ πάσης χαρᾶς*, 1 Pet. ii. 18 *ἐν παντὶ φόβῳ*, 1 Tim. ii. 2 *ἐν πάσῃ εὐσεβείᾳ*, *ib.* ii. 11 *ἐν πάσῃ ὑποταγῇ*, Tit. ii. 10, 15, iii. 2, Acts xvii. 11 *ἔδέξαντο τὸν λόγον μετὰ πάσης προθυμίας*, *ib.* xxiii. 1 *πάσῃ συνειδήσει ἀγαθῇ*. The same use is found in classical authors, e.g. Soph. *Phil.* 618 *ὦ πῦρ σὺ καὶ πᾶν δείμα*, *ib.* *El.* 293, Eur. *Med.* 453 *πᾶν κέρδος ἡγοῦ ζημιουμένη φυγῇ*, Epict. 3. 5 *χάριν σοι ἔχω πᾶσαν*, and in Latin, e.g. Cic. *N.D.* ii. 56 *omnis ordo*, where other instances are quoted in my note. The language is more measured in 1 Pet. i. 6, and Heb. xii. 11 *πᾶσα μὲν παιδεία πρὸς μὲν τὸ παρὸν οὐ δοκεῖ χαρᾶς εἶναι ἀλλὰ λύπης, ὕστερον δὲ καρπὸν εἰρηνικὸν τοῖς δι' αὐτῆς γεγυμνασμένοις ἀποδίδωσιν δικαιοσύνης*. But neither does St. James say that trial is all joy; he bids us *count* it joy, that is, look at it from the bright side, as capable of being turned to our highest good.

χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε.] The word *χαρά* echoes the preceding *χαίρειν* according to the wont of the writer. See *ὑπομονή, τέλειον, λειπόμενοι* just below, and the Essay on Grammar and Style. *Χαρά* is here ground of rejoicing, as in Luke ii. 10. The salutation might sound like a mockery to those who were suffering under various trials, but St. James proceeds to show that these very trials are a ground for joy. For the same realization of what was often a mere phrase of courtesy cf. Eur. *Hec.* 426 ΠΟΛ. *χαῖρ' ὦ τεκοῦσα, χαῖρε Κασσάνδρα τέ μοι*. 'ΕΚ. *χαίρουσιν ἄλλοι, μητρὶ δ' οὐκ ἔστιν τόδε*. For the thought cf. Matt. v. 10-15, 1 Pet. iv. 12-14 *μὴ ξενίζεσθε (at your trials) ὡς ξένου ὑμῖν συμβαίνοντος*, it is not strange or foreign to your Christian life, but a part of your

training for glory, therefore *χαίρετε*, so 1 Thess. iii. 3 *οἴδατε ὅτι εἰς τοῦτο κείμεθα*, Acts v. 41.

ἠγγήσασθε.] We might have expected the present tense, like *ἠγγείσθε* in 1 Pet. iii. 15 and below *λαλεῖτε* ii. 12, as the aorist is used rather of a single act than of a continuous state; but it is here employed in reference to each separate temptation as it occurs, perhaps also as more urgent, like *μακροθυμήσατε* in v. 7. [The aorist is used as the authoritative imperative in 2 Tim. i. 8, 14, ii. 3, 15, &c. A.]: cf. Winer tr. p. 393 foll.

ἀδελφοί μου.] In the O.T. the word is used of Israelites generally (Lev. xxv. 46, Deut. xv. 3), denoting, as Philo says (*Carit. M.* 2 p. 388), *οὐ μόνον τὸν ἐκ τῶν αὐτῶν φύντα γονέων ἀλλὰ καὶ ὃς ἂν ἀστὸς ἢ ὁμόφυλος ἦ*: so also in N.T. (Acts ii. 29, Rom. ix. 3); but here it is more commonly used of the spiritual Israel (Matt. xxiii. 8, xxv. 40, Acts ix. 30, 1 Cor. v. 11), equivalent to the later 'Christians' (see below v. 9 and ii. 15). St. James frequently makes use of this appealing address (ii. 1, 14, iii. 1, 10, 12, v. 12, 19), sometimes without *μου* (iv. 11, v. 7, 9, 10), sometimes with the addition of *ἀγαπητοί* (i. 16, 19, ii. 5). The simple *ἀδελφοί* is the most frequent in St. Paul's epistles. In the two epistles of St. Peter and the other catholic epistles *ἀγαπητοί* is often used by itself.

πειρασμοῖς.] Here used of outward trial, as in the parallel passage in 1 Pet. i. 6 *ἐν ᾧ ἀγαλλιᾶσθε, ὀλίγον ἄρτι εἰ δέον λυπηθέντες ἐν ποικίλοις πειρασμοῖς, ἵνα τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως... εὐρεθῆ εἰς ἔπαινον κ.τ.λ.* The inner trial (temptation) is expressed below (v. 13) by the verb *πειράζω*. Dr. Hatch (*Essays in Biblical Greek*, p. 71 foll.) seems to me to restrict the sense too much to one kind of trial, viz. affliction. Riches, as we see from ver. 10 and 1 Tim. vi. 9, are as much a *πειρασμός* as poverty; and the temptation of Christ in the wilderness (Luke iv. 13) was not an appeal to fear but rather to hope and desire. See Comment on Temptation.

περιπέσητε.] The word brings out the externality of the temptation in opposition to the internal temptation arising from *ἰδία ἐπιθυμία* (v. 14). Cf. Luke x. 30 *λησταῖς περιέπεσεν*, Plato *Legg.* ix. 877 C. *π. συμφοραῖς*, M. Ant. ii. 11 *τοῖς μὲν κατ' ἀλήθειαν κακοῖς ἵνα μὴ περιπίπτῃ ὁ ἄνθρωπος, ἐπ' αὐτῷ τὸ πᾶν ἔθεντο*. Heisen gives many examples.

ποικίλοις.] Also used of diseases and lusts (2 Tim. iii. 6, Matt. iv. 24), to which answers *ποικίλη χάρις Θεοῦ* (1 Pet. iv. 10). It is a common word in Philo. For examples of various trials see 2 Cor. vi. 4, 5, xi. 23 foll.

3. *γινώσκοντες.*] In iii. 1, as in Rom. v. 3, we have the more usual *εἰδότες*, but *γιν.* is found Rom. vi. 6, Heb. x. 34, 2 Pet. i. 20, *ib.* iii. 3. Bishop Lightfoot thus distinguishes them (Gal. iv. 9): "whilst *οἶδα*, 'I know,' refers to the knowledge of facts absolutely, *γινώσκω*, 'I recognize,' being relative, gives prominence either to the attainment or the manifestation of knowledge." It may be questioned however whether fine distinctions of this sort were always observed in the Hellenistic use.

τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως.] On the order of the words, which is the

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quality is shown in Didymus' comment on Job vi. 5 quoted by Suicer οὐκ ἀναίσθητον εἶναι δεῖ τὸν δίκαιον κἄν καρτερῶς φέρῃ τὰ θλίβοντα· αὕτη γὰρ ἀρετὴ ἐστίν, ὅταν αἰσθησιν τῶν ἐπιπόνων δεχόμενός τις ὑπερφρονῇ τῶν ἀλγηδόνων διὰ τὸν Θεόν. Plut. (*Cons. ad Apoll.* 117) quotes from Eurip. τὰ προσπεσόντα δ' ὅστις εὖ φέρει βροτῶν, ἄριστος εἶναι σωφρονεῖν τέ μοι δοκεῖ. Philo (*Cont. Inud. Grat.* M. 1. 524), followed by Chrysostom (*ap. Suic. s.v.*), calls ὑπομονή the queen of virtues, and says it is typified by Rebecca. Bp. Lightfoot distinguishes it from μακροθυμία (Col. i. 12): see below on v. 7.

4. ἡ δὲ ὑπομονή.] See note on χαρά, ver. 2.

ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω.] 'Let it have its full effect,' 'attain its end.' Alf. translates 'let it have a perfect work,' but this does not quite represent the force of the original, which in colloquial English would be rather 'make a complete job of it' = τελέως ἐνεργεῖτω. In classical Greek we should probably have had τὸ ἔργον, but the omission of the article emphasizes the first point, that endurance shall be active not passive, as well as the second, that its activity shall not cease till it has accomplished its end. Cf. for the thought παραμείνας below ver. 25, Heb. x. 36, xii. 1 foll. δι' ὑπομονῆς τρέχουμεν τὸν προκείμενον ἡμῖν ἀγῶνα, v. 5 ἵνα μὴ κάμητε ταῖς ψυχαῖς ὑμῶν ἐκλυόμενοι κ.τ.λ., Clem. Al. *Str.* 4. p. 570 P. τελείωσιν τὸ μαρτύριον καλοῦμεν ὅτι τέλειον ἔργον ἀγάπης ἐνεδείξατο.

τέλειοι.] Not 'perfect' in the strict sense of the term, since πολλὰ πταίομεν ἅπαντες (below iii. 2), though all are bidden to aim at perfection, (Matt. v. 48, Eph. iii. 19). The word occurs again below iii. 2. It is used of animals which are full grown (cf. Herod. i. 83, where τὰ τέλεια τῶν προβάτων are opposed to γαλαθηνά, Thuc. v. 47), and hence in this and other passages of Christians who have attained maturity of character and understanding (Phil. iii. 15, where see Lightfoot's note, Col. i. 28, iv. 12, esp. 1 Cor. xiv. 20, Heb. v. 12-14). Thus it becomes almost synonymous with πνευματικός and γνωστικός.¹ Philo contrasts it with ἀσκητικός and προκόπτων M. 1. p. 551 τοιαῦτα ὑφηγεῖται τῷ ἀσκητικῷ ἢ ὑπομονῇ, 552 τὸν ἀσκητικὸν τρόπον, καὶ νέον παρὰ τὸν τέλειον, καὶ φιλίας ἄξιον εἶναι τίθεμεν, 169 αἱ τέλειαι ἀρεταὶ μόνου τοῦ τελείου κτήματα, 582, 689: cf. the Stoic use (Stob. *Ecl.* ii. 198) πάντα δὲ τὸν καλὸν καὶ ἀγαθὸν ἄνδρα τέλειον εἶναι λέγουσι διὰ τὸ μηδεμιᾶς ἀπολείπεσθαι ἀρετῆς. The word ἄρτιος is used in the same sense in 2 Tim. iii. 17 ἵνα ἄρτιος ᾖ ὁ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἄνθρωπος πρὸς πᾶν ἔργον ἀγαθὸν ἐξηρτισμένος, cf. 1 Pet. v. 10 ὁ δὲ Θεὸς...ὀλίγον παθόντας αὐτὸς καταρτίσαι ὑμᾶς. In Heb. ii. 10 Christ himself is said to have been made perfect through sufferings. The word τέλειος is often used by later writers of the baptized, as by Clem. Al. *Paed.* i. 6. p. 113 P. ἀναγεννηθέντες εὐθέως τὸ τέλειον ἀπειλήφαμεν· ἐφωτίσθημεν γάρ· τὸ δὲ ἔστιν ἐπιγῶναι Θεόν. οὐκ οὐκ ἀτελής ὁ ἐγνωκὸς τὸ τέλειον.

ὀλόκληροι.] *Omniibus numeris absoluti.* Used of a victim which is without blemish, complete in all its parts (*integer*), Jos. *Ant. Jud.* iii. 12. 2 τὰ ἱερέα θύουσιν ὀλόκληρα καὶ κατὰ μηδὲν λελωβημένα, also of the priest Philo M. 2. p. 225 παντελῆ καὶ ὀλόκληρον εἶναι τὸν ἱερέα προσ-

¹ [See 1 Chron. xxv. 8 τελείων καὶ μαθητῶν, where it means 'teachers.' A.]

τέτακται, of the initiated Plato *Phaedr.* 250. Ὀλοκληρία is used of the lame man who was healed, Acts iii. 16. Hence, metaphorically, Philo M. 1. 190 τὰ δ' ἄλλα, ὅσα ψυχὴν ὀλόκληρον κατὰ πάντα τὰ μέλη παρέχεται, ὀλοκαυτοῦν Θεῷ, *ib.* M. 2. p. 265 δεῖ τὸν μέλλοντα θύειν σκέπτεσθαι, μὴ εἰ τὸ ἱερεῖον ἄμωμον, ἀλλ' εἰ ἡ διάνοια ὀλόκληρος αὐτῷ καὶ παντελῆς καθέστηκε, *Herm. Mand.* v. 2. 3 πίστις ὀλόκληρος, *Polyh.* 18. 28. 9 εὐκλεία ὀλόκληρος, *Wisd.* xv. 3 τὸ γὰρ ἐπίστασθαι σε ὀλόκληρος δικαιοσύνη, 1 *Thess.* v. 23. It is often joined with τέλειος, as in *Plut. Mor.* p. 1066 F. τέλειον ἐκ τούτων καὶ ὀλόκληρον ζῶντο συμπληροῦν βίον, and in *Philo.* See on both words Heisen pp. 299–371. In this passage it would be contrasted with a partial keeping of the law such as we read of in ii. 9, 10.

ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι.] The preceding positive expression (ὀλόκληρος) is supported by the corresponding negative, as in ver. 6 ἐν πίστει μηδὲν διακρινόμενος. The only passages in the N.T. where the passive is used (as in Plato *Legg.* 9. 881 B δεῖ τὰς ἐνθάδε κολάσεις μηδὲν τῶν ἐν Αἰδοῦ λείπεσθαι) are this and the following verse and ii. 15. Strictly it means 'being left behind by another.' It is used with the gen. both of person and thing, rarely of both together. More usually the thing is expressed by the dat. or acc., or with a preposition, εἰς τι, κατὰ τι, πρὸς τι, ἐν τινι. The active occurs with much the same sense in classical Greek, *Arist. Gen. An.* iv. 1. 36 οἱ εὐνοῦχοι μικρὸν λείπουσι τοῦ θήλεος τὴν ιδέαν ('fall short of'), and is also used of the thing with dat. of the person, *Luke* xviii. 22 ἐν σοι λείπει ('is lacking'). We may compare 1 *Cor.* 7 μὴ ὑστερεῖσθαι ἐν μηδενὶ χαρίσματι. Μηδενί is required as it is a negative in a final clause, cf. *Phil.* iii. 9 ἵνα Χριστὸν κερδήσω...μὴ ἔχων ἐμὴν δικαιοσύνην, and *Winer*, p. 598.

There is a close resemblance between the scale here given of Christian growth and that in *Rom.* v. 4. After speaking of the Christian exulting (καυχώμεθα ver. 9 below) in the hope of the glory of God, nay even ἐν ταῖς θλίψεσιν, St. Paul continues εἰδότες ὅτι ἡ θλίψις (= τὸ δοκίμιον τῆς πίστεως or πειρασμός here) ὑπομονὴν κατεργάζεται. These two stages may be considered the same as those given here: but the third seems inconsistent. Here endurance leads to the perfection of the Christian character; there the words ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ δοκιμὴν apparently reverse the first step of St. James. The word δοκιμὴ however is not there used in the same sense as our δοκίμιον, of which it is rather the result; and this, the tried and tested character, is not very different from St. James' 'perfection,' of which we may consider the two following stages in St. Paul (ἡ δὲ δοκιμὴ ἐλπίδα, ἡ δὲ ἐλπίς οὐ καταισχύνει, ὅτι ἡ ἀγάπη τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐκκέχυται) to be marks or elements. There is a similar chain, including ὑπομονή, in 2 *Pet.* i. 5 foll., where however there seems no attempt to give a natural or chronological order.

5. εἰ δέ τις λείπεται σοφίας.] The preceding λειπόμενοι is caught up like τέλειος and ὑπομονή before. The thought omitted is thus supplied by *Bede*: *si quis vestrum non potest intellegere utilitatem tentationum quae fidelibus probandi causa eveniunt, postulet a Deo tribui sibi sensum quo dignoscere valeat quanta pietate Pater castigat filios* ('how am I to see trial in this light, and make this use of it? it needs a higher wisdom'). The ideas of wisdom and perfection are often joined, as in 1 *Cor.* ii. 7

σοφίαν λαλοῦμεν ἐν τοῖς τελείοις, Col. i. 28 διδάσκοντες πάντα ἄνθρωπον ἐν πάσῃ σοφίᾳ ἵνα παραστήσωμεν πάντα ἄνθρωπον τέλειον ἐν Χριστῷ, Wisd. ix. 6 κἂν γάρ τις ἢ τέλειος ἐν νουοῖς ἀνθρώπων τῆς ἀπὸ σοῦ σοφίας ἀπούσης εἰς οὐδὲν λογισθήσεται. Hence Eulogius (*fl.* 590 A.D.), quoted by Heisen p. 377, speaks of ἡ τελειόποιος σοφία θεοῦ. On the true nature of wisdom see below iii. 13. To St. James, as to the writer of the book of Job (where the necessity of wisdom to understand the use of trial is much insisted on) and of the other sapiential books, wisdom is 'the principal thing,' to which he gives the same prominence as St. Paul to faith, St. John to love, St. Peter to hope. Not that wisdom is neglected in the other books of the N.T.: cf. Luke ii. 40, vii. 35, xi. 49, 1 Cor. i. 17 foll. (where true and false wisdom are contrasted), Col. i. 9 αἰτούμενοι ἵνα πληρώθητε τὴν ἐπίγνωσιν τοῦ θελήματος αὐτοῦ ἐν πάσῃ σοφίᾳ καὶ συνέσει πνευματικῇ, where see Lightfoot's note, Eph. i. 17 ἵνα ὁ Θεὸς δώῃ ὑμῖν πνεῦμα σοφίας καὶ ἀποκαλύψεως ἐν ἐπιγνώσει αὐτοῦ, πεφωτισμένους τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς τῆς καρδίας εἰς τὸ εἰδέναι ὑμᾶς τίς ἐστὶν ἡ ἐλπίς τῆς κλήσεως αὐτοῦ, τίς ὁ πλοῦτος τῆς δόξης τῆς κληρονομίας κ.τ.λ., which may serve as a commentary on the whole of this passage, esp. on vers. 10 and 12. The prayer for wisdom takes a more definitely Christian form in St. Paul's prayer for the Spirit. Compare Plut. *Mor.* 351 C. πάντα μὲν δεῖ τάγαθὰ τοὺς νοῦν ἔχοντας αἰτεῖσθαι παρὰ τῶν θεῶν· μάλιστα δὲ τῆς περὶ αὐτῶν ἐπιστήμης, ὅσον ἐφικτόν ἐστιν ἀνθρώποις, μετιόντες εὐχόμεθα τυγχάνειν παρ' αὐτῶν ἐκείνων, ὡς οὐδὲν ἀνθρώπῳ λαβεῖν μείζον, οὐ χαρίσασθαι Θεῷ σεμνότερον ἀληθείας.

αἰτέτω παρὰ τοῦ δίδοντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς.] The great example is Solomon: cf. 1 Kings iii. 9-12, Prov. ii. 3, Wisdom vii. 7 foll., ix. 4 foll., Sir. i. 1 foll., li. 13 foll., Barnabas xxi. 5 ὁ Θεὸς δώῃ ὑμῖν σοφίαν ἐν ὑπομονῇ, below iii. 17 ἡ ἄνωθεν σοφία. The more natural order of the words would have been παρὰ τοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς δ. Θε., or with article repeated π. τοῦ Θεοῦ, τοῦ π. ἀ. δίδοντος: cf. for the hyperbaton 2 Pet. iii. 2 μνησθῆναι τῶν προειρημένων ῥημάτων ὑπὸ τῶν ἁγίων προφητῶν, Acts xxvi. 6 ἐπ' ἐλπίδι τῆς εἰς τοὺς πατέρας ἡμῶν ἐπαγγελίας γενομένης ὑπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ, Rom. viii. 18 τὴν μέλλουσαν δόξαν ἀποκαλυφθῆναι εἰς ἡμᾶς, Matt. xxv. 34 τὴν ἡτοιμασμένην ὑμῖν βασιλείαν ἀπὸ καταβολῆς κόσμου. We occasionally find the same thing in classical authors, when the qualifying clause between the article and substantive is itself further qualified or supplemented, as by a prepositional phrase (Xen. *Anab.* vi. 6. 19 ὁ ἀφαιρεθεὶς ἀνὴρ ὑπὸ Ἀγασίου, Thuc. i. 18 μετὰ τὴν τῶν τυράννων κατάλυσιν ἐκ τῆς Ἑλλάδος, see Krueger 50. 9, n. 8, 9; 10. 1, 2, 3), or by the object (Dem. *Cor.* 301 ὁ κατειληφὼς κίνδυνος τὴν πόλιν, Epict. *Diss.* i. 1 χρηστικὴ δύναμις ταῖς φαντασίαις. Here the unusual position gives a special prominence to πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς.

There are two ways in which ἀπλῶς (only here in N.T.) is taken, (1) in a logical sense, 'simply,' 'unconditionally,' 'without bargaining,' which may be said most truly of Him who makes his sun to rise on the evil and the good (Matt. v. 45): cf. Herm. *Mand.* ii. 4 πᾶσιν ὑστερουμένοις δίδου ἀπλῶς, μὴ διστάζων τίνι δῶς ἢ τίνι μὴ δῶς, πᾶσιν δίδου, and again immediately below ἀπλῶς is explained by μηθὲν διακρίνων: (2) in a moral sense, 'generously.' The latter is more in accordance with the use of

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τῆς πίστεως below v. 15, and for αἰτ. iv. 3, where also there is a limitation on the prayer which is sure of an answer. For the meaning of πίστις see Comment and Gfrörer *Philo*, p. 452 foll.

μηδὲν διακρινόμενος.] The simple sense of the active is to 'divide,' often contrasted, as in Plato and Aristotle, with συγκρίνειν: so in the system of Empedocles (Diels p. 478) τὰ στοιχεῖα ποτὲ μὲν ὑπὸ τῆς φιλίας συγκρινόμενα, ποτὲ δὲ ὑπὸ τοῦ νείκους διακρινόμενα κ.τ.λ. In 1 Cor. iv. 7 (τίς σε διακρίνει;) it means to separate from others as superior. Similarly in the passive, as Philo M. I. p. 584 (a veil is interposed) ὅπως διακρίνηται τῶν εἴσω τὰ ἔξω. Hence it is used of quarrelling, Herod. 9. 58 μαχῆ διακριθῆναι πρὸς τινα, Acts xi. 2 διεκρίνοντο πρὸς αὐτὸν λέγοντες ('disputed'), Jude 9 τῷ διαβόλῳ διακρινόμενος, and in ver. 23 ἐλέγχετε διακρινομένους (Alf.), Jerem. xv. 10 δικαζόμενον καὶ διακρινόμενον πάσῃ τῇ γῆ, Ezek. xx. 35, 36 διακριθήσομαι πρὸς ('I will plead, contend, with you') ὃν τρόπον διεκρίθη πρὸς τοὺς πατέρας ὑμῶν. In the N.T. it is frequently used of internal division, like διαμερίζομαι (Luke xi. 18 ἐφ' ἑαυτὸν διεμερίσθη, cf. Virg. *Aen.* iv. 285 *animum nunc huc celerem nunc dividit illuc*); and contrasted with faith, Matt. xxi. 21 ἐὰν ἔχητε πίστιν καὶ μὴ διακριθῆτε, Mark xi. 23 ὃς ἂν εἴπῃ...καὶ μὴ διακριθῆ ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ ἀλλὰ πιστεύσῃ...ἔσται αὐτῷ ὃ ἐὰν εἴπῃ, Rom. iv. 20 εἰς τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν τοῦ Θεοῦ οὐ διεκρίθη τῇ ἀπιστίᾳ ἀλλ' ἐνεδυναμώθη τῇ πίστει, below ii. 4 οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς; Acts x. 20 πορεύου μηδὲν διακρινόμενος, Rom. xiv. 23 ὁ διακρινόμενος ἐὰν φαγῆ κατακέριται ὅτι οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως. This use is apparently confined to the N.T. and later Christian writings, e.g. Protev. Jac. 11 p. 216 T. ἀκούσασα δὲ Μαριάμ διεκρίθη ἐν ἑαυτῇ λέγουσα· εἰ ἐγὼ συλλήψομαι, ὡς πᾶσα γυνὴ γεννᾷ; Clem. Hom. ii. 40 περὶ τοῦ μόνου Θεοῦ διακριθῆναι οὐκ ὀφείλεις, Socr. *H.E.* iii. 9 διεκρίνετο κοινωνεῖν Εὐσεβίῳ. The act. is also used in the sense of distinguishing, *discerno*, Matt. xvi. 3, Acts xv. 9 οὐδὲν διέκρινεν μεταξὺ ἡμῶν τε καὶ αὐτῶν, xi. 12 μηδὲν διακρίναντα (making no distinction), 1 Cor. xi. 29 μὴ διακρίνων τὸ σῶμα (not distinguishing the body of Christ from common food), xvi. 29 (discerning of spirits), so Herm. *Mand.* ii. 6 quoted on ἀπλῶς: also of deciding (judging) 1 Cor. vi. 5 ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ, Ez. xxxiv. 17 προβάτου καὶ προβάτου, and with acc. of person 1 Cor. xi. 31, as in Psa. xlix. 4 διακρίναι τὸν λαὸν αὐτοῦ, Prov. xxxi. 9, Zach. iii. 7.¹ The force of the word here may be illustrated by iv. 4 below and by Matt. vi. 24. Hermas paraphrases it by αἰτοῦ ἀδιστάκτως *Mand.* ix., a passage full of reminiscences of St. James. Μηδὲν is required by the imperative, see Winer, p. 598.

¹ Hofmann, followed by Erdmann, explains διακρινόμενος here as middle, 'sich bei sich selbst in Bezug auf etwas fraglich stellen,' and supports this by a reference to 4 Macc. 2 (it should be i. 14) διακρίνωμεν δὲ τί ἐστὶν λογισμὸς καὶ τί πάθος, where however διακ. has nothing to do with questioning, but means simply 'let us distinguish.' Dr. Abbott also would prefer to take it as a middle, comparing such cases as Eur. *Med.* 609 ὡς οὐ κρινούμαι τῶνδέ σοι τὰ πλείονα 'I will debate the matter no further,' Arist. *Nub.* τέως μὲν οὖν ἐκρινόμεθ' (cf. the Latin *cernere bello*); and he thinks διεκρίθη may be used with a middle force, like ἀπεκρίθη for ἀπεκρίνατο. The idea of self-debate is much the same as that of self-division, and it may well be that the sense here takes a colour from the secondary, as well as from the primitive force of the verb κρίνω, but the connexion with the primitive notion 'division' is, I think, the more important, and harmonizes better with the word δίψυχος, which appears as a synonym just below.

ἔοικε κλύδωνι.] Like a cork floating on the wave, now carried towards the shore, now away from it; opposite to those who have 'hope as an anchor of the soul, sure and steadfast, and which entereth within the veil,' Heb. vi. 19. For the figure cf. Eph. iv. 14, where we have opposed to the ἀνὴρ τέλειος of v. 13, νήπιοι κλυδωνιζόμενοι καὶ περιφερόμενοι παντὶ ἀνέμῳ τῆς διδασκαλίας, Sir. xxxiii. 2 ὁ ὑποκρινόμενος ἐν νόμῳ ὡς ἐν καταγίδι πλοίου. In Isa. lvii. 20 the sea is used as a type of restlessness, cf. Jude 13. For a similar figurative use of the name 'Euripus' see my note on Cic. *N.D.* iii. 24. So Matt. xi. 7 κάλαμον ὑπὸ ἀνέμου σαλευόμενον, Virg. *Aen.* xii. 487 *vario nequiquam fluctuat aestu*, Hor. *Ep.* i. 1. 99 *aestuat et vitae disconvenit ordine toto*, Seneca *Ep.* 95. 57 *non contingit tranquillitas nisi immutabile certumque iudicium adeptis: ceteri decidunt subinde et reponuntur et inter intermissa appetitaque alternis fluctuantur*. Κλύδων is only found in the sing., cf. Luke viii. 24 ἐπετίμησεν τῷ ἀνέμῳ καὶ τῷ κλύδωνι τοῦ ὕδατος, and see Essay on Style. The word ἔοικε only here and below ver. 23 in the N.T.

ἀνεμιζομένῳ.] = classical ἀνεμόω. Perhaps coined by the writer. The only other examples quoted in Thayer are Schol. on *Od.* xii. 336, Hesych. s.v. ἀναψύξαι, Joan. Moschus ἀνεμίζοντος τοῦ πλοίου. Heisen notices (p. 441) that St. James has a fondness for verbs in -ίζω, e.g. ὀνειδίζω, ῥιπίζω, παραλογίζομαι, φλογίζω, ἐγγίζω, καθαρίζω, ἀγνίζω, ἀφανίζω, θησαυρίζω, θερίζω, στηρίζω, μακαρίζω.

ῥιπιζομένῳ.] From ῥιπίς, 'a fan'; most often used of fanning a flame. Only found here in N.T. Cf. Philo *Incorr. Mund.* M. ii. p. 511 εἰ μὴ πρὸς ἀνέμων ῥιπίζοιτο τὸ ὕδωρ... ὑφ' ἡσυχίας νεκροῦται, and a comic fragment in Dio Chr. 32. p. 368 δῆμος ἄστατον κακόν, | καὶ θαλάσση πάνθ' ὅμοιον ὑπ' ἀνέμου ῥιπίζεται, Aristoph. *Ran.* 360, Philo *Gig.* M. 1. p. 269 ἰδὼν τις τὸν ἐν ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἄλεκτον καὶ βαρὺν χειμῶνα, ὃς ὑπὸ βαιοτάτης φορᾶς τῶν κατὰ βίον πραγμάτων ἀναρριπίζεται, τεθαύμακεν εἰκότως εἴ τις ἐν κλύδωνι κυμαινούσης θαλάσσης γαλήνην ἄγειν δύναται: Epictetus i. 4. 19 has a similar use of μεταρριπίζεσθαι.

7. μὴ γὰρ οἰέσθω.] This is the only passage in N.T. where the verb occurs, except οἶμαι John xxi. 25, οἰόμενοι Phil. i. 17. Οἴησις is often used in Philo in a bad sense = δόξα, as opposed to ἐπιστήμη. *Fides non opinatur* says Bengel on this passage, echoing the Stoic μὴ δοξάσειν τὸν σοφόν. Γάρ here, like the preceding, gives the reason for αἰτείτω ἐν πίστει.

ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος.] For ἐκεῖνος simply, as in Mark xiv. 21, Matt. xxvi. 24, and *passim*.

τοῦ Κυρίου.] Here and below iv. 15, v. 10, 11 used of God: of Christ in i. 1, ii. 1 certainly, and v. 8, 14, 15 probably.

8. ἀνὴρ δίψυχος.] St. James commonly uses ἀνὴρ with some characteristic word, as μακάριος i. 12, κατανοῶν i. 23, χρυσοδακτύλιος ii. 2, τέλειος iii. 2, keeping ἄνθρωπος for more general expressions, ἐκεῖνος, πᾶς, οὐδείς, &c. This agrees fairly with the use in the LXX. and Gospels: in the other epistles ἀνὴρ is almost exclusively used in opposition to γυνή. Apparently the word δίψ. (only found here and below iv. 8 in N.T.) is here used for the first time: the thought is found in Psa. xii. 2 'with a double heart (ἐν καρδίᾳ καὶ ἐν καρδίᾳ) do they

speak¹, 1 Chron. xii. 33, 1 Kings xviii. 21, Sirac. i. 25 μὴ ἀπειθήσης φόβῳ Κυρίου καὶ μὴ προσέλθῃς αὐτῷ ἐν καρδίᾳ δισσῆ, *ib.* ii. 12 οὐαὶ ἁμαρτωλῷ ἐπιβαίνοντι ἐπὶ δύο τρίβους...οὐαὶ ὑμῖν τοῖς ἀπολωλεκόσι τὴν ὑπομονήν. It is the opposite to Deut. iv. 29 ζητήσετε ἐκεῖ Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ὑμῶν καὶ εὐρήσετε αὐτὸν ὅταν ἐκζητήσετε αὐτὸν ἐξ ὅλης τῆς καρδίας σου καὶ ἐξ ὅλης τῆς ψυχῆς σου ἐν τῇ θλίψει σου, and to Wisd. i. 1 ἐν ἀπλότητι καρδίας² ζητήσατε (τὸν Κύριον) ὅτι εὐρίσκεται τοῖς μὴ πειράζουσιν αὐτόν, ἐμφανίζεται δὲ τοῖς μὴ ἀπιστοῖσιν αὐτῷ. St. Paul describes a διψυχία in Rom. vii. : cf. below iv. 4, Philo M. 1. p. 230 πέφυκε γὰρ ὁ ἄφρων, αἰεὶ περὶ τὸν ὀρθὸν λόγον κινούμενος, ἡρεμία καὶ ἀναπαύσει δυσμενῆς εἶναι καὶ ἐπὶ μηδενὸς ἐστάναι παγίως καὶ ἐρηρεῖσθαι δόγματος, κ.τ.λ. Though seemingly introduced by St. James, the word was quickly taken up by subsequent writers : it occurs about forty times in Hermas, e.g. *Mand.* ix. 4. 5 foll. αἰτοῦ παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ ἀπολήψη πάντα...ἐὰν δὲ διστάσης ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ σου, οὐδὲν οὐ μὴ λήψη τῶν αἰτημάτων σου· οἱ γὰρ διστάζοντες, οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ δίψυχοι...πᾶς γὰρ δίψυχος ἀνὴρ ἐὰν μὴ μετανοήσῃ δυσκόλως σωθήσεται : the whole chapter is a comment on our text, and full of reminiscences of this epistle ; thus ἡ πίστις ἄνωθὲν ἐστι παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ ἔχει δύναμιν μεγάλην· ἡ δὲ διψυχία ἐπίγειον πνεῦμά ἐστι παρὰ τοῦ διαβόλου, δύναμιν μὴ ἔχουσα is an echo of James iii. 15 ; οὐκ ἔστι γὰρ ὁ Θεὸς ὡς οἱ ἄνθρωποι οἱ μνησικακοῦντες reminds one of μὴ ὀνειδίζοντος just above. In the space of thirty lines we find fifteen instances of the use of δίψυχος and its derivatives. So Clem. Rom. i. c. 11 (Lot's wife is a warning) ὅτι οἱ δίψυχοι καὶ οἱ διστάζοντες περὶ τῆς τοῦ Θεοῦ δυνάμεως εἰς κρίμα... γίνονται, 23 (the Father bestows his favour on all that come to him) ἀπλῆ διανοία· διὸ μὴ διψυχῶμεν...πόρρω γενέσθω ἀφ' ἡμῶν ἡ γραφὴ αὕτη ὅπου λέγει Ταλαίπωροί³ εἰσιν οἱ δίψυχοι, οἱ διστάζοντες τὴν ψυχὴν κ.τ.λ., Clem. Rom. ii. 11 μὴ διψυχῶμεν ἀλλὰ ἐλπίζαιτες ὑπομείνωμεν, *ib.* 19 μὴ ἀγανακτῶμεν οἱ ἄσοφοι (cf. λείπεται σοφίας above) ὅταν τις ἡμᾶς νουθετῇ... ἐνίοτε γὰρ πονηρὰ πράσσοντες οὐ γινώσκομεν διὰ τὴν διψυχίαν καὶ ἀπιστίαν, Clem. Al. *Strom.* i. 29 § 181 (quoting Hermas), Didaché iv. 4 οὐ διψυχήσεις πότερον ἔσται ἢ οὐ, repeated by Barnabas xix. 5, and in Const. Apost. vii. 11, with the addition ἐν τῇ προσευχῇ σου...λέγει γὰρ ὁ Κύριος ἐμοὶ Πέτρῳ ἐπὶ τῆς θαλάσσης Ὀλιγόπιστε εἰς τί ἐδίστασας ; Can. Eccl. 13, Act. Philip. in Hell. p. 99 Tisch. οἱ ὑπὸ τῆς πίστεως ἐστηριγμένοι οὐκ ἐδιψύχησαν, Enoch xci. 4 (Dillmann tr. p. 65) 'be not companions of those who are of a double heart.' Similar phrases are διχόνοια Clem. Rom. i. 11, διπλοκαρδία Didaché v. 1, Barn. xx. 1, διγνώμων Barn. xix. 7, δίγνωμος Const. Ap. ii. 6, 21, διπρόσωπος Test. Ash. iii. p. 691, διχόνους ἐπαμφοτεριστῆς ὁ ἄφρων Philo frag. M. 2. p. 663, δίλογος 1 Tim. iii. 8, δίγλωσσος, Sir. v. 9. For classical parallels cf. Xen. *Cyr.* vi. 1. 41 δύο γὰρ, ἔφη, σαφῶς ἔχω ψυχάς...οὐ γὰρ δὴ μία γε οὔσα ἅμα ἀγαθὴ τέ ἐστι καὶ κακὴ, οὐδ' ἅμα καλῶν τε καὶ αἰσχυρῶν ἔργων ἐρᾶ καὶ ταῦτ' ἅμα βούλεται τε καὶ οὐ βούλεται πράττειν, Plato *Rep.* 8. 554 D (of the oligarchical man) οὐκ ἄρ' ἂν εἴη ἀστασίαστος ὁ τοιοῦτος ἐν ἑαυτῷ οὐδὲ εἰς, ἀλλὰ διπλοῦς τις, and

¹ See Taylor's *Gospel in the Law*, p. 336 foll. ; he considers that St. James here quotes from Prov. xxi. 8.

² The phrase occurs also Eph. vi. 5, Col. iii. 22.

³ The quotation is from an apocryphal writing, supposed by Lightfoot to be 'Eldad and Modad,' by Hilgenfeld to be the 'Assumption of Moses.'

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for the service of God and good of man. Cf. Philo *Jos. M.* 2. 61 ταπεινὸς εἶ ταῖς τύχαις; ἀλλὰ τὸ φρόνημα μὴ καταπιπτέτω. πάντα σοι κατὰ νοῦν χωρεῖ; μεταβολὴν εὐλαβοῦ, *Sirac.* 10. 21 πλούσιος καὶ ἔνδοξος καὶ πτωχός, τὸ καύχημα αὐτῶν φόβος Κυρίου, *Jer.* ix. 23 μὴ καυχάσθω—ὁ σοφὸς ἐν τῇ σοφίᾳ αὐτοῦ...καὶ μὴ καυχάσθω ὁ πλούσιος ἐν τῷ πλούτῳ αὐτοῦ, 'but let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me...saith the Lord,' *Rom.* i. 16, 1 *Pet.* iv. 16, 1 *Cor.* vii. 22 ὁ ἐν Κυρίῳ κληθεὶς δούλος, ἀπελεύθερος Κυρίου ἐστίν· ὁμοίως καὶ ὁ ἐλεύθερος κληθεὶς, δούλός ἐστι Χριστοῦ, *ib.* vii. 29, *Phil.* iv. 12 οἶδα ταπεινοῦσθαι, οἶδα καὶ περισσεύειν· ἐν παντὶ καὶ ἐν πᾶσιν μεμύημαι καὶ χορτάζεσθαι καὶ πεινᾶν, καὶ περισσεύειν καὶ ὑστερεῖσθαι. The word *καυχ.* is much used by St. Paul, generally in a good sense: the Christian's boast is in God (*Rom.* v. 11), in Christ (*Rom.* xv. 17, 1 *Cor.* i. 31, 2 *Cor.* x. 17, *Gal.* vi. 14, *Phil.* iii. 3 *καυχόμενοι ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ καὶ οὐκ ἐν σαρκὶ πεποιθότες*), in the hope of salvation (*Rom.* v. 2): St. Paul glories in his converts (2 *Cor.* vii. 14, ix. 2, 3, 2 *Thess.* i. 4, *Phil.* ii. 16), in afflictions (*Rom.* v. 3), in infirmities (2 *Cor.* xii. 9): he apologises for boasting in self-justification (2 *Cor.* xi., xii.). There may be a wrong boasting in God and in the law (*Rom.* ii. 17, 23), a boasting of self-righteousness towards God (*Rom.* iii. 27, iv. 2, 1 *Cor.* i. 29, iv. 7), an actual boasting in sin (1 *Cor.* v. 6), or on the ground of mere carnal advantages (2 *Cor.* xi. 18, *Gal.* vi. 13). It is used below of blamable self-confidence (iv. 16).

ὁ ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινός.] WH. bracket the former ὁ, which is omitted in B. This would leave no doubt that ἀδελφός was a general term applying to both πλούσιος and ταπεινός. Even with the article this is the natural way of taking it. The objections will be considered below. Ταπ. here refers to outward condition as in *Luke* i. 52 *καθεῖλε δυναστὰς...ὑψωσε ταπεινούς*, *Rom.* xii. 16 *μὴ τὰ ὑψηλὰ φρονούντες ἀλλὰ τοῖς ταπεινοῖς συναπαγόμενοι*, cf. below ii. 5; in iv. 6 ταπ. refers to the character.

10. ὁ δε πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ.] 'Let the rich brother glory in his humiliation as a Christian': cf. *Sir.* 3. 18 *ὅσῳ μέγας εἶ τοσοῦτω ταπεινοῦ σεαυτὸν καὶ ἔναντι Κυρίου εὐρήσει χάριν*, 1 *Tim.* vi. 17 charge them who are rich in this world *μὴ ὑψηλοφρονεῖν μηδὲ ἡλπικεῖναι ἐπὶ πλούτου ἀδηλόγητι*, *Luke* xvi. 15 *τὸ ἐν ἀνθρώποις ὑψηλὸν βδέλυγμα ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ*, *Matt.* xviii. 4 *ὅστις ταπεινώσει ἑαυτὸν...οὗτος ἔσται ὁ μείζων ἐν τῇ βασιλείᾳ τῶν οὐρανῶν*, *ib.* xxiii. 12, 2 *Cor.* xi. 7 *ἐμαυτὸν ταπεινῶν ἵνα ὑμεῖς ὑψώθητε*, also below iv. 10, *Philo M.* 1. p. 577 *ταπεινώθητι ὑπὸ τὰς χεῖρας αὐτῆς (sc. of Sarah = virtue) καλὴν ταπεινώσιν, φρονήματος ἀλόγου καθαίρεισιν ἔχουσιν*, *Xen. R. Lac.* 8. 2 *ἐν τῇ Σπάρτῃ οἱ κράτιστοι...τῷ ταπεινοῖ εἶναι μεγαλύνονται*. We might understand ταπ. with reference to the loss of position, the scorn which one who became a Christian would have to suffer from his unbelieving fellow-countrymen (1 *Cor.* iv. 10–13); but it seems better to refer it, like ὑψος above, to the intrinsic effect of Christianity in changing our view of life. As the despised poor learns self-respect, so the proud rich learns self-abasement, cf. *Luke* xxii. 26 *ὁ ἡγούμενος ὡς ὁ διακονῶν*. Alf., after Bede, Pott, Huther and others, distinguishes ὁ πλούσιος from ὁ ἀδελφός on the ground (1) that the rich in this epistle are always spoken of in terms of great severity (ii. 6, v. 1 foll.);

(2) that *παρλεύσεται* and *μαρανθήσεται* are not appropriate if spoken of a brother. He therefore supplies *καυχᾶται*, not *καυχάσθω*, after *ὁ πλούσιος*, with the sense 'whereas the rich man glories in his debasement,' and illustrates it from Phil. iii. 19 *ὧν ἡ δόξα ἐν τῇ αἰσχύνῃ αὐτῶν*. But *ταπείνωσις* never bears this sense in the Hellenistic writers. It and its cognates are used either in a good sense morally (as below iv. 6, 10), or of mere outward humiliation (as in Luke i. 48 *ἐπέβλεψεν ἐπὶ τὴν ταπείνωσιν τῆς δούλης αὐτοῦ*, Sir. 2. 5 *ἄνθρωποι λεκτοὶ δοκιμάζονται ἐν καμίνῳ ταπεινώσεως*, *ib.* xi. 13, xx. 10, Psa. cxix. 50, 67, 71, 1 Macc. iii. 51, 2 Sam. xvi. 12, Neh. ix. 9). In the next place such a change of mood in the verb to be supplied is extremely harsh, and I think Alf. stands alone in supposing it possible. Equally impossible is the supposition of Oecumenius, Grotius and others that some such word as *αἰσχυνέσθω* or *ταπεινούσθω* should be supplied. However we understand *πλούσιος*, no interpretation is admissible which does not supply the imperative *καυχάσθω*. Bede, followed by Huther and Beyschlag, has attempted to reconcile this with the idea of *πλούσιος*, as an unbeliever, by giving it a sarcastic force, 'let the rich man, if he will, glory in his degradation.' It must be allowed that such bitterness of sarcasm is not impossible in the writer of ii. 19, iv. 4, v. 1-6; but could he so early in his letter, in cold blood so to speak, have thus anathematized the rich as a class, when we know from iv. 13-16 that some of those to whom he writes were wealthy traders? How could one who had known Nicodemus and Mary of Bethany, Joseph of Arimathaea and Barnabas, have thus denied to the rich the privilege of Christian membership? According to the correct interpretation all that he does is to repeat his Master's warning in Matt. vi. 19 foll., xvi. 26, Mark x. 24, Luke xii. 15-21, xvi. 9-31; so St. Paul 1 Cor. vii. 29-31, cf. Herm. *Sim.* ii. 4 foll.

ὅτι ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρλεύσεται.] A quotation (given more fully in 1 Pet. i. 24) from Isa. xl. 6 *πᾶσα σὰρξ χόρτος καὶ πᾶσα δόξα ἀνθρώπου ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου· ἐξηράνθη ὁ χόρτος καὶ τὸ ἄνθος ἐξέπεσεν*: cf. Psa. lxxxix. 6, ciii. 15. It is evident that this is not a special threat intended only for the rich, but a general truth applicable to all, though more likely to be kept out of sight by the rich than by others. 'Let him glory in that which the world holds to be humiliation, but which is indeed the commencement of everlasting glory, because he must soon pass away from earth and leave behind the riches in which he is now tempted to glory.' Pliny *N.H.* 21. 1 has the same comparison, *Flores odoresque in diem gignit (natura) magna admonitione hominum, quae spectatissime floeant celerrime marcescere.*

παρλεύσεται.] Used in this sense, as well in common, as in Hellenistic Greek: cf. Mark xiii. 31 *ὁ οὐρανὸς καὶ ἡ γῆ παρλεύσεται*. It is not necessary to understand a new subject *πλοῦτος* from *πλούσιος*, though it is possible that the equivalent phrase in the LXX. *δόξα ἀνθρώπου* may have been in the writer's mind; but the rich man as such, whether believer or unbeliever, must quickly disappear, and, like the flower, lose *τὴν εὐπρέπειαν τοῦ προσώπου*.

11. *ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος.*] Gnomical aorist, as in the original Isa. xl. 7, and below ver. 24, cf. Winer, p. 347 note, Krueger, *Gr.* § 53. 10.

σὺν τῷ καύσωνι.] It is questioned whether κ. here means 'heat' simply, or a special burning wind blowing from the eastern desert over Palestine and from the south over Egypt. It is used of wind in the following: Jonah iv. 8 ἐγένετο ἄμα τῷ ἀνατεῖλαι τὸν ἥλιον καὶ προσετάξεν ὁ Θεὸς πνεύματι καύσωνι, Ezek. xvii. 10 (of a vine) οὐχὶ ἄμα τῷ ἄψασθαι αὐτῆς ἄνεμον τὸν καύσωνα ξηρανθήσεται, on which Jerome says *Austro flante qui Græce καύσων interpretatur*, Ez. xix. 10, Hos. xii. 1, Jer. xviii. 17, Hos. xiii. 15 ἐπάξει καύσωνα ἄνεμον Κύριος ἐκ τῆς ἐρήμου ἐπ' αὐτόν: and the destructive effect of the wind generally on vegetation is referred to Psa. ciii. 16, Gen. xli. 6, Virg. *Ecl.* ii. 58 *floribus Austrum immisi*, Prop. iv. 5. 59 *vili ego odorati victura rosaria Paesti sub matutino cocta jactere noto*. There are however passages in which κ. seems more naturally understood of heat, e.g. Luke xii. 55 (when ye see) νότον πνέοντα λέγετε ὅτι καύσων ἔσται, Matt. xx. 12 ἴσους τοῖς βαστάσασι τὸ βάρος τῆς ἡμέρας καὶ τὸν καύσωνα, Sirac. 18. 15 οὐχὶ καύσωνα ἀναπαύσει δρόσος, and Schegg is disposed to take κ. always in this sense, except where it is accompanied by ἄνεμος or πνεῦμα. I think that the addition of the article (Corbey 'cum aestu suo,' Schegg 'its heat,' but in Hellenistic Greek we should have expected τῷ κ. αὐτοῦ) and the resemblance to Jonah iv. 8 are in favour of the interpretation 'wind' here; so Br. Middleton *On the Article* p. 422. Compare also Wetzstein's note on Job xxvii. 21 in Delitzsch's ed.: 'The name Sirocco, by which the E. wind is known, means literally *der von Sonnenaufgang her wehende*: it is not uncommon in spring, when it withers up all the young vegetation.' Other passages where the meaning of the word is doubtful are Sir. xxxi. 16, xliii. 22, Isa. xlix. 10, Judith viii. 3, Athenæus iii. 2 καύσωνος ὄρα ψυκτικώτατοι μελιλώτινοι στέφανοι. For the metaphor cf. Job xxvii. 21 ἀναλήψεται δὲ αὐτόν (the rich) καύσων καὶ ἀπελεύσεται, *ib.* xxiv. 24 πολλοὺς ἐκάκωσε τὸ ὕψωμα αὐτοῦ, ἐμαράνθη δὲ ὥσπερ μολόχη ἐν καύματι ἢ ὥσπερ στάχυς ἀπὸ καλάμης αὐτόματος ἀποπεσών, Psa. xxxvii. 2, xcii. 7.

χόρτον.] Properly = *hortus* 'inclosure,' then used for a paddock, then for grass and fodder, from whence comes the use of χορτάζομαι = *elo* ii. 16. Here we may understand it loosely of wild flowers mixed with grass: cf. Matt. vi. 30.

ἐξέπεσε.] Used of flowers falling from the calyx in Isa. xl. 6, xxviii. 1, 4, Job xiv. 2, xv. 33: not found in this sense in classical writers.

εὐπρέπεια τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ.] 'Grace of its countenance.' εὐπ. only here in N.T. In Sir. 24. 14 we have εὐπρεπῆς ἐλαία, Psa. 1. 2 ἐκ Σιών ἢ εὐπρέπεια τῆς ὀραϊότητος αὐτοῦ, Psa. xcii. 1 εὐπρέπειαν ἐνεδύσατο, Aeschin. p. 18 τὴν τοῦ σώματος εὐπρέπειαν, Ps. Demosth. 1402, 1404. For thought cf. Matt. vi. 28 foll. Vorst *Hell. Lex.* p. 342 foll. regards προσ. as a Hebraistic pleonasm: others more correctly take it in the general sense of outward appearance, like *facies*.

ὁ πλούσιος.] The rich man *qua* rich, with no special reference to the rich brother.

ἐν ταῖς πορείαις.] It seems best to take this here in the literal sense, as in the only other passage in which it occurs in the N.T. (Luke xiii. 22), referring to the journeyings and voyages of the merchants: cf. below iv. 13 foll. For the redundant αὐτοῦ cf. Winer, p. 179.

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δημα βασιλείας ἐν χειρὶ Θεοῦ σου. The question then is, from which of these uses is the metaphor here derived. Comparing ii. 5, where what is here said of the crown is repeated of the kingdom, it would seem natural to take the word as implying sovereignty, and this would agree with Wisd. v. 16 δίκαιοι λήψονται τὸ βασίλειον τῆς εὐπρεπείας καὶ τὸ διάδημα τοῦ κάλλους ἐκ χειρὸς Κυρίου, *ib.* iii. 8, Dan. vii. 27 'the kingdom was given to the saints of the Most High,' Apoc. i. 6, 1 Pet. ii. 9 ὑμεῖς βασίλειον ἱεράτευμα, Rom. v. 17 οἱ τὴν περισσείαν τῆς χάριτος λαμβάνοντες ἐν ζωῇ βασιλεύσουσιν, Luke xii. 32 'it is my Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom,' *ib.* xxii. 28 'I appoint unto you a kingdom, and ye shall sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel,' 2 Tim. ii. 12 εἰ ὑπομένομεν καὶ συμβασιλεύσομεν, which reminds one of Zech. vi. 14 ὁ στέφανος ἔσται τοῖς ὑπομένουσι, following immediately after κατάρξει ἐπὶ τοῦ θρόνου αὐτοῦ; so the Stoic paradox *sapiens rex*. The nearest parallels to our passage are Apoc. ii. 10 γίνου πιστὸς ἄχρι θανάτου καὶ δώσω σοι τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς, 2 Tim. iv. 8 ἀποκεῖται μοι ὁ τῆς δικαιοσύνης στέφανος ὃ ἀποδώσει μοι ὁ Κύριος ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ἡμέρᾳ...καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς ἠγαπηκόσι τὴν ἐπιφάνειαν αὐτοῦ, 1 Pet. v. 4 φανερωθέντος τοῦ ἀρχιποιμένου κομειῖσθε τὸν ἀμαράντινον τῆς δόξης στέφανον. The use of the article in all these seems to imply some well-known saying or a very definite expectation. On the other hand, the idea of a kingly crown seems less appropriate in them than that of a crown of merit or victory. The Rabbins talk of three crowns (Pirke Aboth iv. 19). Probably the metaphorical use would be coloured by all the literal uses. Other instances are Sir. 1. 16, vi. 30, xv. 6, Acta Matt. Tisch. p. 169 ἐγγύς ἐστιν τῆς ὑπομονῆς σου ὁ στέφανος, Philo *Legg. All.* M. p. 86 σπούδασον στεφανωθῆναι κατὰ τῆς τοὺς ἄλλους ἅπαντας νικώσης ἡδονῆς καλὸν καὶ εὐκλεῆ στέφανον ὃν οὐδεμία πανήγυρις ἀνθρώπων ἐχώρησε.

τῆς ζωῆς.] Gen. of definition, as in the parallels quoted in the last n.: 'the crown which consists in life eternal.' Cf. 1 John ii. 25 αὕτη ἐστὶν ἡ ἐπαγγελία ἣν αὐτὸς ἐπηγγείλατο ὑμῖν, τὴν ζωὴν τὴν αἰώνιον, 1 Pet. iii. 7. This is contrasted with the fading away of earthly prosperity. Zeller and Hilgenfeld (*Ztschr. f. wiss. Theol.* 1873, p. 93 and p. 10) consider that the expression is borrowed from Apoc. ii. 10, this being the promise referred to below. [Wisdom promises a crown and life, Prov. iv. 9, iii. 18, Aboth vi. C.T.]

ὃν ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν.] Κύριος or Θεός is inserted in some MSS. but in AB Sin. &c. the subject is omitted, as in Heb. iv. 3 καθὼς εἶρηκεν, and often in introducing a quotation: cf. iv. 6, Eph. iv. 8, Gal. iii. 16, 1 Cor. vi. 16, Heb. x. 5, and Winer p. 735. Putting on one side Apoc. ii. 10, which was probably written subsequently to this epistle, we do not find the precise words τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς in any particular passage of the Bible. It is a question therefore whether they constitute an unwritten word, a record of oral teaching, such as we have in Acts xx. 35, and of which others have been preserved by early Christian writers;¹ or whether it is an instance of

¹ They are collected in Resch's *Agrapha*. Leipzig. 1889. Besides this verse (on which he compares Isa. xxii. 17-21 and Acta Philippi, p. 147 T.) he includes i. 17 πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθή, iv. 5 πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ, iv. 17 εἶδόντι οὐδὲν καλὸν ποιεῖν, v. 20

loose quotation, representing some of the verses cited above on *στέφανος*, such as we find below iv. 5. For the latter view it may be said that it is apparently the same quotation which is repeated in different words below ii. 5. For the former, that the undoubted references to the Sermon on the Mount which occur in this epistle are in all probability actual reminiscences of spoken words, not copied from the written Gospel; and secondly, that it seems easier to explain the coincidence between St. James and the writer of the Apocalypse on this than on any other supposition. Promises to those that love God are found in Exod. xx. 6, Deut. vii. 9, *ib.* xxx. 16, 20, Jud. v. 30, Psa. v. 11, 2 Tim. iv. 8, 1 Cor. ii. 9 (a quotation from Isa. lxiv. 4, where however the LXX. has *τοῖς ὑπομένουσιν ἔλεον* for St. Paul's *τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν*).

13. *μηδὲς πειραζόμενος λεγέτω ὅτι.*] *Hactenus de tentationibus quas permittente Domino exterius probandi gratia perperitimus disputavit: nunc incipit agere de illis quas interius instigante diabolo vel etiam naturae nostrae fragilitate suadente toleramus* (Bede). Though trial in itself is ordered by God for our good, yet the inner solicitation to evil which is aroused by the outer trial is from ourselves. The subst. *πειρασμός* denotes the objective trial, the v. *πειράζομαι* subjective temptation. Ὅτι introduces the direct oration as in Matt. vii. 23, John ix. 9, and often both in Hellenistic and classical Greek.

ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι.] Ἄπό expresses the remoter, as contrasted with the nearer cause expressed by *ὑπό* (Winer, p. 463 foll.). Eve was the immediate cause of Adam's transgression, but Adam tried to make God the ultimate cause in the words 'whom thou gavest to be with me.' So the fault is often laid on hereditary disposition, on unfavourable circumstances, on sudden and overpowering *πειρασμός*. The same plea is noticed in both Jewish and heathen writers: cf. Prov. xix. 3 *ἀφροσύνη ἀνδρὸς λυμαίνεται τὰς ὁδοὺς αὐτοῦ, τὸν δὲ Θεὸν αἰτιᾶται τῇ καρδίᾳ αὐτοῦ*, Sir. xv. 11-20 *μὴ εἴπῃς ὅτι διὰ Κύριον ἀπέστην· ἃ γὰρ ἐμίσησεν οὐ ποιήσεις· μὴ εἴπῃς ὅτι αὐτὸς με ἐπλάνησεν... πᾶν βδέλυγμα ἐμίσησεν ὁ Κύριος, καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ἀγαπητὸν τοῖς φοβουμένοις αὐτόν· αὐτὸς ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἐποίησεν ἄνθρωπον καὶ ἀφῆκεν αὐτόν ἐν χειρὶ διαβουλίου οὐτοῦ... ἔναντι ἀνθρώπων ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ὁ θάνατος κ.τ.λ.*, Rom. ix. 19 *τί ἔτι μέμφεται; τῷ γὰρ βουλήματι αὐτοῦ τίς ἀνθέστηκε;* Clem. *Hom.* iii. 55 *τοῖς δὲ οἰομένοις ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς πειράζει... ἔφη ὁ πονηρὸς ἔστιν ὁ πειράζων, ὁ καὶ αὐτόν πειράσας*, Herm. *Mand.* ix. 8 *ἐὰν διψυχῆσης αἰτούμενος σεαυτὸν αἰτιῶ καὶ μὴ τὸν δίδόντα σοι*, Tert. *Orat.* 8 (commenting on the Lord's Prayer) *absit ut Dominus tentare videatur*, Philo M. 1. p. 558 *τίς ἂν γένοιτο αἰσχίων κακηγορία ἢ τὸ φάσκειν μὴ περὶ ἡμᾶς ἀλλὰ περὶ Θεὸν γένεσιν εἶναι τῶν κακῶν;* *ib.* p. 214 *οὐ γὰρ, ὡς ἔνιοι τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τὸν Θεὸν αἴτιον κακῶν φησὶ Μωϋσῆς, ἀλλὰ τὰς ἡμετέρας χεῖρας... καὶ τὰς ἐκουσίους τῆς διανοίας πρὸς τὸ χεῖρον τροπᾶς*, Hom. *Il.* 19. 85 (Agamemnon excuses himself for his injustice towards Achilles) *ἐγὼ δ' οὐκ αἰτιός εἰμι, ἀλλὰ Ζεὺς καὶ μοῖρα καὶ ἠεροφοῖτις ἔρινύς, οἳ τέ μοι εἰν ἀγορῇ φρεσὶν ἔμβαλον ἄγριον ἄτην*, *Od.* i. 32 *ὦ πόποι οἶον δὴ νῦ θεοὺς βροτοὶ αἰτιόωνται· ἐξ ἡμῶν γὰρ φασι κάκ' ἔμμεναι· οἳ δὲ καὶ αὐτοὶ σφῆσιν ἀτασ-*

καλύψει πλῆθος among the number of sayings of Jesus unreported in our Gospels. I have long held that we have in this verse an 'unwritten word,' but I do not think there is much force in the arguments adduced by Resch as regards the other verses.

θαλίησιν ἑπὲρ μόρον ἄλγε' ἔχουσιν, Aeschin. *Tim.* p. 27. 5. Nägelsb. *Hom. Theol.* p. 343 foll., *Nachhom. Theol.* 319 foll., and my note on Cic. *N.D.* iii. 76.

ἀπείραστός ἐστι κακῶν.] 'Untemptable of evil': not found elsewhere in N.T. or LXX.¹ The verb πειράζω, from which it is formed, is not used by the Attic writers. It could not be formed from πειράω, as the perf. and aor. passive are without the σ (πεπείραμαι, ἐπειράθην), but πειράζω being sometimes used in the sense 'to attempt' (e.g. Acts xvi. 7 ἐπείραζον κατὰ τὴν Βιθυνίαν πορεύεσθαι), ἀπείραστος might be equivalent to ἀπείρατος from πειράω. The usual force of the verbal in -τος is seen in ἀδέκαστος 'unbribeable,' ἀνήκεστος 'incurable,' ἀβίωτος (βίος) 'intolerable,' ἀμετάβλητος 'unchangeable,' ἄρρηκτος 'infrangible,' Many of these verbals have the force of a perfect part. pass. (*intentatus* as well as *intentabilis*), and even an active force, like ἄπταιστος, ἀφύλακτος: cf. Lat. *penetrabilis* and Winer, p. 120. Hence a wide difference between commentators as to the force of ἀπείραστος here. Beyschlag says 'bei den Kirchenvätern wird Gott öfters einfach der Unversuchbare genannt,' but the only instances cited are Pseudo-Ignatius *De Baptismo ad Philipp.*² § 11 (Lightfoot vol. 3 p. 783) πῶς πειράζεις τὸν ἀπείραστον; and Photius c. *Manichaeos* iv. p. 25 (Migne *Patrol. Gr.* cii. col. 234) τοῖς Σαδδουκαίοις πειράζειν ἐπιχειρήσασιν τὸν ἀπείραστον (written in the 9th cent.). The former is quoted in connexion with Matt. iv. 7, which leaves no doubt as to the sense in which ἀπείραστος is used. It is used in the same sense by Clem. Al. *Strom.* vii. p. 858 P. αὐστηρὸς οὐκ εἰς τὸ ἀδιάφθορον μόνον, ἀλλὰ καὶ εἰς τὸ ἀπείραστον· οὐδαμῆ γὰρ ἐνδόσιμον οὐδὲ ἀλώσιμον ἡδονῆ τε καὶ λύπη τὴν ψυχὴν παρίστησιν, *ib.* p. 874 P. ἐκεῖνος ἄνδρας νικᾷ ὁ γάμῳ καὶ παιδοποιῶ... ἐγγυμνησάμενος...πάσης κατεξανιστάμενος πείρας τῆς διὰ τέκνων καὶ γυναικὸς ...τῷ δὲ ἀοίκῳ τὰ πολλὰ εἶναι συμβέβηκεν ἀπειράστω. In Const. Apost. ii. 8 λέγει ἡ γραφή· ἀνὴρ ἀδόκιμος ἀπείραστος παρὰ Θεῷ (which must apparently mean 'one who is without trial is unapproved in the sight of God'³) there is probably an allusion to our ver. 12 and to Heb. xii. 8. It is used in a different sense in Jos. *B.J.* vii. 8 οἱ σικάριοι τῆς παρανομίας ἤρξαντο μήτε λόγον ἄρρητον εἰς ὕβριν μήτ' ἔργον ἀπείραστον (*facinus intentatum*) εἰς ὄλεθρον παραλείποντες. In this sense the form ἀπείρατος (from πειράω) is more common, e.g. Demosth. 310, οὐτ' ἀπόνοια Σωσικλέους οὔτε συκοφαντία Φιλοκράτους...οὐτ' ἄλλο οὐδὲν ἀπείρατον ἦν τούτοις κατ' ἐμοῦ, Demad. p. 180 πρότερον ἀπείρατος ὢν πολεμίας σάλπιγγος ('having had no experience of'), Diod. i. 1 ἡ διὰ τῆς ἱστορίας περιγυνομένη σύνεσις τῶν ἀλλοτρίων ἀποτευγμάτων...ἀπείρατον κακῶν ἔχει διδασκαλίαν, Plut. *Mor.* p. 119 F (of early death) εὐποτμότερος διὰ τοῦτο καὶ κακῶν ἀπείρατός ἐστιν, and in Jos. *J.B.* iii. 7. 32 ἔμειναν δὲ οὐδὲ Σαμαρεῖς ἀπείρατοι συμφορῶν, *ib.* v. 9. 3 γινώσκειν τὴν Ῥωμαίων ἰσχὺν ἀνυπόστατον, καὶ τὸ δουλεύειν τούτοις

¹ This and the two following verses are quoted by Epiph. 1066, *Panar.*

² This treatise was probably written towards the end of the 4th century (Lightfoot vol. i. p. 260).

³ Cf. Tert. *Bapt.* c. 20 *neminem intentatum regna caelestia consecuturum* with reference to Luke xxii. 28, 29; Cassian. *Coll.* ix. 23 *omnis vir qui non est temptatus non est probatus.*

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to evil; *i.e.* our belief in God's own character, His perfect purity and holiness, makes it impossible for us to suppose that it is from Him that our temptations proceed.

πειράζει δὲ αὐτὸς οὐδένα.] The δὲ with αὐτὸς contains an opposition to ἀπειραστος: 'so far from himself tempting others to evil, which would imply a delight in evil, he is by his own nature incapable of being even solicited to evil.' For the difficulties connected with this subject see comment on Temptation below.

14. ἕκαστος δὲ πειράζεται ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας.] Wetst. quotes Menachoth f. 99. b (slightly shortened) *caro et sanguis seducit a viis vitae ad vias mortis: Deus a viis mortis ad vias vitae.* We may compare the famous words of Plato αἰτία ἐλομένον Θεὸς ἀναίτιος *Rep.* x. 617; also *Phaedr.* 238 (ἐπιθυμίας ἀλόγως ἐλκούσης ἐπὶ ἡδονὰς καὶ ἀρξάσης) this tyranny of lust was called ὕβρις, Cleanthes (*Stob. Ecl.* i. 2. 12) οὐδέ τι γίνεταί ἔργον ἐπὶ χθονὶ σοῦ δίχα, δαίμον, πλὴν ὅποσα ῥέζουσι κακοὶ σφετέρησιν ἀνοίαις...αὐτοὶ δ' αὐθ' ὀρμῶσιν ἄνευ καλοῦ ἄλλος ἐπ' ἄλλα κ.τ.λ., Chrysippus *ap. Gell.* 6. 2. 12; above all the discussion on the voluntary nature of virtue and vice in *Arist. Eth.* iii. 5. See also Philo M. 2. p. 349 τὸ ἀψευδῶς ἂν λεχθὲν ἀρχέκακον πάθος ἐστὶν ἐπιθυμία, *ib.* 208 ἀδικημάτων πηγὴ ἐπιθυμία ἀφ' ἧς ῥέουσιν αἱ παρανομώταται πράξεις, *ib.* M. 2. p. 204 (in contrast with other affections which may be deemed involuntary) μόνη ἐπιθυμία τὴν ἀρχὴν ἐξ ἡμῶν λαμβάνει καὶ ἐστὶν ἐκούσιος. It is these ἐπιθυμίαι σαρκός, as they are frequently called, which constitute 'the law in our members' (*Rom.* vii. 23). St. James describes them below (iv. 1) as ἡδοναὶ 'warring in our members.' As ἐπιθυμία is here personified, there is no question about the use of ὑπό, on which see below iii. 4 n. For ἰδίας cf. 2 *Tim.* iv. 3, 2 *Pet.* iii. 2, *Jude* 18, 19.

ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος.] *Abstractus a recto itinere et illectus in malum,* Bede. Δέλεαρ and its cognates (used first of the arts of the hunter and then of those of the harlot) are often found in this connexion, see 2 *Pet.* ii. 14, 18, Philo M. 1, p. 604 ἐπιθυμιῶν δελέασιν ἀγκιστρεύσασθαι, pp. 265-267, *ib.* M. 2, p. 216 (on the attractions of idolatry) ἵνα ὄψιν καὶ ἀκοὴν δελεάσαντες συναρπάσωσι τὴν ψυχὴν, *ib.* M. 1, p. 569 ἐγὼ μὲν, ὅπερ εἰκὸς ἦν ἐργάσασθαι τὸν βουλούμενον τρόπου βάσανον καὶ δοκιμασίαν λαβεῖν, πεποίηκα δέλεαρ καθείς, ὁ δὲ ἐπεδείξατο τὴν ἑαυτοῦ φύσιν οὐκ εὐάλωτον, Plato *Tim.* 69 ἡδονὴν, μέγιστον κακοῦ δέλεαρ, *Isocr.* *Rax* 166 ὀρῶ τοὺς τὴν ἀδικίαν προτιμῶντας ὁμοία πάσχοντας τοῖς δελεαζόμενοις τῶν ζώων, *Anton.* ii. 12 τὰ ἡδονῆ δελεάζοντα, *Cic. Cato* § 44. It is often found combined with ἔλκω or its cognates: Philo M. 2. p. 474 τὸ σύνηθες ὄλκον καὶ δελεάσαι δυνατώτατον, *ib.* M. 1. p. 316 ἐν γὰρ οὐδὲν ἔστιν ὃ μὴ πρὸς ἡδονῆς δελεασθὲν εἴλκυσται, *ib.* M. 2. p. 61 αἴσθησις δελεαζομένη θεάμασι...συνεφέλκεται καὶ τὴν ὅλην ψυχὴν, *ib.* M. 1. p. 512 ἐπιθυμία ὄλκον ἔχουσα δύναμιν τὸ ποθοῦμενον διώκειν ἀναγκάζει, *ib.* p. 238 ἡδονῆς ὄλκου δελεάστρα, *Epict. frag.* 112 πάσης κακίας οἷόν τι δέλεαρ ἡδονῆ προβληθεῖσα εὐκόλως τὰς λιχνοτέρας ψυχὰς ἐπὶ τὸ ἀγκιστρον τῆς ἀπωλείας ἐφέλκεται, *Plut. Mor.* 1093 C (the pleasures of geometry) δριμὺ καὶ ποικίλον ἔχουσαι τὸ δέλεαρ οὐδενὸς τῶν ἀγωγίμων ἀποδέουσιν, ἔλκουσαι καθάπερ ἴνγξι τοῖς διαγράμμασιν, *ib.* 547 C. The relation between the two words has been wrongly illustrated from

Herod. ii. 70 ἐπεὰν νῶτον ὑὸς δελεάσῃ περὶ ἄγκιστρον... ὁ κροκόδειλος ἐντυχὼν τῷ νώτῳ καταπίνει, οἱ δὲ ἔλκουσιν· ἐπεὰν δὲ ἐξέλκυσθῆ ἔς γῆν κ.τ.λ. This would make a ὑστερον πρότερον in our text, where the drawing is previous to the actual catching at the particular bait. Heisen cites a number of lines of Oppian in which ἔλκω and its compounds are used, as here, of the first drawing of the fish out from its original retreat, e.g. iii. 316 the bait ἐφέλκεται ἰχθύας εἴσω, iv. 359; cf. Xen. *Cyrop.* viii. 1. 32 ἐγκράτειαν οὕτω μάλιστ' ἂν ᾗτο ἀσκεῖσθαι εἰ αὐτὸς ἐπιδεικνύοι ἑαυτὸν μὴ ὑπὸ τῶν παραυτικά ἡδονῶν ἐλκόμενον ἀπὸ τῶν ἀγαθῶν, *ib.* *Mem.* iii. 11. 18. In like manner the first effect of ἐπιθυμία is to draw the man out of his original repose, the second to allure him to a definite bait. Heisen illustrates this from the temptation of Eve, first moved from her secure trust in God by the words of the tempter (Gen. iii. 1-5), then attracted by the fruit itself (v. 6).¹ Another way of distinguishing between the two words is to suppose that ἐξέλκω implies the violence, δελ. the charm of passion, as in Philo M. 2, p. 470 πρὸς ἐπιθυμίας ἐλαύνεται ἢ ὑφ' ἡδονῆς δελεάζεται, 'driven by passion or solicited by pleasure,' but I prefer the former explanation.

15. συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν.] For the metaphor cf. Psa. vii. 14 ὠδίνησεν ἀδικίαν, συνέλαβε πόνον καὶ ἔτεκεν ἀνομίαν, Philo M. 1. 40 οἷα ἑταιρὶς καὶ μάχλος οὖσα ἡδονὴ γλίχεται τυχεῖν ἑραστοῦ, *ib.* 149 ὅταν ὁ ἐν ἡμῖν νοῦς—κεκλήσθω δὲ Ἀδάμ—ἐντυχὼν αἰσθήσει—καλεῖται δὲ Εὔα—συνουσίας ὀρεχθεῖς πλησιάσῃ, ἡδὲ συλλαμβάνει... ἐγκύμων τε γίνεται καὶ εὐθὺς ὠδίνει καὶ τίκτει κακῶν ψυχῆς τὸ μέγιστον, οἴησιν, *ib.* 183 ὥσπερ ταῖς γυναιξὶ πρὸς ζῶων γένεσιν οἰκειότατον μέρος ἢ φύσις ἔδωκε μήτραν, οὕτω πρὸς γένεσιν πραγμάτων ὥρισεν ἐν ψυχῇ δύναμιν, δι' ἧς κνοφορεῖ καὶ ὠδίνει καὶ ἀποτίκτει πολλὰ διάνοια· τῶν δὲ ἀποκυκμένων νοημάτων τὰ μὲν ἄρρενα, τὰ δὲ θηλέα, Justin M. *Trypho* 327 C παρθένος οὖσα Εὔα τὸν λόγον τὸν ἀπὸ τοῦ ὄφους συλλαβοῦσα παρακοὴν καὶ θάνατον ἔτεκε, and in classical writers Theognis 153 τίκτει γὰρ κόρος ὕβριν, and Aesch. *Ag.* 727 foll. Sin is the result of the surrender of the will to the soliciting of ἐπιθυμία instead of the guidance of reason. In itself, ἐπιθυμία may be natural and innocent: it is when the man resolves to gratify it against what he feels to be the higher law of duty, that he becomes guilty of sin even before he carries out his resolve in act.

ἡ δὲ ἁμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα ἀποκυεῖ θάνατον.] ἡ δὲ ἁμαρτία takes up the preceding ἁμαρτίαν as ἡ δὲ ὑπομονή takes up ὑπομονήν in v. 4. Sin when full-grown, when it has become a fixed habit determining the character of the man, brings forth death. Cf. below ii. 22 ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἡ πίστις ἐτελειώθη, and τέλειος above v. 4, Philo M. 1. p. 94 τῆς κακίας ἡ μὲν ἐν σχέσει ἡ δὲ ἐν κινήσει θεωρεῖται· νεύει δὲ πρὸς τὰς τῶν ἀποτελεσμάτων

¹ The two examples cited for this use of ἐξέλκειν by one commentator after another are somewhat doubtful. Arist. *Pol.* v. 10. 1311, b. 30 παρὰ τῆς γυναικὸς ἐξέλκυσθεις might mean 'lured away from the side of his wife,' but hardly *ab uxore sollicitatus* (Alf.); and that which Alford calls 'the nearest correspondence of all, Plut. *de sera nocturnis vindicta* τὸ γλυκὺ τῆς ἐπιθυμίας ὥσπερ δέλεαρ ἐξέλκειν,' I have searched for in vain in the treatise referred to, and it is not to be found in Wyttenbach's Index. It is, I presume, a misquotation for the words which do occur in that treatise (p. 554 E) ἔχεται ἕκαστος ἀδικήσας τῇ δίκῃ, καὶ τὸ γλυκὺ τῆς ἀδικίας ὥσπερ δέλεαρ εὐθὺς ἐξεδήδοκε, τὸ δὲ συνειδὸς ἐγκείμενον ἔχων κ.τ.λ.

ἐκπληρώσεις ἢ ἐν τῷ κινεῖσθαι διὸ καὶ χείρων, *ib.* 74 sensation (αἴσθησις) itself is passive, it becomes active when the reason (νοῦς) attaches itself to it, then you may see its old potential existence (δύναμιν καθ' ἑξιν ἠρεμοῦσαν) changed into an ἀποτέλεσμα and ἐνέργειαν, Philo M. 1. p. 211 (the thought of murder constitutes guilt) τῆς γνώμης ἴσον τῷ τελείῳ δυναμένης. ἕως μὲν γὰρ τὰ αἰσχροῦ μόνον ἐννοοῦμεν κατὰ ψιλὴν τοῦ νοῦ φαντασίαν, τότε τῆς διανοίας ἐσμὲν ὑποχοί· δύναται γὰρ καὶ ἀκουσίως ἢ ψυχὴν τρέπεσθαι· ὅταν δὲ προσγένηται τοῖς βουλευθείσιν ἢ πράξις, ὑπαίτιον γίνεται καὶ τὸ βουλευσασθαι· τὸ γὰρ ἐκουσίως διαμαρτάνειν ταύτῃ μάλιστα διαγνωρίζεται, *Hermas Mand.* iv. 2 ἢ ἐνθύμησις αὕτη Θεοῦ δούλω ἀμαρτία μεγάλη· εἰ δέ τις ἐργάσῃται τὸ ἔργον τὸ πονηρὸν τοῦτο, θάνατον ἑαυτῷ κατεργάζεται, *Arist. Hist. Anim.* ix. 1 (the distinctive characteristics of the sexes are shown at their fullest development in the human species) τοῦτο γὰρ ἔχει τὴν φύσιν ἀποτετελεσμένην ὥστε καὶ ταύτας τὰς ἑξέεις εἶναι φανερωτέρας ἐν αὐτοῖς.

The verb κύω or κνέω, in the sense of to be or to become pregnant, is common in older Greek, e.g. *Il.* ψ. 266 κνέουσαν, *Plato Theaet.* 151 B (in reference to the Socratic μαιευτικὴ) ὑποπτέων σε ὠδίνειν τι κυοῦντα ἔνδον. The aorist of the shorter form is used transitively (meaning 'to impregnate') in *Aesch. fr.* 38 ὄμβρος ἔκυσε γαῖαν, and in the middle (meaning 'to conceive') *Hes. Theog.* 405. Hence Hermann wished to limit the use of κύω to the male, κνέω to the female, but *Lobeck (Aj. p. 182 foll., Paral. p. 556)* shows that this distinction is not borne out by MSS. or grammarians. *Eustathius* even states the opposite κύνει τὸ κατὰ γαστρὸς ἔχειν, κνῶ δὲ τὸ γεννῶ, ὅθεν οἱ κνήτορες, καὶ ἐκύνει ἡγουν ἐγέννησε (p. 1548. 20, cited by *Lob. Aj.* 182). The compound is only found here and below, ver. 18, in N.T. It is used metaphorically in *4 Macc.* 15. 14 ὧ μόνῃ γυνὴ τὴν εὐσέβειαν ὀλόκληρον ἀποκνήσασα, 'having given birth to piety in perfection.' It is common in *Philo*, *Plutarch* and the later authors generally. For the force of ἀπό (denoting cessation) cf. ἀπαλγέω, ἀπελπίζω, ἀποπονέω. For the thought cf. *Rom.* vi. 21–23, viii. 6, *Matt.* vii. 13–14, where the parallel between the two ways leading to death and life (the δύο ὁδοί of the *Didaché* and of *Barnabas*, 18. 1) is similarly brought out. The issue of sin is seen most plainly in sins of the body leading to bodily disease, but also in the deterioration of mind and character which accompanies every kind of sin, till the man is said to be νεκρὸς τοῖς παραπτώμασιν (*Eph.* ii. 1).

16. μὴ πλανᾶσθε ἀδελφοί μου.] 'Be not mistaken: not temptation but all that is good comes from God.' Cf. *Matt.* xxii. 29 πλανᾶσθε μὴ εἰδότες τὰς γραφάς, *Luke* xxi. 8 βλέπετε μὴ πλανηθῆτε. *St. Paul* uses the phrase μὴ πλανᾶσθε, *1 Cor.* vi. 9, 15. 33, *Gal.* vi. 7. Here its earnestness is softened by the addition ἀδελφοί as in *Ignat. Philad.* 3, *Eph.* 16.

17. πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον.] 'All good giving and every perfect gift' (descend from Him who gives to all liberally). The stress is laid on ἀγαθὴ and τέλειον. *Beyschlag* and *Erdmann* with others have assigned to πᾶσα the same meaning as it bore in v. 2, but this use is rarely found except in reference to abstract qualities, not to acts or things. No doubt such a rendering would

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implies the accompanying generosity of spirit. Dr. Taylor notes (*J. of Philology*, vol. xviii. p. 299 foll.) that Hermas has borrowed the word δώρημα (*Mand.* 2 and *Sim.* ii. 7). Philo's distinction is further borne out by the fact that δώρημα in the only other passage in which it occurs in N.T. (Rom. v. 16) is used of a gift of God, and so δωρεά, wherever it occurs (John iv. 10, Acts ii. 13, viii. 20, x. 45, xi. 17, Rom. v. 15, 17, 2 Cor. ix. 11, Eph. iii. 7, iv. 7, Heb. vi. 4); δῶρον is mostly used of offerings to God. Again δόμα is always used of human gifts except in a quotation from LXX. ἔδωκε δόματα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις (Eph. iv. 8); but δόσις, which, like ποιήσις below, v. 25, strictly means the act (as in Phil. iv. 15, the only other passage in N.T. εἰς λόγον δόσεως καὶ λήψεως, Sirac. 32. 9 ἐν πάσῃ δόσει ἰλάρωσον τὸ πρόσωπόν σου, *ib.* 20. 9), is used equally of God in Sir. 1. 8 Κύριος ἐξέχεεν σοφίαν κατὰ τὴν δόσιν αὐτοῦ, *ib.* v. 15 δόσις Κυρίου παραμένει εὐσεβέσι, *ib.* 32. 10 δὸς Ὑψίστω κατὰ τὴν δόσιν αὐτοῦ. Thus δωρεά and δώρημα are always used in the higher sense, δόμα (with one exception) in the lower, while δόσις may have either sense. We might take as examples of δόσις here, the gradual instilling of wisdom, of δώρημα, the final crown of life. The choice of the epithets ἀγαθή and τέλειον is also in agreement with Philo's distinction; compare for the latter Clem. Al. *Paed.* 1. 6, p. 113 τέλειος ὧν τέλεια χαριεῖται δήπουθεν, Philo M. 1, p. 173 ὀλόκληροι καὶ παντελεῖς αἱ τοῦ ἀγεννήτου δωρεαὶ πάσαι.

ἄνωθεν ἐστίν.] WH., Ewald, Bouman, Hofmann, agree with the Vulg. *desursum est, descendens a patre luminum* in separating ἐστίν from καταβαῖνον. Alf., with the majority of commentators, takes them together (= καταβαίνει), referring to iii. 15 οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη, on which see n. There is no doubt that the Hellenistic usage admits of their being taken together, cf. Mark xiii. 25, where οἱ ἀστέρες ἔσονται πίπτοντες = πεσοῦνται Matt. xxiv. 29; Luke ix. 14, where ἐν τῷ εἶναι προσευχόμενον = ἐν τῷ προσεύχεσθαι v. 27; *ib.* v. 16 αὐτὸς ἦν ὑποχωρῶν ἐν τοῖς ἐρήμοις, v. 17, ἦν διδάσκων. For this extension of the periphrastic tense, itself merely an instance of the analytic tendency which marks the later stage of language, see Winer, p. 437, A. Buttmann, p. 264 foll., where many cases are given; Arist. *Met.* iv. 7 οὐδὲν διαφέρει τὸ ἄνθρωπος βαδίζων ἐστίν τοῦ ἄνθρωπος βαδίζει. On the whole I think the rhythm and balance of the sentence is better preserved by separating ἐστι from καταβαῖνον. The construction will then be the same as is found in John viii. 23 ἡμεῖς ἐκ τῶν κάτω ἐστέ· ἐγὼ δὲ ἐκ τῶν ἄνω εἰμί, and implied below iii. 17 ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία ἀγνή ἐστίν. For ἄνωθεν cf. John 3. 31, where it is equivalent to ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ immediately afterwards, Xen. *Symp.* vi. 7 (οἱ θεοὶ) ἄνωθεν μὲν ὕοντες ὠφελοῦσιν, ἄνωθεν δὲ φῶς παρέχουσιν, Philo M. 1, p. 645 Ἰσαὰκ διὰ τὰς ὀμβρηθείσας ἄνωθεν δωρεὰς ἀγαθὸς καὶ τέλειος ἐξ ἀρχῆς ἐγένετο.

καταβαῖνον ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν φώτων.] Explains ἄνωθεν, just as ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν explains ἐντεῦθεν in iv. 1 below. The comparison of God to the sun, and of his influence to light, is found both in Jewish and in classical writers: for (1) see Malachi iv. 2 ἀνατελεῖ ὑμῖν τοῖς φοβουμένοις τὸ ὄνομά μου ἥλιος δικαιοσύνης, Psa. xxxv. 9, Isa. lx. 1, 19, 20, 1 John i. 5, Apoc. xxi. 23, Wisd. vii. 26 (σοφία) ἀπαύγασμά ἐστι φωτὸς αἰδίου,

ib. v. 29 ἐστὶν γὰρ αὕτη εὐπρεπεστέρα ἡλίου καὶ ὑπὲρ πᾶσαν ἄστρον θέσιν, φωτὶ συγκρινομένη εὐρίσκεται προτέρα· τοῦτο μὲν γὰρ διαδέχεται νύξ, σοφίας δὲ οὐκ ἀντισχύει κακία, Philo M. 1. p. 637 πρὶν τὰς τοῦ μεγίστου καὶ ἐπιφανεστάτου Θεοῦ καταδῦναι περιλαμπεστάτας αὐγὰς, ἅς δι' ἔλεον τοῦ γένους ἡμῶν εἰς νοῦν τὸν ἀνθρώπινον οὐρανόθεν ἀποστέλλει κ.τ.λ., *ib.* M. 1, p. 579 πηγὴ τῆς καθαρωτάτης αὐγῆς Θεός ἐστιν, ὥστε ὅταν ἐπιφαίνεται ψυχῇ, τὰς ἀσκίους καὶ περιφανεστάτας ἀκτῖνας ἀνίσχει, *ib.* p. 7 ἐστὶν (ὁ θεῖος λόγος) ὑπερουράνιος ἀστήρ, πηγὴ τῶν αἰσθητῶν ἀστέρων. (2) The chief passage in a classical author is the elaborate comparison between the sun and the *ιδέα τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ* in Plato *Rep.* vi. 505 foll., and especially vii. 517 πᾶσι πάντων αὕτη ὀρθῶν τε καὶ καλῶν αἰτία.

For the word πατήρ compare Eph. i. 17 ὁ πατήρ τῆς δόξης, 2 Cor. i. 3 ὁ πατήρ τῶν οἰκτιρμῶν, Job xxxviii. 28 πατήρ ὑετοῦ, John viii. 44, Philo M. 1. p. 631 μὴ θαυμάσης εἰ ὁ ἥλιος κατὰ τοὺς ἀλληγορίας κανόνας ἐξομοιοῦται τῷ πατρὶ καὶ ἡγεμόνι τῶν συμπάντων κ.τ.λ., and a little below (after citing Psa. cxvii. 1 Κύριος φῶς μου) οὐ μόνον φῶς ἀλλὰ καὶ παντὸς ἐτέρου φωτὸς ἀρχέτυπον, μᾶλλον δὲ ἀρχετύπου πρεσβύτερον καὶ ἀνώτερον, *ib.* M. 2. p. 254 ὁ Θεός καὶ νόμων ἐστὶ παράδειγμα ἀρχέτυπον καὶ ἡλίου ἡλιος, νοητὸς αἰσθητοῦ, παρέχων ἐκ τῶν ἀοράτων πηγῶν ὄρατὰ φέγγη τῷ βλεπομένῳ. Philo constantly uses the phrase ὁ πατήρ τῶν ὄλων for the Creator.

τῶν φώτων.] Refers in the first place to the heavenly bodies (Gen. i. 3, 14—18, Psa. cxxxv. 7, Jer. xxxi. 35, Sir. xliii. 1—12); which, according to Ewald, were by the Jews identified with the angels or hosts of God (Job xxxviii. 7, where they are expressly called 'sons of God');¹ but secondly to intellectual and spiritual light, which is more connected with the general meaning of the passage, though the remainder of this verse continues the metaphor drawn from light in the literal sense. Compare Matt. v. 14 ὑμεῖς ἐστέ τὸ φῶς τοῦ κόσμου, Luke xvi. 8 υἱοὶ τοῦ φωτός, John v. 35 (John was) ὁ λύχνος ὁ καιόμενος καὶ φαίνων, and you were willing for a time to rejoice ἐν τῷ φωτὶ αὐτοῦ, Psa. cxix. 105 λύχνος τοῖς ποσὶ μου ὁ νόμος σου, καὶ φῶς τοῖς τρίβοις μου, and for plural Psa. cxxxvi. 7 τῷ ποιήσαντι φῶτα μεγάλα, Jer. iv. 23 ἐπέβλεψα εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν, καὶ οὐκ ἦν τὰ φῶτα αὐτοῦ, Philipp. ii. 16, Philo M. i. 108 τὸν ἐγκύμονα θείων φώτων λόγον.

παρ' ᾧ οὐκ ἐνὶ παραλλαγῇ.] For this somewhat rare use of παρὰ denoting an attribute or quality cf. Eph. vi. 9 προσωποληψία οὐκ ἐστὶν παρ' αὐτῷ, Rom. ii. 11, *ib.* ix. 14 μὴ ἀδικία παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ; Job. xii. 13 παρ' αὐτῷ σοφία καὶ δύναμις, Dem. *Coron.* p. 318 εἰ δ' οὖν ἐστὶ καὶ παρ' ἐμοί τις ἐμπειρία, Winer p. 492. For οὐκ ἐνὶ cf. Gal. iii. 28 ὅσοι εἰς Χριστὸν ἐβαπτίσθητε...οὐκ ἐνὶ Ἰουδαίῳ οὐδὲ Ἑλλην, where Lightfoot translates 'there is no place for,' and notes that 'not the fact only, but the possibility' is negatived. He approves Buttman's view (given by Winer, p. 96) that ἐνὶ 'is not a contraction from ἐνεστι, but the preposition ἐν, ἐνί, strengthened by a more vigorous accent, like ἐπι,

¹ Philo speaks of the stars as ζῶα νοερά M. 1. p. 17. It is perhaps a slight confirmation of the idea that St. James had at one time been influenced by the Essenes, that the latter are said to have paid special reverence to the sun; compare Philo *Vit. Cont.* M. 2. p. 485 ἐπὶ τὸν θεῶν ἡλίου ἀνίσχοντα...εὐήμεριαν καὶ ἀλήθειαν ἐπεύχονται καὶ ὀξυωπίαν λογισμοῦ, Joseph. *B.J.* ii. 8. 5.

πάρα, and used with an ellipsis of the substantive verb.' In 1 Cor. vi. 5 οὐκ ἔνι ἐν ὑμῖν οὐδεὶς σοφός the word has a weaker force, as often in Plato, Xen., &c.

παραλλαγή.] Only here in N.T.; used of mental aberration in LXX. ἐν παραλλαγῇ 'furiously' 2 Kings ix. 20; of the succession of beacon-lights, *Agam.* 490. Its general sense is the same as that of the v. παραλλάσσω, denoting variation from a set course, rule or pattern, as in Plut. *Mor.* 1039 B, Epict. *Diss.* i. 14 (referring to the changes of the seasons) πόθεν πρὸς τὴν αὐξήσιν καὶ μείωσιν τῆς σελήνης καὶ τὴν τοῦ ἡλίου πρόσοδον καὶ ἄφοδον τοσαύτη παραλλαγή καὶ ἐπὶ τὰ ἐναντία μεταβολὴ τῶν ἐπιγείων θεωρεῖται; hence it is used for difference, as *ib.* ii. 23. 32 μηδεμίαν εἶναι παραλλαγὴν κάλλους πρὸς αἴσχος. Some commentators have thought it to be a *vox technica* of astronomy = παράλλαξις, our 'parallax,' but no instance of such a use is quoted. It is true it is a favourite word with the astronomer Geminus (contained in Petavius' *Uranologion*), but he uses it quite generally of the varying length of the day, &c.; cf. p. 26 B ἀκολουθεῖ δὲ τούτῳ καὶ παραλλαγὴν τῶν ἡμερῶν μεγάλην γίνεσθαι διὰ τὴν τῶν τμημάτων ὑπεροχὴν ἧν φέρεται ὁ ἥλιος ὑπὲρ γῆν (*i.e.* the length of the day varies according to the sun's elevation). Other instances are cited by Gebser p. 83. We may therefore take the word to express the contrast between the natural sun, which varies its position in the sky from hour to hour and month to month, and the eternal Source of all light. A similar contrast is found in Epict. *Diss.* i. 14. 10 ἀλλὰ φωτίζειν μὲν οἶός τε ἐστὶν ὁ ἥλιος τηλικούτον μέρος τοῦ παντός, ὀλίγον δὲ τὸ ἀφώτιστον ἀπολιπεῖν, ὅσον οἶόν τ' ἐπέχεσθαι ὑπὸ σκιᾶς ἢν ἡ γῆ ποιεῖ. ὁ δὲ καὶ τὸν ἥλιον αὐτὸν πεποιηκῶς καὶ περιάγων, μέρος ὄντ' αὐτοῦ μικρὸν, ὡς πρὸς τὸ ὅλον, οὗτος δ' οὐ δύναται πάντων αἰσθάνεσθαι;

τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα.] The A.V. 'shadow of turning,' though supported by the Old Latin *modicum obumbrationis* and by the Greek commentators and lexicographers and by Ewald in modern times, is undoubtedly wrong. The simple word σκιά may take this colloquial sense, as in Philo M.-1. p. 606 πεπιστευκῶς ἵχνος ἢ σκιὰν ἢ ὄραν ἀπιστίας δέχεται, Demosth. 552. 7 εἴ γε εἶχε στιγμήν ἢ σκιὰν τούτων, but it is impossible that this should be the case with a ἄπ. λεγ. like ἀποσκίασμα. The cognate ἀποσκιασμός occurs Plut. *Pericl.* 6 γνωμόνων ἀποσκιασμούς of the shadows thrown on the dial, and ἀποσκιάζω Plato *Rep.* vii. 532 C. Taking the word by itself we naturally understand it of an eclipse, where the sun is hidden by the shadow thrown off from the moon. Denying this of God is in effect equivalent to 1 John i. 5 ὁ Θεὸς φῶς ἐστὶ καὶ σκοτία ἐν αὐτῷ οὐκ ἔστιν οὐδεμία.

The word τροπή is only found here in N.T.; it is used of the heavenly movements in LXX. Deut. xxxiii. 14 καθ' ὄραν γεννημάτων ἡλίου τροπῶν, Job. xxxviii. 33 ἐπίστασαι τροπὰς οὐρανοῦ, also in Wisd. vii. 18 (God gave me to know) σύστασιν κόσμου καὶ ἐνέργειαν στοιχείων, τροπῶν ἀλλαγᾶς καὶ μεταβολᾶς καιρῶν, ἐνιαυτοῦ κύκλους καὶ ἀστέρων θέσεις, where it has its usual technical meaning 'solstices.' The R.V., in agreement with Gebser, Wiesinger, Alf., Beyschlag, Erdmann, translates 'shadow that is cast by turning,' which Alf. explains as referring to 'the revolution in which the heavens are ever found, by means of which the

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κατὰ τὸ πολὺ αὐτοῦ ἔλεος ἀναγεννήσας ἡμᾶς εἰς ἐλπίδα ζῶσαν and ver. 23 ; by St. John (i. 13) οἱ οὐκ ἐξ αἱμάτων οὐδὲ ἐκ θελήματος σαρκὸς οὐδὲ ἐκ θελήματος ἀνδρὸς ἀλλ' ἐκ Θεοῦ ἐγεννήθησαν and iii. 3-8, 1 ep. iv. 10. As the seed of sin and death is contained in the unrestrained indulgence of man's ἐπιθυμία, so the seed of righteousness and life in the word of God. For the general metaphor compare 1 John iii. 9 πᾶς ὁ γεγεννημένος ἐκ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀμαρτίαν οὐ ποιεῖ, ὅτι σπέρμα αὐτοῦ ἐν αὐτῷ μένει, καὶ οὐ δύναται ἀμαρτάνειν ὅτι ἐκ τοῦ Θεοῦ γεγέννηται, Psa. lxxxvii. 4-6, lxxx. 18, cxix. 25 (quicken Thou me according to Thy word), Deut. xxxii. 18, Clem. Al. *Strom.* v. 2, p. 653 P. καὶ παρὰ τοῖς βαρβάροις φιλοσόφοις τὸ κατηχῆσαι καὶ φωτίσαι ἀναγεννῆσαι λέγεται, 1 Cor. iv. 15, and a Jewish saying in Schürer *Hist. of Jewish People*, i. p. 317, Eng. tr., 'A man's father only brought him into this world: his teacher, who taught him wisdom, brings him into the life of the world to come,'¹ also Philo M. 1. p. 147 (αἱ ἀρεταὶ) μὴ δεξάμεναι παρά τινος ἐτέρου ἐπιγονὴν ἐξ ἑαυτῶν μὲν μόνων οὐδέποτε κυήσουσι: τίς οὖν ὁ σπείρων ἐν αὐταῖς τὰ καλὰ πλὴν ὁ τῶν ὄλων πατήρ, *ib.* 108 τὸν ἐγκύμονα θείων φώτων λόγον, *ib.* 123, where the text Κύριος ἤνοιξε τὴν μήτραν Λείας is explained ὁ Θεὸς τὰς μήτρας ἀνοίγει σπείρων ἐν αὐταῖς τὰς καλὰς πράξεις, *ib.* 273. The choice of a word properly used of the mother is explained here by the reference to v. 15, but it may be compared with Psa. vii. 14 quoted on v. 15 above, and with the use of ὠδίνειν Gal. iv. 19 ; also with Psa. xc. 2 (where the Heb. word translated 'thou hadst formed' means primarily 'to be in pangs with child,' 'to bear a child,' Jennings *in loc.*) and Psa. xxii. 9, Clem. Hom. ii. 52 Ἀδὰμ ὁ ὑπὸ τῶν τοῦ Θεοῦ χειρῶν κυοφορηθεῖς. On the word ἀπεκύησεν see v. 15. On the beneficence of the Divine Will cf. Philo M. 1. p. 342 καθ' ὃ μὲν οὖν ἄρχων ἐστίν, ἄμφω δύναται καὶ εὖ καὶ κακῶς ποιεῖν... καθ' ὃ δὲ εὐεργέτης, θάτερον μόνον βούλεται, τὸ εὐεργετεῖν, man's greatest blessing is to have the firm hope which springs from the consciousness of the loving will of God (ἐκ τοῦ προαιρετικῶς εἶναι φιλόδωρον), *ib.* M. 2. p. 367, 437 βουλευθεῖς ὁ Θεὸς διὰ ἡμερότητα καὶ φιλανθρωπίαν παρ' ἡμῖν τοῦθ' ἰδρύσασθαι κ.τ.λ., Clem. Al. *Paed.* i. 6. p. 114 P ὡς γὰρ τὸ θέλημα αὐτοῦ (his absolute will)² ἔργον ἐστί, καὶ τοῦτο κόσμος ὀνομάζεται, οὕτως καὶ τὸ βούλημα αὐτοῦ (his desire) ἀνθρώπων ἐστὶ σωτηρία, καὶ τοῦτο ἐκκλησία καλεῖται, *ib.* *Strom.* vii. p. 855 P. οὔτε γὰρ ὁ Θεὸς ἄκων ἀγαθός, ὃν τρόπον τὸ πῦρ θερμαντικόν, ἐκούσιος δὲ ἢ τῶν ἀγαθῶν μετάδοσις αὐτῷ, Plato *Tim.* 29 (on the cause of creation) λέγωμεν δι' ἣντινα αἰτίαν γένεσιν καὶ τὸ πᾶν τόδε ὁ ξυνοιστὰς ξυνέστησεν. ἀγαθὸς ἦν, ἀγαθῷ δὲ οὐδεὶς περὶ οὐδενὸς οὐδέποτε ἐγγίγνεται φθόνος.

λόγῳ ἀληθείας.] The word (explained in the parallel passage, 1 Pet. i. 25, to be τὸ ῥῆμα τὸ εὐαγγελισθὲν εἰς ὑμᾶς, as in Rom. x. 8, 17) is God's instrument for communicating the new life: see below v. 21 λόγος

¹ (Mishnah, Surenh. iv. 116) *Jewish Fathers*, p. 85, cf. Juv. vii. 209 with Mayor's note.

² Bp. Westcott (Heb. vi. 17) says that 'as distinguished from θέλειν, βούλεσθαι regards a purpose with regard to something else, while θέλειν regards the feeling in respect to the person himself.' I should rather be disposed to say that the element of thought and desire is more prominent in βούλεσθαι, the element of pure volition (determination) in θέλειν, cf. below ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ. The distinction is of course liable to get blurred by such figurative uses as we have in iii. 4 ὅπου ἡ δρμη βούλεται.

ἔμφυτος, Matt. iv. 4, John vi. 63 τὰ ῥήματα ἃ ἐγὼ λελάληκα ὑμῖν πνεῦμά ἐστιν καὶ ζωὴ ἐστιν, xvii. 7, 8, Rom. x. 17, 1 Pet. i. 23. The phrase occurs Psa. cxix. 43 (cf. Eccl. xii. 10), Eph. i. 13 ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας, τὸ εὐαγγέλιον τῆς σωτηρίας ὑμῶν...ἐσφραγισθητε τῷ πνεύματι, 2 Cor. vi. 7 (approving ourselves as ministers of God) ἐν λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ἐν δυνάμει θεοῦ, 2 Tim. ii. 15 (Timothy is urged to show himself a workman rightly dividing) τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας, Col. i. 5 (the hope which you had) ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῆς ἀληθείας τοῦ εὐαγγελίου. Alf., following Wiesinger, calls ἀληθείας a gen. of apposition; why not objective, 'the declaration of the truth, viz. of God's love revealed in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ'? cf. below v. 19, and Westcott on Heb. x. 26.¹ See also John viii. 31, 32 'if ye continue in my word ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free,' and xvii. 17 'sanctify them through thy word, thy word is truth.' For the omission of the article with abstract words cf. Phil. ii. 16 λόγον ζωῆς ἐπέχοντες, Gal. v. 5 ἡμεῖς γὰρ πνεύματι ἐκ πίστεως ἐλπίδα δικαιοσύνης ἀπεκδεχόμεθα, below ver. 22 ποιηταὶ λόγου, iv. 11 νόμον, and see Essay on Grammar and Winer p. 198 foll. It is quite unnecessary to explain, as Hofmann, 'ein Wort, nicht das Wort.'

εἰς τὸ εἶναι.] Most often used to express the end or aim, as here and below, iii. 3, Heb. vii. 25, Acts vii. 19, Rom. i. 4 (see Westcott *Heb.* p. 342); sometimes the result as in Rom. i. 20 τὰ ἀόρατα αὐτοῦ τοῖς ποιήμασιν νοούμενα καθορᾶται...εἰς τὸ εἶναι αὐτοὺς ἀναπολογήτους, *ib.* vii. 4, 5, 2 Cor. vii. 3, viii. 6, Gal. iii. 17, Heb. xi. 3; sometimes merely reference, as below ver. 19 βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι²: see Winer p. 413 foll.

ἀπαρχὴν τινα τῶν αὐτοῦ κτισμάτων.] The gifts of God were consecrated by devotion of the First-Fruits; see *D. of B.* s.v., where six kinds, private or public, are specified, and cf. Exod. xxii. 29 foll., Deut. xviii. 3, xxvi. 2 foll., Neh. x. 35, Ezek. xx. 40. Similar offerings were made among the Greeks and Romans, cf. Homeric ἐπάρχομαι, and ἄργματα, *Od.* xiv. 446, Herod. i. 92 (of the offerings of Croesus), Thuc. iii. 58 ὅσα τε ἡ γῆ ἡμῶν ἀνεδίδου ὠραία, πάντων ἀπαρχὰς ἐπιφέροντες, Isaeus *Dicaeog.* 42, Lat. *primitiae*. We find the word used metaphorically, Plato *Legg.* 767 C., Plutarch *Mor.* p. 40, where see Wytte.; so Philo M. 2. p. 366 (Israel) τοῦ σύμπαντος ἀνθρώπων γένους ἀπενεμήθη οἷά τις ἀπαρχὴ τῷ ποιητῇ καὶ πατρί, with ref. to Jer. ii. 3. St. Paul uses it of the first converts, Rom. xvi. 5 ὃς ἐστὶν ἀπαρχὴ τῆς Ἀσίας εἰς Χριστόν, 1 Cor. xvi. 15 ἀπ. τῆς Ἀχαΐας (speaking of the house of Stephanas). The faith of the patriarchs, sanctifying their posterity, is typified by the heave-offering of the dough (Numb. xv. 21) εἰ ἡ ἀπαρχὴ ἁγία καὶ τὸ φύραμα Rom. xi. 16. In 1 Cor. xv. 20 Christ Himself is called ἀπ. τῶν κεκοιμημένων. The nearest approach to St. James is found in 2 Thess. ii. 13 God has chosen you ἀπαρχὴν εἰς σωτηρίαν: in Rom. viii. 23

¹ [I should prefer to take it as a possessive genitive 'words belonging to truth,' as (in 1 Cor. ii. 4, 13) σοφίας λόγοι 'words belonging to wisdom' or 'uttered by wisdom.' A.]

² [Out of forty-two Pauline passages I find only one (2 Cor. viii. 6) in which εἰς τὸ may not be translated 'in order that'; but often an action is said to have been done for a purpose contemplated not by the doer but by God, e.g. 1 Thess. ii. 16, Rom. i. 20, iv. 11, &c. A.]

the existing manifestation of the Spirit is described as a mere ἀπαρχή in comparison with what shall be hereafter, 'the glorious liberty of the children of God': in Apoc. xiv. 4 the 144,000 are called ἀπαρχή τῷ Θεῷ καὶ τῷ Ἀρνίῳ, cf. the ἐκκλησία πρωτοτόκων of Heb. xii. 23. In the Clementine Homilies (i. 3) Peter speaks of Clement as τῶν σωζομένων ἐθνῶν ἀπαρχή. Τινά = Lat. *quidam*, 'as it were,' marks that the word is used not strictly, but metaphorically. Κτισμάτων: cf. Wisd. xiii. 4 ἐκ καλλονῆς κτισμάτων ἀναλόγως ὁ γενεσιουργὸς θεωρεῖται. The writer uses the widest possible word, embracing not only Christians, but mankind in general, who were blessed in Abraham and still more in Christ; not only men, but all created things: cf. Rom. viii. 19–22, the παλιγγενεσία of Matt. xix. 28, the prophecies of Isa. xi. 6 foll., lxv. 13. The position of αὐτοῦ is unusual: cf. 1 Pet. i. 3 ὁ κατὰ τὸ πολὺ αὐτοῦ ἔλεος ἀναγεννήσας ἡμᾶς, 1 John ii. 5 ὅς δ' ἂν τηρῇ αὐτοῦ τὸν λόγον, ver. 27 τὸ αὐτοῦ χρίσμα διδάσκει ἡμᾶς, 2 Pet. i. 9 τῶν πάλαι αὐτοῦ ἀμαρτιῶν, in all of which there is an emphasis on the pronoun.

19. ἴστε.] 'All this you know: act upon your knowledge. Since it is through the word we are begotten anew, let us listen to it in meekness, instead of being so eager to give utterance to our own opinions. Do not think that overbearing fanaticism is in accordance with the will of God, or that fierce argumentation is the way to recommend God's truth.' Cf. below iii. 1 foll. with notes. We find the same appeal to the knowledge of the reader in i. 3, iii. 1. The form ἴστε is found elsewhere in N.T. only in Eph. v. 5 and Heb. xii. 17, οἶδατε being ordinarily used, as below iv. 4. It might be taken as an imperative 'be sure of this,' but I prefer to take it as indicative, as in Eph. v. 5 and Heb. xii. 17; cf. γινώσκετε below, v. 20.

πᾶς ἄνθρωπος.] This individualizing phrase is often found instead of πάντες in N.T., cf. John i. 9, ii. 10 πᾶς ἄνθρωπος πρῶτον τὸν καλὸν οἶνον τίθησι, Gal. v. 3, Col. i. 28 (thrice).

ταχύς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι.] For this use of εἰς τό cf. 1 Thess. iv. 9 θεοδίδακτοί ἐστε εἰς τὸ ἀγαπᾶν ἀλλήλους, and such instances of the simple acc. after εἰς as Luke xii. 21 εἰς τὸν Θεὸν πλουτῶν, Rom. xvi. 19 σοφοὺς μὲν εἰς τὸ ἀγαθόν, ἀκεραίους δὲ εἰς τὸ κακόν. For the thought cf. Sir. ii. 29 μὴ γίνου ταχύς (al. τραχύς) ἐν γλώσση σου, καὶ νωθρὸς ἐν τοῖς ἔργοις σου, *ib.* v. 11 γίνου ταχύς ἐν ἀκροάσει σου καὶ ἐν μακροθυμίᾳ φθέγγου ἀπόκρισιν, *ib.* xx. 4, Prov. x. 19, xiii. 3, 11, xxix. Eccl. v. 1, 2, Taylor *Jewish Fathers*, p. 104, Zeno *ap.* Diog. L. vii. 23 διὰ ταῦτα δύο ὦτα ἔχομεν στόμα δὲ ἓν, ἵνα πλείω μὲν ἀκούωμεν ἥττονα δὲ λαλῶμεν, Demonax *ap.* Luc. § 51 (asked how one would best rule, he said) ἀόργητος καὶ ὀλίγα μὲν λαλῶν πολλὰ δὲ ἀκούων, Bias μίσει τὸ ταχὺ λαλεῖν, μὴ ἀμάρτης, (quoted with other maxims of the kind in Mullach's *Frag. Phil.* i. p. 212 foll.).

βραδύς εἰς ὀργήν.] Ov. *Ex Ponto* i. 2. 121 *rigor ad poenas, ad praemia velox*, Philo M. 1. p. 412 βραδύς ὠφελῆσαι, ταχύς βλάψαι, *ib.* ii. p. 522 βραδεῖς μὲν ὄντες τὰ καλὰ παιδεύεσθαι, τὰ δ' ἐναντία μανθάνειν ὀξύτατοι. For thought cf. iii. 9, 14–16, iv. 1, 2, 11, Prov. xvi. 32, Eccles. vii. 9 μὴ σπεύσης ἐν πνεύματί σου τοῦ θυμῆσθαι.

20. ὀργὴ γὰρ—ἐργάζεται.] Sir. i. 19 οὐ δυνήσεται θυμώδης ἀνὴρ (al. θυμὸς ἄδικος) δικαιωθῆναι, Psa. cvi. 32, 33 (of Moses at Meribah). For

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the symbol of purity), *ib.* vii. 14, xix. 8, Isa. lxi. 10, &c. The metaphor is continued in the word *ῥυπαρία* (ἄπ. λεγ. in N.T.): see below ii. 3, Isa. lxiv. 6 'our righteousness is as filthy rags,' Zech. iii. 4 ἀφέλετε τὰ ἱμάτια τὰ ῥυπαρὰ ἀπ' αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπε πρὸς αὐτόν· Ἴδού ἀφήρηκα τὰς ἀνομίας σου, καὶ ἐνδύσατε αὐτὸν ποδήρη, Job xiv. 4, Apoc. xxii. 11 ὁ ῥυπαρὸς ῥυπανθήτω. St. Paul uses the synonym *μολυσμός* 2 Cor. vii. 1 (filthiness of the flesh and spirit). Strictly speaking the word *ῥύπος* is used of the wax of the ear, as in Hippocrates and Clem. Al. *Paed.* ii. p. 222 P. quoted by Heisen, who suggests that there may be an allusion to the purged ear, *aurium removendae sordes sunt quae audiendi celeritatem impedire queunt*; but it cannot be assumed without evidence that the derivative retained the original force of the simple word. The phrase *σαρκὸς ἀπόθεσις ῥύπου* is used of baptism in 1 Pet. iii. 21; and so Schegg would explain here; but there is no reference here to a past event. The aorist participle is part and parcel of the command contained in the imperative *δέξασθε*, as in the quotations from St. Paul. Other examples of the metaphorical use are Philo M. 1. p. 597 (through repentance the soul washes away) τὰ καταῤῥυπαίνοντα, *ib.* 585, 273, Dion. Hal. *A.R.* xi. 5 ῥυπαίνοντες αἰσχρῶ βίῳ τὰς ἑαυτῶν τε καὶ τῶν προγόνων ἀρετάς, Epict. *Diss.* 2. 5 recommends the expulsion of a ῥυπαρὰ φαντασία by one which is καλὴ καὶ γενναία, Luc. *V. Auct.* 3 καθαρὰν τὴν ψυχὴν ἐργασάμενος καὶ τὸν ἐπ' αὐτῇ ῥύπον ἐκκλύσας, Acta Thomae. Tisch. p. 200 ῥυπαρὰ κοινωνία, ῥυπαρὰ ἐπιθυμία, Ignat. *Eph.* 16 εἴαν τις πίστιν θεοῦ ἐν κακῇ διδασκαλίᾳ φθείρη... ῥυπαρὸς γινόμενος εἰς τὸ πῦρ τὸ ἄσβεστον χωρήσει. Plutarch uses *ῥυπαρία* (like our 'shabbiness') of avarice (*Mor.* p. 60 D): the compounds *ῥυπαρόψυχος*, *ῥυπαρογνώμων* are found in Byzantine writers. Its precise force in our text will be considered in the following note.

περισσεῖαν κακίας.] 'Overflowing (ebullition) of malice.' The meaning is best shown in the cognate phrase in Luke vi. 45 ('the evil man out of the evil treasure in his heart bringeth forth that which is evil') ἐκ γὰρ τοῦ περισσεύματος τῆς καρδίας λαλεῖ τὸ στόμα αὐτοῦ. The only other passages in which *περισσεῖα* occurs in N.T. are Rom. v. 17 τὴν περισσεῖαν τῆς χάριτος 'the superabundance of grace,' 2 Cor. viii. 2 ἡ περισσεῖα τῆς χαρᾶς... ἐπερίσσευσεν εἰς τὸ πλοῦτος τῆς ἀπλότητος αὐτῶν 'the overflowing of their joy overflowed to (so as to make up) the wealth of their generosity,' 2 Cor. x. 15 εἰς περισσεῖαν 'to overflowing' (abundantly). The writer warns his readers against hasty and passionate words, against the outbreak of evil temper. Then comes the question whether *ῥυπαρίαν* is to be taken separately (Calvin, Bouman, Lange), or as governing *κακίας* along with *περισσεῖαν*. The fact that *πάσαν* is not repeated is in favour of the latter construction, which is supported by Matthaei's *Schol.* τὴν ἀμαρτίαν τὴν ῥυπαίνουσαν τὸν ἄνθρωπον φησί, τὴν ὡς περιττὴν οὔσαν ἐν ἡμῖν. Perhaps however it is better to give *καί* an epexegetic force, 'all defilement and effervescence of malice' being equivalent to 'all defilement caused by the overflowing malice of the heart': so Wiesinger 'allen Schmutz der reichlich bei ihnen sich findenden Bosheit.' Other explanations of *περισσεῖα* are (1) 'superfluity' A.V. (*malitiam majorem quam in Christianis expectaveris*, Theile).

This would seem to make the writer guilty of the absurdity of supposing a certain amount of malice to be proper for a Christian. It might be said the same objection applies to the rendering *abundantia* 'overflowing', because it is the seat of the disease in the heart, not its manifestation in the words which the Christian should seek to get rid of. But St. James here speaks as below in ch. iii. and as our Lord in Matt. xv. 18, 19 of defilement arising from words: before we can receive the word of God into our hearts we must prepare the way by laying aside this open outward sin. (2) 'rank growth,' 'Auswuchs,' with reference to the ground which has to be prepared for sowing the seed of the word: so Alf., Bassett (who translates, clearing away every kind of 'rubbish, ῥυπαρία, and overgrowth'), Heisen, Loesner, Pott, comparing Philo M. 2. p. 258 περιτέμνεσθε τὰς σκληροκαρδίας, τὸ δὲ ἔστι, τὰς περιττὰς φύσεις τοῦ ἡγεμονικοῦ, ἃς αἱ ἄμετροι τῶν παθῶν ἔσπειράν τε καὶ συνηύξησαν ὄρμαὶ καὶ ὁ κακὸς ψυχῆς γεωργὸς ἐφύτευσεν, ἀφροσύνη, μετὰ σπουδῆς ἀποκείρασθε. It does not however appear to be proved that either *περισσεία* or (still less) *ῥυπαρία* would bear the meaning suggested. (3) Hofmann, after Gebser and others, takes it in the sense of 'residuum,' 'what is left over and above': the Christians addressed have already renounced sin, but still sin is not entirely vanquished in them. It is true that *περισσεία* is not found in this sense, which would rather require *περίσσευμα*, but we have *περισσός* Exod. x. 5 (the locust) κατέδεται πᾶν τὸ περισσὸν τῆς γῆς, τὸ καταλειφθὲν, ὃ κατέλιπεν ἡ χάλαζα, Joseph. *B.J.* ii. 6. 2 (they begged the Romans to pity) τὰ τῆς Ἰουδαίας λείψανα καὶ μὴ τὸ περισσὸν αὐτῆς ἀπορῥίψαι τοῖς ὡμῶς σπαράσσουσι, and so *περίσσευμα* Mark viii. 8 of the fragments of the loaves. (4) Nothing need be said of the strange interpretation *praeputium* adopted by Grotius, Hammond and Clericus, nor of Beza's *excrementum* = *περίπτωσης* or *περίπτωμα*. Heisen indeed cites a similar use of *περιπτεία* from Clem. Rom. p. 183 (which I am unable to verify); but what meaning could *κακίας* have in connexion with the word thus understood? Those who take *ῥυπαρία* with an independent force understand it of the special sin of uncleanness, but there does not seem to be any special reference to that sin here, though there possibly may be in iv. 4, 8 below. *Κακία* seems best understood here of malice: cf. Lightfoot on Col. iii. 8 (ἀπόθεσθε ὀργήν, θυμόν, κακίαν): 'It is not, at least in the N.T., vice generally, but the vicious nature which is bent on doing harm to others, and is well described by Calvin (on Eph. iv. 31) *animi pravitas quae humanitati et aequitati est opposita*.' He refers to Trench *N.T. Synon.* § xi. p. 35 seq. It is not quite correct to say that it always bears this force in the N.T. (cf. Acts viii. 22, Matt. vi. 34), but here the preceding ὀργή and the following πρᾶυτης leave little doubt as to the meaning. [Is it possible that *ῥυπαρία* may be used to denote the passively mean and base, in opposition to *κακία*, an active form of vice, which leads περισσὰ πράσσειν?—C. T.]

ἐν πρᾶυτητι.] Cf. below iii. 13, 1 Pet. iii. 15, 2 Tim. ii. 25.

δέξασθε τὸν ἐμφυτον λόγον.] Cf. Acts xvii. 11 ἐδέξαντο τὸν λόγον μετὰ πάσης προθυμίας, 1 Thess. i. 6, ii. 13. **Ἐμφυτος* only here in N.T. Its

common meaning is 'innate,' as in Wisd. xii. 10 ἔμφυτος ἢ κακία αὐτῶν, Plato *Eryx.* 398 C πότερον δοκεῖ εἶναι διδακτὸν ἢ ἀρετὴ ἢ ἔμφυτον, Just'in M. *Apol.* ii. 8 (the Stoics and others have spoken well on moral questions) διὰ τὸ ἔμφυτον παντὶ γένει ἀνθρώπων σπέρμα τοῦ λόγου, *ib.* 13, and so Oecumenius here; but the word δέξασθε forbids this. We must therefore take it as the 'rooted word,' i.e. a word whose property it is to root itself like a seed in the heart: cf. Matt. xiii. 3-23 esp. ver. 21 οὐκ ἔχει ρίζαν ἐν ἑαυτῷ, xv. 13 πᾶσα φυτεία ἣν οὐκ ἐφύτευσεν ὁ Πατήρ μου ὁ οὐράνιος ἐκριζωθήσεται, 1 Cor. iii. 6. The cognate words are used with a similar meaning, as Plut. *Mor.* p. 125 E διὰ τρυφήν τὰς στάσεις ἐμφύεσθαι ταῖς πόλεσι, Xen. *R. Lac.* 3 τὸ αἰδεῖσθαι ἐμφυσιῶσαι βουλόμενος αὐτοῖς, so ἐμφυτεύω, ἐμφυτεία of grafting. The A.V. seems to identify our word with ἐμφύτευτον, which however would be out of place here, since the word is sown, not grafted, in the heart. Other examples occur in which it cannot mean 'innate,' e.g. Herod. ix. 94 of Euenius, to whom the gods granted the gift of prophecy as a solace after he had lost the sight of his eyes, μετὰ ταῦτα ἔμφυτον μαντικὴν εἶχεν, Barnab. i. 2, and ix. 9 τὴν ἔμφυτον δωρεὰν τῆς διδαχῆς αὐτοῦ θέμενος ἐν ὑμῖν, where Harnack quotes Ignat. *Eph.* 17 (*rec. maj.*) ἔμφυτον τὸ περὶ Θεοῦ παρὰ Χριστοῦ λαβόντες κριτήριον. In like manner σύμφυτος, which literally means 'congenital,' as in Jos. *Ant.* vi. 3. 3, is also used of that which has coalesced or grown into one since birth, as in Rom. vi. 5 σύμφυτοι γεγόναμεν τῷ ὁμοιώματι τοῦ θανάτου αὐτοῦ. The Latin *insitus* has the same two meanings, 'innate,' and 'ingrafted' or 'incorporated.' The verb is found in the same application, though with a different meaning, in Plut. *Mor.* 47. Α τὸν ἐκ φιλοσοφίας ἐμφυόμενον εὐφύεσι νέοις δηγμὸν αὐτὸς ὁ τρώσας λόγος ἰᾶται. For the injunction cf. Job. xi. 13, 14, Deut. xi. 18, and esp. xxx. 14 as explained in Rom. x. 8, Jer. xxxi. 33, Acts xx. 32, 2 Cor. iii. 3, 1 Thess. ii. 13.

τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν.] Cf. below ii. 14, iv. 12, v. 20, 1 Pet. i. 9 τὸ τέλος τῆς πίστεως σωτηρίαν ψυχῶν, John v. 24 ὁ τὸν λόγον μου ἀκούων καὶ πιστεύων τῷ πέμψαντί με ἔχει ζωὴν αἰώνιον, Rom. i. 16 οὐκ ἐπαισχύνομαι τὸ εὐαγγέλιον, δύναμις γὰρ Θεοῦ ἐστὶν εἰς σωτηρίαν παντὶ τῷ πιστεύοντι, 2 Tim. iii. 15, Heb. x. 39 πίστεως ἐσμὲν εἰς περιποίησιν ψυχῆς, Barnab. xix. 8 μελετῶν εἰς τὸ σῶσαι ψυχὴν τῷ λόγῳ, Clem. *Hom.* iii. 54 ἡ ἀλήθεια ἢ σώζουσα ἦν καὶ ἔστιν ἐν τῷ Ἰησοῦ ἡμῶν λόγῳ, so we read of σῶζειν δυνάμενοι λόγοι, ζωοποιοὶ λόγοι, *ib.* i. 5, 6, 19. Below v. 15 the phrase is used of bodily life: see Vorst, p. 123, Hatch, p. 101.

22. γίνεσθε.] The imperative ἔστε does not seem to be used in N.T., though ἴσθι and ἔστω are not uncommon. We may take γ. to mean not simply 'be,' but 'show yourselves more and more': see below iii. 1, Matt. x. 16 γίνεσθε οὖν φρόνιμοι, *ib.* xxiv. 44 γ. ἔτοιμοι, 1 Cor. xiv. 20, xv. 28, Eph. v. 1.

ποιηταὶ λόγου.] Cf. iv. 11 π. νόμου, Rom. ii. 13, where π. νόμου is opposed to ἀκροατῆς ν. as being justified before God, Matt. vii. 24 πᾶς ὅστις ἀκούει μου τοὺς λόγους τούτους καὶ ποιεῖ αὐτούς, Luke vi. 46, xi. 28, John xiii. 17, Ezek. xxxiii. 32, Sen. *Ep.* 108. 35 *sic ista ediscamus ut quae fuerint verba, sint opera*, Porphyr. *Abst.* i. 57 δι' ἔργων ἡμῖν τῆς σωτηρίας, οὐ δι' ἀκροάσεως λόγων ψιλῆς γιγνομένης. The word ποιητής is

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εἰς (sixty-two instances in Bruder), never οὐ. See Winer, 599 foll., A. Buttman, 296 foll.

οὗτος.] The use of the pronoun to emphasize the apodosis after a relative, a condition or a participle, is a characteristic of the writer's style, cf. below 25, iii. 2.

ἔοικεν.] Only here and in ver. 6 in N.T.

ἀνδρὶ κατανοοῦντι ἑαυτόν.] For ἀνδρὶ see above ver. 8. Καταν. properly 'to take note of,' as in Xen. *Cyrop.* ii. 2. 28 κατανοήσας τινὰ τῶν λοχαγῶν σὺνδειπνον πεποιημένον ἄνδρα ὑπέραισchron, hence, on the one hand 'observe,' 'look at,' as here and Acts vii. 31, 32, and more generally 'see,' as in Psa. xciii. 9 ὁ πλάσας τὸν ὀφθαλμόν, οὐχὶ κατανοεῖ; on the other hand 'consider,' as in Heb. x. 24, Herm. *Sim.* viii. 2. 5, ix. 6. 3.

τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως αὐτοῦ.] On the difficult word γενέσις = 'fleeting earthly existence,' as in Judith xii. 18 πάσας τὰς ἡμέρας τῆς γενέσεως 'all the days of my life,' see below iii. 6. It is used here to contrast the reflexion in the mirror of the face which belongs to this transitory life, with the reflexion as seen in the Word of the character which is being here moulded for eternity.

ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ.] The figure of the mirror is also found 1 Cor. xiii. 12, contrasting the imperfect knowledge gained through the reflexion with the perfect knowledge of the reality (as in Plato's cave, *Rep.* vii.), 2 Cor. iii. 18 ἡμεῖς ἀνακεκαλυμμένῳ προσώπῳ τὴν δόξαν Κυρίου κατοπτρίζομενοι (reflecting as in a mirror) τὴν αὐτὴν εἰκόνα μεταμορφούμεθα ἀπὸ δόξης εἰς δόξαν, with allusion to the glory which shone in the face of Moses, Sir. xii. 11, where the feigning of the hypocrite is compared to the rust on the face of the mirror which has to be rubbed off in order to see his real character, Wisd. vii. 26 σοφία ἐστὶν ἔσοπτρον ἀκηλίδωτον τῆς τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐνεργείας. It is often used by the poets (e.g. Eur. *Hipp.* 427-430, Ter. *Ad.* 415), and philosophers, as (Epict. *Diss.* ii. 14) the Stoic asks τί σοι κακὸν πεποίηκα; εἰ μὴ καὶ τὸ ἔσοπτρον τῷ αἰσchrῶ ὅτι δεικνύει αὐτὸν αὐτῷ οἴος ἐστίν; Plat. *Mor.* p. 42 B οὐ γὰρ ἐκ κουρείου μὲν ἀναστάντα δεῖ τῷ κατόπτρῳ παραστήναι καὶ τῆς κεφαλῆς ἄψασθαι τὴν περικοπὴν τῶν τριχῶν ἐπισκοποῦντα καὶ τῆς κουρᾶς τὴν διαφορὰν ἐκ δὲ ἀκροάσεως ἀπιόντα καὶ σχολῆς οὐκ εὐθύς ἀφορᾶν χρὴ πρὸς ἑαυτόν, καταμανθάνοντα τὴν ψυχὴν, εἴ τι τῶν ὀχληρῶν ἀποτεθειμένη καὶ περίπτων ἐλαφροτέρα γέγονε καὶ ἠδίωγ. Bias ap. Stob. *Flor.* 21. 11 θεώρει ὡσπερ ἐν κατόπτρῳ τὰς σπαντοῦ πράξεις ἵνα τὰς μὲν καλὰς ἐπικοσμῆς τὰς δὲ αἰσchrὰς καλύπτῃς, often by Philo, cf. Gfrörer, p. 439, who cites M. 2. p. 483 (the Law is compared by the Therapeutae to a living creature, of which the letter is the body and the spirit or intention the soul) ἐν ᾧ ἤρξατο ἡ λογικὴ ψυχὴ διαφερόντως τὰ οἰκεία θεωρεῖν ὡσπερ διὰ κατόπτρου τῶν ὀνομάτων, ἐξαισία κάλλη νοημάτων κατιδοῦσα, *ib.* 197 (through the number seven) ὡς διὰ κατόπτρου φαντασιούται ὁ νοῦς Θεὸν δρῶντα καὶ κοσμοποιούντα, *ib.* 156 the priest should remember, as he bathes, that the laver was made out of the brazen mirror (Exod. xxxviii. 8), ἵνα καὶ αὐτὸς οἶα πρὸς κατόπτρον ἀγγάζῃ τὸν ἴδιον νοῦν, Clem. Hom. xiii. 16 καλῶ ἐσόπτρῳ ὁρᾶ εἰς τὸν Θεὸν ἐμβλέπουσα, Clem. Al. *Paed.* i. 9. p. 150 P. ὡς γὰρ τὸ ἔσοπτρον τῷ αἰσchrῶ οὐ κακόν, ὅτι δεικνύει αὐτὸν οἴος ἐστίν, καὶ ὡς ὁ ἰατρὸς τῷ νοσοῦντι οὐ κακός, ὁ τὸν πυρετὸν ἀναγγέλλων αὐτοῦ .. οὕτως οὐδὲ ὁ ἐλέγχων

δύσνους τῷ κάμνοντι τὴν ψυχὴν. The mirror was sometimes made of silver, but more frequently of a mixture of copper and tin (*D. of B.* s.v.). The point of comparison here is that the Word will show us what needs to be cleansed and amended in our lives, as the mirror in regard to our bodies. It shows us what we actually are in contrast with what our deceitful heart paints us (ver. 26): it shows us also what is the true ideal of humanity which we are called upon to realize in our lives.

24. κατενόησε καὶ ἀπελήλυθεν.] 'Just a glance and he is off.' For the gnomic aorist often used in comparisons see ver. 11 ἀνέτειλεν, A. Buttman, p. 174, Goodwin, *M. and. T.* § 30. The proleptic perf. (on which see Buttman, p. 172) expresses the suddenness and completeness of the action, as in Xen. *Cyr.* iv. 2. 26 ὁ γὰρ κρατῶν ἅμα πάντα συνήρπακεν, Rom. xiv. 23 ὁ διακρινόμενος ἐὰν φαγῆ κατακέκριται, *ib.* vii. 2. On the combination of aorist and perfect see below ii. 10 ὅστις πταιίσθη γέγονεν, Winer, p. 339. Both he and Buttman (p. 171) ignore the special force of the perfect here, and compare it with such barbarous uses as Apoc. v. 7 ἦλθε καὶ εἴληφε τὸ βιβλίον, where, as often in the arguments to the speeches of Demosthenes, the perfect cannot be distinguished from the aorist, cf. εἴληχε and πεποίηκεν for ἔλαχε and ἐποίησεν in *Pro Phorm. hyp.* p. 944.

εὐθέως ἐπελάθετο.] Dr. Taylor (*J. of Phil.* vol. xviii. p. 317) has pointed out that the phrase is borrowed by Hermas in the remarkable passage *Vis.* iii. 13. 2.

ὅποιος ἦν.] The direct form ποῖος is always used in N.T. for indirect interrogation except in this verse and in Gal. ii. 6, 1 Thess. i. 9, 1 Cor. iii. 13. So always τίς, πόσος, πότε, πόθεν for ὅστις, ὅπόσος, ὅποτε, ὅπόθεν. Ὅπου and ὅπως are frequent, but the former is never, the latter only rarely, used in an interrogative sense.

25. παρακύψας.] 'bending over in order to examine minutely,' 'peering into': so 1 Pet. i. 12 εἰς ἃ ἐπιθυμοῦσιν ἄγγελοι παρακύψαι. It is used of John and of Mary looking into the sepulchre (John xx. 5, 11), also in Sir. xiv. 23 (blessed is) ὁ παρακύπτων διὰ τῶν θυρίδων σοφίας, Philo M. 2. p. 554 ποῦ γὰρ τοῖς ιδιώταις θέμις εἰς ἡγεμονικῆς ψυχῆς παρακύψαι βουλευματα, in Act. Thom. Tisch. p. 230 εἰς χάσμα παρακύψαι, Epict. *Diss.* i. 1, 16 παρακύπτομεν συνεχῶς τίς ἄνεμος πνεῖ. In classical writers we find it sometimes used with the opposite sense of a careless glance, e.g. Dem. 1 *Phil.* p. 46 τὰ ξενικὰ παρακύψαντα ἐπὶ τὸν τῆς πόλεως πόλεμον πρὸς Ἀρτάβαζον οἴχεται πλέοντα. Clement of Rome uses ἐγκύπτω in the sense of St. James' παρακ. as in i. 40 ἐγκεκυφότες εἰς τὰ βάθη τῆς θείας γνώσεως, where Lightfoot refers to other passages, esp. 45 ἐγκύπτετε εἰς τὰς γραφάς. So also M. Anton. iv. 3 εἰς ἃ ἐγκύψας, 'contemplating which things.'

νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας.] The careful hearer feels that the λόγος ἀληθείας is, and must be, the law of his life, though a law of freedom: it is the ideal on which his eye is to be fixed, not a yoke too heavy for his shoulders to bear. Even of the Mosaic law the psalmist says (xix. 7) 'the law of the Lord is perfect,' but this is merely rudimentary when compared with the law of Christ (Gal. vi. 2), as is shown in detail in the Sermon on the Mount, and

in the Epistle to the Hebrews. St. Paul speaks of himself as *ἐνομος Χριστοῦ* (1 Cor. ix. 21), and further describes the new law as *νόμος πίστεως* (Rom. iii. 27). It is of this he says in language which may serve as a comment on St. James *ὁ νόμος τοῦ πνεύματος τῆς ζωῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ ἠλευθέρωσέν με ἀπὸ τοῦ νόμου τῆς ἁμαρτίας καὶ τοῦ θανάτου*. Jeremiah prophesied of this law (xxxii. 33) as a new covenant which should be written on the heart. What led St. James to call the Gospel a law of liberty here and in ii. 12? Clearly he must mean by it a law not enforced by compulsion from without, but freely accepted as expressing the desire and aim of the subject of it. Such free obedience is recognized even in the O.T., Exod. xxxv. 5, Deut. xxviii. 47, Psa. i. 2, xl. 8, liv. 6 'with a free heart will I sacrifice unto thee,' cxix. 32 'I will run the way of thy commandments when thou hast set my heart at liberty,' *ib.* 45 'I will walk at liberty for I seek thy commandments,'¹ cxix. 97 'O how I love thy law.' This freedom is declared to be the gift of God Psa. li. 12 'stablish me with thy free Spirit,' corresponding to the words of St. Paul (2 Cor. iii. 16) *οὐ τὸ πνεῦμα Κυρίου ἐκεῖ ἐλευθερία*. But probably the source of the phrase used by St. James is his recollection of the words recorded Matt. v. 17 *οὐκ ἤλθον καταλῦσαι τὸν νόμον ἀλλὰ πληρῶσαι*, and John viii. 32 *γνώσεσθε τὴν ἀλήθειαν καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια ἐλευθερώσει ὑμᾶς*. It is another point in which St. James reminds us of the Stoics and their paradox, *ὅτι μόνος ὁ σοφὸς ἐλεύθερος καὶ πᾶς ἄφρων δούλος*, on which Cicero (*Parad.* 34) comments *Quid est libertas? potestas vivendi ut velis: quis igitur vivit ut vult, nisi qui recta sequitur, qui gaudet officio, qui legibus quidem non propter metum paret sed eas sequitur atque colit quia id salutare maxime esse iudicat?* So Ov. *Met.* i. 90 *sponte sua sine lege fidem rectumque colebat*, of the golden age, and Plut. *Mor.* 780 *τίς οὖν ἄρξει τοῦ ἄρχοντος; ὁ νόμος, ὁ πάντων βασιλεὺς θνητῶν τε καὶ ἀθανάτων, ὡς ἔφη Πίνδαρος, οὐκ ἐν βιβλίοις ἔξω γεγραμμένος, ἀλλ' ἔμψυχος ὢν ἐν αὐτῷ (the ruler) λόγος, αἰεὶ συνοικῶν καὶ παραφυλάττων καὶ μηδέποτε τὴν ψυχὴν ἐὼν ἔρημον ἡγεμονίας*, Philo *M.* 1. p. 120 *νόμος γὰρ θεῖος οὗτος τὴν ἀρετὴν δι' ἑαυτὴν τιμᾶν*, Seneca *Vit. Beat.* 15 *in regno nati sumus: Deo parere libertas est*; cf. the Collect 'Whose service is perfect freedom.' The law of liberty is called *τέλειος*, as the heavenly Tabernacle in Heb. ix. 11, because it carries out, completes, realizes, the object and meaning of the Mosaic law which it replaces (Matt. v. 17). From ii. 8 and 12 we learn something of the contents of St. James' law of liberty; he agrees with St. Paul (Gal. v. 1 and xiii. 14, Rom. xiii. 10) in identifying it with the law of love. Possibly he may not have contrasted it so strongly as St. Paul and St. Peter with the bondage of the Mosaic law (cf. Acts xv. 10, Rom. viii. 2 foll., Gal. iv. 9 foll., 21 foll.), but his view naturally leads on to theirs. Cf. Iren. iv. 39 *τὰ ἀποστάνα τοῦ πατρικοῦ φωτὸς καὶ παραβάντα τὸν θεσμόν τῆς ἐλευθερίας παρὰ τὴν αὐτῶν ἀπέστησαν αἰτίαν*, *ib.* iv. 34. 4 *libertatis lex id est verbum Dei ab apostolis annuntiatum*, iv. 37. 1, iv. 13. 2. For the position of the article see Essay on Grammar, and on the 'Torah' Cheyne's *Isaiah* i. 10.

¹ Cf. Taylor, *J. F.* p. 43 'R. Gamliel used to say Do His will as if it were thy will.'

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worship) Col. ii. 23, where see Lightfoot: also in Wisd. xiv. 18 and 27 ἡ τῶν εἰδώλων θρησκεία, in 4 Macc. v. 6 τῇ Ἰουδαίων χρώμενος θρησκείῃ, *ib.* v. 12, and in Josephus¹ *Ant.* iv. 4. 4 τοῖς κατ' οἶκον θύουσιν εὐωχίας ἕνεκα τῆς αὐτῶν ἀλλὰ μὴ θρησκείας, *ib.* v. 10. 1 γυναῖκας τὰς ἐπὶ θρησκείῃ παραγινομένας, *ib.* ix. 13. 3 (of the priests) ἵνα ἀεὶ τῇ θρησκείῃ παραμένωσι 'that they may always remain in attendance on public worship,' *ib.* xii. 5. 4 and xii. 6. 2. Philo carefully distinguishes the term from εὐσέβεια and ὁσιότης (M. 1. 195) πεπλάνηται τῆς πρὸς εὐσέβειαν ὁδοῦ, θρησκείαν ἀντὶ ὁσιότητος ἠγούμενος καὶ δῶρα τῷ ἀδεκάστῳ διδούς, and so Plut. *V. Alex.* 2 (where he gives the derivation from Θρηῆσσα, which seems to have suggested to Dr. Hilgenfeld his strange idea that θρησκός is an Orphic word borrowed by St. James) δοκεῖ τὸ θρησκεύειν ὄνομα ταῖς κατακόροις γενέσθαι καὶ περιέργοις ἱερουργίαις. Dr. Hatch sums up the result of his investigation (*l.c.* p. 57) in the words 'religion in its external aspect, as worship or as one mode of worship contrasted with another, must be held to be its meaning in the N.T. as in contemporary writers.' I subjoin some examples from later writers, Justin M. *Col. ad Gent.* § 38 τὴν τῶν προγόνων θεοσέβειαν καταλιπόντες διδασκαλίᾳ βασκίμου δαίμονος ἐπὶ τὴν τῶν μὴ θεῶν ἐτράπησαν θρησκείαν, *ib.* 9, *id.* *Monarch.* 1 ἄτρεπτον ἔχειν τὴν εἰς τὸν πάντων γνώστην θρησκείαν, *ib.* τῶν εἰδώλων θρ. [in *Col. ad Gent.* 10 it is identified with θεοσέβεια, the prophets being spoken of as teachers first of one, then of the other], Clem. Rom. i. 45 Ἀνανίας καὶ Ἀζαρίας καὶ Μισαήλ ὑπὸ τῶν θρησκευόντων τὴν μεγαλοπρεπῆ καὶ ἔνδοξον θρησκείαν τοῦ ὑψίστου κατείρχθησαν εἰς κάμινον πυρός; μηδαμῶς τοῦτο γένοιτο, Clem. Al. *Strom.* vi. p. 795 P ἔδωκεν τὸν ἥλιον καὶ τὴν σελήνην καὶ τὰ ἄστρα εἰς θρησκείαν. It is of frequent occurrence in Clem. Hom.; see the account there given (vii. 8) of the θρησκεία required by God. The verb θρησκεύω occurs in Wisd. xi. 15 with an object ἐθρήσκευον ἄλογα ἔρπετά, and xiv. 16 (in the passive) τυράννων ἐπιταγαῖς ἐθρησκεύετο τὰ γλυπτὰ, Josephus *B.J.* ii. 9, 2 ἦν παρ' αὐτοῖς θρησκευόμενον σάββατον, so Euseb. *H.E.* ii. 13 τούτους θρησκεύειν ἐπιχειροῦντες, Clem. Al. *Strom.* vi. § 77, p. 778 P τὸ δὲ (keeping the commandments) ἐστὶ θρησκεύειν τὸ θεῖον διὰ τῆς ὄντως δικαιοσύνης ἔργων τε καὶ γνώσεως, a passage much resembling the text, *ib.* iv. § 160, p. 636 P τῇ ἐβδόμῃ ἢ ἀνάπαυσις θρησκεύεται, 'is observed.' On the whole the words seem to answer to the Lat. *colo, cultus*. See Trench *Synonyms of N.T.* and Coleridge there cited.

χαλιναγωγῶν.] This seems to be the first use of the word. It occurs again below iii. 2 and in Herm. *Mand.* xii. 1 ἐνδεδυμένος τὴν ἐπιθυμίαν τὴν ἀγαθὴν μισήσεις τὴν πονηρὰν ἐπιθυμίαν καὶ χαλιναγωγῆσεις αὐτήν, Polycarp *ad Phil.* v. 3 νεώτεροι χαλιναγωγοῦντες ἑαυτοὺς ἀπὸ παντὸς κακοῦ, also in Lucian *Tyrannicida* 4 τὰς ἡδονῶν ὀρέξεις χαλιναγωγεῖν: Plutarch uses χαλινώω (read here by B.) in the same sense (*Mor.* p. 967). We find ἀχάλινον στόμα in Aristoph. *Ran.* 862, Eur. *Bacch.* 385 and often in Philo, e.g. M. 2. p. 5, 75, 219. Compare for metaphor Diog. L. v. 39 (of Theophrastus) θᾶπτον ἔφη πιστεύειν δεῖν ἵππῳ ἀχάλινῳ ἢ λόγῳ

¹ The quotations from Josephus *Antiq.* are borrowed from Hatch *Bibl. Gr.* p. 56: add from *B.J.* vii. 3, 3 προσαγόμενοι ταῖς θρησκείαις πολὺ πλῆθος Ἑλλήνων, 'bringing over to their rites a multitude of Greeks.'

ἀσυντάκτω, Psa. xxxii. 9, xxxix. 1, cxli. 3. For thought see ver. 19, and below iii. 1-10.

ἀπατῶν καρδίαν ἑαυτοῦ.] We should rather have expected this to come in the apodosis: 'if any one thinks himself religious and yet does not bridle his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is vain.' If included in the protasis it would have been more logically expressed by εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκός εἶναι, μὴ ὄν, ἀλλ' ἀπατῶν κ.τ.λ. For the general μὴ ὄν the writer substitutes that positive failing which he took to be the cause of this unreality. The phrase ἀπ. καρδ. is equivalent to παραλογιζόμενοι ἑαυτούς above ver. 22, cf. Rom. xvi. 18 διὰ τῆς εὐλογίας ἐξαπατῶσι τὰς καρδίας τῶν ἀκάκων, Gal. vi. 3 εἰ γὰρ δοκεῖ τις εἶναι τι, μηδὲν ὄν, ἑαυτὸν φρεναπατᾶ, 1 Cor. iii. 18 μηδεὶς ἑαυτὸν ἐξαπατάτω· εἴ τις δοκεῖ σοφὸς εἶναι ἐν ὑμῖν μωρὸς γενέσθω κ.τ.λ., Test. Nephth. p. 668 Fabr. μὴ σπουδάσετε ἐν λόγοις κενοῖς ἀπατᾶν τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν, ὅτι σιωπῶντες ἐν καθαρότητι καρδίας δυνήσεσθε τὸ θέλημα τοῦ θεοῦ κρατεῖν, Hatch, p. 98.

μάταιος.] Cf. τί ὄφελος below ii. 14. Here with two terminations, as in Tit. iii. 9, but with three in 1 Cor. xv. 17, 1 Pet. i. 18, see Winer, p. 80: for thought cf. Isa. i. 10-17, Isocr. *ad Nicoc.* p. 18 Ε ἡγοῦ θῦμα τοῦτο κάλλιστον εἶναι καὶ θεραπείαν μεγίστην ἐὰν ὡς βέλτιστον καὶ δικαιοτάτον σαυτὸν παρέχῃς.

27. καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος.] Often found together, as in Herm. *Sim.* v. 7 τὴν σάρκα φύλασσε κ. καὶ ἀμ., Philo 2 M. p. 249, Dion. Hal. *A.R.* viii. 43, 52 κ. καὶ ἀμ. ἔχειν συμβήσεται τὴν ψυχὴν ἀπὸ παντὸς χόλου. Erasmus: *Purus est apud Judaeos qui morticinium non contigit, qui lotus sit vivo flumine...impurus est qui carnem suillam ederit.*

παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ καὶ Πατρὶ.] The heavenly standard is appealed to here as above ver. 20 δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ, 1 Pet. ii. 20 τοῦτο χάρις παρὰ Θεῷ, and below ἐνώπιον Θεοῦ iv. 10. The phrase ὁ Θεὸς καὶ Πατὴρ is used below iii. 9 according to some MSS., and by St. Paul 1 Cor. xv. 24, Eph. v. 20, also with ἡμῶν added 1 Thess. i. 3, iii. 11, 13, Gal. i. 3, Phil. iv. 20. Θεὸς πατὴρ is found Rom. i. 7, 1 Cor. i. 3, Eph. i. 2, &c., ὁ Θεὸς πατὴρ Col. i. 3, iii. 17, where see Lightfoot, 1 Pet. i. 2 ὁ Θεὸς καὶ Πατὴρ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰ.Χ., Rom. xv. 16, 2 Cor. i. 3, &c.

αὕτη ἐστίν, ἐπισκέπτεσθαι.] For the attraction of τοῦτο to αὕτη see Madv. *Gr.* § 98 'a demonstrative pronoun to which a substantive is attached as predicate-noun by εἰμί &c. is apt to assume the gender and number of the substantive, Xen. *Oecon.* 8. 2 αὕτη πενία ἐστὶ σαφής, τὸ δεόμενόν τινος μὴ ἔχειν χρῆσθαι.' For the explanatory infinitive in apposition to αὕτη cf. Winer, p. 663 foll. The verb is used of visiting the sick in Matt. xxv. 36, 43, Sirac. vii. 35, and in classical Greek, as Xen. *Cyr.* v. 4. 10, viii. 3. 25.

ὀρφανούς καὶ χήρας.] God is called the father of the fatherless and judge of the widow Psa. lxxviii. 5; there is a special curse on those who afflict the fatherless and widow Deut. xxvii. 19; the Pharisees are charged with devouring widows' houses (Luke xx. 47); cf. Exod. xxii. 22, Job. xxxi. 16, 17, Sirac. iv. 10 γίνου ὀρφανοῖς ὡς πατὴρ καὶ ἀντὶ ἀνδρὸς τῆ μητρὶ αὐτῶν. We find descriptions which recall many of the features of this passage in Barnab. xx. 2 χήρα καὶ ὀρφανῶ οὐ προσέχοντες...ὄν μακρὰν καὶ πόρρω πραύτης καὶ ὑπομονῆ...οὐκ ἐλεῶντες πτωχόν, εὐχερεῖς ἐν καταλαλίᾳ

...πλουσίων παράκλητοι, πενήτων ἄνομοι κριταί [this is partly borrowed from Didaché v.], Polycarp *Philipp.* 6 describes the πρεσβύτεροι as ἐπισκεπτόμενοι πάντας ἀσθενεῖς, μὴ ἀμελοῦντες χήρας ἢ ὀρφανοῦ ἢ πένητος... ἀπεχόμενοι πάσης ὀργῆς, προσωποληψίας, κρίσεως ἀδίκου; so in *Clem. Rom.* i. 8 Peter charges the presbyters to act the part of parents to the orphans, of husbands to the widows, cf. *Herm. Mand.* 8. 10, where Harnack cites many illustrative passages, *Ignat. ad. Pol.* 4 χήραι μὴ ἀμελείσθωσαν μετὰ τὸν Κύριον σὺ αὐτῶν φροντιστῆς ἔσο.

ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν.] For asyndeton see Essay on Grammar, cf. 1 Tim. vi. 14 τηρῆσαι τὴν ἐντολήν ἄσπιλον, 1 Pet. i. 19, 2 Pet. iii. 14, *Herm. Vis.* iii. 4. 5 ἄσπιλοι καὶ καθαροὶ ἔσονται οἱ ἐκλελεγμένοι εἰς ζωὴν αἰώνιον, *Sim.* v. 6. 7, *Lact. Inst.* v. 9 (*Christianorum*) omnis religio est sine scelere ac sine macula vivere, above ver. 21 ῥυπαρίαν, below iii. 6 ἢ γλῶσσα ἢ σπιλοῦσα ὅλον τὸ σῶμα. For τηρεῖν 1 Tim. v. 22 σεαυτὸν ἀγνὸν τήρει, 2 Cor. xi. 9 ἐν παντὶ ἀβαρῆ ἑμαυτὸν ὑμῖν ἐτήρησα.

ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου.] See below iv. 4, 2 Pet. ii. 20 ἀποφυγόντες τὰ μιάσματα τοῦ κόσμου. For ἀπό Acts xx. 26 καθαρὸς ἐγὼ ἀπὸ τοῦ αἵματος πάντων, *Matt.* xxvii. 24 ἀθῶος ἀπὸ, 2 Sam. iii. 28, *Mark* v. 34 ἴσθι ὑγιῆς ἀπὸ τῆς μάστιγός σου, *Rom.* vii. 3 ἐλευθέρα ἐστὶν ἀπὸ τοῦ νόμου. The classical writers use the simple genitive with καθαρὸς and ἀθῶος; ἐλεύθερος is found with ἀπὸ in Xen. and Plato; *Hermas Mand.* xi. 4 has κενὸς ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας. See Ryle, *Psalms of Sol.* p. lxxxiii.

II. 1.—ἀδελφοί μου.] See n. on i. 2. There is special propriety in its use here, where he is urging them to brotherly kindness.

ἐν προσωποληψίαις.] Cf. *Rom.* ii. 11, *Eph.* vi. 9, *Col.* iii. 25, in all of which προσωποληψία is denied of God, Polycarp *ad Phil.* 6 ἀπεχόμενοι πάσης ὀργῆς, προσωποληψίας. The v. προσωπολημπτεῖν occurs below v. 9., the s. προσωπολήμπτης Acts x. 34 οὐκ ἔστι προσωπολήμπτης ὁ Θεός, and the adv. ἀπροσωπολήπτως 1 Pet. i. 17 also of God (of man *Clem. Rom.* i. 1). These are the only recorded instances of the use of these compounds. The uncompounded λαμβάνειν πρόσωπον occurs in *Luke* xx. 21, *Gal.* ii. 6, and in LXX., *Lev.* xix. 15 οὐ λήμψη πρόσωπον πτωχοῦ οὐδὲ μὴ θαυμάσης πρόσωπον δυναστοῦ, *Psa.* lxxxii. 2 ἕως πότε κρίνετε ἀδικίαν καὶ πρόσωπα ἀμαρτωλῶν λαμβάνετε; *Malachi* i. 8, 9, ii. 9, *Sirac.* iv. 21 (of false shame) μὴ λάβης πρόσωπον κατὰ τῆς ψυχῆς σου, *ib.* 27, 2 Kings iii. 14 πρόσωπον Ἰωσαφὰτ λαμβάνω, *Didaché* 4. 3, *Can. Eccl.* 20. In all these passages there is signified a bias of judgment owing to the position, rank, circumstances, popularity, and externals generally of the person judged. A just judge must not be influenced by personal prejudices, hopes or fears, but by the single desire to do justice. Other verbs used with πρόσωπον in much the same sense are θαυμάζειν, *Jude* 16 θαυμάζοντες πρόσωπα ὠφελείας χάριν, 2 *Chron.* xix. 7, *Job* xiii. 10, *Prov.* xviii. 5, *Psalm. Sol.* ii. 191 [used in good sense *Gen.* xix. 21 ἐθαύμασά¹ σου τὸ πρόσωπον, 'I have accepted thee']; ἐπιγινώσκειν, *Deut.* i. 17 οὐκ ἐπιγνώση πρόσωπον ἐν κρίσει, *ib.* xvi. 19; ὑποστέλλεσθαι, *Deut.* i. 17 οὐ μὴ ὑποστείλη πρόσωπον ἀνθρώπου, *Wisdom* vi. 8; αἰδεῖσθαι, &c., *Prov.* xxiv. 23, ὃς οὐκ ἐπαισχυνθῆ πρόσωπον ἐντίμου *Job* xxxiv. 19; αἰρετίζειν, 1 *Sam.* xxv. 35 ἡρέτισα τὸ πρόσωπόν σου

¹ Δφ. ἦρα.

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ἔχετε πίστιν Θεοῦ, Acts iii. 6 π. τοῦ ὀνόματος, Rom. iii. 22 δικαιοσύνη Θεοῦ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, Gal. ii. 16, Apoc. xiv. 12. The same relation may be expressed by εἰς Acts xx. 21, ἐν Gal. iii. 26, πρὸς 1 Thes. 1-8, ἐπί Heb. vi. 1.

τῆς δόξης.] This genitive has been variously interpreted as having an objective, a subjective, or a qualitative force, and been connected in turn by different commentators with every substantive in the sentence: with προσωποληψίας (1) by Erasmus, Calvin, Heison, Michaelis; with πίστιν (2) by the Peshitto, Grotius, Cornelius à Lapide, Hammond and Hofmann; with the whole or a portion of the phrase τοῦ Κυρίου ...Χριστοῦ (3) by the majority of commentators. 1. Erasmus translates '*Cum partium studio quo ex sua quisque opinione quemlibet aestimat*'; Calvin, '*Ne in acceptionibus personarum fidem habeatis...ex opinione*,' which he explains '*Nam dum opum vel honorum opinio nostros oculos perstringit, veritas supprimitur*.' Both interpretations would make δόξης a subjective genitive, denoting the cause or source of προσωποληψία. Michaelis, on the other hand, gives it an objective force, translating '*Admiratio hominum secundum externum splendorem*'; and much in the same way, Heisen. It is now generally recognised that the order of the words renders this explanation of the construction impossible. 2. The Peshitto, followed by Grotius, Hammond, Hofmann, &c., translates 'faith of (in) the glory of Christ' (objective genitive). Huther, 'Christ-given faith in the glory to be revealed'; Gataker, followed by Hottoman, 'the glorious faith in Christ' (qualitative genitive). Though the interval between the two words πίστιν and δόξης in my opinion entirely precludes any qualitative connexion, it is perhaps not so decisive against Grotius' interpretation. To a certain extent we may find a parallel in i. 2: τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως, 'the proof of your faith,' is not unlike τὴν πίστιν...Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τῆς δόξης 'the faith in Christ's glory'; but of course the harshness becomes greater with every additional word which separates them, and with the greater importance of those words. 3. It remains to consider the interpretations which make τῆς δόξης depend upon the whole, or a part, of the phrase preceding. These may be classified as follows: (a) δόξης depending on Χριστοῦ only; (b) depending on Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ; (c) on τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν; (d) on τοῦ Κυρίου understood; (e) on the whole phrase τ. κ. ἡ. Ἰ Χ. (a) 'The Messiah of glory': so Laurentius, Schulthess, Lange, Bouman. The objection to this is, that it is impossible thus to separate Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, and that in any case it would require the article before Χριστοῦ. (b) So Ewald: 'Den Glauben unsers Herrn, Jesus Christus der Herrlichkeit.' This seems to make an arbitrary division of the words, and is also liable to the same objections as (e). Moreover, do we ever find a proper name used with the genitive of quality? (c) 'Our Lord of glory, Jesus Christ.' So Schneckenburger De Wette, Wiesinger. If this were the writer's meaning, why did he not place the words τῆς δόξης after ἡμῶν? (d) 'Our Lord Jesus Christ (the Lord) of glory.' So Baumgarten, Semler and others; but it is without parallel, and is not supported by any of the later commentators. (e) 'Of our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.' So Kern, Alford,

Beyschlag, Erdmann, Schegg, and the great majority of modern commentators. We may allow that St. James makes frequent use of the genitive of quality, as in i. 25 ἀκροατῆς ἐπιλησμονῆς, ii. 4 κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν, &c. : but it is very improbable that such a genitive would be appended to a phrase which is already complete in itself; and we may safely say that no one would have thought of such a construction for this passage if the other suggested interpretations had not involved equal or even greater harshness.

There is however a perfectly natural and easy construction suggested by Bengel, which has been set aside by later commentators on what seem to me very inadequate grounds. His note is, 'τῆς δόξης; est appositio, ut ipse Christus dicatur ἡ δόξα...Christus gloria; hinc fideles gloriosi. Hanc fidelium gloriam nullus mundi honos aequat, nemo personarum acceptor agnoscit.'¹ The objection made to it is that the abstract term δόξα, by itself, is too indefinite to bear this weight of meaning. But other abstractions are used of Christ. He calls himself the Truth, the Life; He is called the Word, why not the Glory? If we had before us such a sentence as μὴ ἔχετε ἐν ἀφροσύνῃ τὴν πίστιν τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, τοῦ λόγου, we should have no scruple in translating it 'Do not hold in folly the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Word,' any more than we have in translating 1 Tim. i. 1 κατ' ἐπιταγὴν Κυρίου Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ τῆς ἐλπίδος ἡμῶν, 'According to the command of Christ Jesus, who is our hope.' Why should we object to the similar translation here, 'the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the glory'? The only question is whether the abstract δόξα is thus used of a person. Bengel cites Luke ii. 31 τὸ σωτήριον ὃ ἠτοίμασας...δόξαν λαοῦ σου Ἰσραήλ, Eph. i. 17 ὁ Θεὸς τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὁ Πατὴρ τῆς δόξης, 1 Pet. iv. 14 εἰ ὀνειδίξεσθε ἐν ὀνόματι Χριστοῦ, μακάριοι, ὅτι τὸ τῆς δόξης καὶ τὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ Πνεῦμα ἐφ' ὑμᾶς ἀναπαύεται (where he takes δόξης as an appellation of Christ). Perhaps more striking parallels are 2 Pet. i. 17 φωνῆς ἐνεχθείσης τοιαύσδε ὑπὸ τῆς μεγαλοπρεποῦς δόξης ('The words seem a periphrasis for God Himself,' Alf.), Col. i. 27 τί τὸ πλοῦτος τῆς δόξης τοῦ μυστηρίου τούτου, ὃ ἐστὶν Χριστὸς ἐν ἡμῖν, ἡ ἐλπίς τῆς δόξης, Rom. ix. 4, where it stands for the Shekinah (cf. 1 Sam. iv. 22, Psa. lxxviii. 61, *ib.* cvi. 20, Isa. iv. 5), John xvii. 22 ἐγὼ τὴν δόξαν ἣν δέδωκάς μοι δέδωκα αὐτοῖς, *ib.* i. 14 ἐθεασάμεθα τὴν δόξαν αὐτοῦ, δόξαν ὡς μονογενοῦς παρὰ Πατρός (of which Westcott says (p. xlvi.) 'Christ the Light of the world is seen by the believer to be the manifested Glory of God'), Heb. i. 3 ἀπαύγασμα δόξης. Similarly μεγαλωσύνη is used Heb. i. 3, and δύναμις Matt. xxvi. 64, cf. Clem. Rom. i. 16 τὸ σκῆπτρον τῆς μεγαλωσύνης τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὁ Κύριος ἡμῶν Χριστὸς Ἰησοῦς. We may suppose that the reason why the word δόξα stands here alone, without ἡμῶν or τοῦ Πατρός, is in order that it may be understood in its fullest and widest sense of Him who alone comprises all glory in Himself. This interpretation is confirmed by the rhythm which makes a natural pause before τῆς δόξης.

Since the above note was written I find that Mr. Bassett in his

¹ W. H. in their marginal reading imply this construction by placing a comma after Χριστοῦ. Cf. Ign. *Eph.* 3 Ἰησοῦς Χριστὸς τὸ ἀδιάκριτον ὑμῶν ζῆν.

commentary takes τῆς δόξης, as I have done, in apposition to τοῦ Κυρίου. In an appendix on this verse, to show that the name Shekinah was used by the Jews of God or of the Messiah, he cites Psa. lxxxv. Ὁ ἐγγὺς τῶν φοβουμένων αὐτὸν τὸ σωτήριον αὐτοῦ, τοῦ κατασκηνώσαι δόξαν ἐν τῇ γῆ ἡμῶν, on which Jennings notes ‘the glory is certainly as in Psa. lxiii. 2, Zech. vi. 12, 13, that of the Divine Presence which now again dawns on the restored people...St. John’s description of the Advent of Christ offers an approximate parallel...“the Word was made flesh and dwelt (ἐσκήνωσε) among us and we beheld his glory...full of grace and truth”: so here ver. 10 tells of a concurrence of Divine goodness and truth.’ Bassett refers also to Hag. ii. 7, 9, Zech. ii. 5 ‘I, saith the Lord, will be [the] glory in the midst of her,’ *ib.* v. 8, 10, and to the book Sohar,¹ where the Son of God is spoken of as the Shekinah. Thus δόξα would appear to be equivalent to Emmanuel, cf. Apoc. xxi. 3 ἡ σκηνή (= Shekinah) τοῦ Θεοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων, Lev. xxvi. 11, 12 θήσω τὴν σκηνὴν μου ἐν ὑμῖν καὶ...ἐμπεριπατήσω ἐν ὑμῖν, καὶ ἔσομαι ὑμῶν Θεὸς καὶ ὑμεῖς ἔσεσθέ μοι λαός, and Pirke Aboth iii. 3 ‘two that sit together and are occupied in words of Torah have the Shekinah among them,’ where Taylor compares Matt. xviii. 20 ‘there am I in the midst of them.’²

2. εἰς συναγωγὴν ὑμῶν.] Either ‘to a meeting of yours,’ or ‘into your synagogue,’ the article being omitted according to Hellenistic use, as in v. 20 ἐκ πλάνης αὐτοῦ. The word is used of a distinctively Christian assembly by Hermas *Mand.* xi. 9 (when a man having the Spirit of God comes) εἰς συναγωγὴν ἀνδρῶν δικαίων ..καὶ ἔντευξις γένηται πρὸς τὸν Θεὸν τῆς συναγωγῆς τῶν ἀνδρῶν ἐκείνων (there the power of the Spirit is manifested). In the note Harnack says that the word is used in the earlier Greek only in active sense of ‘bringing together,’ but by Jewish writers of the apostolic age (1) of the religious community, (2) of the religious assembly, (3) of the place of assembly. It alternates with ἐκκλησία in the LXX., but the latter soon became the predominant and distinctive term among the Christians, συναγωγὴ being contrasted with it, as denoting an assembly of Jews or heretics, cf. Apoc. ii. 9, iii. 9 συναγωγὴ τοῦ Σατανᾶ, and many passages cited by Harnack from Tertullian, Irenaeus, Clem. Al., Apost. Constitt. It seems however that the Christians of Judaea retained the wider use, after it had been abandoned elsewhere, as Epiphanius xxx. 18 says of the Ebionites συναγωγὴν οὗτοι καλοῦσι τὴν ἑαυτῶν ἐκκλησίαν καὶ οὐχὶ ἐκκλησίαν (Lightfoot *Philipp.* p. 190). It is also found loosely used by other Christian writers in the sense of ‘gathering’ (ἐπισυναγωγὴ Heb. x. 25), as Ignat. *Polyc.* iv. 2 πυκνότερον συναγωγὰ γινέσθωσαν (= Didaché xvi. 2 πυκνῶς συναχθήσεσθε), Theoph. *ad Autol.* ii. 14 δέδωκεν ὁ Θεὸς

¹ ‘Commenting on Psa. ii. Simeon ben Jochai speaks of “the Lord of the serving angels, the son of the Highest, yea, the Shekinah,” and again, “God said Faithful Shepherd! verily thou art my Son, yea, the Shekinah.”’ Bassett, p. 101.

² Delitzsch, in his story on Jerusalem in the time of the Herods, says with reference to this verse of Aboth, ‘they had often felt in past days that the Shekinah was in their midst, but now this gracious Presence assumed bodily form in the person of Jesus, as the Messiah of Israel’—(shortened from English tr. p. 121).

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ap. Athen. v. p. 212 d. of the upstart Athenio, who ἐξήκει χλαμύδα λαμπρὴν ἐκσύρων καὶ περικείμενος δακτύλιον χρυσοῦ, Philo M. 2. p. 56 (of Joseph) ἀντὶ ῥυπώσεως λαμπρὰν ἐσθήτα ἀντιδόντες, Artemid. ii. 3 fin. αἰὲ δὲ ἄμεινον καθαρὰ καὶ λαμπρὰ ἱμάτια ἔχειν καὶ πεπλυμένα καλῶς ἢ ῥυπαρὰ καὶ ἄπλυτα. There does not seem any reason to confine the meaning to white colour as Thomas Magister and Casaubon on Theophr. *Char.* 21. According to Wolf, the latter allows (in his *K.ercitt. c. Bar.* xvi. 73, p. 532) that it may refer to any brilliant colour, and so Salmas. on Tertull. *Pall.* p. 182. In Euseb. *H.E.* ii. 10 a robe called λαμπρὰ καὶ βασιλική is afterwards described as στολή ἐξ ἀργύρου πεποιημένη. Here the contrast with ῥυπαρά 'soiled,' 'shabby' (see above i. 21 n.) would perhaps be most marked in the case of white, which was also the usual colour worn by the Jews. Similar expressions are ἱματισμὸς ἔνδοξος Luke vii. 25, or πολυτελής 1 Tim. ii. 9.

εἰσέλθη δὲ καί.] 'And there come in also on the other hand.' For omission of the correlative μέν cf. above i. 13 πειράζει δέ, below v. 10 πταίση δέ, iv. 6 ταπεινοῖς δέ, Matt. xxiii. 24, 25, Buttm. p. 312 foll. For the repetition of the verb see Essay on Grammar. We must suppose that in each case the man is unknown, and that each has his place assigned to him only on the ground of his appearance. St. Paul refers to such visits from strangers in 1 Cor. xiv. 23. For construction see below ver. 15 foll. εἰάν γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχωσιν...εἶπη δέ τις ..μὴ δῶτε δέ.

3. ἐπιβλέψατε.] 'Look with favour,' as in Luke i. 48, ix. 38, 1 Kings viii. 28, Psa. xxiv. 16. This meaning is not found in classical writers.

φοροῦντα.] So Matt. xi. 8 εἰ τὰ μαλακὰ φοροῦντες, and in classical writers.

1 κάθου ὡς καλῶς.] The form κάθου for κάθησο occurs in Psa. cx. 1 κάθου ἐκ δεξιῶν μου (five times quoted in N.T.), and in Sir. ix. 9 μετὰ ὑπάνδρου γυναικὸς μὴ κάθου. It is attributed by the grammarians to Aristophanes and Menander, but it is not found in their extant remains. The corresponding indicative σὺ κάθη is found Acts xxiii. 3, see Winer p. 98. For καλῶς = *laute, pulchre*, i.e. 'in a good seat,' Field compares Alciph. *Ep.* iii. 20 ἄγει μέ τις λαβὼν εἰς τὸ θέατρον καθίσας ἐν καλῶ, Aelian *I.H.* ii. 13 ἐν καλῶ τοῦ θεάτρον καθῆσθαι, see too Arist. *Eq.* 785 καθίζου μαλακῶς, Theile quotes 'Ptolemy καλῶς ἐκάθισε a bust of Homer,' for which he gives the erroneous reference Socr. xiii. 22. On the distinctions in the synagogue see *D. of B.* s.v. and Matt. xxiii. 6; and, as to the duties of the deacons in finding seats for strangers in the congregation, Apost. Const. ii. 58 (where there may perhaps be an allusion to this passage in the words εἰ δὲ πτωχὸς ἢ ἀγενὴς ἢ ξένος ἐπέλθοι . . . καὶ τόπος οὐχ ὑπάρχει, καὶ τούτοις τόπον ποιήσει ἐξ ὅλης τῆς καρδίας ὁ διάκονος ἵνα μὴ πρὸς ἄνθρωπον γένηται ἢ προσωπόληψις, ἀλλὰ πρὸς Θεὸν ἢ διακονία εὐίρεστος κ τ.λ.), Plut. *Mor.* 58 C.

καὶ τῷ πτωχῷ εἶπητε.] We should rather have expected δέ instead of καί to point the contrast to the case of the rich man; but the writer regards each action by itself, irrespective of the contrast, as constituting an instance of προσωποληψία.

ὑπὸ τὸ ὑποπόδιον.] i.e. 'on the floor close to my footstool,' cf. ὑπὸ

τείχος, and see Luke x. 39 παρακαθίσασα παρὰ τοῦς πόδας τοῦ Κυρίου, *ib.* viii. 35 and Acts xxii. 3.

4. οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς.] ‘Are you not divided in yourselves,’ i.e. guilty of διψυχία, as in i. 8? You have not a single eye, but you are influenced by worldly considerations: you look to the world and not to Christ only. For διεκ. see on i. 6, and ἀδιάκριτος iii. 17. For ἐν ἑαυτοῖς instead of ἐν ὑμῖν αὐτοῖς see i. 22 n. and cf. Mark xi. 23 διακριθῆ ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ αὐτοῦ. For construction ἐὰν εἴπητε...οὐ διεκρίθητε, aor. instead of future or present, cf. 1 Cor. vii. 28 ἐὰν γαμήσης οὐκ ἥμαρτες, John xv. 6 ἐὰν μή τις μένη ἐν ἐμοὶ ἐβλήθη ἔξω καὶ ἐξηράνθη, Dem. *F.L.* p. 411 κὰν ἀναγκασθῆ που συντυχεῖν ἀπεπήδησεν εὐθέως. I think the aorist in such passages commonly expresses the immediateness of the consequence ‘if ye speak thus, ye are thereby shown to be,’ cf. n. on i. 24 on a similar use of the perfect. In 1 Cor. vii. 28 it seems to show a wish on the part of the apostle to repudiate at once any idea of blaming a man for marrying; ‘if you should marry, I don’t mean to say it was wrong in you to get married,’ see Winer p. 366 and Devarius ii. 451 there referred to; Goodwin § 155. Others take it as the gnomic aorist expressing a general fact, on which see i. 11, 24.

κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν.] ‘Wrong-considering judges,’ gen. of quality like ἀκροατῆς ἐπιλησμονῆς above i. 25, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας below iii. 6, κρίσιν βλασφημίας Jude 9. Any one who speaks against his neighbour becomes a κριτής, as we read below iv. 11. The reference here is to the worldly considerations of expediency which made them pay court to the rich and slight the poor. The phrase occurs also in Matt. xv. 19 ἐκ τῆς καρδίας ἔρχονται διαλογισμοὶ πονηροί, an example of such διαλογισμοί is given Luke v. 21, 22, Rom. i. 21, see Hatch p. 8.

5. ἀκούσατε.] One of the rousing words employed by St. James, like μὴ πλανᾶσθε i. 16, ἄγε νῦν iv. 13. It is not used in the other epistles. In the Gospels and Apocalypse we find the still more urgent ὁ ἔχων οὖς ἀκουσάτω. The simple ἀδελφοί of v. i. is here repeated in a more affectionate form, as i. 16, 19 repeat i. 2.

ἐξελέξατο.] Used (in middle voice only) of the choosing of Israel Deut. xiv. 1, 2, and of the ‘elect’ Eph. i. 4; St. Paul speaks in much the same way 1 Cor. i. 27 τὰ μωρὰ τοῦ κόσμου ἐξελέξατο ὁ Θεός κ.τ.λ. and our Lord, Luke xviii. 25, Matt. xi. 5. 25.

τοῦς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ.] ‘Poor to the world’ i.e. in the world’s judgment, ‘outwardly poor,’ see below iv. 4 and Luke xii. 21 ὁ θησαυρίζων ἑαυτῷ καὶ μὴ εἰς Θεὸν πλουτῶν. For a similar antithesis of the outwardly poor and inwardly rich cf. above i. 9 ὁ ταπεινὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει, 1 Tim. vi. 17, 18 τοῖς πλουσίοις ἐν τῷ νῦν αἰῶνι)(πλουσίοις ἐν ἔργοις καλοῖς.¹ So of the two kinds of wisdom below iii. 15 and 1 Cor. iii. 19 ἡ σοφία τοῦ κόσμου μωρία παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ ἐστίν. For dative cf. Acts vii. 20 ἀστεῖος τῷ Θεῷ, 2 Cor. x. 4 δυνατὰ τῷ Θεῷ, 1 Cor. ix. 2 ἄλλοις οὐκ εἰμὶ ἀπόστολος, Winer p. 265. On πτωχός see Hatch p. 73. It is the regular word for ‘poor’ in N.T.

πλουσίους ἐν πίστει.] Oblique predicate, after ἐξελέξατο. This verb is sometimes used absolutely, as in Mark xiii. 20, 1 Cor. i. 27; sometimes

¹ [Compare Herm. *Sim.* ii.—C. T.]

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8. This respect for the rich may *however* (μέντοι in its ordinary sense) proceed from a good motive; it may be you are filled with the spirit of love, ready to forgive injury and to do to others as you would have them do to you. If so, well and good. But if your conduct is really determined by worldly motives, if you treat the rich well simply because he is rich and you wish to gain favour with him, and treat the poor harshly because he cannot advance your interests, then you break the law which forbids respect of persons and enjoins special consideration for the poor. It will not do for you to plead that you are scrupulous in other duties. The law is a whole; it is the revelation of God's will: disregard to a single point is disregard to the Lawgiver; it is disobedience to God, and the spirit of disobedience breaks the law as a whole. Do not entertain any idea of keeping this or that particular precept and obtaining credit by that means. Such views belong to the slavish conception of law as a collection of unconnected rules bearing on outward conduct alone. The Christian law is a law of liberty; it is the free manifestation in outward act of the loving spirit within. We shall be judged not by the observance or neglect of this or that external rule, but by the degree in which our heart and life has been penetrated by the spirit of love. If we show kindness, consideration, compassion in our behaviour to other men, we shall meet the same in God's judgment of us.

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other instances named by Winer are 1 Thess. i. 9 δουλεύειν Θεῷ ζῶντι καὶ ἀληθινῷ (which might there be indefinite, 'to serve a living and true God,' in contrast with the preceding ἐπεστρέψατε ἀπὸ τῶν εἰδώλων: see however Westcott on Heb. iii. 12 ἀποστῆναι ἀπὸ Θεοῦ ζῶντος 'the anarthrous title, which is far more common than ὁ Θεός ὁ ζῶν, always fixes attention upon the *character* as distinguished from the "Person" of God. In every case it suggests a ground for corresponding thought or action'), and the constantly recurring Πνεῦμα ἅγιον, which is used not only after a preposition, as in Matt. i. 18 εὐρέθη ἐν γαστρὶ ἔχουσα ἐκ Πνεύματος ἁγίου, but also without a preposition and even in the nominative, e.g. Luke i. 15 Πνεύματος ἁγίου πλησθήσεται, v. 35 Πνεῦμα ἅγιον ἐπελεύσεται ἐπὶ σέ, *ib.* ii. 25 Πνεῦμα ἦν ἅγιον ἐπ' αὐτόν. It is noticeable that, when there is no article, the words are always in this order, but, with the article, τὸ ἅγιον Πν. is not much less common than τὸ Πν. τὸ ἅγ.¹ We may compare also Luke i. 17 μνησθῆναι διαθήκης ἁγίας αὐτοῦ and other exx. given in the Essay on Grammar. The phrase νόμον τελεῖτε is only found here and in Rom. ii. 27. The commandment of love on which all others hang (Rom. xiii. 8, Gal. v. 14) is rightly called 'supreme' βασιλικός: so Philo M ii. 459 οἱ σοφοὶ βασιλικώτερον οὐδὲν ἀρετῆς νομίζοντες, *ib.* p. 364 βασιλικὴν εἴωθεν ὀνομάζειν Μωϋσῆς ὁδὸν τὴν μέσσην ὑπερβολῆς καὶ ἐλλείψεως οὖσαν μεθόριον, *ib.* M i. p. 526 astronomy is βασιλις τῶν ἐπιστημῶν. Zahn (*Gesch. Neut. Kan.* i. 323) compares Clem. Al. *Strom.* vi. p. 164, the Scripture says 'if your righteousness do not exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees' (whose righteousness consisted only in abstaining from evil, σὺν τῷ μετὰ τῆς ἐν τούτοις τελειώσεως) καὶ τῷ τὸν πλησίον ἀγαπᾶν καὶ εὐεργετεῖν δύνασθαι, οὐκ ἔσεσθε βασιλικοί, *ib.* vii. 73 ὅταν μὴ κατ' ἀνάγκην ἢ φόβον ἢ ἐλπίδα δίκαιός τις ἢ ἄλλ' ἐκ προαιρέσεως, αὕτη ἡ ὁδὸς λέγεται βασιλικὴ ἢ τὸ βασιλικὸν ὀδεύει γένος. Clement's use reminds one of βασιλεῖον ἱεράτευμα (Ex. xix. 6. 1 Pet. ii. 9). And this would make excellent sense. Christ's law is not addressed to slaves, who must obey whether they will or not, but to kings who voluntarily embrace the law as their guide: cf. the Stoic paradox in Hor. *Ep.* i. 1. 106. A curiously close verbal resemblance is found in pseudo-Plato *Minos* 317 C τὸ μὲν ὀρθὸν νόμος ἐστὶ βασιλικός, τὸ δὲ μὴ ὀρθὸν οὐ, where βασιλικός apparently means 'worthy of a statesman,' it having been stated just before that laws are the compositions of those who know how to rule states, viz. οἱ πολιτικοὶ τε καὶ οἱ βασιλικοί: cf. *id.* *Ep.* 8. p. 354 C.

κατὰ τὴν γραφήν.] Of course the O.T. viz. Lev. xix. 18, of which the text is an exact quotation, cf. 1 Cor. xv. 3 κατὰ τὰς γραφάς.

ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτόν.] In Hellenistic Greek, as in Hebrew, the fut. is often used for imperat. e.g. Matt. v. 48 ἔσεσθε ὑμεῖς τέλειοι, *ib.* vi. 5 οὐκ ἔσεσθε ὡς οἱ ὑποκριταί, Rom. vii. 7 οὐκ ἐπιθυμήσεις: this is very rarely the case in classical Greek, see Winer, p. 396. The law, which is limited in Leviticus by the context οὐ μηνιῖς τοῖς υἱοῖς τοῦ λαοῦ σου, receives the widest significance as re-uttered by Christ Luke x. 27 foll., John xv. 12. Hillel is said to have told a proselyte that the essence of the law was contained in the saying 'what is hate-

¹ Bruder has 10 examples of the former and 26 of the latter.

ful to thyself, do not to thy fellow,' and that the rest was only commentary.¹ The phrase ὁ πλησίον is classical (as also ὁ πέλας). We find it without a following gen. in Rom. xiii. 10, xv. 2; τὸν ἕτερον is used as its equivalent in Rom. xiii. 8, see Vorst, pp. 67, 562.

καλῶς ποιείτε.] Used ironically below ver. 19, but here simply as in 2 Pet. i. 19 (τὸν λόγον) ᾧ καλῶς ποιείτε προσέχοντες, Acts x. 33, 1 Cor. vii. 37, Phil. iv. 14. There is a similar phrase in the circular letter written from the Council of Jerusalem, probably by St. James, in Acts xv. 29 ἐξ ὧν διατηροῦντες ἑαυτοὺς εὖ πράξετε.

9. προσωπολημπτεῖτε.] ἅπ. λεγ. see above ver. 1 on προσωποληψία. ἁμαρτίαν ἐργάζεσθε.] See on i. 3 and 20, Matt. vii. 23 ἐργαζόμενοι ἀνομίαν.

ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμου.] 'Being convicted by the law,' personified as witness, so 4 Macc. 5. 33 ὃ παιδευτὰ νόμῳ, cf. Rom. vii. 7, Gal. iii. 24. So we have ὑπὸ τῆς συνειδήσεως ἐλεγχόμενοι in the disputed passage John viii. 9. The reference is probably to the law of love which they had broken by dishonouring the poor. [Or to Lev. xix. 5 μὴ θανάσεως πρόσωπον δυναστοῦ. A.]

ὡς παραβάται.] Similarly Homer uses ὑπερβαίνω and ὑπερβασία *Il.* i. 497. Παραβαίνω with an object, such as νόμους, and even θεούς (see Herod. vi. 12), or absolutely (Aesch. *Ag.* 59), is quite classical; but the only certain example of this use of παραβάτης in a classical author is from the treatise *περὶ τῶν ἐν Σικελίᾳ θαυμαζομένων ποταμῶν* of Polemo (*fl.* about 180 B.C.) παραβάτης γενόμενος τῶν θεῶν *ap. Macrob. Sat.* v. 19. The metaphor is adapted to the idea of righteousness as the way in which a man should walk. It occurs absolutely Gal. ii. 18, with νόμον below ver. 11 and in Rom. ii. 25, 27²; παράβασις is used by St. Paul and in Heb. ii. 2, ix. 15, and παραβαίνω in this sense Matt. xv. 2, 3.

10. ὅστις ὅλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ.] 'Whoever keeps the law as a whole,' cf. Gal. v. 3. When ὅστις takes the subj. it is usually joined with ἂν, as in Matt. x. 33, xii. 50, Luke x. 35, John ii. 5, xiv. 13, Acts iii. 23, Gal. v. 10; when ἂν is omitted, the constant confusion of -ει and -η in the MSS. makes it difficult to know whether the fut. or aor. subj. is the true reading. Beside this verse WH. give ὅστις ἀρνήσῃται Matt. x. 33. In classical Greek ἂν is occasionally omitted, both in poetry, as Eur. *Ion.* 856 ὅστις ἐσθλὸς ἦ, *Medea* 516, and in prose, as Thuc. iv. 18. 4 οἵτινες νομίσωσι, *ib.* 17. 2 οὐ ἀρκῶσι, see Kühner on Xen. *Mem.* i. 6. 13 ὅστις ποιῆται, Winer, p. 386, A. Buttman, 197. We find ἕως λάβῃ without ἂν below v. 7, where see n. On the Hellenistic use of τηρεῖν with such words as νόμον see Vorst, p. 191 foll.

πταίση δὲ ἐν ἐνί.] For πτ. see below iii. 2, Rom. xi. 11. It is a question whether ἐνί and the following πάντων should be regarded as masculine (agreeing with νόμῳ, νόμων) or neuter. It does not seem that νόμος is ever used in the Bible of a particular precept = ἐντολή.

¹ Taylor's *Jewish Fathers*, p. 37 n.

² Dr. Plummer (p. 56) thinks the phrase may have been borrowed from the 'unwritten word' contained in the remarkable addition to St. Luke vi. 4, which we find in Cod. D, τῇ αὐτῇ ἡμέρᾳ θεασάμενός τινα ἐργαζόμενον τῷ σαββάτῳ εἶπεν αὐτῷ, Ἄνθρωπε εἰ μὲν οἶδας τί ποιεῖς μακάριος εἶ, εἰ δὲ μὴ οἶδας ἐπικατάρτος καὶ παραβάτης εἶ τοῦ νόμου.

The ten commandments are never called οἱ δέκα νόμοι. But might not St. James unconsciously pass from the collective sense of νόμος to the particular precepts of which it consisted, without reflecting that, strictly speaking, such a use of the term was illegitimate? The other explanation is not without difficulty. We have plenty of examples of the substantival use of the neuter ἐν in the nominative and accusative, but not, I think, in the other cases.

γέγονεν πάντων ἔνοχος.] For perfect following aorist see above i. 24. Ἐνοχος (lit. 'in the power of') is used with a genitive of the offence ('guilty of theft'), of the punishment (ἐν θανάτῳ Matt. xxvi. 66), of the law sinned against, as here. It takes a dative of the tribunal. Πάντων is equivalent to ὅλου τοῦ νόμου.

St. James seems to have had in his mind the case of one who, thinking himself to be religious (i. 26), assumes that all is right with him, like the Pharisee in the parable (Luke xviii. 11). Some of the Rabbis actually laid it down that obedience to certain laws, e.g. the law about fringes and phylacteries, was as good as obedience to the whole.¹ Cf. Midrash Mishle on Prov. i. 10 *qui unum praeceptum servat est ac si totam legem servasset*. On the other hand, the principle here affirmed by St. James is also to be found in the sayings of the Rabbis: thus Schegg gives a story from a Midrash on Numbers:² 'R. Hunna having taught his disciples that he who committed adultery broke all the commandments, was asked by them to explain how this could be true of the fourth commandment'; and Wetstein to the same effect quotes two sayings of R. Jochanan from Sabb. f. 70. 2 *si faciat omnia, unum vero omittat, omnium et singulorum reus est*; and Pesikta f. 50. 1 *omnis qui dicit, totam legem ego in me recipio praeter verbum unum, hic sermonem Domini sprexit et praecepta ejus irrita fecit*, Horaioth 8 b: (Levit. v. 5) *R. Jose Galilaeus dixit: 'qui reus est unius, reus est omnium,'* cf. 4 Macc. 5. 18 *μὴ μικρὰν εἶναι νομίσης ταύτην, εἰ μαροφαγήσαιμεν, ἀμαρτίαν τὸ γὰρ ἐπὶ μικροῖς καὶ μεγάλοις παρανομεῖν ἰσοδύναμόν ἐστιν, δι' ἑκατέρου γὰρ ὁμοίως ὑπερηφανεῖται*, and Test. xii. Patr. 689 *ἄλλος κλέπτει, ἀδικεῖ, ἀρπάζει, πλεονεκτεῖ, καὶ ἔλεει τοὺς πτωχοὺς. διπρόσωπον μὲν τοῦτο, τὸ δὲ ὅλον πονηρόν ἐστιν*.

This passage of St. James is discussed at length by Augustine in a letter to Jerome (*Ep.* 167). He compares the teaching of St. James with the Stoic doctrine on the 'solidarity' of the virtues and vices, as to which see Stob. *Ecl.* ii. p. 108 *τὸν μίαν ἔχοντα ἀρετὴν πάσας ἔχειν, καὶ τὸν κατὰ μίαν πράττοντα κατὰ πάσας πράττειν*, *ib.* 116 *φασὶ δὲ καὶ πάντα ποιεῖν τὸν σοφὸν κατὰ πάσας τὰς ἀρετάς· πᾶσαν γὰρ πρᾶξιν τελείαν αὐτοῦ εἶναι, διὸ καὶ μηδεμίας ἀπολελείφθαι ἀρετῆς*, *ib.* 120 *κατὰ τὸ ἀνάλογον δὲ καὶ τὸν φαῦλον πάντα ὅσα ποιεῖ κακῶς ποιεῖν καὶ κατὰ πάσας τὰς κακίας*, both doctrines flowing from their conception of virtue as the art of life. In the same way the Stoics asserted the equality of all virtues, Diog. L.

¹ [See Shemoth Rabb. xxv. end: 'the Sabbath weighs against all the precepts'; if they kept it, they were to be reckoned as having done all: if they profaned it, as having broken all. Rashi on Numbers xv. 38-40 says the same of the law of Fringes, but an integral part of this is to remember all the commandments.—C. T.]

² [Bemidkar Rabb. ix. on Numb. v. 14.—C. T.]

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of speech (on which see ch. iii. below), as well as of action (on which see vv. 14—26 of this chapter). The reference in οὕτως is to the following ὡς, as in 1 Cor. ix. 26 οὕτω πυκτεύω ὡς οὐκ ἀέρα δέρων, *ib.* iii. 15 σωθήσεται οὕτως ὡς διὰ πυρός.

ὡς διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι.] The absence of the article, which was used in i. 25, serves to give prominence to the qualifying genitive. For other instances in N. T. of the classical use of ὡς with part. cf. 1 Cor. iv. 18, 2 Cor. v. 20, Heb. xiii. 17, and Winer p. 770f.

13. ἡ γὰρ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος.] The reading ἀνέλεος is found in all the best MSS. instead of ἀνίλεως. Neither form occurs elsewhere, but we find ἀνελεής (in scholiasts) and the more classical ἀνηλεής (Plato), ἀνελεήμων (Wisd. xii. 5, Rom. i. 31). As to the formation, ἀνέλεος is regular from the classical ὁ ἔλεος (like ἄλογος, ἄθεος), but τὸ ἔλεος is the form used in N.T.,¹ from which would regularly be formed ἀνελεής (like εὐγενής from γένος) or ἀνηλεής (like ἀνηρεφής from ἐρέφω). We have another reference to κρίσις below v. 12. With ποιεῖν ἔλεος cf. Josh. ii. 12 ὁμόσατέ μοι ὅτι ποιῶ ὑμῖν ἔλεος καὶ ποιήσατε καὶ ὑμεῖς ἔλεος, Matt. vi. 2 ὅταν ποιῆς ἐλεημοσύνην, Tobit. xii. 9 οἱ ποιῶντες ἐλεημοσύνας καὶ δικαιοσύνας. For the thought cf. Matt. v. 7, vi. 14, vii. 1, xviii. 28—35 the parable of the debtor, xxv. 41—46 the description of the judgment, Tit. iii. 5, below v. 20, Psa. xviii. 25, 26, Prov. xvii. 5, Sirac. xxviii. 2ff. ἄφες ἀδίκημα τῷ πλησίον σου καὶ τότε δεηθέντος σου αἱ ἁμαρτίαι σου λυθήσονται, Tobit. iv. 7—12, Test. xii. Patr. p. 641 ἔχετε εὐσπλαγχνίαν κατὰ παντὸς ἀνθρώπου ἐν ἐλέει ἵνα καὶ ὁ Κύριος εἰς ὑμᾶς σπλαγχνισθεὶς ἐλεήσῃ ὑμᾶς, ὅτι καὶ γε ἐπ' ἐσχάτων ἡμερῶν ὁ Θεὸς ἀποστέλλει τὸ σπλάγχνον αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς καὶ ὅπου εὐρῆ σπλάγχνα ἐλέους, ἐν αὐτῷ κατοικεῖ, Dem. *Mid.* 547 οὐδεὶς ἐστι δίκαιος τυγχάνειν ἐλέου τῶν μηδένα ἐλεούντων. The reference to mercy looks backward to i. 27 and forward to ver. 15 foll.

κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως.] 'Mercy triumphs over judgment.' The compound verb is found also below iii. 14 and Rom. xi. 18; the simple verb above i. 9. For the thought see Hosea vi. 6 ἔλεος θέλω ἢ θυσίαν, quoted in Matt. ix. 13, where the Pharisees complain of Jesus eating with publicans and sinners, and again Matt. xii. 7 when they find fault with the disciples for eating the ears of corn; Luke vii. 47, 1 Pet. iv. 8, Matt. xxiii. 23. The absence of a connecting particle is a feature in the vigorous style of the writer, cf. below v. 6 κατεδικάσατε, ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δικαίον· οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν, and above i. 19 ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι, βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι. Some MSS. insert δέ, as in ver. 15 below, which would limit the scope of the words by presenting them as an antithesis to the preceding clause. It is such of course in the first instance: as the failure to show mercy or consideration for others forbids us to expect mercy ourselves, so by the exercise of mercy man gathers to himself 'a good reward against the day of necessity' (Tobit iv. 9), since 'God is not unrighteous to forget the labour that proceedeth

¹ Similar instances of change of gender in Hellenistic Greek are τὸ πλοῦτος, τὸ (ἡ)λος, τὸ σκότος, on which see Winer p. 76.

of love' (Heb. vi. 10). But the asyndeton allows the words to be taken in their widest generality, as embodying the very essence of the Christian law of liberty, affirming the universal principle of God's judgment, even when it seems to be ἀνέλεος, and supplying the rule for the believer's daily life, cf. Philo M. 1. p. 284 οὐ μόνον δικάσας ἐλεεῖ ἀλλὰ ἐλεήσας δικάζει· πρεσβύτερος γὰρ δίκης ὁ ἔλεος παρ' αὐτῷ ἐστίν, ἅτε τὸν κολάσεως ἄξιον οὐ μετὰ τὴν δίκην ἀλλὰ πρὸ δίκης εἰδότε.

14—26. In this section St. James proceeds to enlarge on the meaning and nature of that faith in Jesus Christ which was spoken of in ver. 1 as inconsistent with προσωποληψία. He dwells on the contrast, noted in i. 26, between mere outward religion and the consecration of the life to God. If a man πίστιν ἔχει ἐν προσωποληψίαις, is not this the same as having a profession of faith which is not evidenced by deeds? But it is not such faith as this that can ever triumph over judgment. Compare the words of St. John (1 ep. ii. 4) ὁ λέγων ὅτι Ἔγνωνκα αὐτὸν, καὶ τὰς ἐντολας μὴ τηρῶν, ψεύστης ἐστίν. The apocryphal fourth book of Esdras shows that the question of faith and works was at that time agitated among the Jews, see ix. 7. 8 'whoever shall be able to escape either by his works or by his faith shall see my salvation,' also viii. 33-36, xiii. 23. For the relation of St. James' view of faith to that of St. Paul and the other apostles see Comment.

14. τί ὄφελος.] The omission of the article ('what good is it,' 'what boots it,' instead of 'what is the good'), especially when the verb is understood, is somewhat colloquial and has a sharp abruptness which suits the passage. It is omitted also by Philo M 1. p. 241 τί γὰρ ὄφελος λέγειν μὲν τὰ βέλτιστα, διανοεῖσθαι δὲ καὶ πράττειν τὰ αἰσχίστα... τί δὲ ὄφελος ἂ μὲν χρὴ διανοεῖσθαι ἔργοις δὲ ἀτόποις καὶ λόγοις χρῆσθαι; and p. 295, 320, M 2. p. 333, also by Plato and Xen. The only other place in which the word occurs in N.T. is 1 Cor. xv. 32 εἰ κατ' ἄνθρωπον ἐθηριομάχησα, τί μοι τὸ ὄφελος;

ἔργα.] The ἔλεος of ver. 13. Cf. Clem. Hom. viii. 7 οὐ γὰρ ὠφελήσει τινὰ τὸ λέγειν ἀλλὰ τὸ ποιεῖν· ἐκ παντὸς οὖν τρόπου καλῶν ἔργων χρεία, Pirke Aboth 'say little, do much' (Taylor *J. F.* p. 38), Philo M. 1. p. 525 ἡ ἄνευ πράξεως θεωρία ψιλὴ πρὸς οὐδὲν ὄφελος τοῖς ἐπιστήμοσιν.

μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν;] The interrogative μὴ, expecting of course a negative answer, occurs again below iii. 12, and is very frequent in the 1st epistle to the Corinthians and the Gospel of St. John. For σῶσαι cf. i. 21: it is the triumph of mercy over judgment of ver. 13. ἡ πίστις not faith absolutely, but such faith as this, *fides illa quam vos habere dicitis* (Bede).

15. εἰν ἀδελφός.] See n. on i. 2. If δέ is inserted after εἰν we should have to consider this a second parallel case, in which profession is opposed to reality; but it makes better sense to omit it with B. and Sin. and take this as a concrete illustration of the abstract principle stated in ver. 14. Compare 1 John iii. 17, 18 (where the empty profession of love is contrasted with the living reality), Philo M 1. p. 527 ὡσπερ ἐν ἰατροῖς ἡ λεγομένη λογοϊατρεία πολὺ τῆς τῶν καμνόντων ὠφελείας ἀποστατεῖ, φαρμάκοις γὰρ καὶ χειρουργίαις καὶ διαίταις ἀλλ' οὐ λόγοις αἱ νόσοι θεραπεύονται κ.τ.λ. For construction of εἰν γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχουσιν... εἶπη

δέ τις...μὴ δῶτε δέ compare ver. 2 above εἰς ἐλθῆ...εἰς ἐλθῆ δέ... ἐπιβλέψητε δέ.

γυμνοί.] He still has before him the case of the poor who were slighted in the congregation. The word does not necessarily imply absolute nakedness: a person wearing the *celoneth*, under-tunic (χιτωνίσκος or ὑποδύτης), alone was described as naked: thus it is used of Saul after having taken off his upper garments (1 Sam. xix. 24), of a warrior who has cast off his military cloak (Amos ii. 16), of Peter without his fisher's coat (ἐπενδύτης); cf. too Hesiod *Op.* 391 γυμνὸν σπείρειν imitated in *Georg.* i. 299. The same expression is applied to the poorly clad in Job xxii. 6, Isa. lviii. 7, Matt. xxv. 36, see *D. of B.* s.v. 'Dress' p. 454.

λειπόμενοι.] See on i. 4. As the best MSS. omit ὄσιν, this must be taken with ὑπάρχωσιν, cf. Acts viii. 16 βεβαπτισμένοι ὑπῆρχον. The plural is of course not strictly grammatical after the disjunctive conjunction, but it is a very natural irregularity; cf. Plato *Leg.* 8. 838 ὅταν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ τῷ γένωνται καλοί, Krueg. *Gr.* § 63, 3, 2. So a singular subject followed by μετά with gen. is sometimes joined with a plural verb: see below on δῶτε.

ἐφήμερον.] Only here in N.T.; not in LXX. Diod. iii. 31 and Dion. H. viii. 41 use the phrase ἐφήμερος τροφή, Philo M. 2, p. 538 has τὸ ἐφήμερον, probably quoted from a comic poet (πένητές ἐσμεν καὶ μόλις τοῦ ἐφήμερον εἰς αὐτὰ τὰναγκαῖα πορίζειν δυνάμεθα). Field cites Ael. *V.H.* iii. 29 Diogenes said he was πτωχὸς δυσείμων, βίον ἔχων τὸν ἐφήμερον, Menander p. 134 M. στρατεία δ' οὐ φέρει περιουσίαν ἐφήμερον δὲ καὶ προπετῆ βίον. It is defined by Pollux as τὸ εἰς τὴν ἐπιούσαν μὴ μένον, cf. Herod. i. 32 οὐ γάρ τοι ὁ μέγα πλούσιος μᾶλλον τοῦ ἐπ' ἡμέρην ἔχοντος ὀλβιώτερός ἐστι.

16. τις ἐξ ὑμῶν.] Tit. i. 12 εἶπέ τις ἐξ αὐτῶν, and frequently. Sometimes τις is omitted both in the accusative as Matt. xxiii. 34 ἀποστέλλω προφήτας...καὶ ἐξ αὐτῶν ἀποκτενεῖτε, and in the nominative as John xvi. 17 εἶπον ἐκ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ.

ὑπάγετε ἐν εἰρήνῃ.] Cf. the words of the jailor at Philippi to Paul πορεύεσθε ἐν εἰρήνῃ Acts xvi. 36, Jud. xviii. 6; but more commonly we find εἰς used, implying a future result, as in Mark v. 34 with ὑπάγε, Luke vii. 50 with πορεύου, also ch. viii. 48, 1 Sam. i. 17, xx. 42, with βάδιζε 2 Sam. xv. 9, ἀπελύθησαν ^{μετ'} εἰρήνης Acts xv. 33. In Tobit xii. 5 we have ὑπάγε ὑγιαίνων in much the same sense. It is a formula of comfort ('be at ease,' 'have no anxiety') usually grounded upon some act or assurance, as 1 Sam. xx. 42 the oath of friendship between David and Jonathan, Acts xvi. 36 the order of the magistrates. Here it should have been followed or preceded by the gift of food and clothing instead of the mocking words.

θερμαίνεσθε καὶ χορτάζεσθε.] Beyschlag and others take these verbs in the middle sense 'warm yourselves and feed yourselves.' The Revisers retain the old version 'be ye warmed and fed,' which certainly gives a better sense and one more suited to the caustic irony of which St. James is a master. The sight of distress is unpleasant to these dainty Christians. They bustle out the wretched-looking brother or sister

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1 Cor. iv. 18 ὡς μὴ ἐρχομένου δέ μου, even the fifth occurs in 1 John ii. 2 οὐ περὶ τῶν ὑμετέρων δὲ μόνον. In Justin M. *Apol.* ii. 8 we find an example of the sixth place, καὶ τοὺς ἀπὸ τῶν Στωικῶν δὲ δογμάτων.

τὰ ἐπιτήδεια τοῦ σώματος.] Only here in N.T., frequent in classical authors, e.g. Thuc. viii. 74 ὅσα περὶ τὸ σῶμα εἰς δίαίταν ὑπῆρχεν ἐπιτήδεια, Theophr. *Char.* xi. 5 φειδωνίῳ μέτρῳ μετρέειν αὐτὸς τοῖς ἔνδον τὰ ἐπιτήδεια (their portions or rations).

17. ἡ πίστις...νεκρά ἐστίν.] The absence of works, the natural fruit of faith, proves that the faith is in itself lifeless, just as a compassion which expends itself in words is only counterfeit. Life cannot remain latent. Cf. Plaut. *Epid.* i. 2. 18 *quid te retulit beneficium esse oratione si ad rem auxilium emortuum est?* For metaphorical use of νεκρός, nearly = μάταιος i. 2. 6, or ἀργός below ver. 20, cf. below ver. 26, Heb. vi. 1 and ix. 14 ἔργα νεκρά, that is, 'works done apart from the vivifying influence of faith and love, with a view to earn salvation,' cf. above i. 26 n. and John xv. 4); Rom. vii. 8 χωρὶς νόμου ἁμαρτία νεκρά, 'sin is dormant till roused into activity by antagonism to law'; Epict. *Diss.* iii. 23. 28 ἂν μὴ ταῦτα ἐμποιῇ (viz. produce conviction of error) ὁ τοῦ φιλοσόφου λόγος, νεκρός ἐστὶ καὶ αὐτὸς καὶ ὁ λέγων.

καθ' ἑαυτήν.] Not a mere repetition of εἰ μὴ ἔχη ἔργα; the absence of fruit shows that it is not merely outwardly inoperative but inwardly dead.

18. ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις.] 'Nay, one may say, Thou hast faith and I works; do thou, if thou canst, prove thy faith without works and I will prove mine by my works.' It has been shown that faith without works is of no value: one may go further and say that its existence is incapable of proof. The writer, with his usual modesty, puts himself in the background, does not claim to be the representative of perfect working faith, but supposes another to speak. Usually the phrase ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις is used of an objection, like νῆ Δία, *at enim*, as 1 Cor. xv. 35 ἀ.ἐ.τ. πῶς ἐγείρονται οἱ νεκροί; and in classical Greek Xen. *Cyr.* iv. 3. 10 ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις ἴσως...ἀλλ' εἴποι ἂν τις, and so some would take it here: 'It may be objected that works and faith are different forms of genuine religion: your form may be faith, mine works, both equally acceptable in the sight of God.' The explanation is untenable, because it makes the imaginary objector treat the writer as though it was the latter who was exalting faith above works, instead of the opposite. In the text ἀλλά has a strengthening force = *immo*, like πλήν in Matt. xxvi. 64, cf. John xvi. 2 ἀποσυναγώγους ποιήσουσιν ὑμᾶς· ἀλλ' ἔρχεται ὥρα ἵνα πᾶς ὁ ἀποκτείνων ὑμᾶς δόξῃ λατρείαν προσφέρειν τῷ Θεῷ, Luke xvii. 8, ἀλλ' οὐχὶ ἐρεῖ αὐτῷ; (which I think should be translated 'nay! will he not rather say unto him?') 2 Cor. vii. 11 πόσῃν κατειργάσατο ὑμῖν σπουδῆν, ἀλλὰ ἀπολογίαν, ἀλλὰ ἀγανάκτησιν, ἀλλὰ φόβον, κ.τ.λ., Phil. i. 18 ἐν τούτῳ χαίρω· ἀλλὰ καὶ χαιρήσομαι, Heb. iii. 16 τίνες παρεπίκραναν; ἀλλ' οὐ πάντες; with Alf.'s n. Instead of the future the optative with ἄν would be more common in classical Greek, but the latter form is rather avoided by the Hellenistic writers, occurring only eight times in N.T. (thrice in Luke, five times in Acts), see A. Buttmann, p. 188, who cites Rom. v. 7 μόνις γὰρ ὑπὲρ δικαίου τις ἀποθανεῖται, &c. In Latin the

future *dicet aliquis* is far more common than the present subjunctive, see Roby, vol. ii. pref. p. 101 foll.

κἀγῶ.] In the N.T. the contracted is more usual than the uncontracted form, see WH. *app.* p. 145, Winer p. 51. We also find κἀμοί, κἀμέ, κἀκέϊ, κἀκέϊνος. A close parallel to the form of this sentence is found in Theoph. *Autol.* i. 2 δείξόν μοι τὸν ἄνθρωπόν σου, κἀγώ σοι δείξω τὸν Θεόν μου.

χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων.] We must supply σου just as we supply μου after τὴν πίστιν. Cf. Rom. iii. 28 λογίζομεθα δικαιῶσθαι πίστει ἄνθρωπον χωρὶς ἔργων νόμου, *ib.* iv. 6 ὁ Θεὸς λογίζεται δικαιοσύνην χωρὶς ἔργων.

ἐκ τῶν ἔργων.] So v. 21 below and iii. 13 ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς.

19. σὺ πιστεύεις ὅτι εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός.] This reading supported by A. Sin. Pesh. &c. seems preferable to that of B (accepted by WH.) εἷς Θεός ἐστὶν, as it expresses a more definite belief in the actual formula of Jewish orthodoxy given in Deut. vi. 4 ἄκουε Ἰσραὴλ, Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν Κύριος εἷς ἐστὶν, Mark xii. 29, 1 Cor. viii. 4, 6, *Hermas Mand.* i. πρῶτον πάντων πίστευε ὅτι εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός, Philo *Leg. ad C. M.* 2. p. 562 Ἰουδαίους δεδιδασμένους ἐξ αὐτῶν σπαργάνων ἓνα νομίζειν τὸν πατέρα καὶ ποιητὴν τοῦ κόσμου Θεόν. Much is said of the excellence of the μοναρχικὴ θρησκεία in the Clementine Homilies. This verse from Deuteronomy is the commencement of the Shema, that portion of the law which was appointed to be read or recited both morning and evening by every Jew. 'For him who reads the Shema with scrupulous precision as regards its several letters, they cool Gehinnom' (Berakoth 156, quoted in Taylor, *Jewish Fathers*, p. 52, and exc. iv.). St. Paul depicts the reliance placed by the Jews on their orthodoxy, Rom. ii. 17-22. The phrase πιστ. ὅτι denotes intellectual belief, as contrasted with πιστ. εἰς or ἐν denoting moral faith or trust; so Bede: *aliud est credere illi, aliud credere illum, aliud credere in illum. Credere illi, est credere vera esse quae loquitur; credere illum, credere quod ipse sit Deus; credere in illum est diligere illum. Credere vera esse quae loquitur multi et mali possunt; credunt enim esse vera et nolunt ea facere, quia ad operandum pigri sunt. Credere autem ipsum esse Deum, hoc et demones potuerunt. Credere vero in Deum soli novere qui diligunt Deum, qui non solo nomine sunt Christiani, sed et factis et vita; quia sine dilectione fides inanis.* WH. take the clause interrogatively: it seems to me more impressive to regard it as stating a simple matter of fact, like σὺ πίστιν ἔχεις before. There is no need to suppose with Winer (p. 678) that it expresses a condition, to which καλῶς ποιεῖς supplies the apodosis; what is prepared for is the following phrase καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια κ.τ.λ., not the merely parenthetical καλῶς ποιεῖς. Another question is whether St. James must be supposed to speak here in his own person, or whether this verse also must be assigned to the interlocutor introduced in v. 18. The repetition of σὺ πιστεύεις after σὺ πίστιν ἔχεις and the decided break before v. 20 seem to favour the latter view. We must suppose him thus to put forward the two arguments (1) belief without works (may possibly be a real belief, but) can never prove its existence; (2) it may exist, and yet be consistent with diabolic malignity.

καλῶς ποιεῖς.] The phrase is not necessarily ironical, see above v. 8 and Mark xii. 32 καλῶς εἶπες ὅτι εἰς ἐστίν, but is made ironical by the context, as in Mark vii. 9 καλῶς ἀθετεῖτε τὴν ἐντολήν, 2 Cor. xi. 4 εἰ ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἄλλον Ἰησοῦν κηρύσσει...καλῶς ἀνέχεσθε, John iv. 17 καλῶς εἶπας ὅτι ἄνδρα οὐκ ἔχω. It is often used in a colloquial sense by classical writers, e.g. Demosth. p. 141, 14 μετὰ ταῦτα ἡ τύχη καλῶς ποιούσα ('many thanks to her') πολλὰ πεποίηκε τὰ κοινά, id. *Mid.* p. 582 εἰσὶ μὲν εἰς τὰ μάλιστα αὐτοὶ πλούσιοι καὶ καλῶς ποιούσι, where Reiske translates *id vero laudo congratulorque*, id. *Coron.* p. 304, 26 (Philip's cruelty others have experienced) τῆς δὲ φιλανθρωπίας...ὑμεῖς καλῶς ποιῶντες ('by good luck') τοὺς καρποὺς κεκόμισθε, Arist. *Plut.* 863 καλῶς τοίνυν ποιῶν ἀπόλλυται ('a good job too'): see Hermann's Viger, p. 362. [Diod. v. p. 442 R. καλῶς διεφθάρθαι 'a pretty clean sweep' A.]

τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν.] This is the term regularly used in the Gospels for the evil spirits, also called πνεύματα ἀκάθαρτα or πονηρά, by whom men are possessed and who are themselves said to be subject to Beelzebub. We have instances both of their belief and their terror in Matt. viii. 29 (of Legion) ἔκραξαν λέγοντες τί ἡμῖν καὶ σοί, υἱὲ τοῦ Θεοῦ; ἦλθες ὧδε πρὸ καιροῦ βασανίσει ἡμᾶς; of their belief, Luke iv. 41 'He suffered them not to speak because they knew he was the Christ,' Acts xix. 15 'Jesus I know and Paul I know.' They suggest evil thoughts to men: hence σοφία δαιμονιώδης below iii. 15, διδασκαλίαι δαιμονίων 1 Tim. iv. 1. The same term is applied to heathen deities 1 Cor. x. 20 foll.

καὶ φρίσσουν.] The word, which properly means 'to bristle,' is used like the Lat. *horreo* of the physical signs of terror, especially of the hair standing on end, as in Job. iv. 14, 15. But the R.V. translation 'shudder,' seems too bold a metaphor to apply in English to spirits. It comes to express only a high degree of awe or terror, as Daniel, after the vision of the four beasts and their disappearance before the coming of the Son of Man, says ἔφριξε τὸ πνεῦμά μου (vii. 15), Prayer of Manasses 4 Κύριε ...ὃν πάντα φρίσσει καὶ τρέμει ἀπὸ προσώπου δυνάμεώς σου, hence τὸ φρικτὸν ὄνομα, φρικτὰ μυστήρια or ὄργια, μαρμαίρων τι φρικῶδες of the dazzling splendour of the robes of Herod (Euseb. *H.E.* ii. 10); it is even used of the effect on the mind of a favourable omen Xen. *Cyr.* iv. 2, 15 ὥστε πᾶσι μὲν φρίκην ἐγγίγνεσθαι πρὸς τὸ θεῖον, θάρρος δὲ πρὸς τοὺς πολεμίους. The occasion of this terror is mentioned in Matt. viii. 29 quoted above, cf. Heb. x. 27 (for those who sin after receiving knowledge of the truth there remains) φοβερὰ τις ἐκδοχὴ κρίσεως, Philo M 1 p. 218 ἐπὶ τοῖς προσδοκωμένοις φοβεροῖς τρέμοντές τε καὶ φρίττοντες. We find many reminiscences of this saying of St. James, e.g. Justin *Tρηγῆλο* 49 (Χριστὸν) καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια φρίσσει καὶ πᾶσαι ἀπλῶς αἱ ἀρχαὶ καὶ ἐξουσίαι τῆς γῆς, Acta Philippi T. p. 86 Θεὸς ὃν φρίττουντι πάντες αἰῶνες...ὃν τρέμουντι ἀρχαὶ τῶν ἐπουρανίων, Lactant. *de Ira* c. 23 Apollo Milesius de *Judaeorum religione consultus responso hoc invidit...ὃν τρέμεται καὶ γαῖα καὶ οὐρανὸς ἠδὲ θάλασσα, ταρτάρειοί τε μυχοὶ καὶ δαίμονες ἐκφρίττουντι, Orphica ap. Clem. Al. *Strom.* v. p. 724 P δαίμονες ὃν φρίσσουντι (Herm. *Orph.* p. 454), Ignat. *Philipp.* p. 175 (ὁ σταυρὸς) ἐστὶ τὸ τροπαῖον κατὰ τῆς αὐτοῦ (τοῦ διαβόλου) δυνάμεως, ὅπερ ὀρών φρίττει.*

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προσφέρω as properly describing the ministerial action of the priest, while the latter describes the action of the offerer. In the other passages of the N.T. in which Abraham's faith is mentioned it is differently proved: thus in Rom. iv. 1, 17-21 it is the faith in the promise of a son; in Heb. xi. 8-12 it is the departure from his own land to an unknown country; *ib.* 17-19 it is the sacrifice of Isaac in the faith that God would raise him up again from the dead. The much-quoted verse of Genesis (xv. 6) follows the promise of a son, but a special blessing follows the sacrifice of Isaac (*ib.* xxii. 12, 16-18). Philo has not less than twelve references to Gen. xv. 6 (see Lightfoot *Gal. l.c.*), the most striking passage being M. 1. p. 486 δίκαιον γὰρ οὕτως οὐδὲν ὡς ἀκράτῳ καὶ ἀμιγεί τῇ πρὸς Θεὸν μόνον πίστει κεχρηῆσθαι...τὸ ἐπὶ μόνῳ τῷ ὄντι βεβαίως καὶ ἀκλινῶς ὀρμεῖν...δικαιοσύνης μόνον ἔργον. While St. Paul makes no reference to Gen. xvii. 17, in which Abraham is said to have laughed at the idea that he should have a son by Sarah (the earlier promise having been made when he was at least twelve years younger, and having no express reference to Sarah), Philo endeavours to show that this is no discredit to Abraham's faith (M 1. p. 605). I borrow from Gfrörer cited by Bishop Lightfoot *l.c.* p. 154 foll. the following rabbinical quotations: (*Mechilta* on Exod. xiv. 31) 'Abraham our father inherited this world and the world to come solely by the merit of the faith whereby he believed in God'; (*Siphre* on Deut. xi. 13) 'The sacred text¹ means to show that practice depends on doctrine and not doctrine on practice: and so we find God punishes more severely for doctrine than for practice, as it is said (Hosea iv. 1) *Hear the word of the Lord, &c.*':² 'As soon as a man has mastered the thirteen heads of the faith, firmly believing therein... though he may have sinned in every possible way...still he inherits eternal life.' It is to such views Justin refers (*Tryph.* 370 D) οὐχ ὡς ὑμεῖς ἀπατᾶτε ἑαυτοὺς καὶ ἄλλοι τινές...οἱ λέγουσιν ὅτι κὰν ἁμαρτωλοὶ ᾧσι, Θεὸν δὲ γινώσκωσιν, οὐ μὴ λογίσηται αὐτοῖς Κύριος ἁμαρτίαν.

ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον.] Gen. xxii. 9 ἐπέθηκεν αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τὸ θυσ. The word, which is not found in classical writers, is used of the Jewish material altar or the Christian spiritual altar in the N.T., LXX., Philo Josephus, and later writers. See Westcott, *Hebrews*, p. 453ff.

22. βλέπεις.] I prefer, with WH., to take this and ὁρᾶτε below v. 24 as a statement, not a question, both explaining γινῶναι in v. 20. It is used with ὅτι in Heb. iii. 19, 2 Cor. vii. 8.

συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις.] 'Faith cooperated with his actions and was perfected by them': cf. Mark xvi. 20 τοῦ Κυρίου συνεργούντος (*sc.* τοῖς ἀποστόλοις), Plut. *Mor.* p. 138 Α τῇ ψυχῇ συνεργεῖ τὸ σῶμα καὶ συγκάμνει, Philo M. 2. p. 616 αὐγὴ τὸ ἀποστελλόμενον ἐκ φλογός, συνεργὸν ὀφθαλμοῖς εἰς τὴν τῶν ὀρατῶν ἀντίληψιν. Here we have the opposite to χωρὶς ἔργων.

²³ ἐτελειώθη.] As the tree is perfected by its fruits, so faith by its

¹ The immediate reference is to Deut. v. 1 'and ye shall learn them and observe to do them,' which is cited on Deut. xi. See *Jewish Fathers*, p. 64.

² [This is a free rendering of Maimon. on Mishnah, Sanhedrin xi. 1. See however Surenh. iv. 264. C.T.]

works. In like manner sin is spoken of (i. 15) as ἀποτελεσθεῖσα when transformed into act and habit and so producing its natural result; and ὑπομονή is exercised and made perfect by practice (i. 4). Wherever there are good works, it is due to the faith which inspires them, wherever there is genuine faith it must blossom into works, see 1 John ii. 5.

3 ἐπληρώθη.] So Matt. ii. 17 ἐπληρώθη τὸ ῥηθὲν κ.τ.λ. 'the word of prophecy about Rachel then received its true fulfilment.' In the sacrifice of Isaac was shown the full meaning of the word (Gen. xv. 6) spoken thirty or (as the Rabbis say) fifty years before in commendation of Abraham's belief in the promise of a child. When they were first spoken Abraham's faith was imperfect, as is shown by the question (Gen. xv. 8) 'Lord, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?' It was the willing surrender of the child of promise, 'accounting that God was able to raise him up from the dead,' which fully proved his faith. The Rabbis distinguish ten instances of faith in Abraham;¹ his faith was perfected in the sacrifice of Isaac, his justification was proved by his being acknowledged as friend of God. The Jews implore the mercy of God by the sacrifice of Isaac, as Christians by the sacrifice of Christ.²

ἡ γραφή.] The singular is used of a particular passage, as in Mark xv. 28 ἐπληρώθη ἡ γραφή ἣ λέγουσα καὶ μετὰ τῶν ἀνόμων ἐλογίσθη.

ἐπίστευσεν δέ.] The MSS. of the LXX., with the exception of 19 and 108, have καὶ ἐπίστευσεν, but δέ is found, instead of καὶ, in Philo M. 1. p. 605, Rom. iv. 3, Clem. Rom. i. 10. 6, Justin M. *Dial.* 92, showing that δέ was the then accepted reading (Hatch, p. 156).

ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην.] The original Hebrew (Gen. xv. 6) has the active, 'God counted it to him': the quotations in the N.T. (Rom. iv. 3 foll., Gal. iii. 6) have the passive with the LXX. Similar phrases occur Gen. vii. 1 (of Noah) σὲ εἶδον δίκαιον ἐναντίον μου, Deut. vi. 25 'it shall be our righteousness (LXX. ἐλεημοσύνη) if we observe to do all these commandments before the Lord our God,' ch. xxiv. 12 foll. 'if he be a poor man thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down...and it shall be righteousness (ἐλεημοσύνη) unto thee before the Lord thy God,' Ps. cvi. 30, 31 (then stood up Phinehas and executed judgment) καὶ ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην εἰς γενεὰν καὶ γενεάν. Compare also Levit. xxv. 31 αἱ δὲ οἰκίαι πρὸς τὸν ἀγρὸν λογισθήσονται 'shall be reckoned as,' Ps. xxxii. 2 (quoted in Rom. iv. 6, 8) μακάριος ἀνὴρ ᾧ οὐ μὴ λογίσσεται Κύριος ἁμαρτίαν, Wisd. ix. 6 κὰν γάρ τις ἦ τέλειος ἐν υἱοῖς ἀνθρώπων τῆς ἀπὸ σοῦ σοφίας ἀπούσης εἰς οὐδὲν λογισθήσεται. Δικαιοσύνη in the Bible is taken in even a wider sense than that noted by Aristotle *Eth.* v. 1. 15 αὕτη μὲν οὖν ἡ δικαιοσύνη ἀρετὴ μὲν ἐστὶ τελεία, ἀλλ' οὐχ ἀπλῶς ἀλλὰ πρὸς ἕτερον, who quotes Theognis 147 ἐν δὲ δικαιοσύνη συλλήβδην πᾶσ' ἀρετῆ' στυν. In the Bible it is the character of the man who fulfils his duty in all respects towards God, as well as towards his

¹ See Taylor's *J.F.* p. 94.

² See Schegg here, and Delitzsch on Gen. p. 418 (ed. 1860). [Targum on Micah vii. 20 adds *Remember for us the binding of Isaac.* C.T.]

neighbour. The great importance of the text in Gen. xv. is that it is the first passage in which the 'law of liberty' is laid down. Definite set tasks irrespective of motives are exacted from slaves: in the family of God the motives of the children are the main thing in the eyes of the Father. Here the right state of mind is declared to be in God's sight equivalent to the right action; though, as St. James says, right action is the necessary result of the right feeling and it is only through right action that the right state of mind can be evidenced to others, so that the absence of right action (unless precluded by special circumstances) is a proof that the state of mind is not right. The faith of Abraham is the same as the trust which is so often declared blessed in the Psalms; e.g. Ps. ii. 12, xxxiv. 8.

φίλος Θεοῦ ἐκλήθη.] The precise words are not found in the LXX. In Gen. xviii. 17, where our version simply has 'Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?' the LXX. has οὐ μὴ κρύψω ἀπὸ Ἀβ. τοῦ παιδός μου ἃ ἐγὼ ποιῶ, which is quoted by Philo (*Sobr. M.* 1, p. 401) with the words τοῦ φίλου μου, though elsewhere (*Leg. All. M.* 1, p. 93) he cites it without alteration. In 2 Chron. xx. 7 'Art thou not our God who... gavest it (the land) to the seed of Abraham, thy friend, for ever?', the LXX. has ἔδωκας αὐτὴν σπέρματι Ἀβραὰμ τῷ ἡγαπημένῳ σου εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα, Vulg. *semiini Abraham amici tui*; Isa. xli. 8 'the seed of Abraham my friend' is in LXX. σπέρμα Ἀβραὰμ ὃν ἡγάπησα.¹ The appellation is still in use among the Arabs, 'with whom the name of Khalil Allah (the friend of God), or more briefly El Khalil, has practically superseded that of Abraham. Even Hebron, as the city of Abraham, has become El Khalil' (Plumptre *in loc.*). Clem. Rom. has the phrase twice, probably copying from St. James (i. 10 ὁ φίλος προσαγορευθεὶς with Lightfoot's n. and 17), and so Irenaeus iv. 16, 2 *Abraham credidit Deo et reputatum est illi ad justitiam et amicus Dei vocatus est.* Compare John xv. 14, 15, Wisd. vii. 27 (σοφία) εἰς ψυχὰς ὁσίας μεταβαίνουσα φίλους Θεοῦ καὶ προφήτας παρασκευάζει, Taylor's *J.F.* p. 113, and for the same sentiment in Greek philosophers see Xen. *Mem.* ii. 1. 33 (Virtue speaks in the allegory of Prodicus) δι' ἐμὲ φίλοι μὲν θεοῖς ὄντες, ἀγαπητοὶ δὲ φίλοις, Plato *Leg.* iv. 716 D ὁ μὲν σώφρων Θεῷ φίλος, ὁμοῖος γάρ, *Rep.* x. 613 'the righteous man is θεοφιλής and therefore all must turn out well with him', Epict. *Diss.* iv. 3. 9 ἐλεύθερος γάρ εἰμι καὶ φίλος τοῦ Θεοῦ, Cic. *N.D.* I. 121, II. 165.

25. Ῥαὰβ ἡ πόρνη.] Selected as an example the furthest removed from Abraham: so Erasmus '*tantum valet apud Deum misericordia ac beneficentia in proximum, ut mulier, ut meretrix, ut alienigena hospitalitatis officio commendata meruerit in catalogo piorum adnumerari.*' Probably it was on this account that her name was famous among the Jews. She was counted as one of the four chief beauties, the others being Sarah, Abigail, Esther; and was said to have been the ancestress of eight prophets (Meuschen, p. 40). She is also cited as an example of faith, Heb. xi. 31, and is mentioned in the genealogy in Matthew. Her faith is shown both by her actions here referred to and her words

¹ Other readings have φίλου, see Field, *Hexapla*, pp. 744 and 513.

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phrase means 'do not be too eager to teach,' 'do not press into the work of teaching,' lit. 'do not many of you become teachers.' For the use of πολλοί cf. Heb. vii. 23 καὶ οἱ μὲν, πλείονές εἰσι γεγονότες ἱερεῖς διὰ τὸ θανάτῳ κωλύεσθαι παραμένειν, ὁ δὲ... ἀπαράβατον ἔχει τὴν ἱερωσύνην. We read of διδάσκαλοι at Antioch (Acts xiii. 1): they are included in St. Paul's two lists of church officers, 1 Cor. xii. 28 where they come next after apostles and prophets, and Eph. iv. 11 where the order is apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. In 2 Tim. iv. 3 a time is foretold when the people will become impatient of sound doctrine and κατὰ τὰς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας ἑαυτοῖς ἐπισωρεύσουσιν διδασκάλους. In the only passages in which they are mentioned in the Didaché (xiii. 2, xv. 1, 2) they are joined with prophets and appear to stand on a higher level than the ἐπίσκοποι and διάκονοι, though these latter also should be carefully chosen for their office, ὑμῖν γὰρ λειτουργοῦσι καὶ αὐτοὶ τὴν λειτουργίαν τῶν προφητῶν καὶ διδασκάλων; see *Hermas Vis.* iii. 5 οἱ μὲν λίθοι οἱ τετράγωνοι... εἰσὶν οἱ ἀπόστολοι καὶ ἐπίσκοποι καὶ διδάσκαλοι καὶ διάκονοι, where Harnack says in *Sim.* ix. 15, 16 *episcopi et diaconi negliguntur, quia ibi munus praedicandi evangelium solum respicitur. Doctores sunt omnes praedicatores Christianae veritatis, etsi neque apostoli neque presbyteri fuere. Certum est etiam saeculo secundo laicos in ecclesia publice docuisse*, and adds many references.

εἰδότες.] See on i. 3 γινώσκοντες, and i. 19 ἴστε.

μείζον κρίμα ληψόμεθα.] Greater than other Christians who do not set up to teach, cf. (for the pregnant use of μείζων) below iv. 6; and for thought, Matt. vii. 15 foll., xxiii. 14 foll., on false prophets, scribes and Pharisees, blind leaders of the blind, Mark xii. 38-40 βλέπετε ἀπὸ τῶν γραμματέων... προφάσει μακρὰ προσευχόμενοι, οὗτοι λήψονται περισσώτερον κρίμα, Luke xii. 47 δαρήσεται πολλάς. Pirke Aboth, i. 18 'not learning but doing is the groundwork, and whoso multiplies words occasions sin.' For the phrase κρ. λ. 'to be condemned' see Rom. xiii. 2, Luke xx. 47. Other references to judgment in this epistle are ii. 12, 13, v. 9, 12. By the use of the first person (corrected to the second in the Vulgate), St. James includes himself among the teachers whom he warns, as in v. 9, cf. ii. 18: so St. Paul 1 Cor. x. 6 foll., Heb. ii. 3, xii. 25, Ignat. *Eph.* 3 οὐ διατάσσομαι ἑμῖν ὡς ὢν τις.. νῦν γὰρ ἀρχὴν ἔχω τοῦ μαθητεύεσθαι καὶ προσλαλῶ ὑμῖν ὡς συνδιδασκαλίταις μου.

2. πολλὰ πταίμεν ἅπαντες.] 1 John i. 8: Wetstein cites many similar sayings from heathen writers, e.g. Thuc. iii. 45 πεφύκασιν ἅπαντες καὶ ἰδία καὶ δημοσία ἁμαρτάνειν, Seneca *Clem.* i. 6 *peccamus omnes, alii gravia, alii leviora.* For πολλὰ see Mark ix. 26 πολλὰ σπαράξας ἐξῆλθεν, for πταίειν above ii. 10, 2 Pet. i. 10, Jude 24 τῷ δυναμένῳ φυλάξαι ὑμᾶς ἀπταιστούς.

εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει.] For εἰ οὐ see above i. 23, ii. 11: for the thought Matt. xii. 37 ἐκ τῶν λόγων σου δικαιωθήσῃ καὶ ἐκ τῶν λόγων σου καταδικασθήσῃ, ἰβ. xv. 11 τὸ ἐκπορευόμενον ἐκ τοῦ στόματος, τοῦτο κοινὸν τὸν ἄνθρωπον, 1 Pet. iii. 10, Prov. vi. 2 παγίς ἰσχυρὰ ἀνδρὶ τὰ ἴδια χεῖλη, xv. 4, ἴασις γλώσσης δένδρον ζωῆς, Sirac. xiv. 1 μακάριος ἄνθρωπος ὃς οὐκ ὠλίσθησεν ἐν στόματι αὐτοῦ, ἰβ. xix. 16, xxv. 8, xxviii. 12-26.

οὗτος τέλειος ἀνὴρ.] οὗτος marks the apodosis as in i. 23. For ἀνὴρ see above i. 8; for τέλειος i. 4.

χαλιναγωγῆσαι.] See on i. 26, and cf. Philo M. 1. p. 196 (the true man within each) ἐπιστομίζων ταῖς τοῦ συνειδότος ἡνίαϊς τὸν αὐθάδη καὶ μετὰ ἀφηνιασμοῦ δρόμον γλώττης ἐπέσχευ, *ib.* p. 314.

καὶ ὅλον τὸ σῶμα.] Repeated in vv. 3 and 6. The figure of χαλ. is further carried out: by the bridle in the mouth we turn the horse as we will, so by controlling our words we can regulate our whole activity. We find the opposition of one member to the whole body, Matt. v. 29.

3. ἴδε.] WH. with R.V. and all the recent editors (except Hofmann and Bassett, who keep ἴδε) read εἰ δέ. The evidence is as follows: AB with some inferior MSS. read ΕΙΔΕ, Vulg. and Corb. *si autem*; Sin. ΕΙΔΕ ΓΑΡ, Sin.³ omits γάρ; Cod. Ephr. with many inferior MSS. and Theophyl. and Euth. Zig. in comment ΙΔΕ; Pesh. *ecce enim*; Egyptian, Ethiopian and later Syriac versions *ecce*. The confusion between εἰ and ι being extremely common,¹ it is important to observe (1) that the insertion of γάρ in Sin. seems to show that the preceding εἰδε must be taken as an imperative; (2) that this view is supported by some of the oldest versions; (3) that as regards B in particular, since it 'shows a remarkable inclination to change ι into εἰ' (WH. *Introduction*, p. 306), its evidence here is of little weight.² We have therefore to fall back on other considerations: and it is plain that εἰ δέ is not suited to the context. 'If a man does not stumble in word he is able to bridle his whole body. And if we put the bits into the horses' mouths that they may obey us,—we turn about their whole body also.' The natural apodosis to such a protasis would be 'let us also for the same purpose put a bridle in our own lips.' The present apodosis adds nothing to the clause εἰς τὸ πείθεσθαι, and it is difficult to find any natural meaning for δέ at the beginning of the verse: even the καί in apodosis is out of place; it would have been natural if the protasis had run εἰ τὸ στόμα μετάγομεν. Lastly, the καί after ἰδού in ver. 4 seems to look back to the preceding ἴδε. De Wette and Beyschlag felt these difficulties so strongly that they included the whole verse in the protasis and explained the construction as an aposiopesis. Thus the latter translates 'Wenn wir aber den Pferden die Zügel in die Mäuler legen um sie gehorsam zu machen, und so ihren ganzen Leib regieren, so sollten wir es doch auch uns selbst thun, d.h. auch unserer Zunge einen Zügel anlegen und so unseres ganzen Leibes sittlich mächtig werden'; and refers, for examples of aposiopesis after εἰ, to Luke xix. 42, Acts xxiii. 9, Mark vii. 11, which however are very unlike the present. In fact such

¹ Field compares Rom. ii. 17, where the old reading ἴδε σὺ Ἰουδαῖος has been changed to εἰ δέ by late editors, misled by the spelling of the majority of the uncial MSS., as in our text, and with equally disastrous effect on the construction. He points out that Sin. has εἶδου for ἴδου in Luke xxiii. 15, εἶδετε for ἴδετε Luke xxiv. 39, 1 John iii. 1. Below v. 11 the MSS. are nearly equally divided between ἴδετε and εἶδετε. In Luke vi. 3 Cod. D has εἶδε for ἴδε.

² In this epistle B gives εἰ not only for long ι, as γεινώσκοντες, θλείψει, ρειπιζομένῳ, εἶός, but occasionally for short ι, as ἀνθρωπείνη, ἀτμίς. So C has σοφείας i. 5.

an aposiopesis is simply impossible here, and in any case is opposed to the style of the writer: it is only suggested as a last resource by editors who felt themselves bound to this reading on the mistaken view of the overwhelming evidence in its favour, and in obedience to the hazardous maxim that the more difficult reading is always to be preferred. No doubt a copyist will avoid, if he can, a difficulty which stares him in the face (and this might account for ἴδε being changed, before the following ἴδου, into either εἰ δέ or ἴδου); but as long as a protasis has an apodosis of any sort to follow, it is a matter of indifference to the copyist whether it adds anything new or merely repeats what is already included in the protasis. Lachmann proposed to read οὐδέ with a question instead of εἰ δέ. With ἴδε we get exactly the right sense. The casual use of the word χαλ. suggests the image to which he calls his readers' attention (so ἴδου introduces a simile in ver. 7). 'Lo! in horses we use the bit for the purpose of making them obey and thus control their whole body.' The less common active imperative is found along with the middle in Eccles. ii. 1 δεῦρο δὴ πειράσω σε ἐν εὐφροσύνῃ καὶ ἴδε ἐν ἀγαθῷ· καὶ ἴδου καὶ γε τοῦτο ματαιότης, Mark iii. 32 and 34, ἴδου ἡ μήτηρ σου...ἴδε ἡ μήτηρ μου, Matt. xxv. 6 and 22, xxvi. 51 and 66, John xvi. 29 and 32, Gal. ἴδε v. 2, ἴδου i. 20: St. Luke always uses ἴδου. The difference between them is well given by Donaldson (in Winer. p. 319): 'the middle often exhibits a signification which might be called *intensive*, but which really implies an immediate reference to some result in which the agent is interested. One of the commonest cases is that of the aorists ἰδεῖν and ἰδέσθαι, of which the former means simply "to see," the latter "to behold, to look with interest" . . . for this reason ἴδου is more frequently used than ἴδε in calling attention to something worth seeing.' So here ἴδε is 'lo!' ἴδου 'behold,' the latter calling attention to various particulars about the ship. Cf. a similar change below iv. 3 from αἰτεῖσθαι to αἰτεῖν.

τῶν ἵππων.] The gen. is here put in an emphatic place to mark the comparison. It belongs both to χαλινούς and to στόματα, probably more to the former as distinguishing it from the human bridle, so we have ἄχρι τῶν χαλινῶν τῶν ἵππων Apoc. xiv. 20, ἐπὶ τὸν χαλινὸν τοῦ ἵππου Zech. xiv. 20. Compare Psa. xxxii. 9.

βάλλομεν.] Mild force, as in ἐκβάλλω above ii. 25, cf. Ael. V. II. ix. 16 ἵππῳ ἐμβάλλειν χ., Xen. *De re equest.* vi. 7, ix. 9.

εἰς τὸ πεθεσθαι αὐτοὺς ἡμῖν.] Cf. Xen. *Cyr.* iv. 3. 9 πείθεται ὁ ἵππος χαλινῷ, Soph. *Ant.* 483, Philo M. 1. p. 21. The subject of the infinitive is specified, as in i. 18 εἰς τὸ εἶναι ἡμᾶς ἀπαρχήν, iv. 2 διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς, iv. 15 ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς.

4. ἴδου.] Only found as an interjection in N.T. See below ver. 5, v. 4, 7, 9, 11, and compare ἄγε νῦν, ἴστε, ἀκούσατε.

καὶ τὰ πλοῖα.] For this comparison see Arist. *Mechan.* 5 τὸ πηδάλιον μικρὸν ὄν καὶ ἐπ' ἐσχάτῳ τῷ πλοίῳ τοσαύτην δύναμιν ἔχει ὥστε ὑπὸ μικροῦ οἰακος καὶ ἐνὸς ἀνθρώπου δυνάμει καὶ ταύτης ἡρεμαίας μεγάλα κινεῖσθαι μεγέθη πλοίων, Lucr. iv. 900. The two figures are united Plut. *Mor.* p. 33 F, Philo M. 1, p. 131 ἐπειδὴν ὁ τῆς ψυχῆς ἡνίοχος ἢ κυβερνήτης ὁ νοῦς ἀρχὴ τοῦ ζώου ὅλου...εὐθύνεται ὁ βίος, *ib.* 2. p. 521, Theoph. Simoc. *Ep.* 70

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should so will' εἰ θέλοι τὸ θέλημα τοῦ θεοῦ). As βούλομαι cannot be used properly of a mere irrational impulse or whim any more than of muscular pressure, it seems to me less confusing to understand it of the latter: see above n. on i. 18, and (for the tropical use of βούλομαι) compare Plato *Symp.* 184 A τούτους βούλεται ὁ ἡμέτερος νόμος βασανίζειν, and its technical meaning in Arist. *Eth.* iii. 2 τὸ ἀκούσιον βούλεται λέγεσθαι οὐκ εἴ τις ἀγνοεῖ κ.τ.λ., *Top.* i. 7. p. 103 ταῦτα γὰρ πάντα τὸ ἐν βούλεται σημαίνει. Similarly θέλω John ii. 8 τὸ πνεῦμα ὅπου θέλει πνεῖ, Plato *Phaedr.* 230 D τὰ μὲν οὖν χωρία καὶ τὰ δένδρα οὐδὲν με θέλει διδάσκειν, *Rep.* ii. 370 οὐκ ἐθέλει τὸ πραττόμενον τὴν τοῦ πράττοντος σχολὴν περιμένειν. For εὐθύν. cf. Philo M. 1. p. 422 φιλεῖ γὰρ ἔστιν ὅτε χωρὶς ἡνιόχων τε καὶ κυβερνητῶν ὁ τε πλοῦς καὶ ὁ δρόμος εὐθύνεσθαι, Eurip. *Cycl.* 15 ἐν πρύμνῃ δ' ἄκρα αὐτὸς λαβὼν ἠϋθνον ἀμφῆρες δόρυ, Aesch. *Suppl.* 717 οἶαξ εὐθυντήρ.

5. ἡ γλῶσσα μικρὸν μέλος.] This comparison is quite in the Jewish proverbial style. The horse's mouth is small in comparison to the body, yet through it the whole body is directed; the rudder is small in comparison to the ship; the tongue small in comparison to the man; yet control this small member and you control the whole nature. This however is only the allegorical outside; by the smallness of the tongue is meant the insignificance, as we deem it, of speech in comparison with action; yet by controlling speech we acquire the power of controlling action. For the metonymy by which an independent personality seems to be attributed to the tongue, so that it stands for the temptations or sins which are concerned with the use of the tongue, though, as Augustine says (*Serm.* 17 cited by Corn. a Lapide), *ream linguam non facit nisi mens rea*, compare Matt. v. 29, 30 'if thine eye...thy right hand, cause thee to stumble'; Matt. xv. 19 'the things that come out of the mouth defile a man'; 1 John ii. 16 'the lust of the eyes.'

μεγάλα αὐχεῖ.] 'Vaunts great things.' There is no idea of vain boasting: the whole argument turns upon the reality of the power which the tongue possesses. Whether written as two words with A B, or as one (μεγαλαυχεῖ) with Sin. K L, &c., the phrase occurs nowhere else in N.T., but is found in Ezek. xvi. 50, Zeph. iii. 12 (A.V. 'to be haughty'), Sir. xlviii. 18, 2 Macc. xv. 32, cf. Ps. xii. 3 γλῶσσα μεγαλορῆμων. It may be compared with the Homeric εὐχομαι εἶναι and with Philo M. 1. p. 338 μεγάλης ψυχῆς τὸ αὐχημα γένεσιν ὑπερκύπτειν, *ib.* 158 τὸ δουλεύειν Θεῷ μέγιστον αὐχημα, *ib.* M. 2. 235 ἐγκράτεια δὲ καθαρὰ καὶ ἀκηλίδωτος ἀρετῆ, πάντων ὅσα πρὸς βρῶσιν καὶ πόσιν ἀλογοῦσα, καὶ ἐπάνω τῶν γαστρὸς ἡδονῶν αὐχοῦσα ἴστασθαι, βωμῶν ψαυέτω. Observe the use of alliteration in μ to point the contrast of μικρὸν μέλος μεγάλα αὐχεῖ, and compare that in δ below v. 7.

ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλικὴν ὕλην ἀνάπτει.] 'How small a fire kindles how large a forest,' cf. Philo M. 1. p. 455 σπινθήρ καὶ ὁ βραχύτατος ὅταν καταπνευσθεῖς ζωπυρηθῆ μεγάλην ἐξάπτει πυράν. For the double question compare Mark xv. 24 βάλλοντες κλῆρον τίς τί ἄρη, and Luke xix. 15, Isocr. p. 240 οὐκ ἀγνοῶ ἡλίκος ὢν ('how old,' viz. 94) ὅσον ἔργον ἐνίσταμαι, Plato *Rep.* 4, p. 423 B ἡλικὴ οὔση (πόλει) ὄσσην χώραν ἀφορισαμένους εἶν (δεῖ), Soph. *Ant.* 933 οἶα πρὸς οἶων ἀνδρῶν πάσχω, Krueger *Gr.* 51. 14. 1, *ib.* § 17. 10,

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Seneca *Controv. Exc.* v. 5 *nesciebas quam levibus ignibus quanta incendia oriantur*, and Milton *P.L.* i. 91 'Into what pit thou seest from what height fallen.' There is no force in the objection that this interpretation gives opposite senses to the same word in the same sentence. Literally it is 'what (what-sized) a fire kindles what a forest,' but the context interprets the meaning of 'what' in either case. In Lucian *Hermot.* 5 *ἡλίκοις ἡμᾶς ἀποφαίνεις, οὐδὲ κατὰ τοὺς πυγμαίους ἐκείνους ἀλλὰ χαμαιπετεῖς παντάπασιν*, the context shows the meaning to be 'how small.' The reference to a burning forest is common both in the Bible, as Ps. lxxiii. 14 *ὡσεὶ πῦρ ὃ διαφλέξει δρυμόν, ὡσεὶ φλόξ κατακαῦσαι ὄρη*, Isa. ix. 18, x. 17, 18, Zech. xii. 6; and elsewhere, as Hom. *Il.* ii. 455 *πῦρ αἰδήλον ἐπιφλέγει ἄσπετον ὕλην οὐρεος ἐκ κορυφῆς*, Thuc. ii. 77, Pind. *Pyth.* iii. 66, Eur. *Ipho* fr. 415 D. *μικροῦ γὰρ ἐκ λαμπτήρος Ἰδαῖον λέπας πρήσειεν ἂν τις, †καὶ πρὸς ἄνδρ' εἰπὼν ἕνα† πύθονται ἂν ἄστοι πάντες ἀκρύπτειν χρεῶν*, Philo M. 2. p. 208 *ἡ ἐπιθυμία οἷα φλόξ ἐν ὕλῃ νέμεται δαπανῶσα πάντα καὶ φθείρουσα*, *ib.* 143, 349, M. 1. p. 671. The only other place in which *ἀνάπτει* occurs in N.T. is Luke xii. 49.¹

6. *ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ.*] Prov. xvi. 27 (*ἄνθρωπος ἄφρων*) *ἐπὶ τῶν ἑαυτοῦ χειλέων θησαυρίζει πῦρ*, *ib.* xxvi. 18-22, Sir. xxviii. 11 *ἔρις κατασπενδομένη ἐκκαίει πῦρ*, *ib.* v. 22 *οὐ μὴ κρατήσῃ εὐσεβῶν (ἡ γλῶσσα) καὶ ἐν τῇ φλογὶ αὐτῆς οὐ καήσονται*, so some explain Psal. cxx. 4. On the other hand inspiration from above is also symbolized by fire Acts ii. 3, Isa. vi. 6, Jer. v. 14.

ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν.] The first point to be determined in this difficult verse is whether we should put our stop after *πῦρ* with the R.V., W.H., Neander, Lange, Hofmann, Erdmann, Beyschlag; or after *ἀδικίας* with the margin, Alf., Huther, Schegg and the generality of editors. It seems to me that the former gives the only tenable construction. The sense may be difficult, but the grammar is clear, if we take *ἡ γλῶσσα* as subject to *καθίσταται*, with the attributive clause *ἡ σπιλοῦσα—γέεννης*, and make *ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας* the predicate or complement. With the other punctuation *ἡ σπιλοῦσα* becomes the predicate, but there is no justification for the article: either we should have *καθίσταται σπιλοῦσα* or *καθίσταται τὸ σπιλοῦν* (*μέλος*): and in either case *καθίσταται* loses its proper force. The predicate is put first for emphasis, as in John i. 1 *Θεὸς ἦν ὁ Λόγος*, *ib.* iv. 24 *πνεῦμα ὁ Θεός*, 2 Pet. ii. 17 *ὁ υἱὸς μου ὁ ἀγαπητός μου οὗτός ἐστιν*, Luke iv. 41 *τὸν Χριστὸν αὐτὸν εἶναι*, see Winer, p. 689 *f.* As *κόσμος* is defined by the genitive *τῆς ἀδικίας*, it necessarily keeps the article in the predicate, cf. Apoc. xix. 13 *κέκληται τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ ὁ Λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ*, 1 Cor. xi. 3 *παντὸς ἀνδρὸς ἡ κεφαλὴ ὁ Χριστός ἐστιν*, Winer, p. 141. The fact that the subject *ἡ γλῶσσα* is repeated from the preceding clause of course facilitates the transposition of the predicate. We may suppose that the form of the sentence as it first occurred to the writer was *ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας*: and that for the sake of clearness he added the remaining words.

¹ [On fires kindled by the tongue see Midr. Rabb. on Levit. (xiv. 2) xvi. where the words are almost the same as those in St. James, *quanta incendia lingua excitat!* and Schoettgen p. 1021. C.T.]

The next difficulty is the meaning of *κόσμος* here. Isidore of Pelusium (*f.* 400 A.D.), followed by the Greek commentators, mentions two meanings (1) 'ornament,' *ἐγκαλλώπισμα δοκεῖ τῆς ἀδικίας*, because the tongue *κοσμῆ τὴν ἀδικίαν διὰ τῆς τῶν ῥητόρων εὐγλώττου δεινότητος*: so Elsner, Wetstein, Semler, Storr, Ewald, and others; (2) 'the wicked world': at least this seems to be intended by the somewhat obscure expressions *πῦρ ἐστὶ, πλῆθος ἀδίκως κατακαίουσα*, and *κόσμος ἐστὶ τῆς ἀδικίας, οἶονεὶ πρὸς τὸν συρφετώδη ὄχλον καὶ δημώδη ἐκφερομένη καὶ βλέπουσα*, with which apparently should be connected the sentence just below, *ταύτη γὰρ ἀλλήλοις κοινωνοῦμεν τῶν ἑαυτῶν νοημάτων*. The majority however of modern commentators follow the Vulgate '*universitas iniquitatis*' (3), thus explained by Bede, '*Quia cuncta fere facinora per eam aut concinnantur . . . aut patrantur . . . aut defenduntur.*' So Erasmus, Calvin, Corn. à Lape, Schneckenburger, Kern, De Wette, Wiesinger, Alford, Beyschlag, Erdmann. The objection to (3) is, that St. James elsewhere only uses the word *κόσμος* in a bad sense (i. 27 *ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ κόσμου*, ii. 5, iv. 4 *ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν*); that only one example in all Greek literature is adduced for the meaning 'totality,' viz. Prov. xvii. 6 *τοῦ πιστοῦ ὄλος ὁ κόσμος τῶν χρημάτων, τοῦ δὲ ἀπίστου οὐδὲ ὀβολός*, if indeed this should not be rather understood more literally of the inanimate world, as consisting of things which can be used and enjoyed. Lastly, the article seems scarcely consistent with this interpretation. 'A world of cares' is a natural expression for many cares; but if we say 'the world of care,' we are understood to predicate something about the world itself. Schegg's interpretation, 'the sphere or domain of iniquity,' is, I think, an improvement on (3) as far as sense goes, but it is not the natural meaning of *κόσμος*. The objections stated above are also applicable in part to (1). It is moreover a very harsh expression to call the tongue 'the ornament of injustice' because it is capable of being used to give a colour to injustice; and it falls flatly after the stronger word 'fire.'

Putting aside the commentators, if we read the words simply we can hardly fail to be reminded of the similar expressions in Luke xvi. 8, 9 *τὸν οἰκονόμον τῆς ἀδικίας, τοῦ μαμωνᾶ τῆς ἀδικίας*, where *τῆς ἀδικίας* is qualitative, as is shown by the parallel expression in ver. 11, *τῷ ἀδίκῳ μαμωνᾷ* (cf. i. 17 above). The meaning of the phrase will then be 'in our microcosm the tongue represents or constitutes the unrighteous world' which is probably the meaning of the version in the Speculum, *mundus iniquitatis per linguam constat in membris vestris*: cf. I John v. 19 *ὁ κόσμος ὄλος ἐν τῷ πονηρῷ κείται*, and below iv. 4.¹ In the same way it might be said *ἡ ἐπιθυμία τῆς σαρκὸς ὁ γαστήρ καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν*. The tongue represents the world, because it is that member by which we are brought into communication with other men; it is the organ of society, the chief channel of temptation from

¹ [I think the force of the expression is better brought out if we explain *τ. ἀδικίας* as a possessive genitive, 'the world which is under the dominion of unrighteousness,' i.e. the world as converted by our diseased imaginations into an opaque looking-glass for selfishness, instead of a window for the view of God. Compare Rom. vi. 16 *τὸ σῶμα τῆς ἀδικίας*.—A.]

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2 Pet. ii. 13 σπιλοι καὶ μῶμοι, Test. Aser. p. 690 Fabr. ὁ πλεονεκτῶν τὴν ψυχὴν σπιλοῖ. For the thought cf. Matt. xv. 11 τὸ ἐκπορευόμενον ἐκ τοῦ στόματος τοῦτο κοινοῖ τὸν ἄνθρωπον. The phrase ὄλ. τ. σῶμα occurs above vers. 2 and 3.

φλογίζουσα.] Here only in N.T. Psa. xcvi. 3 πῦρ φλογιεῖ τοὺς ἐχθρούς, Wisd. iii. 28 πῦρ φλογιζόμενον ἀποσβέσει ὕδωρ, Exod. ix. 24.

τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως.] In this extremely difficult expression it seems better to read τροχόν 'wheel' than τρόχον 'course' (for which δρόμος is the word used in the N.T. and LXX.), as the former alone supplies a natural figure in the wheel which, catching fire from the glowing axle, is compared to the wide-spreading mischief done by the tongue. Heisen cites Achmet *Oneirocritica* 160 (8th cent. A.D.) εἰ δὲ ἴδῃ ὅτι ἤλαυνεν ἐν τῷ διφρῷ καὶ οἱ τροχοὶ ἐφλογίσθησαν ἐκ τῆς ἐλάσεως, εὐρήσει νόσον ἀναλόγως τῆς φλογώσεως.¹ A consideration of the context will exclude some of the explanations which have been offered. The clause is evidently meant to be distinct from and stronger than that which precedes: it cannot therefore be anything confined to the individual. This forbids any reference to Eccles. xii. 6 συντροχάσῃ ὁ τροχὸς ἐπὶ τὸν λάκκον, or to physiological phrases, such as we find in Galen *Hipp. et Plat.* 711 borrowed from Plat. *Tim.* 79 (the whole process of respiration) οἶον τροχοῦ περιαγομένου γίγνεται, which is afterwards referred to as ἡ τοῦ τροχοῦ περιαγωγή. On the other hand it cannot be referred to the material world, of which Simplicius speaks (*Comm. in Epict. Ench.* p. 94 b) as τῷ ἀπεραντῷ τῆς γενέσεως κύκλῳ, διὰ τοῦτο ἐπ'

¹ It may be worth while to compare other instances of the metaphorical use of τροχός. In Sibyl. ii. 87 (Phocyl. 27) we find κοινὰ πάθη πάντων· βίωτος τροχός· ἄστατος ὕλβος, Anacr. iv. 7 τροχός ἄρματος γὰρ οἶα, βίωτος τρέχει κυλισθείς. In both of these the point of the comparison seems that of fortune's wheel; that which is highest soon changes to lowest, and *vice versa*; so in Sil. Ital. vi. 120 *per varios praeceps casus rota volvitur aevi* and Boeth. *Cons.* 2. 2 *haec nostra vis est, hunc continuum ludium ludimus; rotam volubili orbe versamus, infima summis, summa infimis mutare gaudemus*, cf. Plut. *Numa* p. 69 *fin.*, Clem. Al. *Strom.* v. p. 672 P. on the emblematic wheel of the Egyptians. In Psa. lxxxiii. 13 ὁ Θεός μου θεὸς αὐτοῦς ὡς τροχόν, Isa. xvii. 13, *ib.* xxix. 5, it is used as an emblem of destruction 'make them as a wheel, a whirling thing': cf. Psa. lxxvii. 18 φωνὴ τῆς βροντῆς σου ἐν τῷ τροχῷ 'in the heaven' A.V. but Hitzig and others 'with a whirlwind.' In Sirac. xxxvi. 5 τροχός ἀμάξης σπλάγχνα μωροῦ καὶ ὡς ἄξων στρεφόμενος ὁ διαλογισμὸς αὐτοῦ Fritzsche understands the phrase of a constant going round and round in the same rut, making no advance. Hilgenfeld (*Zeitschr. f. wissenschaft. Theol.* 1873 p. 1 foll.) quotes from Lob. *Aggl.* p. 796 passages from Orphic writers in which metempsychosis is styled κύκλος or τροχός γενέσεως, as Simplic. *de Caelo* ii. p. 91 (I have been unable to find this in the Berlin ed. of the Scholia), speaking of Ixion as a symbol of the soul, προσδέεται ὑπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ τῇ τῆς μοίρας τροχῷ καὶ τῆς γενέσεως, ὃν ἀδύνατον μεταλλάξαι κατ' Ὀρφέα κ.τ.λ., Proclus *in Tim.* v. 330 μία σωτηρία ψυχῆς τοῦ κύκλου τῆς γενέσεως ἀπαλλάττουσα καὶ τῆς πολλῆς πλάνης καὶ τῆς ἀνηνύτου ζωῆς ἢ πρὸς τὸ νοερὸν εἶδος ἀναδρομή, where also there is a reference to the Orphic poems. [The word τροχός in Psa. lxxvii. is the rendering of 'galgal', the rabbinic word for the celestial sphere, the plural of which is used for the several spheres concentric with the earth, in which the planets were supposed to be set. Thus τροχ. τ. γεν. might stand for 'the whole sphere of man's nature.' Then φλογίζω might be used with allusion to lightning as an all-pervading fire, see Psa. xxix. 7, xcvi. 4, Matt. xxiv. 27. We find τροχοί and πῦρ brought together in Dan. vii. 9, cf. Sib. Orac. II. 296 ἐκ ποταμοῦ μεγάλου πύρινος τροχός αὐτοῦς (ἀμφικαθέξει) 'an encircling fire.'—C.T.]

ἄπειρον προϊόντι, διὰ τὸ τὴν ἄλλου φθορὰν ἄλλου γένεσιν εἶναι, which is merely another way of expressing the Heraclitean flux, ὁ τῆς γενέσεως ποταμὸς ἐνδελεχῶς ῥέων Plut. *Mor.* p. 406. St. James speaking here of the tongue's power of mischief in its widest extent can only refer to the world of human life, the sphere of the worldly spirit, ὁ κόσμος, of which the tongue is the organ and representative in our body, and which is always at enmity with God (below iv. 4).

Turning now to the word γένεσις, the consideration of which was deferred on its first occurrence i. 23, it is used (1) of *birth* Matt. i. 18, Luke i. 14, so Gen. xl. 20 ἡμέρα γενέσεως 'birth-day,' *ib.* xxxi. 13 γῆ τῆς γενέσεως 'native land,' (2) of *creation* Gen. ii. 4 βίβλος γενέσεως οὐρανοῦ καὶ γῆς, Wisd. i. 14 σωτήριοι αἱ γενέσεις τοῦ κόσμου 'all God's creations are wholesome' referring to the absence of poisons in Paradise (see Grimm *in loc.*). But it is in Philo we find the fully developed meaning (3) in which it stands for the seen and temporal as opposed to the unseen and eternal, e.g. M. 1. p. 569 τὰ πρὸς γένεσιν τῶν πρὸς Θεὸν μακρὰν ἀπέζευκται· τῇ μὲν γὰρ τὰ φανερὰ μόνα, τῷ δὲ καὶ ἀφανῆ γνώριμα, and a little below θεώμενος ὅσα ἐν γενέσει φθειρόμενα καὶ γεννώμενα, *ib.* 231 Θεοῦ μὲν ἴδιον ἡρεμία καὶ στάσις, γενέσεως δὲ μετάβασις τε καὶ μεταβατικὴ πᾶσα κίνησις, *ib.* 697 (those who claim for man the attributes of God) τὸ ἀκαθαίρετον τοῦ Θεοῦ κράτος γένεσει τῇ ἀκαταστάτως ἀπολλυμένη καὶ φθειρομένη περιάπτοντες, *ib.* 177 (as there are some who prefer the body to the soul, so there are some who) γένεσιν μᾶλλον Θεοῦ προτετιμήκασι, *ib.* 219 (unless God chastens us, we shall not be servants of Him who is merciful) γενέσεως δὲ τῆς ἀνηλεοῦς, *ib.* 261 τὴν μισάρετον καὶ φιλήδονον γένεσιν, *ib.* 608 Moses rebuked those who gave the first place γενέσει and only the second to God, *ib.* 538 μεγάλης ψυχῆς τὸ αὔχημα, γένεσιν ὑπερκύπτειν καὶ μόνου τοῦ ἀγεννήτου περιέχεσθαι, *ib.* 668 εὐσέβεια γενέσεως μὲν ἐστὶν ἀλλοτρία, Θεοῦ δὲ οἰκεία, *ib.* 251 ἡ ἀρετῆς φύσις μόνη τῶν ἐν γενέσει καλὴ τε καὶ ἀγαθὴ, *ib.* 486 τὸ ἀπιστῆσαι γενέσει τῇ πάντα ἐξ ἑαυτῆς ἀπίστῳ, μόνῳ δὲ πιστεῦσαι Θεῷ... μεγάλης καὶ Ὀλυμπίου διανοίας ἔργον ἐστίν (cf. p. 486), *ib.* 502 the Logos is the Mediator between γένεσις and God, *ib.* 497 the fourth commandment was given ἵνα τὴν ἀπραξίαν αὐτῆς (τῆς ἑβδομάδος) μελετῶσα γένεσις εἰς μνήμην τοῦ ἀοράτως πάντα δρῶντος ἔρχηται, *ib.* 477 τότε καιρὸς ἐντυγχάνειν γένεσιν τῷ πεποιηκότι ὅτε τὴν ἑαυτῆς οὐθένειαν ἔγνωκεν. I need not quote further to show that γένεσις is used not only of the inanimate creation but of the whole life of man upon earth. The idea is partly Jewish and partly Platonic, see Plat. *Rep.* viii. p. 525 B (Mathematics are useful to the philosopher) διὰ τὸ τῆς οὐσίας ἀπτέον εἶναι, γενέσεως ἐξαναδύντι, *Tim.* 29 λέγωμεν δι' ἧντινα αἰτίαν γένεσιν καὶ τὸ πᾶν τόδε ὁ ξυνιστὰς ξυνέστησεν, Plut. *Mor.* p. 593 D αἱ ἀπηλλαγμέναι γενέσεως ψυχὰι δαίμονες εἰσιν, Philolaus *ap.* Stob. *Ecl.* 1. c. 22 φιλομετάβολος γένεσις, *ib.* c. 20.

How are we then to understand τροχός? We may keep close to the original meaning and suppose it to denote the incessant change of life 'which never continues in one stay,' though this is perhaps sufficiently implied by the word γένεσις: or we may suppose the metaphor borrowed not from the wheel in motion, but from the shape of the wheel at rest, the circle or sphere of this earthly life,

meaning all that is contained in our life¹; the tongue being the axle, the central fire from which the whole is kindled. This seems to make the better sense, though the other meaning gives more precise point to φλογίζουσα. Lucian's treatise *De Calumniā* will illustrate how it is that the tongue sets on fire 'the round of life,' cf. 1 (through calumny) καὶ οἴκοι ἀνάστατοι γεγόνασι καὶ πόλεις ἄρδην ἀπολώλασι, cf. Sirac. xxviii. 14 foll.² For other interpretations see Pott pp. 317-329, Heisen pp. 819-880.³

φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γέεννης.] For the repetition of different parts of the same verb see above i. 13 ἀπείραστος—πειράζει, and below v. 7 δαμάζεται—δεδάμασται. The name Gehenna (Γαιέννα) occurs only once in LXX. (Josh. xviii. 16), more commonly it is denoted as φάραγξ Ἐννόμ, see Wetstein i. p. 299, *D. of B.* under 'Gehenna' and 'Tophet.' It is found in Matt. v. 22 τὴν γέενναν τοῦ πυρός (where see Rabbinical quotations in Wetstein), *ib.* v. 29, x. 28, xviii. 9, xxiii. 15 υἱὸν γέεννης, ver. 33 κρίσις γέεννης, often in Orac. Sibyl. as i. 103, ii. 292, Acta Johannis T. p. 276, Pirke Aboth i. 6 'the wicked inherit Gehenna,' *ib.* v. 29, 31. As οὐρανός stands for Θεός, so γέεννα for διάβολος, see below v. 15 σοφία δαιμονιώδης, iv. 7, John viii. 44, 1 John iii. 8-10 ὁ ποιῶν τὴν ἁμαρτίαν ἐκ τοῦ διαβόλου ἐστίν, κ.τ.λ. Here we have the origin of sin carried back beyond the ἐπιθυμία of the individual man as shown above i. 14. Thus we have combined in this passage the three hostile principles, the world embodied in the tongue, the flesh in the members (iv. 1 as well as here) and Satan using both for his own purpose. Wetst. quotes from the Targum on Ps. cxx. (*lingua dolosa cum carbonibus juniperi*) *qui incensi sunt in Gehenna*, and other passages to the same effect. See Sir. li. 4-6 and below on ἀκατάστατον a quotation from Hermas.

7. πᾶσα γάρ.] Introduces the proof of the preceding statement by reverting to the original figure contained in the word χαλιναγωγεῖν. The fact that the tongue is the one thing which defies man's power to control it is a sign that there is something satanic in its bitterness.

φύσις.] Here used with a pleonastic force, like *natura* in Latin; see Plut. *Mor.* 1112 F, where κενού φύσις is said to be the same as αὐτὸ τὸ κενόν, and my n. on Cic. *N.D.* II. 136 *alvi natura*. If we are to translate it, it is best done by an adverb 'every kind of animal is *naturally* subject to man.' Brute nature under all its forms is under

¹ This use of τροχός is illustrated by the Homeric phrases κηροῖο μέγαν τροχόν, *Od.* xii. 173, στέατος τροχόν, *ib.* xxi. 178, and by the concentric circles of land and water described in Plato's *Cratylus*, p. 113 foll. It agrees too, as appears from Dr. Taylor's note above, with the Rabbinical terminology.

² Mr. W. F. R. Shilleto compares Eur. *Andr.* 642, σμικρὰς ἀπ' ἀρχῆς νεῖκος ἀνθρώποις μέγα γλῶσσ' ἐκπορίζει.

³ It may be interesting to some readers if I give here the earliest extant commentary on this difficult phrase (*Isid. Pel.* ii. 158). The text is cited, probably from memory, in the form φλογίζουσα ὕλον τὸ σῶμα καὶ σπιλοῦσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς ζωῆς and explained as follows: ὅτι τὸν τροχὸν τὸν χρόνον ἐκάλεσε διὰ τὸ τροχοειδὲς καὶ κυκλικὸν σχῆμα, εἰς ἑαυτὸν γὰρ ἀνελίττεται, is vouched for by the words of the psalmist, εὐλογήσεις τὸν στέφανον τοῦ ἐνιαυτοῦ τῆς χρηστότητός σου· κἀνταῦθα γὰρ ἀπὸ τοῦ κυκλικοῦ σχήματος στέφανος εἰκότως ὁ χρόνος ὠνόμασται.

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Parens noster, quanto valentiora animalia sub iugum miserimus, quanto velociora consequamur, quam nihil sit mortale non sub ictu nostro positum. Erasmus in his Paraphrase illustrates as follows: *cicurantur leones, mansuescunt tigrides, serviunt etiam elephantis, subiguntur et crocodili, mitescunt aspides, redduntur familiares aquilae et vultures, ad amicitiam alliciuntur delphini.* The writer here follows Gen. i. 28, ix. 2, Ps. viii. 6-8.

8. οὐδέις δαμάσαι δύναται ἀνθρώπων.] But if so, how can the Psalmist say παῦσον τὴν γλῶσσάν σου ἀπὸ κακοῦ (xxxiv. 13), and vow not to sin with the tongue (xvii. 3, xxxix. 1)? So Prov. xiii. 3. This may be partly explained by the emphatic position of ἀνθρώπων. Man cannot do it by himself, but he who is τέλειος may do it (ver. 2), and such perfection is attainable through the help of God given in answer to prayer; see above i. 5 and compare the Psalmist's prayer, cxli. 3. So Aug. *de nat. et grat.* c. 15 *non enim ait, linguam nullus domare potest, sed nullus hominum; ut cum domatur, Dei misericordia, Dei adiutorio, Dei gratia fieri fateamur.* The Pelagians, followed here by Oecumenius, read this verse as a question (Schegg). In the next place ἡ γλῶσσα, when regarded as setting on fire the whole round of life, is not simply the speech of the individual, but that multiplied and re-echoed a thousand-fold by the voices of others and by the power of the press; *parva metu primo mox sese attollit in auras.* However a man may learn to control his own tongue, these echoes are beyond all human power.

ἀκατάστατον κακόν.] Cf. above i. 8, also Herm. *Mand.* ii. 3 *πονηρὰ ἡ καταλαλιά, ἀκατάστατον δαιμόνιον ἐστίν, μηδέποτε εἰρηνεῦον,* where Harn. cites Orig. *in Joann.* (Orp. iv. p. 355) *οὐκ ᾤκνησαν καὶ τὰ νομισθέντα ἂν ἐλάχιστα εἶναι τῶν ἀμαρτημάτων δαιμονίοις προσάψαι οἱ φήσαντες τὴν ὀξύχολίαν δαιμόνιον εἶναι, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ τὴν καταλαλίαν,* and below ver. 16 *ἀκαταστασία.* Erdmann and Hofmann read *ἀκατάσχετον* with Cod. Ephr., the Peshitto, and some other versions, and we find the word similarly used by Philo M. 1. p. 695 *τὸ στόμα διανοίξαντες καὶ ἐάσαντες ἀχαλίνωτον, καθάπερ ρεῦμα ἀκατάσχετον, φέρεσθαι τὸν ἀκριτόμυθον λόγον ἐῶσι.* This would suit the passage very well, agreeing with Ps. xii. 4; but the other reading is generally accepted and gives a good sense 'restless,' 'unquiet,' like the least tamable beasts; others translate as in i. 8 'unstable,' 'inconsistent,' which they think agrees better with v. 9 foll., but it is a somewhat incongruous epithet for κακόν. See above i. 8. We should naturally take the words ἀκ. κ. as acc. in apposition to τὴν γλῶσσαν, like i. 8 *ἀνὴρ δίψυχος,* but the following nom. makes it more probable that there is a sudden change of construction, ἀκ. κ. being the predicate of an independent sentence with ἡ γλῶσσα understood as subject; cf. Mark xii. 38 foll. *βλέπετε ἀπὸ τῶν θελότων ἐν στολαῖς περιπατεῖν...οἱ κατεσθίοντες τὰς οἰκίας τῶν χηρῶν· οὗτοι λήμψονται περισσότερον κρίμα.* In the Apocalypse we meet with many of these irregular appositions, e.g. i. 5 *ἀπὸ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὁ μάρτυς ὁ πιστός,* *ib.* xx. 2 *ἐκράτησεν τὸν δράκοντα, ὁ ὄφεις ὁ ἀρχαῖος, ὅς ἐστιν διάβολος,* Winer, p. 668 foll., A. Buttmann, p. 68 foll. So even in Homer, *Il.* vi. 395, x. 437.

μεστή τοῦ θανατηφόρου.] For μεστή see below v. 17, 2 Pet. ii. 14, Rom. i. 29 *μεστοὺς φθόνου.* The metaphor here is taken from Ps. lviii.

4, and cxi. 3 ἰὸς ἀσπίδων ὑπὸ τὰ χεῖλη αὐτῶν quoted in Rom. iii. 13, Eccles. x. 11 foll., cf. Lucian *Fugit.* 19 ἰοῦ μεστὸν αὐτοῖς τὸ στόμα (speaking of pseudo-philosophers), Test. Gad. p. 680 F τὸ μῖσος ἰοῦ διαβολικοῦ τὴν καρδίαν πληροῖ, Acta Philippi T. p. 76 ἔστιν δὲ τὸ κατοικητήριον αὐτοῦ (i.e. of the Serpent) Τάρταρος... φεύγετε οὖν ἀπ' αὐτοῦ ἵνα μὴ ὁ ἰὸς αὐτοῦ ἐκχυθῆ ἐπὶ τὸ στόμα ὑμῶν... ἢ τῶν κακῶν ἐπιθυμία πᾶσα ἐξ αὐτοῦ προελήλυθεν, Didaché ii. 4 οὐκ ἔση διγνώμων οὐδὲ δίγλωσσος· παγὶς γὰρ θανάτου ἢ διγλωσσία, Barn. 19, Clem. Al. *Paed.* 301 P. For θαν., which occurs here only in N.T., cf. Job xxxiii. 23 ἐὰν ὦσι χίλιοι ἄγγελοι θανατηφόροι, 4 Macc. viii. 17 θανατηφόρος ἀπείθεια: it is used by Xen., Plato, &c.

9. ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν.] What makes the tongue more mischievous is that it serves the purpose of the δίγλωσσος, hiding evil under the mask of good. For instrumental use of ἐν see Winer p. 485. Here it might be possible to give it a stricter sense, 'in this part we bless God,' did we not also meet with such unmitigated Hebraisms as πατάσσειν or ἀποκτείνειν ἐν μαχαίρᾳ Luke xxii. 49, Apoc. xiii. 10, Psal. Sol. ii. 1 ἐν κριῶ κατέβαλε τείχη ὄχυρά. It was customary with the Jews, whenever they uttered the name of God, to add 'Blessed (be) He.' Hence we find ὁ εὐλογητός used as a name for God in Mark xiv. 61. This sense of εὐλ. is peculiar to Hellenistic writers, see Westcott, *Heb.* p. 203 foll.

τὸν Κύριον καὶ Πατέρα.] This phrase does not occur elsewhere in the Bible: the nearest approach to it is in 1 Chron. xxix. 10 εὐλογητὸς εἶ Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσραὴλ, ὁ Πατὴρ ἡμῶν, Isa. lxiii. 16 σὺ Κύριε πατὴρ ἡμῶν, Matt. xi. 25 ἐξομολογοῦμαί σοι Πάτερ, Κύριε τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καὶ τῆς γῆς. We may compare Philo on the name Κύριος καὶ Θεός (M. 1. p. 581), δικαιοῖ τῶν μὲν φαύλων λέγεσθαι κύριος καὶ δεσπότης, τῶν δ' ἐν προκοπαῖς καὶ βελτιώσεσι θεός, τῶν δ' ἀρίστων καὶ τελειοτάτων ἀμφότερον (being governed, as he adds below, by Him as κύριος, and benefited by Him as θεός). The name πατήρ is used with reference to man's being made in the image of God.

καὶ ἐν αὐτῇ.] Emphatic repetition. 'It is through it we bless God, through it we curse men.' Compare Philo M. 2. p. 196 οὐ γὰρ ὅσιον δι' οὗ στόματος τὸ ἱερώτατον ὄνομα προφέρεται τις, διὰ τούτου φθέγγεσθαι τι τῶν αἰσχυρῶν, Sir. xxviii. 12, Erasm. *Adag.* under the heading *ex eodem ore calidum et frigidum efflare*, Diog. L. i. 105 (Anacharsis) ἐρωτηθεὶς τί ἐστὶν ἐν ἀνθρώποις ἀγαθὸν τε καὶ φαῦλον, ἔφη 'γλῶσσα.' Similar stories are told of Pittacus and Bias as to that part of the sacrifice which is at once most useful and most harmful (Plut. *Mor.* p. 506, *ib.* p. 38 and 146, *Fragm.* xi. 41, p. 30, Didot).

καταρῶμεθα.] Ps. lxii. 4 ἐν στόματι αὐτῶν εὐλόγουν καὶ τῇ καρδίᾳ αὐτῶν κατηρῶντο, Rom. xii. 13 εὐλογεῖτε καὶ μὴ καταρᾶσθε, Sirac. xxxi. 24 εἰς εὐχόμενος καὶ εἰς καταρῶμενος· τίνος φωνῆς εἰσακούσεται ὁ δεσπότης; Test. Patr. p. 734 F ἡ ἀγαθὴ διάνοια οὐκ ἔχει δύο γλώσσας εὐλογίας καὶ κατάρας. An example of such cursing is in John vii. 49 ὁ ὄχλος οὗτος... ἐπάρατοί εἰσιν, Shimei's of David 2 Sam. xvi. 5. St. James uses the first person as in ver. 1.

τοὺς καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας.] Gen. i. 26 ποιήσωμεν ἄνθρωπον κατ' εἰκόνα ἡμετέραν καὶ καθ' ὁμοίωσιν, *ib.* v. 27, ix. 6, Sirac. xvii. 3, Wisd. ii.

23 ὁ Θεὸς ἔκτισε τὸν ἄνθρωπον ἐπ' ἀφθαρσία καὶ εἰκόνα τῆς ἰδίας ιδιότητος ἐποίησεν αὐτόν, 4 Esdr. viii. 44, 1 Cor. xi. 7 (on the question of covering the head) ἀνὴρ εἰκὼν καὶ δόξα Θεοῦ ὑπάρχων, Philo M. 1. p. 16 ἡ δὲ εἰκὼν λέλεκται κατὰ τὸν τῆς ψυχῆς ἡγεμόνα νοῦν, *ib.* 35 πᾶς ἄνθρωπος κατὰ μὲν τὴν διάνοιαν ὑκτιοῦται θείῳ λόγῳ, τῆς μακαρίας φύσεως ἐκμαγεῖον ἢ ἀπόσπασμα ἢ ἀπαύγασμα γεγονώς, κατὰ δὲ τὴν τοῦ σώματος κατασκευὴν ἅπαντι τῷ κόσμῳ, Clem. Rec. v. 23 *si vere velitis Dei imaginem colere, homini benefacientes veram in eo Dei imaginem coleretis* foll., Clem. Hom. iii. 17 ὁ εἰκόνα καὶ ταῦτα αἰωνίου βασιλέως ὑβρίσας τὴν ἀμαρτίαν εἰς ἐκείνον ἀναφερομένην ἔχει οὐπερ καθ' ὁμοίωσιν ἢ εἰκὼν ἐτύγχανεν οὕσα, *ib.* xi. 4, Clem. Al. *Str.* vi. 9, p. 776, Taylor, *J.F.* p. 70, where R. Aqiba is quoted to the effect 'whosoever sheddeth blood, they reckon it to him as if he diminished *the likeness.*' A distinction is drawn by Irenaeus *Haer.* v. 16, 2 and others of the Fathers between εἰκόν, the common image belonging to the whole human race in virtue of their being all partakers in reason and conscience, and ὁμοίωσις the potentiality of moral assimilation to the Divine goodness, cf. Philo *Opif.* M. p. 16 ἐπεὶ οὐ σύμπασα εἰκὼν ἀρχετύπῳ παραδείγματι ἐμφερῆς, πολλαὶ δὲ εἰσὶν ἀνόμοιοι, προσεπεσημήνατο εἰπὼν τῷ κατ' εἰκόνα τὸ καθ' ὁμοίωσιν εἰς ἔμφασιν ἀκριβοῦς ἐκμαγεῖου and Hagenbach *Hist. of Doctr.* § 56, vol. i. p. 214 tr. On the pagan view see Acts xvii. 38 and my nn. on Cic. *N.D.* I. 1 *ad agnitionem animi* and I. 90 *nec vero intellego cur maluerit Epicurus deos hominum similes dicere quam homines deorum.* Though the Divine image is traceable in every child of man (as Bengel says, *remanet nobilitas indelebilis*), yet it is only perfect in the Second Adam (Heb. i. 3, Col. i. 15, 2 Cor. iv. 4), into whose image the believer is being gradually transformed (Col. iii. 10, Eph. iv. 24, 2 Cor. iii. 18). For the argument here cf. Gen. ix. 6, Prov. xiv. 31, Matt. xxv. 35 foll., below iv. 11, 12, 1 John iv. 20.

10. ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος.] This seems to imply that it is the combination of blessing and cursing which is condemned, and that either may be allowable by itself. Can this be the meaning of St. James? What was the general feeling of the Jews about cursing? The old law required the Israelite to curse on Mount Ebal and bless on Mount Gerizim. The fact too that cursing was forbidden in special cases, as against parents (Exod. xxi. 17), the king (*ib.* xxii. 28), the deaf (Lev. xix. 14), seems to show that it was not generally condemned under the old dispensation. It is referred to without implying blame, Prov. xi. 26, xxiv. 24, xxvi. 2, xxx. 10, Eccles. vii. 21, x. 90. Compare also the curse of Canaan by Noah (Gen. ix. 25), that of Simeon and Levi by their father (Gen. xlix. 7), of the builder of Jericho by Joshua (Josh. vi. 26), Abimelech by Jotham (Jud. ix. 20, 57), Meroz by Deborah (*ib.* v. 23), the children by Elisha (2 K. ii. 24), apostate Jews by Nehemiah (Neh. xiii. 25), and the imprecations in the Psalms. Are we then to suppose that St. James here attaches a special force to the words καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας? Does he mean by this, 'men transformed into the divine image'? This seems precluded by a comparison of the passages cited at the end of the preceding note, in which a similar inference is drawn from man's general relation to the Creator. Must we then conclude that cursing in itself is here condemned as a

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ἄχνη βρύει Aesch. *Choeph.* 62, θράσει βρύων Ag. 177, λόγοι μεστοὶ πνεύματος θείου καὶ βρύνοντες δυνάμει, Justin M. *Tryph.* 9. The only instance cited from a classical author for the transitive use is Anacr. (44, l. 2 Bergk) χάριτες βρύνουσι ῥόδα, where however Hermann reads ῥόδου βρύνουσι: Justin M. (*Tryph.* 114) has τῆς πέτρας ζῶν ὕδωρ βρνούσης, cf. Chrysostom (*hom. in mart.*, Migne *Patrol.* vol. 50, p. 664) οἱ τάφοι τῶν μαρτύρων βρύνουσι εὐλογίαν, Clem. Hom. ii. 45 πηγὰς γῆ βρύσας Θεός. Eustath. in Il. ρ, p. 1126, 42 (*ap.* Wetst.) says it is properly used of olive blossoms and, later, of springs, as in Acta Johannis p. 276 T. βρύνουσαν τὴν πηγὴν εὔρον, Acta Thomae p. 22, Clem. Hom. iii. 36. 'Οπή 'a cleft in a rock,' e ew e e in N.T. only in Heb. xi. 38, also in LXX., Exod. xxxiii. 22, ^{1s}Obad. 3. Πικρόν only used here and below in N.T. Its use here in preference to ἀλυκόν or ἀλμυρόν is doubtless owing to its often being found in a figurative sense, e.g. ver. 14, Ps. lxxiv. 3, Sirac. iv. 6 καταρᾶσθαι ἐν πικρίᾳ ψυχῆς. It is descriptive of sea-water, like *amarus*, our 'brackish.' The Dead Sea however, to which St. James is probably alluding, was really bitter and had both salt and fresh springs on its shores. Other examples of bitterwaters are Marah (Exod. xv. 23), 'the water that causeth the curse' (Numb. v. 18-27), Apoc. viii. 11. Pliny *N.H.* ii. 103 has a fable of a fountain of the Sun which was sweet and cold at noon and bitter and hot at midnight. Antigonus (*Mirab.* 148 *ap.* Wetst.) gives an account of such a spring τὸν δὲ Ἰμέραν ἐκ μιᾶς πηγῆς σχιζόμενον τὸ μὲν ἀλυκόν τῶν ρείθρων ἔχει, τὸ δὲ πότιμον: in 4 Esdras v. 9 one of the prodigies which announce Messiah's coming is *in dulcibus aquis salsae inveniuntur*.

12. μὴ δύναται] See on ii. 14.

συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι] Cf. for the use of ποιεῖν Matt. iii. 10 πᾶν δένδρον μὴ ποίουν καρπὸν, Gen. i. 11, Vorst, p. 162 and 830; and for the proverbial figure Matt. vii. 16, *ib.* xii. 33, Isa. v. 2, Seneca *Ep.* 87 *non nascitur ex malo bonum, non magis quam ficus ex olca*, Epict. *Diss.* ii. 20 πῶς γὰρ δύναται ἄμπελος μὴ ἀμπελικῶς κινεῖσθαι ἀλλ' ἐλαικῶς; ἢ ἐλαία πάλιν μὴ ἐλαικῶς ἀλλ' ἀμπελικῶς; Plut. *Mor.* 472 F τὴν ἄμπελον σῦκα φέρειν οὐκ ἀξιοῦμεν οὐδὲ τὴν ἐλαίαν βότρυς, Anton. 8. 15.

οὔτε ἀλυκόν γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ.] For this irregular use of οὔτε see Winer, p. 614, where the editor cites Tischendorf *mihī non dubium est quin fatiscente Graecitate etiam οὔτε pro οὐδέ sit dictum*. So Apoc. ix. 21 οὐ μετενόησαν ἐκ τῶν φόνων αὐτῶν οὔτε ἐκ τῶν φαρμάκων αὐτῶν οὔτε ἐκ πορνείας αὐτῶν, where οὐ is parallel with οὔτε, not overlapping. In our text it may perhaps be explained by the preceding question being regarded as = οὔτε συκῆ κ.τ.λ. 'Αλυκόν classical, but found elsewhere in the Bible only in phrase ἡ θάλασσα ἡ ἀλυκή, as a name for the Dead Sea (Numb. iii. 12, Deut. iii. 17). The rare phrase ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ is assimilated to π. ἐλαίας above: we find it used of rain Arist. *Vesp.* 261 ὕδωρ ἀναγκαίως ἔχει τὸν θεὸν ποιῆσαι.

Many MSS. and versions read οὕτως οὐδέ, a smaller number insert μία πηγὴ and καί after ἀλυκόν. The insertion of οὕτως may have arisen from a dittographia of οὔτε, but the latter insertions were evidently intended to avoid the difficulty of taking ἀλυκόν as a sub-

stantive and the subject of *δύναται ποιῆσαι*. The true relation of the sentences is lost by the insertion *οὕτως*. The two clauses are not compared with each other, but are both used to illustrate the impossibility of genuine worship proceeding from a heart which naturally vents itself in curses.

13. *τίς σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιστήμων ἐν ὑμῖν;*] The interrogative here takes the place of a condition, as in Luke xi. 11 *τίνα δὲ ἐξ ὑμῶν τὸν πατέρα αἰτήσει ὁ υἱὸς ἄρτον; μὴ λίθον ἐπιδώσει αὐτῷ;* and *ib.* 5-8, where the construction is broken, *τίς ἐξ ὑμῶν ἔξει φίλον* being changed into a regular conditional form in *ver.* 8 *εἰ καὶ οὐ δώσει διὰ τὸ εἶναι φίλον, διὰ γε τὴν ἀναίδειαν αὐτοῦ δώσει αὐτῷ*, Deut. xx. 5-8 *τίς ὁ ἄνθρωπος ὁ οἰκοδομήσας οἰκίαν καινὴν καὶ οὐκ ἐνεκαίνισεν αὐτήν; πορευέσθω...καὶ τίς ὁ ἄνθρωπος ὅστις ἐφύτευσεν ἀμπελῶνα καὶ οὐκ εὐφράνθη ἐξ αὐτοῦ; πορευέσθω κ.τ.λ.*, Jud. vii. 3 *τίς ὁ φοβούμενος καὶ δειλός; ἐπιστραφέτω*, Psa. xxxiii. 12 *τίς ἐστὶν ἄνθρωπος ὁ θέλων ζωὴν; παῦσον τὴν γλῶσσάν σου ἀπὸ κακοῦ*, *ib.* cvii. 43 *τίς σοφός; καὶ φυλάξει ταῦτα καὶ συνήσει τὰ ἐλέη τοῦ Κυρίου*, Isa. l. 10 *τίς ἐν ὑμῖν ὁ φοβούμενος τὸν Κύριον; ὑπακουσάτω τῆς φωνῆς τοῦ παιδὸς αὐτοῦ*, Jer. ix. 12, Hos. xiv. 10, Sir. vi. 33 *τίς σοφός; αὐτῷ προσκολληθήτη*, other examples in Vorst, p. 211 foll. For a similar use without the interrogative pronoun see n. on v. 13 *κακοπαθεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν; προσευχέσθω*. Lachmann has no interrogation here, and A. Buttmann (p. 217) argues on the same side, comparing it with other instances in which he thinks *τίς* is equivalent to an indefinite relative; but the passages cited above are sufficient to settle the question. The abruptness to which Buttmann objects is a marked characteristic of the writer's style. For *ἐν ὑμῖν* almost equivalent to *ὑμῶν* cf. below v. 13, 14, and *ἐξ ὑμῶν* above ii. 16. 'Ἐπιστήμων here only in N.T., it occurs in Deut. i. 13 (of judges) *δότε αὐτοῖς ἄνδρας σοφοὺς καὶ ἐπιστήμονας καὶ συνετοὺς*, *ib.* iv. 6 (of Israel) *ἴδου λαὸς σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιστήμων*, Isa. v. 21 *οὐαὶ οἱ συνετοὶ ἐν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ ἐνώπιον αὐτῶν ἐπιστήμονες*: used in classical Greek for a skilled or scientific person as opposed to one who has no special knowledge or training. Compare for thought and expression Philo M. 2. p. 421 *τίς γὰρ οὐκ ἂν εἴποι ὅτι σοφὸν ἄρα γένος καὶ ἐπιστημονικώτατον μόνον τοῦτ' ἐστίν, ᾧ τὰς θείας παραινέσεις ἐξεγένετο μὴ κενὰς καὶ ἐρήμους ἀπολιπεῖν τῶν οἰκειῶν πράξεων ἀλλὰ πληρῶσαι τοὺς λόγους ἔργοις ἐπαινετοῖς;*

δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ.] Cf. above ii. 18. The noun is derived from *ἀναστρέφομαι* = L. *versor*, as in 1 Pet. i. 17, 2 Pet. ii. 18, Prov. xx. 7, and frequently in Polybius with adverb. It occurs often in both epistles of St. Peter, e.g. i. 15 *ἅγιοι ἐν πάσῃ ἀναστροφῇ γενήθητε*, i. 18 *ἐλυτρώθητε ἐκ τῆς ματαίας ἀναστροφῆς*, iii. 2 *τὴν ἐν φόβῳ ἀγνῆν ἀναστροφήν*, iii. 16 *τὴν ἀγαθὴν ἐν Χριστῷ ἀναστροφήν*, 2 ep. ii. 7, iii. 11, so in Tobit. iv. 14 and Polyb. iv. 82, 1 *κατὰ τὴν λοιπὴν ἀναστροφήν τεθραυσμένος*, see Hatch, p. 9. *Καλός* occurs in this epistle ii. 7, iv. 17, *καλῶς*, ii. 3, 8, 17: the former is joined with *ἀναστ.* in 1 Pet. ii. 12.

For the general sense cf. Sir. xix. 18 *πάσα σοφία φόβος Κυρίου, καὶ ἐν πάσῃ σοφία ποίησις νόμου· καὶ οὐκ ἐστὶ σοφία πονηρίας ἐπιστήμη κ.τ.λ.*, Clem. Rom. i. 38 *ὁ σοφὸς ἐνδεικνύσθω τὴν σοφίαν αὐτοῦ μὴ ἐν λόγοις ἀλλ' ἐν ἔργοις ἀγαθοῖς*. Here the simpler expression would have been, as De Wette remarks, *δειξάτω...τὴν σοφίαν αὐτοῦ*, like ii. 18

δείξω ἐκ τῶν ἔργων μου τὴν πίστιν, but it is modified so as to give more emphasis to the two ideas which the writer is here insisting on, viz. deeds *v.* words, gentleness and modesty *v.* arrogance and passion, 'let him show his deeds in meekness of wisdom,' i.e. 'let him give practical proof (of his being wise) from his life and conduct in the meekness which proceeds from and is the true mark of wisdom.'

ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας.] Cf. i. 21, 1 Pet. iii. 16 (defend the faith) μετὰ πραύτητος καὶ φόβου, Gal. vi. 1 οἱ πνευματικοὶ καταρτίζετε τὸν τοιοῦτον ἐν πνεύματι πραύτητος, 1 Cor. iv. 21, 2 Tim. ii. 24 foll. δούλον δὲ Κυρίου οὐ δεῖ μάχεσθαι ἀλλ' ἥπιον εἶναι πρὸς πάντας, διδακτικὸν, ἀνεξίκακον, ἐν πραύτητι παιδεύοντα τοὺς ἀντιδιατιθεμένους, Prov. xi. 2 στόμα ταπεινῶν μελετᾷ σοφίαν, Sirac. iii. 17 ἐν πραύτητι τὰ ἔργα σου διέξαγε, *ib.* iv. 8 ἀποκρίθητι πτωχῷ εἰρηρικῶς ἐν πραύτητι, also the frequent commendation of the meek in the Psalms, e.g. xxv. 9 ὁδηγήσει πραεῖς ἐν κρίσει, διδάξει πραεῖς ὁδοὺς αὐτοῦ.

14. ζήλον.] 'Jealousy,' as in Rom. xiii. 13 εὐσχημόνως περιπατῶμεν... μὴ ἔριδι καὶ ζήλῳ, 1 Cor. iii. 3 ὅπου γὰρ ἐν ὑμῖν ζήλος καὶ ἔρις οὐχὶ σαρκικοί ἐστε; see below iv. 2.

πικρόν.] With allusion to v. 11. Cf. Eph. iv. 31 πικρία καὶ θυμὸς καὶ ὀργή, Heb. xii. 14, 15 εἰρήνην διώκετε... ἐπισκοποῦντες μὴ τις ρίζα πικρίας ἐνοχλῇ.

ἐριθίαν.¹] 'Party-spirit.'² derived from ἔριθος 'a hireling,' especially a woman who spins for hire (Dem. p. 1313, 6, Isa. xxxviii. 12; the idea of *hire* disappears in *συνέριθος*, *Odys.* vi. 32, Callim. *Erig.* xvii. 3). Probably the word got to be used, like *operae* in Cicero, of partisans hired by political leaders; hence ἐριθεύομαι and its cognates are employed to denote (1) canvassing by hired partisans, and (2) party spirit generally, cf. Arist. *Pol.* v. 3, 9 μεταβάλλουσι δ' αἱ πολιτεῖαι καὶ ἄνευ στάσεως διὰ τε τὰς ἐριθείας ὥσπερ ἐν Ἡραίᾳ (ἐξ αἰρετῶν γὰρ διὰ τοῦτο ἐποίησαν κληρωτάς, ὅτι ἤροῦντο τοὺς ἐριθενομένους) καὶ δι' ὀλιγωρίαν, Polyh. x. 25. 9 (speaking of demagogues) τῆς στρατηγίας ὀρεγόμενοι διὰ ταύτης τῆς ἀρχῆς ἐξεριθεύονται (*cooperatores sibi comparant* Schweigh.) τοὺς νέους καὶ παρασκευάζουσιν εὐνοῦς συναγωνιστὰς εἰς τὸ μέλλον, Philo *Leg. ad Flac.* M. 2. p. 555 τί δὲ ἄμεινον εἰρήνης; εἰρήνη δὲ ἐξ ἡγεμονίας ὀρθῆς φύεται, ἡγεμονία δὲ ἀφιλόνηκος καὶ ἀνερίθεντος ὀρθῆς μόνης, δι' ἧς καὶ τὰ ἄλλα πάντα ὀρθοῦται. It is used by St. Paul, Phil. i. 17 οἱ δὲ ἐξ ἐριθείας τὸν Χριστὸν καταγγέλλουσιν, Rom. ii. 8, Gal. v. 20 ἔρις, ζήλος, θυμοί, ἐριθείαι, διχοστασίαι (where Lightfoot translates 'caballings'), and the same list in 2 Cor. xii. 20, except that καταλαλιαί stands for διχοστασίαι, Phil. i. 17 μηδὲν κατ' ἐριθείαν, μηδὲ κατὰ κενοδοξίαν ἀλλὰ τῇ ταπεινότητι ἀλλήλους ἠγούμενοι ὑπερέχοντας ἑαυτῶν, imitated in Ignat. *Philad.* 8 μηδὲν κατ' ἐριθείαν πράσσειν. It is possible that the later meaning may be coloured in the N.T. by a reminiscence of the earlier meaning: cf. Joh. x., where the spirit of the hireling is contrasted with that of the true shepherd.

¹ WH. read ἐριθίαν with B¹, which however has ἐριθεία in ver. 16. See below *κακοπαθίας* v. 10, and Tisch. ed. 8, vol. iii. p. 87 foll.

² The classical equivalents φιλοδοξία, φιλοτιμία are not found at all in N.T., and the cognates of the latter are only used in a good sense, while φιλονεικία and its cognates are confined to the sense of quarrelsomeness.

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...τὸν μὲν οὐράνιον φησιν οὐ πεπλάσθαι, κατ' εἰκόνα δὲ τετυπῶσθαι Θεοῦ· τὸ δὲ γήϊνον πλάσμα...ὁ δὲ νοῦς οὗτος γεώδης ἐστὶ τῷ ὄντι καὶ φθαρτός, εἰ μὴ ὁ Θεὸς ἐπέπνευσεν αὐτῷ δύναμιν ἀληθινῆς ζωῆς, see *ib.* p. 32. St. Paul uses the equivalent χοϊκός 1 Cor. xv. 47 foll. The Gnostic Valentinus distinguished between an ἄνω and κάτω σοφία, and again between the φύσεις πνευματικάι akin to the Pleroma, φύσεις ψυχικάι containing a mixture of ὕλη, and the φύσεις which were altogether ὑλικάι (Iren. iii. 15), see Neander, vol. ii. pp. 110–145. So Hippolytus v. 6 (p. 134 Duncker) says of the Naassenes, who professed to receive their teaching from St. James, 'they divide the first man into three parts, νοερόν, ψυχικόν, χοϊκόν: in like manner they divide all that exists into three classes, ἀγγελικόν, ψυχικόν and χοϊκόν.' Heracleon *ap.* Orig. xi. 181 (quoted by Stieren on Iren. vol. i. p. 945) speaks of the Holy of Holies as representing the sphere of the πνευματικοί and the outer court the ψυχικοί, cf. Iren. i. p. 968 'when Jesus said to the Jews *ye are the children of your father the devil*, he speaks to those who are not φύσει τοὺς διαβόλου υἱούς, τοὺς χοϊκούς, ἀλλὰ πρὸς τοὺς ψυχικούς who make themselves such by their own fault,' Clem. Al. *Exc. ex Theod.* § 54 'three natures spring from Adam, πρώτη μὲν ἡ ἄλογος, ἧς ἦν Καὶν, δευτέρα δὲ ἡ λογικὴ καὶ ἡ δικαία, ἧς ἦν Ἀβελ, τρίτη δὲ ἡ πνευματικὴ, ἧς ἦν Σήθ· καὶ ὁ μὲν χοϊκός ἐστὶ κατ' εἰκόνα, ὁ δὲ ψυχικὸς καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ, ὁ δὲ πνευματικὸς κατ' ἰδίαν (ιδέαν!),' *ib.* § 56 πολλοὶ μὲν οἱ ὑλικοί, οὐ πολλοὶ δὲ οἱ ψυχικοί, σπάνιοι δὲ οἱ πνευματικοί· τὸ μὲν οὖν πνευματικὸν φύσει σωζόμενον, τὸ δὲ ψυχικὸν...κατὰ τὴν οἰκείαν αἵρεσιν, τὸ δὲ ὑλικὸν φύσει ἀπόλλυται.

ψυχική.] On the various meanings attached to the word ψυχή see Hatch, pp. 94–130.¹ This use of the adjective is in accordance with the Pauline trichotomy τὸ πνεῦμα καὶ ἡ ψυχή καὶ τὸ σῶμα (1 Thess. v. 23), cf. 1 Cor. xv. 45 ἐγένετο ὁ πρῶτος ἄνθρωπος Ἀδὰμ εἰς ψυχὴν ζῶσαν, ὁ ἔσχατος Ἀδὰμ εἰς πνεῦμα ζωοποιῶν, ἀλλ' οὐ πρῶτον τὸ πνευματικὸν ἀλλὰ τὸ ψυχικόν. The distinction drawn by Plato, Aristotle, and the Stoics between the immortal reason, the divine principle in man, and the lower faculties of the soul which perished with the body, certainly coloured the views of some of the Jewish and Christian writers as to the distinction between soul and spirit, which fall in naturally with the wide sense given to the word ψυχή in Aristotle's *De Anima*, and with its use by the Stoics to denote the third grade of existence, the principle of movement in animals, as contrasted with the λογικὴ ψυχή or νοῦς which constituted the fourth or highest grade (see my note on Cic. *N.D.* II. 33). Compare Tatian *ad Gr.* 18 δύο πνευμάτων διαφορὰς ἴσμεν ὧν τὸ μὲν καλεῖται ψυχή, τὸ δὲ μείζον μὲν τῆς ψυχῆς Θεοῦ δὲ εἰκὼν καὶ ὁμοίωσις, *ib.* 22 ἡ ψυχή μόνη μὲν διαιτωμένη

¹ The ambiguous meaning of the word ψυχή in such passages as Lev. xvii. 14 ψυχὴ πάσης σαρκὸς αἷμα, and its employment in reference to animals Gen. i. 20, 24, are adduced by Philo and others as proofs of the inferiority of this principle, cf. Philo M. 1. p. 480 ἐπειδὴ ψυχή διχῶς λέγεται, ἢ τε ὕλη καὶ τὸ ἡγεμονικὸν αὐτῆς μέρος, ὃ ψυχῆς ἐστίν, ἔδοξε τῷ νομοθέτῃ διπλὴν εἶναι καὶ τὴν οὐσίαν τῆς ψυχῆς, αἷμα μὲν τὸ τῆς ὄλης, τοῦ δὲ ἡγεμονικωτάτου πνεῦμα θεῖον· φησὶ γοῦν ἄντικρυς ψυχὴ πάσης σαρκὸς αἷμα. εὐ γε τὸ προσνεῖμαι τῷ σαρκὸς ὕχλφ τὴν αἵματος ἐπιρροὴν οἰκείον οἰκείφ, τοῦ δε νοῦ τὴν οὐσίαν ἀπὸ Θεοῦ ἄνωθεν καταπνευσθεῖσαν ἀνήγαγεν...ὥστε διττὸν εἶναι γένος ἀνθρώπων τὸ μὲν θεῖφ πνεύματι καὶ λογισμῷ βιούντων, τὸ δὲ αἵματι καὶ σαρκὸς ἡδονῇ ζώντων.

πρὸς τὴν ὕλην νεύει κάτω, συναποθνήσκουσα τῇ σαρκί· συζυγίαν δὲ κεκτημένη τὴν τοῦ θείου πνεύματος οὐκ ἔστιν ἀβοήθητος κ.τ.λ. Justin M. *fr. de Resurr.* § 10 οἶκος τὸ σῶμα ψυχῆς, πνεύματος δὲ ψυχῆ οἶκος (after Plato *Tim.* 30 νοῦν μὲν ἐν ψυχῇ, ψυχὴν δὲ ἐν σώματι συνιστὰς τὸ πᾶν ἐτεκταίνοτο), Jos. A.J. i. 34 ἔπλασεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸν ἄνθρωπον χοῦν ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς λαβὼν καὶ πνεῦμα ἐνήκεν αὐτῷ καὶ ψυχὴν, Philo *Opif.* M. p. 15 τῷ ἀνθρώπῳ νοῦν ἐξαίρετον ἐδωρείτο, ψυχῆς τινα ψυχὴν, καθάπερ κόρην ἐν ὀφθαλμῷ, Nemesius *N.H.* i. τινὲς μὲν, ὧν ἔστι καὶ Πλωτῖνος, ἄλλην εἶναι τὴν ψυχὴν καὶ ἄλλον τὸν νοῦν δογματίσαντες ἐκ τριῶν τὸν ἄνθρωπον συνεστάναι βούλονται σώματος καὶ ψυχῆς καὶ νοῦ, on which Matthiae quotes Irenaeus *Haer.* v. 9. 1 *tria sunt ex quibus perfectus homo constat, carne, anima, spiritu*, and Aug. *de Symbolo, homo habet tres partes, spiritum animum et corpus, itaque homo est imago SS. Trinitatis*; but Augustine in his treatise *de Eccl. Dogmat.* c. 20 blames Didymus for making *spiritus* a distinct principle, Apollinarius having in the meanwhile put forward his theory that the nature of Christ was ἐκ σαρκὸς καὶ ψυχῆς καὶ θεότητος ἀντὶ τοῦ νοῦ... ‘and so,’ continues Matthiae, ‘the separation of soul and spirit came to be thought a heresy.’ In the N.T. ψυχικός connotes opposition to the higher principle, cf. Jude 19 ψυχικοί, πνεῦμα μὴ ἔχοντες, 1 Cor. ii. 10 foll. esp. 14 ψυχικός ἄνθρωπος οὐ δέχεται τὰ τοῦ πνεύματος τοῦ Θεοῦ... ὁ δὲ πνευματικὸς ἀνακρίνει πάντα, *ib.* iii. 1 οὐκ ἠδυνήθη λαλῆσαι ὑμῖν ὡς πνευματικοῖς ἀλλ’ ὡς σαρκίνοις, ὡς νηπίοις ἐν Χριστῷ. It was used at a later period in reference to the orthodox by the Montanists who claimed the power of prophecy, Clem. Al. *Strom.* iv. p. 605 Ρ οἱ Φρύγες... τοὺς τῇ νέα προφητεία μὴ προσέχοντας ψυχικοὺς καλοῦσιν: so Tertullian (*Jejun.* 1) gives the name *Psychici* to those who refused to keep the fasts of the Montanists. In the LXX. we find it opposed to σωματικός, as in 4 Macc. i. 32. St. Paul contrasts the σῶμα πνευματικόν with the σῶμα ψυχικόν, 1 Cor. xv. 44. Hilgenfeld and others who imagine an allusion to St. Paul in ὦ ἄνθρωπε κενέ (ii. 20) regard this as a sarcastic reference to 1 Cor. ii. 10–15; ‘your spiritual wisdom is worse than ψυχική, it is δαιμονιώδης.’

δαιμονιώδης.] This word is found elsewhere only in the Scholia to Aristoph. *Ran.* 295 and Symmachus, Ps. xc. 6. See above v. 6 φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γεέννης, and ii. 19, 1 Tim. iv. 1 (of future apostates) προσέχοντες πνεύμασι πλάνοις καὶ διδασκαλίαις δαιμονίων ἐν ὑποκρίσει ψευδολόγων, Eph. ii. 2 f. those who walk according to the course of this world, κατὰ τὸν ἄρχοντα τῆς ἐξουσίας τοῦ αἵρος, are described as ποιῶντες τὰ θελήματα τῆς σαρκὸς καὶ τῶν διανοιῶν (apparently corresponding to ἐπίγειος and ψυχική here), John viii. 44 ἐκ τοῦ πατρὸς τοῦ διαβόλου ἐστέ, 1 John ii. 16, *ib.* iii. 8–10, *ib.* iv. 1–6, where τὸ πνεῦμα τῆς ἀληθείας is distinguished from τὸ πνεῦμα τῆς πλάνης.

16. ἀκαταστασία.] See above ver. 8 and i. 8, 1 Cor. xiv. 33 οὐ γάρ ἐστιν ἀκαταστασίας ὁ Θεὸς ἀλλὰ εἰρήνης, 2 Cor. xii. 20 where it is joined with ζῆλος and ἐριθείαι, Prov. xxvi. 28 στόμα ἄστεγον ποιεῖ ἀκαταστασίας, Clem. Rom. i. 3 ἐκ τούτου ζῆλος καὶ φθόνος καὶ ἔρις καὶ στάσις, διωγμὸς καὶ ἀκαταστασία, πόλεμος καὶ αἰχμαλωσία, Epict. *Diss.* iii. 19. 3 οὐδὲν ἄλλο παραχῆς ἢ ἀκαταστασίας αἰτιὸν ἐστιν ἢ δόγμα, Hatch p. 4.

πᾶν φαῦλον πρᾶγμα.] Simply ‘every evil thing,’ there is no need to take πᾶν = ‘eitel’ with Hofmann and Erdmann. Compare Epict. *Diss.*

iii. 22. 61 ὅπου φθόνοι καὶ ζηλοτυπίαί, ποῦ ἐκεῖ πάροδος εὐδαιμονίας; ὅπου δ' ἂν ἦ σαπρὰ δόγματα, ἐκεῖ πάντα ταῦτα εἶναι ἀνάγκη.

17. ἢ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία.] Compare Wisd. vii. 7—30 esp. vv. 25 and 26, *ib.* ix. 10.

πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή.] First the inner characteristic, purity, then the outer, peaceableness, cf. the blessing in Matt. v. 8, 9. It is the pure who attain to the vision of God which constitutes the highest wisdom. Matt. v. 8, Acts xv. 9, 2 Cor. vi 6, 1 Tim. i. 4, Heb. x. 22. We may compare Antoninus viii. 5 *συμνημονεύσας τί τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἢ φύσις ἀπαιτεῖ, πρᾶξον τοῦτο ἀμεταστρεπτί, καὶ εἶπε ὡς δικαιοτάτον φαίνεται σοι, μόνον εὐμενῶς καὶ αἰδημόνως καὶ ἀνυποκρίτως.*

ἔπειτα εἰρηνική.] The omission of δέ after ἔπειτα is quite classical (Winer p. 721), cf. below iv. 14, John xi. 6 : ἔπειτα δέ occurs in Heb. vii. 2. For the association of truth (wisdom) and peace compare Rom. viii. 6 τὸ φρόνημα τοῦ πνεύματος ζωὴ καὶ εἰρήνη, Ps. lxxxv. 10, Prov. iii. 17, Isa. xxxii. 17, *ib.* xxvi. 3 ἀντιλαβόμενος ἀληθείας καὶ φυλάσσω εἰρήνην, Jer. xxxiii. 6, Mal. ii. 6. The word εἰρηνικός is only found elsewhere in N.T. in Heb. xii. 11.

ἐπιεικής.] Aristotle (*Eth.* vi. 11) says τὸν ἐπιεικῆ μάλιστα φαρὲν συγγνωμονικόν, and (*Eth.* v. 14) contrasts ἐπιείκεια 'equity' with strict justice, where Grant quotes the more detailed description given in *Rhet.* i. 13. 17 foll. : 'It is equity to pardon human failings, and to look to the law-giver and not to the law, to the spirit and not to the letter, to the intention and not to the action, to the whole and not to the part, to the character of the actor in the long run and not in the present moment, to remember good rather than evil, and good that one has received rather than good that one has done, to put up with injurious treatment, to wish to settle a matter by words rather than deeds, lastly to prefer arbitration to judgment.' Cope *in loc.* renders it 'merciful consideration.' In Homer the adj. is used in opposition to ἀεικής (= seemly, decorous, fitting). It seems not to be used of persons before Herod. i. 85 (of the son of Croesus) τὰ μὲν ἀλλὰ ἐπιεικής, ἄφρωνος δὲ (in other respects a goodly youth). Thucydides (viii. 93) uses it of men who would listen to reason; in Cleon's speech (iii. 90) οἶκτος is joined with ἐπιείκεια (like τὸ ἐπιεικὲς καὶ ξύγγνωμον Plato *Leg.* vi. 757) as one of the things most injurious to a ruling state, cf. *ib.* v. 86. Plato constantly uses it of respectable, well-behaved people, as opposed to those who are rude and violent: in *Rep.* 397 D one who had before been called μέτριος is referred to as ὁ ἐπιεικής, as in Thuc. i. 76 τὸ ἐπιεικὲς = τὸ μετριάζειν 'moderation'; hence its colloquial use in Plato and Aristotle = σπουδαῖος or ἀγαθός. In the N.T. it always has the more special sense, and is twice joined with ἄμαχος (1 Tim. iii. 3, Tit. iii. 2): in 1 Pet. ii. 18 it is used of a master who is considerate towards his slaves; Acts xxiv. 4 Tertullus begs Felix to hear him with his usual condescension (ἐπιεικεία): the most important passage is 2 Cor. x. 1 παρακαλῶ ὑμᾶς διὰ τῆς πραύτητος καὶ ἐπιεικείας τοῦ Χριστοῦ, which Matthew Arnold rendered by his phrase of 'sweet reasonableness,' compare Phil. iv. 5, Wisdom ii. 19 ἵβρει καὶ βασάνῳ ἐτάσωμεν αὐτὸν (the just) ἵνα γνῶμεν τὴν ἐπιείκειαν αὐτοῦ καὶ δοκιμάσωμεν τὴν ἀνεξικακίαν αὐτοῦ,

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ψυχὰς ὑμῶν ἡγνικότες ἐν τῇ ὑπακοῇ τῆς ἀληθείας διὰ πνεύματος εἰς φιλαδέλφειαν ἀνυπόκριτον, 2 Cor. vi. 6 ἐν ἀγνότητι, ἐν γνώσει...ἐν πνεύματι ἀγίῳ, ἐν ἀγάπῃ ἀνυποκρίτως: of faith 2 Tim. i. 5, 1 Tim. i. 5. It is also found in LXX., Wisd. v. 18, xviii. 16, Clem. Rom. ii. 2, 12 ἐν δυσὶ σώμασιν ἀνυποκρίτως μία ψυχή.

18. καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται.] Heb. xii. 11 (παιδεία) καρπὸν εἰρηνικὸν τοῖς δι' αὐτῆς γεγυμνασμένοις ἀποδίδωσι δικαιοσύνης, Phil. i. 11 πεπληρωμένοι καρπὸν δικαιοσύνης τὸν διὰ 'I.X., Prov. xi. 30 ἐκ καρποῦ δικαιοσύνης φύεται δένδρον ζωῆς, Amos vi. 2 ἐξεστρέψατε καρπὸν δικαιοσύνης εἰς πικρίαν, Hos. x. 12 σπείρατε ἑαυτοῖς εἰς δικαιοσύνην, τρυγήσατε εἰς καρπὸν ζωῆς, Prov. xi. 21 ὁ σπείρων δικαιοσύνην λήψεται μισθὸν πιστόν, *ib.* v. 18, Isa. xxxii. 17 καὶ ἔσται τὰ ἔργα τῆς δικαιοσύνης εἰρήνη (the converse of what is said here), Job iv. 8, Gal. vi. 7. The difficulty of the expression here consists in the prolepsis which regards the seed as already containing in itself the fruit,¹ see Jennings on Psa. xcvi. 11 'light is sown for the righteous,' where the note is 'the affliction entailed by the oppression of the wicked is to the righteous as the seed of light.' Compare above i. 20.

τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην.] The phrase occurs Eph. ii. 15, 2 Macc. i. 4. We have the compound εἰρηνοποιῶ in Col. i. 20 and εἰρηνοποιός Matt. v. 9. I think the dat. here is best explained as dat. comm., not of the agent, as in ver. 7. 'A harvest of righteousness' is the issue of the quiet and gentle ministrations of those who aim at reconciling quarrels and being themselves in peace with all men.

IV. 1.—πόθεν.] St. James is much given to the use of the interrogative, see ii. 4, 5, 6, 7, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 25, iii. 11, 12, 13, iv. 4, 5, 12, 14. For the repetition of πόθεν see iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ, i. 19 βραδύς. Notice that the severity of this section, as of that which commences below with v. 13, is marked by the absence of the word ἀδελφοί.

πόλεμοι καὶ μάχαι.] These need not be limited to their narrow sense: the former denotes any lasting resentment, the latter any outburst of passion. Compare Titus iii. 9 μωρὰς δὲ ζητήσεις...καὶ ἔρεις καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περίστασο, *ib.* v. 2, 2 Tim. ii. 22 f., Gal. v. 15, 2 Cor. vii. 5. The verb μάχομαι is used of chiding or disputing in Gen. xxxi. 36, Neh. xiii. 11, John vi. 52. So in other writers we have πολέμους καὶ στάσεις καὶ μάχας οὐδὲν ἄλλο παρέχει ἢ τὸ σῶμα καὶ αἱ τούτου ἐπιθυμίαι Plato *Phaedo* 66 C (not '*Phaedrus* xv.' as Beyschlag), Cic. *Fin.* i. 13. 43 *cupiditates sunt insatiabiles quae non modo singulos homines sed universas familias evertunt, totam etiam labefactant saepe rem publicam. Ex cupiditatibus odia, discidia, discordiae, seditiones, bella nascuntur...intus etiam in animis inclusae inter se dissident et discordant*, Seneca *Ira* 3. 35 *ista quae appetitis quia non possunt ad alterum nisi alteri erepta transferri, eadem affectantibus pugnam et jurgia excitant*, Philo M. 2. p. 205 οἱ Ἑλλήνων καὶ βαρβάρων...τραγωδηθέντες πόλεμοι πάντες ἀπὸ μιᾶς πηγῆς ἐρρύησαν, ἐπιθυμίας ἢ χρημάτων ἢ δόξης ἢ ἡδονῆς (in *Concur.* p. 449 f. he traces out the evil consequences of each species of ἐπιθυμία at length); Epict. *Diss.* iii. 20. 18 πρὸς τὸ παιδάριον πόλεμος, πρὸς τοὺς γείτονας, πρὸς

¹ Bloomfield compares Antiphanes *Fab. Inc.* iv. 4. M. σπείρειν καρπὸν χάριτος 'sow the fruit of gratitude.' See also Sir. xxiv. 17 τὰ ἄνθη μου καρπὸς δόξης.

τοὺς σκώψαντας, πρὸς τοὺς καταγέλασαντας, *ib.* i. 22, Test. Patr. p. 538 τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ φθόνου ἀγριοῖ τὴν ψυχὴν, ὀργὴν καὶ πόλεμον παρέχει καὶ εἰς αἵματα παροξύνει, Clem. Rom. 46 ἵνα τί ἔρεις καὶ θυμοὶ καὶ διχοστασίαι καὶ σχίσματα πόλεμός τε ἐν ὑμῖν ;

οὐκ ἐντεῦθεν.] Pleonastic before ἐκ τῶν ἡδονῶν, like αὕτη in i. 27, οὗτος in i. 25, ἀνωθεν in i. 17, serving to bring out the predicate into sharper relief.

τῶν ἡδονῶν των στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν.] The potential pleasure seated in each member constitutes a hostile force, a foe lying in ambush against which we have continually to be on our guard. Cf. Tit. iii. 3 δουλεύοντες ἐπιθυμίαις καὶ ἡδοναῖς ποικίλαις, 4 Macc. vi. 35 τὸν λογισμὸν τῶν ἡδονῶν κρατεῖν καὶ μηδὲν αὐταῖς ὑπέικειν, *ib.* v. 22 (φιλοσοφία) σωφροσύνην ἐκδιδάσκει ὥστε πασῶν τῶν ἡδονῶν καὶ ἐπιθυμιῶν κρατεῖν, Xen. Mem. i. 2. 23 ἐν τῷ αὐτῷ σώματι συμπέφυτευμένοι τῇ ψυχῇ αἱ ἡδοναὶ πείθουσιν αὐτὴν μὴ σωφρονεῖν, *ib.* 5. 6 δουλεύοντα ἡδοναῖς. For the metaphor cf. the parallel passage in 1 Pet. ii. 11 παρακαλῶ ἀπέχεσθαι τῶν σαρκικῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν αἵτινες στρατεύονται κατὰ τῆς ψυχῆς, Rom. vii. 23 βλέπω ἕτερον νόμον ἐν τοῖς μέλεσίν μου ἀντιστρατευόμενον τῷ νόμῳ τοῦ νοός μου, *ib.* vi. 13, Gal. v. 19 f., Philo M. 1. p. 445 εἴ τις βουληθείη τὸν ὄχλον μιᾶς ψυχῆς ὥσπερ κατὰ ἔθνη διανεῖμαι, πολλὰς ἂν εὖροι τάξεις ἀκοσμούσας, ὧν ἡδοναὶ ἢ ἐπιθυμίαι ἢ λῦπαι ἢ φόβοι...ταξιαρχοῦσιν. For ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν cf. above iii. 6 and compare Hatch, p. 111, who cites Philo M. 1. p. 511 τὰ σώματος πάθη σαρκὸς ἐκπεφυκότα ἢ προσερρίζωνται, *ib.* p. 692 τὸ ἡμέτερον σῶμα καὶ τὰ ἐν αὐτῷ καὶ δι' αὐτὸ ἐγγινόμενα πάθη, *ib.* M. 2. p. 253 ὅτῳ ἐγκάθηνται καὶ ἔλλοχῶσι πλεονεξίαι καὶ ἐπιθυμίαι τῶν ἀδικιῶν.

2. ἐπιθυμεῖτε καὶ οὐκ ἔχετε· φονεύετε καὶ ζηλοῦτε, καὶ οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν. μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε.] This is the reading and punctuation of Westcott and Hort, agreeing in essentials with Alford, Tischendorf and the more recent editors. The R. V. has 'ye lust, and have not : ye kill, and covet (marg. 'are jealous'), and cannot obtain : ye fight and war.' The extraordinary anti-climax 'ye kill and covet' has long exercised the minds of commentators, who have endeavoured to remove it either (1) by weakening the force of φονεύετε, or (2) by strengthening the force of ζηλοῦτε, or (3) by giving a special meaning to the connexion between them.

(1, a) 'Kill' means 'hate,' because every one that hateth his brother is a murderer. So Estius, Corn. a Lap., Theile, De Wette, Wiesinger, Beyschlag, Erdmann. (1, b) 'Kill' means 'commit moral suicide,' so Oecumenius and Theophylact, φονεύειν φησὶ τοὺς τὴν ἑαυτῶν ψυχὴν ἀποκτινύντας ταῖς τοιαύταις ἐπιχειρήσεσι.

(2) ζηλοῦτε means 'become ζηλωταί,' i.e. assassins ; so Macknight and Dean Scott in the *Speaker's Commentary*, referring to Josephus, *B. J.* vii. 8, 1, where the ζηλωταί are said to have been worse than the σικάριοι.

(3) φονεύετε καὶ ζηλοῦτε form a hendiadys, 'ye murderously envy,' *ad necem usque invidetis*. So Pott, Schneckenburger, Gebser, and not much otherwise Bengel, *occiditis per odia et zelum*.

The objections to these expedients are to my mind conclusive. (1) It does not follow, because to show the heinousness of hate it may be represented as virtually equivalent to the murder of which it is the germ, that

it is therefore allowable in all cases to substitute the word 'murder' for 'hate.' In the present case it may be safely said that no sane writer, no one who had the slightest feeling for rhetorical effect (and St. James is both eminently sane and eminently rhetorical) could have used *φονεύετε* in the sense of *μισεῖτε* before *ζηλοῦτε*. There is no reason here to lay an exaggerated stress on the idea of hate, if nothing more than hate is intended: not only does it make a mere bathos of *ζηλοῦτε*, but it weakens the force of the following *μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε*. Others have thought it impossible that those addressed by St. James could be guilty of the actual sin of murder. But in ch. v. 6 we read *ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον*, so 1 Pet. iv. 15 *μὴ γάρ τις ὑμῶν πασχέτω ὡς φονεὺς ἢ κλέπτης ἢ κακοποιός*, and Didaché iii. 2 *μὴ γίνου ὀργίλος...μηδὲ ζηλωτῆς μηδὲ ἐριστικὸς μηδὲ θυμικός· ἐκ γὰρ τούτων ἀπάντων φόνοι γεννῶνται*, and I think we should gather from Acts xxi. 20 that some of the assailants of St. Paul at Jerusalem were members of the Christian community. Of (2) it is sufficient to say that there is no evidence of the verb *ζηλώω* being used in this sense, and nothing to suggest it in the G.T. use of the word *ζηλωτής*. (3) If *ζηλοῦτε* preceded *φονεύετε*, something might be said for the theory of *ἐν διὰ δυοῖν*: as it is, every one must feel that it is a suggestion of despair.

· Lastly, Alford, Bouman, Schegg and others, feeling the unsatisfactory nature of the above-mentioned explanations, have fallen back on the literal rendering. Schegg is the only commentator known to me who makes any attempt to account for the order of the words, which he defends as follows: 'Die Lust *begehret*, d. h. sie sucht werktätig zu erreichen, wornach sie gelüstet; die Lust *tötet*, d. h. sie schafft gewaltsam bei seite was ihr hinderlich entgegentritt; die Lust *ringet* um das, was sie zu erlangen im Begriffe ist...Da töten und ringen verschiedene Objekte haben, indem sich töten *gegen*, ringen *auf* etwas richtet, so hat Jakobus psychologisch richtig die Reihen-und-Stufenfolge der Aeusserungen des Gelüstens eingehalten.' It is by no means certain that *ζηλοῦτε* is to be taken here in the sense, which Schegg assigns to it, of striving after a thing: it is often followed by an accusative of the person. But supposing it to be true that the object of *ζηλοῦτε* is here a thing, and that of *φονεύετε* a person, I am unable to see why this makes it psychologically right to put *φονεύετε* first. Surely it is the resistance to our effort to gain an object which suggests to us the necessity of moving the obstacle out of the way.

I have for many years held the opinion that, assuming the correctness of the text, the only way to interpret it is to place a colon after *φονεύετε*: and I am glad to find that the same idea has occurred to Dr. J. Chr. K. v. Hofmann, whose commentary appeared in 1876. It is also given as an alternative reading in Westcott and Hort's edition (1881). The easiest way of seeing how the words naturally group themselves is to put them side by side without any stopping: *ἐπιθυμεῖτε καὶ οὐκ ἔχετε φονεύετε καὶ ζηλοῦτε καὶ οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε*. Can any one doubt that the abrupt collocations of *φονεύετε* and *μάχεσθε* are employed to express results of what precedes, and that in the second series *ζηλοῦτε καὶ οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν* correspond to *ἐπιθυ-*

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Cope's notes, Cic. *Tusc.* iv. 17 *invidentiam esse dicunt aegritoniam susceptam propter alterius res secundas, quae nihil noceant invidenti... aemulatio autem est aegritudo si eo, quod concupierit, alius potiatur, ipse careat*, Trench, *Syn.* p. 100. Both are distinguished from ἐπιθ. as denoting a feeling towards a person rather than a thing. The word ζήλος with its cognates embraces the two meanings, emulation, and jealousy, and it is used also of vehement desire, our 'zeal', in a good sense. For examples see Acts v. 17 and xiii. 45 ἐπλήσθησαν ζήλου, Rom. xiii. 13, 1 Cor. iii. 3, 2 Cor. xii. 20, Gal. v. 20, and above iii. 14, in all which places the R.V. has 'jealousy': similarly the verb, Acts vii. 9 οἱ πατρίарχοι ζηλώσαντες τὸν Ἰωσήφ ἀπέδοντο, *ib.* xvii. 5, 1 Cor. xiii. 4, Clem. Rom. ii. 4 μὴ καταλαεῖν ἀλλήλων, μὴ ζηλοῦν. For ζήλος in good sense cf. John ii. 17 ὁ ζήλος τοῦ οἴκου σου καταφάγεται με 'the zeal (holy jealousy) for thy house will devour me,' Rom. x. 2 ζήλον Θεοῦ ἔχουσιν, 2 Cor. xi. 2, *ib.* vii. 7 τὸν ὑμῶν ζήλον ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ, v. 11, Phil. iii. 6 κατὰ ζήλος δίωκων τὴν ἐκκλησίαν; so ζηλωτῆς τοῦ Θεοῦ Acts xxii. 3, τοῦ νόμου *ib.* xxi. 20, καλῶν ἔργων Tit. ii. 14. The verb takes an acc. in the sense of 'seek eagerly,' τὰ χαρίσματα 1 Cor. xii. 31, ζηλῶ ὑμᾶς 2 Cor. xi. 2, Gal. iv. 17, ἐζήλωσα τὸ ἀγαθόν, Sir. li. 18, μὴ ζηλοῦτε θάνατον, Wisd. i. 12.

ἐπιτυχεῖν.] Used absolutely Gen. xxxix. 2 (Ἰωσήφ) ἦν ἀνὴρ ἐπιτυγχανῶν ('prosperous'); with gen. Heb. xi. 33 ἐπέτυχον ἐπαγγελιῶν, *ib.* vi. 15; with acc. Rom. xi. 7 τοῦτο οὐκ ἐπέτυχεν.

οὐκ ἔχετε.] Repeated like αἰτείτω in i. 5, 6. It is not a further step.

διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς.] The subject of the infinitive is expressed as in iii. 3, where see n.

3. αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε.] Yet in i. 5 he had said, quoting from the Sermon on the Mount, αἰτείτω καὶ δοθήσεται. But the promise is not unconditional. In the former passage stress is laid on the need for simple faith in the worshippers, here on the right choice of things to pray for.

Why is the active voice used here, and the middle immediately before and afterwards? The latter has a slight additional shade of meaning, which may be illustrated by the distinction (noted by Dobree in Arnold's n. on Thuc. v. 43) between δεινὰ ἐποίουν 'they expressed,' and δεινὰ ἐποιούντο 'they felt indignation'; and by Donaldson's distinction between ἰδεῖν 'to see' and ἰδέσθαι 'to behold,' 'see with interest' ('in this particular use of the middle it will generally be found to imply a certain special diligence and earnestness in the action' Winer, p. 318): cf. for this 'dynamic' or 'subjective' middle Krüger *Gr.* § 52. 8 and 10. Sturz in *Lex. Xen.* s.v. quotes Schol. Aristoph. 156 αἰτοῦμαι τὸ αὐτὸ (τῷ αἰτῷ), ὡσπερ ποιῶ καὶ ποιῶμαι, πλὴν ὅτι τὸ μὲν αἰτῷ τὸ ἀπλῶς ζητῶ, τὸ δὲ αἰτοῦμαι τὸ μεθ' ἰκεσίας, Phavorin. αἰτοῦμαι τὸ μετὰ παρακλήσεως αἰτῷ καὶ ἰκετεύω. When αἰτεῖτε is thus opposed to αἰτεῖσθε, it implies using the words, without the spirit, of prayer. Otherwise, where there is no special reason to emphasize this shade of meaning, the active may be used to include the force of the middle, just as μεταπέμπω is used in the sense of 'send for,' which strictly belongs to μεταπέμπομαι. I add a few examples of the combination of the two

voices: 1 John v. 15 ἂν οἶδαμεν ὅτι ἀκούει ἡμῶν ὃ ἂν αἰτώμεθα, οἶδαμεν ὅτι ἔχομεν τὰ αἰτήματα ἃ ἠτήκαμεν παρ' αὐτοῦ, and again αἰτήσει (*act.*) in v. 16, Mark vi. 22-24 αἰτησὸν με ὃ ἂν θέλης...εἶπεν τῇ μητρὶ, τί αἰτήσωμαι; *ib.* x. 35, 38, John xvi. 24, 26, Justin M. *Trypho* 49 ἡ μήτηρ ὑπέβαλεν αὐτῇ αἰτήσασθαι...καὶ αἰτησάσης ἔπεμψε κ.τ.λ., *Hermas Vis.* iii. 10. 7 τί σὺ αἰτεῖς ἀποκαλύψεις; βλέπε μή τι πολλὰ αἰτούμενος βλάβης σου τὴν σάρκα, and just before πᾶσα ἐρώτησις ταπεινοφροσύνης δέεται νήστευσον οὖν καὶ λήμψη ὃ αἰτεῖς, *ib.* *Mand.* ix. 4 σὺ οὖν καθάρισόν σου τὴν καρδίαν ἀπὸ πάντων τῶν ματαιωμάτων τοῦ αἰῶνος τούτου...καὶ αἰτοῦ παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου, καὶ ἀπολήψη πάντα...ἂν ἀδιστακτῶς αἰτήσης [here I should prefer to read αἰτήση], *ib.* § 7, Clem. Al. *Strom.* vi. § 63 p. 771 P ὃ ψαλμῶδὸς αἰτεῖ λέγων...καὶ τὸ πολυπειρον τῆς γνώσεως αἰτούμενος ὁ Δαβὶδ γράφει κ.τ.λ.

κακῶς.] 'Wrongly,' as in John xviii. 23 εἰ κακῶς ἐλάλησα. It is explained by the words which follow, and is the opposite to 1 John v. 14 ἂν τι αἰτώμεθα κατὰ τὸ θέλημα αὐτοῦ ἀκούει ἡμῶν, cf. Isa. lix. 2, Max. Tyr. 30 ὁ Θεὸς λέγει, εἰ ἀγαθὰ ἐπ' ἀγαθῶ αἰτεῖς, λάμβανε, Theophylact on Luke xviii. 42 ἐπεὶ ἄλλα αἰτοῦντες ἄλλα λαμβάνομεν πρόδηλον ὅτι οὐ καλῶς οὐδὲ πιστῶς αἰτοῦμεν. This wrong prayer is without submission (v. 7): the petitioner uses it as an instrument of selfishness; he would make religion a help to serving the world, cf. 1 Tim. vi. 4, 5.

ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς ὑμῶν δαπανήσητε.¹] Cf. Luke xv., where δαπανήσαντος αὐτοῦ πάντα (v. 14) is explained by ὁ καταφαγὼν σου τὸν βίον μετὰ πορνῶν (v. 30). The object here is understood from αἰτεῖτε. In Acts xxi. 24 δαπ. is followed by ἐπί, in classical writers usually by εἰς, but also by πρὸς, ἀμφί, or the simple dat.; there is however no occasion to separate ἐν from the verb (as Alf.), cf. Thuc. vii. 48. 5 ἐν περιπολίοις ἀναλίσκοντας, where Poppo cites Arist. *Eth.* iv. 2. 20 ἐν τοῖς μικροῖς τῶν δαπανημάτων πολλὰ ἀναλίσκει, Aristid. *adv. Lept.* p. 62 τὴν ἐν τοῖς τοιούτοις δαπάνην, and compares Lat. *consumere in re*. The extreme of this δαπάνησις is seen in the ἐτρυφήσατε and ἐσπαταλήσατε of v. 5. Prayer for this is the opposite to prayer for daily bread, and to Matt. vi. 32, 33 'seek first the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you, for your Father knoweth ye have need of these things. Compare the conclusion of Juvenal's tenth Satire.

4. μοιχαλίδες.] Recent editors follow A. B. Sin. in omitting μοιχοὶ καί, and understand the word in a figurative sense of adulterous souls, in accordance with the language of the O.T., which speaks of Israel as married to Jehovah (Isa. lvii. 3-9, Jer. iii. 20, Ezek. 16 esp. vv. 32, 35, 38, *ib.* ch. 23, Hosea ch. 2), and of the N.T. which speaks of the Church as the Lamb's Wife (2 Cor. xi. 1-2, Eph. v. 22-32, Apoc. xix. 7, *ib.* xxi. 9). It is less usual to find this figure used to express the relation of the individual soul to God, but cf. Psa. lxxiii. 27, Rom. vii. 2-4, Clem. Hom. iii. 28 ὁπόταν ἡ ψυχὴ ὑφ' ἐτέρων σπαρῆ, τότε, ὡς πορνεύσασα ἢ μοιχευσαμένη, ὑπὸ τοῦ Πνεύματος ἐγκαταλείπεται. The insertion of μοιχοὶ was natural when μοιχαλὶς was understood literally, but the context and especially ver. 5 are in favour of the figurative

¹ B has the fut. δαπανήσετε, as in 1 Pet. iii. 1 ἵνα κερδηθήσονται, Gal. ii. 4 ἵνα καταδουλώσουσιν.

meaning. The word, which is unclassical (Lob. *Phryg.* p. 452), is found in LXX. Mal. iii. 5 (where *μοιχούς* is read by some), Rom. vii. 3, 2 Pet. ii. 14 *ὀφθαλμοὶ μεστοὶ μοιχαλίδος*, (Plut.) *Plac. Phil.* i. 7, p. 881 D *ὑπὸ μοιχοῦ καὶ μοιχαλίδος ἐδολοφονεύθη*, and in figurative use Matt. xii. 39, xvi. 4 *γενεὰ πονηρὰ καὶ μοιχαλὶς*.

οἶδατε.] See n. on i. 19. The reference is to our Lord's words Matt. vi. 24.

ἡ φίλα τοῦ κόσμου.] The word *φιλία* is defined by Aristotle (*Eth. N.* xiii. 2) *εὐνοίαν μὴ λανθάνουσαν ἐν ἀντιπεπονητοῖσι φιλίαν εἶναι*, involving the idea of loving as well as of being loved, cf. John xv. 19 *ὁ κόσμος ἂν τὸ ἴδιον ἐφίλει*, 2 Tim. iv. 10 *Δημᾶς...ἀγαπήσας τὸν νῦν αἰῶνα*. It is not found elsewhere in N.T. but occurs in LXX. (Prov. xxvii. 5). See above i. 27, 2 Pet. i. 4 *ἵνα γένησθε θείας κοινωνοὶ φύσεως ἀποφυγόντες τῆς ἐν κόσμῳ ἐπιθυμίας φθορᾶς*, Tit. ii. 12 *ἵνα ἀρνησάμενοι τὰς κοσμικὰς ἐπιθυμίας εὐσεβῶς ζήσωμεν*.

ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν;] Rom. viii. 7 *τὸ φρόνημα τῆς σαρκὸς ἔχθρα εἰς Θεόν...οἱ δὲ ἐν σαρκὶ ὄντες Θεῷ ἀρέσαι οὐ δύνανται*, 1 John ii. 15, Luke vi. 26, John xii. 43, above ii. 5, Const. Ap. iii. 6 *πάντα τὰ τοιαῦτα ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ὑπάρχει καὶ δαιμόνων φίλα*.

ὅς ἐάν οὖν βουληθῆ φίλος εἶναι τοῦ κόσμου.] For the use of *ἐάν* instead of *ἂν* with relatives see Winer, p. 390. It is very common in N.T., especially after a vowel (WH. *app.* p. 173), also in LXX., as 1 Sam. xix. 3 *στήσομαι ἐν ἀγρῷ. οὐ ἐάν ἦς ἐκεῖ...καὶ ὄψομαι ὃ τι ἐάν ἦ*, Job xxxvii. 10 *οἰακίζει τὸ ὕδωρ ὡς ἐάν βούληται*, Sirac. ii. 7 *πάν ὃ ἐάν ἐπαχθῆ σοι δέξαι, ἰβ. xiv. 11 καθὼς ἐάν ἔχης εὖ ποίει. ἰβ. xv. 16, 17*, and in the patristic writings, Clem. Rom. xii. (on Rahab) *ὡς ἐάν* ('whenever') *οὖν γένηται λαβεῖν αὐτὴν ὑμᾶς διασώσατέ με*, and just below *ὡς ἐάν γνῶς παραγινομένους ἡμᾶς*, Hermas *Vis.* 3. 13 *ὡς ἐάν τινι λυπουμένῳ ἔλθῃ ἀγγελία ἀγαθή τις, εὐθὺς ἐπελάθετο. τῶν προτέρων λυπῶν, ἰβ. § 8, ἰβ. § 2 ὅς ἐάν πάθῃ, § 3 ὅσοι ἐάν ἐργάζονται ἰβ. § 1*. Numerous examples from classical authors are cited in Viger, p. 516, but they are all corrected (against the MSS.) in the later editions, see Hermann in Vig. p. 833, and Kühner on Xen. *Mem.* iii. 10, 12. It stands in the newly discovered treatise of Aristotle *Ἀθ. Πολ.* c. 30 *τοὺς Ἑλληνοταμίας οἱ ἐάν διαχειρίζωσι τὰ χρήματα μὴ συμβουλεύειν, ἰβ. c. 31 τοῖς νόμοις οἱ ἐάν τεθῶσιν χρῆσθαι*, in Polyb. vii. 9, 6 *πρὸς οὐστινας ἡμῖν ἐάν γένηται φιλία*, Anton. 9. 23 *ἥτις ἐάν πρᾶξις μὴ ἔχῃ τὴν ἀναφορὰν*, Artem. i. 78 *οἶα οὖν ἐάν ἦ ἡ γυνὴ καὶ ὅπως διακειμένη, οὕτως καὶ ἡ πρᾶξις*, Fabricius' text of Sext. *Emp. Hyp.* ii. 163, iii. 37. This use may have arisen from a wish to distinguish between *ἂν* qualifying a relative, and *ἂν* qualifying the optative or indicative. As the former frequently introduced a quasi-hypothetical proposition, it was not unnatural to mark it by the addition of a hypothetical particle, particularly as this had already become nearly otiose in such phrases as *κὰν εἰ, ὥσπερ ἂν εἰ*, while on the other hand *ἂν* itself was often used as equivalent to *ἐάν*. *Βουληθῆ* ('makes it his aim') is important, since a Demetrius may have 'good report of all men as well as of the truth itself,' but no man who makes worldly success his aim can be also a friend of God. Compare Plut. *Mor.* 6 *τὸ τοῖς πολλοῖς ἀρέσκειν τοῖς σοφοῖς ἐστὶν ἀπαρέσκειν*.

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θησε ('fluttereth over')¹; rarely used in a bad sense as Sir. xxv. 20 γυναικα ἐν κάλλει μὴ ἐπιποθήσης. With the adverbial phrase compare πρὸς ὀργήν, πρὸς βίαν, πρὸς ἡδονήν, and so with δίκην, εὐσέβειαν, ὑπερβολήν, ἀφθονίαν, καιρόν, φύσιν, τύχην, δύναμιν, ὕβριν, ἀχθηδόνα, χάριν, φιλίαν, ἀλήθειαν, φιλονεικίαν. We might perhaps have expected ζήλος here rather than φθόνος, as we have ζηλωτής and not φθονερός in Exod. xx. 5, but the former always has a bad sense in St. James, and the latter is often used of the feeling towards a rival, see Eur. *Alcest.* 306 μὴ πιγίμης τοῖσδε μητριὰν τέκνοισ, ἧτις κακίων οὔσ' ἐμοῦ γυνή φθόνῳ τοῖσ σοῖσι κάμοῖς παισὶ χεῖρα προσβαλεῖ, *Iphig. T.* 1268, *Ion* 1025, *frag. inc.* 887 Dind. σὺ μὴ φθόνει (addressed to the mother) 'be not jealous if I love you less than my father,' Plato *Symp.* 213 D, *Phaedr.* 243 C. So, constantly, of divine Nemesis φθόνος θεῶν or θεόθεν (*Alc.* 1135, *Orestes* 974, *Iph. A.* 1097), of which Herodotus writes (vii. 10) φιλέει ὁ θεὸς τὰ ὑπερέχοντα πάντα κολούειν (see below v. 6).

τὸ πνεῦμα δὲ κατώκισεν ἐν ἡμῖν.] It seems best to take τὸ πνεῦμα as the subject to ἐπιποθεῖ ('the Spirit which he made to dwell in us jealously yearns for the entire devotion of the heart'), cf. Rom. viii. 11 foll. εἰ τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ ἐγείραντος Ἰησοῦν ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν οἰκεῖ ἐν ὑμῖν...ἐλάβετε τὸ πνεῦμα υἰοθεσίας, 1 Cor. iii. 16 τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ Θεοῦ οἰκεῖ ἐν ὑμῖν, Gal. iv. 6, Eph. iv. 30, John vii. 39, xvi. 7, Ezek. xxxvi. 27 τὸ πνεῦμά μου δώσω ἐν ὑμῖν, Isa. lxiii. 11 ποῦ ἐστιν ὁ θεὸς ἐν αὐτοῖς τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον; Psa. li. 11, 12, *De Aleatoribus* 3 nolite contristare spiritum sanctum qui in vobis est et nolite extinguere lumen quod in vobis effulsit, *Hermas Sim.* 5. 6 § 5 τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον...κατώκισεν ὁ Θεὸς εἰς σάρκα ἣν ἠβούλετο (Jesus), *ib.* 7, *Mand.* 3. 1 ἀλήθειαν ἀγάπα...ἵνα τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ ὁ Θεὸς κατώκισεν ἐν τῇ σαρκὶ ταύτῃ ἀληθὲς εὐρεθῇ...καὶ οὕτως δοξασθήσεται ὁ Κύριος ὃ ἐν σοὶ κατοικῶν, *ib.* 5. 2 εἰς μακρόθυμος ἔση, τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον τὸ κατοικοῦν ἐν σοὶ καθαρὸν ἔσται μὴ ἐπισκοτούμενον ὑπὸ ἐτέρου πονηροῦ πνεύματος...εἰς δὲ ὀξύχολία τις προσέλθῃ, εὐθὺς τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον τρυφερὸν ὄν² στενοχωρεῖται κ.τ.λ., Test. Jos. x., Benj. vi. If on the other hand we make God or the Scripture the subject and τὸ πνεῦμα the object of ἐπιποθεῖ we may compare Eccl. xii. 12, Isa. xlii. 5, lvii. 16. If we read κατώκισεν with the majority of MSS. and versions, the sense will remain practically unaltered: 'the Spirit which has taken up his abode in us jealously yearns, &c.'

The interpretation given above is that of Cajetan, Corn. a Lap. (*putatisne, O Christiani, frustra in Scriptura Deum vocari zelotypum vestri, osorem mundi illique quasi invidentem possessionem cordis vestri?*), Schneckenburger, Kern, Wiesinger, Alford, Hofmann, Ewald, Brückner, Erdmann, Schegg, Beyschlag: with whom agree (so far as πρὸς φθόνον is concerned) Theophylact, Euthymius, Methodius, Oecumenius, Heisen, Gebser, Theile, Winer. It is in my opinion the only interpretation which is alike in harmony with the context and permissible according to the usage of the Greek language; but as some readers may find a

¹ [The same Hebrew word is used of the Spirit in Gen. i. 2, where the like rendering would give πνεῦμα θεοῦ ἐπιποθεῖ. This might be applied to men with reference to the Spirit and the water of baptism. C.T.]

² Compare πρὸς φθόνον above.

difficulty in the word *φθόνος*, it may be well to give here a brief conspectus of the other explanations which have been proposed.

Bede says on the words '*Ad invidiam concupiscit spiritus qui habitat in vobis?*' *Interrogative per increpationem legendum est, quasi diceret, 'numquid Spiritus gratiae quo significati estis...hoc concupiscit ut invidetis alterutrum? Non utique bonus spiritus invidiae vitium in vobis sed malus operatur.'* He then mentions that others read it without a question in the sense: *adversus invidiam concupiscit, hoc est, invidiae morbum debellari atque a vestris mentibus extirpari desiderat. Alii de spiritu hominis dictum intelligunt, ut sit sensus 'nolite concupiscere, nolite mundi hujus amicitias adhaerere, quia spiritus mentis vestrae, dum terrena concupiscit, ad invidiam usque concupiscit, dum ea quae ipsi acquirere concupiscitis alios invidetis habere.'*

Cyril *ap.* Theophyl. εἰ φθόνῳ διαβόλου θάνατος εἰσῆλθεν εἰς τὸν κόσμον, καὶ εἰ κατώκησεν εἰς τὸν ἔσω ἡμῶν ἄνθρωπον ὁ Χριστὸς κατὰ τὰς γραφάς, διὰ τοῦτο κατώκησεν ἵνα τὸν ἐκ τοῦ φθόνου προσγινόμενον θάνατον καταργήσῃ... ὅτι δὲ ἐπιποθήσας ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς κατώκησεν ἐν ἡμῖν Ἡσαΐας ἐδήλωσεν εἰπὼν· οὐκ ἄγγελος, οὐ πρέσβυς, ἀλλ' αὐτὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἔσωσεν ἡμᾶς.

Severianus (in Cramer's *Catena*): ἐπιποθεῖ μὲν καὶ ἐφίεται τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἐν ἡμῖν τῆς πρὸς Θεὸν οἰκειότητος, τὴν τοῦ κόσμου φιλίαν ἀποστρεφόμενον, αὐτὸς δὲ μείζονα δίδωσι χάριν (τῷ ξένῳ γεγονότι τῆς κοσμικῆς ζωῆς).¹

Theophylact: οὐ γὰρ κενῶς ἦτοι ματαίως, ἢ πρὸς φθόνον, ἢ γραφὴ τὰ ἀμήχανα ἡμῖν διαγορεύει, ἀλλ' ἐπιποθοῦσα τὴν διὰ παρακλήσεως αὐτῆς ἐγκατοικισομένην ἡμῖν χάριν.

Oecumenius has the same, with a fuller explanation: ἢ δοκεῖτε ὅτι κενῶς ἢ γραφὴ λέγει ἢ πρὸς φθόνον; οὐδὲν τούτων· ἀλλ' ἐπιποθεῖ ἦτοι ἐπιζητεῖ τὴν διὰ τῆς παρακλήσεως αὐτῆς ἐγκατοικισθεῖσαν ὑμῖν χάριν.

Euthym. Zig. (also in Cramer's *Catena*): ἢ δοκεῖτε κ.τ.λ. ἀντὶ τοῦ, ἢ νομίζετε ὅτι ματαίως ἢ γραφὴ φθονοῦσα ἡμῖν λέγει...οὐ βασκαίνει, φησὶν, ἢ γραφὴ, τὸ γὰρ πνεῦμα τὸ λαλήσαν αὐτήν, ὃ καὶ κατώκισεν² ἐν ἡμῖν ὁ Θεὸς καὶ Πατήρ, ἐπιποθεῖ τὴν σωτηρίαν τῶν ἡμετέρων ψυχῶν καὶ μείζονα τῶν κατὰ Θεὸν ἡμῶν πράξεων δίδωσι τὰ χαρίσματα.

Methodius of Patara (in Matthaei's *Scholia*): ἢ παρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐνσπαρεῖσα τῇ φύσει νοερὰ δύναμις φθονεῖ τῇ παρὰ τοῦ ἀντικειμένου ὑποβαλλομένη καὶ πρὸς ἡδονὰς ὑμᾶς καὶ πάθη κατασυρούσῃ (so Gebser for κατασύρει) καὶ βούλεται μόνον ἡμᾶς τὰ καλὰ ἐνεργεῖν.

The views of later commentators may be more briefly classified in reference (1) to the construction of *πρὸς φθόνον*, (2) to the meaning of *πρὸς φθόνον*, (3) to the subject of *ἐπιποθεῖ*.

(1) It will have been noticed that Theophylact and others put a stop after *πρὸς φθόνον*, connecting it with *λέγει* and not with *ἐπιποθεῖ*, and so we read in A and other MSS. Gebser agrees, translating 'Think ye that the Scripture speaks without reason, enviously?' and regards the following words as parenthetical. Du Mont and Heumont (*ap.* Wolf. p. 59) translate 'Think ye the Scripture speaks against envy to no purpose?' For the view of Michaelis see below (2, *d*). The decisive objection to these, as to all other interpretations except that which I have given above, is that they do not carry on the thought of the pre-

¹ The clause in brackets is supplied by Euth. Zig.

² So I read for *κατώκησεν*.

ceding verse. Moreover such a division spoils both sentences: and all commentators are now agreed that *πρὸς φθόνον* can only be taken with *ἐπιποθεῖ*.

(2) Scarcely less unanimous is the opinion of modern scholars that Theophylact, Oecumenius and Euthymius were right in taking *πρὸς φθόνον* as equivalent to *φθονερῶς*. Others have understood *πρὸς* to mean 'against,' (a) as Cyril above and the second interpreter in Bede, with Luther, Bengel, Pott, Stier and Lange in later times. But *πρὸς* can only mean 'against' when joined with a word which implies hostility: it cannot have this force when joined with a word which implies strong affection like *ἐπιποθεῖ*.¹ (b) Others again understand *πρὸς* to mean 'towards' or 'with a view to,' as Bede above, 'Does the Spirit desire that you should be envious one of another?' Calvin 'Is the Spirit of God disposed to envy?' so too Bloomfield: Beza and Estius translate '*spiritus humanus ad invidiam proclivis*': Bouman after Wolf and Witsius 'Does the Spirit move you to envy?' As to this interpretation, while it may be granted that *ἐπιποθεῖ* is occasionally followed by *πρὸς* in Hellenistic writers (as in Psa. xlii. I quoted above), this is only allowable in describing warm affection towards a person, never in speaking of a tendency to a certain state of mind. Still less can *ἐπιποθεῖ* have the causative force assigned to it by Wolf.

(c) Others take *πρὸς* to mean 'up to,' Lat. *usque*, as the third interpreter in Bede quoted above, and von Soden 'bis zur Eifersucht liebt er den Geist.' Practically this is much the same as the correct interpretation, but the former is without precedent, while the latter is in accordance with analogy, and flows naturally from the ordinary use of *πρὸς* to express 'in conformity with.'

(d) Michaelis and Semler translate 'in reference to envy,' connecting it with *λέγει*. This interpretation is open to the objections stated under (1).

(3) Bede, Cyril, Methodius and Euthymius rightly regard *τὸ πνεῦμα* (the Divine Spirit) as the subject of *ἐπιποθεῖ*. Others make *ἡ γραφή* the subject, as Theophylact, Oecumenius, and in later times Gebser and Theile (a). Others, as Kern and Wiesinger, take God to be the subject understood and *τὸ πνεῦμα* (the human spirit) the object (b). Practically there is not much difference between these interpretations and that which I regard as the right one. Of the two (b) has far more

¹ Resch however thinks this possible. He regards these words as a quotation from a lost Hebrew gospel (p. 256), of which he finds another rendering in Gal. v. 17 *τὸ πνεῦμα (ἐπιθυμεί) κατὰ τῆς σαρκός*. Dr. Taylor notes that in Psa. cxix. 174 the Hebrew word translated 'I have longed' (A.V.) is variously rendered *ἐπεπόθησα* (LXX.) and *ὑπερεπεθύμησα* (Symm.) He further notes that in ver. 20, where the LXX. has *ἐπεπόθησεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου τοῦ ἐπιθυμῆσαι τὰ κρίματά σου*, the Hebrew construction would be more literally rendered *εἰς ἐπιθυμίαν*, and that the Hebr. **כַּנְת**, there translated *ἐπιθ.* and used in a good sense, is translated by *βδελύσσομαι* in Amos vi. 8 (*βδ. πᾶσαν τὴν ὕβριν Ἰακώβ*). He suggests too that in an original Hebrew phrase to the effect 'the Spirit which he made to dwell in this flesh' the word translated 'in' (**כ**) might also be translated 'against,' as where it is used after a verb meaning to envy in Gen. xxx. 1, Numb. v. 14 Psa. xxxvii. 1, lxxiii. 3. Still this leaves several steps wanting before we could accept Resch's view.

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reminiscence of this verse in *Hermas Mand.* xii. 5 οὐ δύναται (ὁ διάβολος) καταδυναστεύειν τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ τῶν ἐξ ὅλης καρδίας ἐλπίζόντων ἐπ' αὐτόν. δύναται ὁ διάβολος ἀντιπαλαῖσαι, καταπαλαῖσαι δὲ οὐ δύναται. ἐὰν οὖν ἀντισταθῆτε αὐτῷ, νικηθεὶς φεύξεται foll., *ib.* xii. 2, 4, 6, vii. 2, 3, *Testam. Nephth.* 8 ἐὰν ἐργάζησθε τὸ καλὸν...ὁ διάβολος φεύξεται ἀφ' ὑμῶν, *Test. Iss.* 7 ταῦτα ποιήσατε καὶ πᾶν πνεῦμα Βελίαρ φεύξεται, *T. Benj.* 5. *T. Dan.* 5.

8. ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ καὶ ἐγγίσει ὑμῖν.] Cf. *Psa.* cxlv. 18 ἐγγὺς Κύριος πᾶσι τοῖς ἐπικαλουμένοις αὐτὸν ἐν ἀληθείᾳ, *Isa.* xxix. 13 (quoted in *Matt.* xv. 8), *Hos.* xii. 6 ἐγγίζε πρὸς τὸν Θεόν σου διὰ παντός, *Deut.* iv. 7 ποῖον ἔθνος μέγα ᾧ ἐστὶν αὐτῷ Θεὸς ἐγγίζων ὡς Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν; on which Philo commenting says (*M.* 1. p. 445) the greatness of a nation consists in τὸ τῷ Θεῷ συνεγγίζειν ἢ ᾧ Θεὸς συνεγγίζει, *2 Chron.* xv. 2, *Isa.* lix. 2, *Zech.* i. 3, *Mal.* iii. 7. The phrase was first used of the priestly office *Exod.* xix. 22, *Ezek.* xliv. 13, then of all spiritual worship, as in *Heb.* iv. 16, vii. 19 (where see Alf.).

καθαρίσατε χεῖρας.] In the literal sense this was an ordinary ritual observance, see *Mark* vii. 3, *Exod.* xxx. 19–21 (when the priests go into the tabernacle they shall wash their hands and their feet that they die not), *ib.* xl. 30 foll., *Lev.* xvi. 4; then used of moral purity *Psa.* xxvi. 6, *Job* xxii. 30, *Isa.* i. 16, *Jer.* iv. 14, *1 Tim.* ii. 8, *1 John* iii. 3. The same change from ceremonial to moral purity is found in the Lat. *castus*, cf. *Cic. N.D.* I. 3, II. 71. Purifying before the Passover was general (*John* xi. 55), see also *Acts* xxi. 24, xxiv. 16, and *Heb.* x. 22 (of baptism) προσερχόμεθα ἔρραντισμένοι τὰς καρδίας ἀπὸ συνειδήσεως πονηρᾶς καὶ λελουμένοι τὸ σῶμα ὕδατι καθαρῷ, *Matt.* xxvii. 4 (of Pilate). Philo *M.* 2. p. 406 explains χεῖρας in the following words, λόγου μὲν στόμα σύμβολον, καρδία δὲ βουλευμάτων, πράξεων δὲ χεῖρες, *ib.* *M.* 1. p. 214. Thus it suits with the word ἀμαρτωλός, which is used of open, notorious sinners in the Gospels and in *1 Tim.* i. 9 δικαίῳ νόμος οὐ κεῖται, ἀνόμοις δὲ...καὶ ἀμαρτωλοῖς κ.τ.λ., *1 Pet.* iv. 18, *Jude* 15. Καθαρίζω found in Hellenistic writers instead of classical καθαίρω (cf. *Westcott Heb.* p. 346 f.) is less technical than ἀγνίζω, which is also unclassical.

ἀγνίσατε καρδίας δίψυχοι.] This and the preceding clause are combined in *Psa.* xxiv. 4, lxxiii. 13. The verb ἀγνίζω and the cognate ἀγνισμός are generally used of ceremonial purification; but figuratively, as here, in *1 Pet.* i. 22 τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν ἡγνικότες ἐν τῇ ὑπακοῇ τῆς ἀληθείας and *1 John* iii. 3. For διψ. see above i. 8 and compare *Hos.* x. 2 ἐμέρισαν καρδίας αὐτῶν: here its full sense comes out as applied to one divided between God and the world, cf. *Herm. Mand.* ix. 7 καθάρισον τὴν καρδίαν σου ἀπὸ τῆς διψυχίας. For the anarthrous καρδίας see *Essay on Grammar.*

9. ταλαιπωρήσατε.] The word, which only occurs here in N.T., is quite classical: it is regularly used of undergoing hardship, cf. *Thuc.* ii. 101 ἡ στρατιὰ σῖτόν τε οὐκ εἶχεν καὶ ὑπὸ χειμῶνος ἐταλαιπώρει, *Jer.* iv. 13 οὐαὶ ἡμῖν ὅτι ταλαιπωροῦμεν, v. 20 τεταλαιπώρηκε πᾶσα ἡ γῆ ('is spoiled'), *Micah* ii. 4 ταλαιπωρία ἐταλαιπωρήσαμεν ('we be utterly spoiled'); so ταλαιπωρία below v. 1. In *Isa.* xxxiii. 1 it has a transitive force 'to afflict another.' This is perhaps the only place in which the imperative is used, and I think it is best understood of voluntary abstinence from

comforts and luxuries (the *δαπανᾶν* of iv. 3, *τρυφᾶν* of v. 5); so Erasmus, Grotius (*affligite ipsos vosmet jejuniis et aliis corporis σκληραγωγίαις*), Corn. a Lap. and the Romanists generally. On the other hand Alf., following Huther as usual, translates 'be wretched in your minds from a sense of your sinfulness'; but if we consider that St. James himself was noted for his asceticism, that St. Paul bids Timothy *κακοπάθησον ὡς καλὸς στρατιώτης Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ* (2 Tim. ii. 3, 4, 5), and himself kept his body in subjection (1 Cor. ix. 27); that fasting, sackcloth and ashes were ordinary accompaniments of repentance (Luke x. 13, Dan. ix. 3, Joel i. 13, 14, Jer. iv. 8, Isa. xxii. 12, cf. Psa. xxxv. 13, 14); lastly that our Lord's charge to those who would follow him was to deny themselves and take up their cross, we shall see no difficulty in adhering to the usual meaning of the word.

πενθήσατε καὶ κλαύσατε.] 'Mourn and weep,' coupled in Luke vi. 25 *οὐαὶ ὑμῖν οἱ γελῶντες νῦν, ὅτι πενθήσετε καὶ κλαύσετε*, Mark xvi. 10. This is a call to the godly sorrow spoken of 2 Cor. vii. 10 and Matt. v. 4.

ὁ γέλως ὑμῶν εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω.] For the thought cf. Eccles. ii. 2, vii. 2-6, Tobit ii. 6, Sirac. xxi. 20, xxvii. 13, Luke vi. 21, 25; and for the expression Joel ii. 28 *ὁ ἥλιος μεταστραφήσεται εἰς σκότος*, 1 Macc. ix. 41 *μετεστράφη ὁ γάμος εἰς πένθος καὶ ἡ φωνὴ μουσικῶν εἰς θρῆνον*. The reading of B *μετατραπήτω* is less vigorous, and the verb does not occur at all in the N.T., nor, I think, in this construction elsewhere.

κατήφειαν.] Classical, only found here in the Bible. It describes the condition of one with eyes cast down like the publican in Luke xviii. 13, cf. Philo M. 2. p. 331 *λυπουμενων ὀφθαλμοὶ συννοίας γέμουσι καὶ κατηφείας*.

10. *ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον Κυρίου.*] Cf. i. 9, 1 Pet. v. 6 *ταπεινώθητε ὑπὸ τὴν κραταιὰν χεῖρα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἵνα ὑμᾶς ὑψώσῃ ἐν καιρῷ ἐπισκοπῆς*, Matt. xxiii. 12, Luke xiv. 11, 1 Sam. ii. 7, 8, Job xxii. 28, 29, Prov. xxix. 23, Ezra xvii. 24, Isa. lvii. 15, Sirac. ii. 17 *οἱ φοβούμενοι Κύριον ἐτοιμάσουσι καρδίας αὐτῶν καὶ ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ ταπεινώσουσι τὰς ψυχὰς αὐτῶν*. The adv. *ἐνώπιον* is Hellenistic, it has much the same sense as *παρὰ Θεῷ* in i. 27, cf. Luke i. 6 *δίκαιοι ἐν Θεοῦ*, 1 Cor. i. 29, 2 Cor. i. 2, &c. The adj. *ἐνώπιος* is found in Theocr. xxii. 152. For the use of the passive aorist with middle sense see Winer, p. 327.

καὶ ὑψώσει ὑμᾶς.] Sums up the preceding promises.

11. *μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων.*] Returns to the topic of i. 26, ii. 12, iii. 1-10, 14: cf. 1 Pet. ii. 1 *ἀποθέμενοι πάσας καταλαλιὰς*, *ib.* ver. 12, iii. 16, 2 Cor. xii. 20, Rom. i. 30 *κατάλαλος*, *ib.* xiv. 3-10, 13, Matt. vii. 1, Psa. xlix. 20 *κατὰ τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ σου καταλαλεῖς*, *ib.* ci. 5, *ib.* lxxviii. 19 κ. Θεοῦ, *Hermas Mand.* ii. 2 *πρῶτον μὲν μηδενὸς καταλάλει μηδὲ ἠδέως ἄκουε καταλαλοῦντος . . πονηρὰ ἢ καταλαλιά, ἀκατάστατον δαιμόνιον ἐστίν, μηδέποτε εἰρηνεῦον*, Clem. Rom. ii. 4 *μὴ καταλαλεῖν ἀλλήλων*, Barn. 20 *εὐχερεῖς ἐν καταλαλιᾷ*, Test. Gad. 3 (*ὁ μισῶν*) *τῷ κατορθοῦντι φθονεῖ, καταλαλιὰν ἀσπάζεται*. Field, *Ot. Norv.*, quotes the definition *κατάλαλοι: οἱ διαβολαῖς κατὰ τῶν ἀπόντων ἀδεῶς κεχρημένοι*. The word is not used by classical writers. This evil-speaking flows from the pride condemned in v. 16 and is an expression of the hate denounced in vv. 1, 2. It is shown in what follows to imply a usurpation of God's right to judge.

ἀδελφοί.] The three-fold repetition of the word in this sentence is in part required by the different constructions of καταλαλῶ and κρίνω, like the fourfold repetition of νόμος, but it also adds weight to the writer's appeal to their feeling of brotherhood. The appeal is heightened in the third case by the addition of τὸν ἀδ. αὐτοῦ, not simply *a*, but *his*, brother.

καταλαλεῖ νόμου καὶ κρίνει νόμον.] Whoever deliberately breaks a law and does not repent of it, thereby speaks against it and treats it as a bad law, since it is the essence of a law to require obedience, and he who refuses obedience virtually says it ought not to be law. Thus he who speaks against a brother virtually speaks against the law of brotherhood. The law which the writer has in mind is the royal law spoken of in ii. 8, to which reference is made by the word πλησίον in v. 12. The offence against man is also an offence against God, cf. above iii. 9, Matt. xxv. 42-45, 1 John iv. 20, Prov. xvii. 5. The phrase 'speaks against the law' is evidently adapted to the special context, cf. i. 4 τέλειον and τέλειος, v. 11 μαρνανθήσεται, vv. 12-14 πειράζω, 15 and 18 ἀπεκύησεν, iv. 1 στρατευομένων after πόλεμοι.

οὐκ εἶ ποιητῆς νόμου.] = ποιητῆς λόγου in i. 22, see Rom. ii. 13, 1 Macc. ii. 67. The critical attitude is adverse to the dutiful performance of the law. It is only by doing the will of God, so far as it is known to us, that we learn to understand the reasons of it, John vii. 17.

ἀλλὰ κριτῆς.] Cf. Clem. Hom. xii. 26 foll. 'If you seek to benefit the good only and not the bad, you undertake to perform the office of a judge (κριτοῦ τὸ ἔργον) and not of kindness,' &c., Const. Apost. ii. 36 ἐὰν κρίνης τὸν ἀδελφὸν, κριτῆς ἐγένου, μηδενός σε προχειρισμένου, τοῖς γὰρ ἱερεῦσιν ἐπετράπη κρίνειν μόνοις.

εἰς ἔστιν νομοθέτης.] One who criticises the law is really proposing to enact a better law; but there is only one lawgiver and judge (John v. 22, 1 Cor. iv. 3-5, Taylor *J. F.* p. 83), viz. he who is Lord of life and death, *i.e.* whose sentence takes effect; just as he is the ruler who exercises the right of sovereignty (Matt. xxii. 21). The noun νομοθ. does not occur elsewhere in N.T., though both νομοθετέω and νομοθεσία are found.

12. ὁ δυνάμενος σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι.] Cf. Deut. xxxii. 39, Psa. lxxviii. 20, 1 Sam. ii. 6, 2 Kings v. 7, Matt. x. 28 φοβήθητε μᾶλλον τὸν δυνάμενον καὶ ψυχὴν καὶ σῶμα ἀπολέσαι ἐν γέννη, Luke vi. 9 ἔξεστι τοῖς σάββασιν ψυχὴν σῶσαι ἢ ἀπολέσαι; John xix. 10 ἐξουσίαν ἔχω σταυρῶσαί σε καὶ ἀπολύσαί σε, Hermas *Sim.* ix. 23. 4 εἰ ὁ Θεὸς καὶ ὁ Κύριος ἡμῶν, ὁ πάντων κυριεύων καὶ ἔχων πάσης τῆς κτίσεως αὐτοῦ τὴν ἐξουσίαν, οὐ μνησικακεῖ ἀλλ' ἰλεως γίνεται, ἄνθρωπος φθαρτὸς ὢν καὶ πλήρης ἀμαρτιῶν ἀνθρώπων μνησικακεῖ, ὡς δυνάμενος ἀπολέσαι ἢ σῶσαι αὐτόν; for σῶσαι see i. 21, ii. 14.

σὺ δὲ τίς εἶ;] How weak and incompetent! cf. Rom. xiv. 4 σὺ τίς εἶ ὁ κρίνων ἀλλότριον οἰκέτην; *ib.* ver. 10, Acts xix. 15, John viii. 53 τίνα σεαυτὸν ποιεῖς; see above iii. 5 ἡλίκων.

13. ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες.] For the interjectional use of ἄγε cf. Jud. xix. 6, 2 Kings iv. 24; for its use with a plural see below v. 1, Hom. *Il.* i. 62 ἀλλ' ἄγε δὴ τινα μάντιν ἐρείομεν, Xen. *Apol.* 14 ἄγε δὴ ἀκούσατε

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ἀποκερδήσω as fut. of the compound. The pass. fut. κερδηθήσομαι occurs in 1 Pet. iii. 2. Dr. Plummer calls attention to the repeated καί separating 'the different items of the plan, which are rehearsed thus one by one with manifest satisfaction.'

14. οἵτινες οὐκ ἐπίστασθε τὸ τῆς αὔριον.] 'People that know not (= 'whereas ye know not,' Lat. *qui non intelligatis*) what belongs to the morrow'; or, reading τὰ with some MSS., 'the things of the morrow.' The phrase is in apposition with οἱ λέγοντες, as ἀνὴρ δίψυχος with ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος in i. 7, 8. For the neuter article cf. Matt. xxi. 21 τὸ τῆς συκῆς, 2 Pet. ii. 22 τὸ τῆς παροιμίας, Rom. viii. 5 τὰ τῆς σαρκὸς φρονοῦσιν, xiv. 19 τὰ τῆς εἰρήνης διώκομεν, 2 Cor. ii. 30. For ellipse of ἡμέρας see Winer p. 738.¹

ἀτμὶς γάρ ἐστε.] Often used for smoke, as in ἀ. καμίνου Gen. xix. 28, ἀ. καπνοῦ Acts ii. 17, ἀ. τ. θυμιάματος Ezek. viii. 11, elsewhere for steam or breath as in Clem. Rom. 17 (a quotation, as Lightfoot suggests, from Eldad and Modad) ἀτμὶς ἀπὸ κύθρας 'steam from a kettle.' It is found in the versions of Symmachus and Aquila, where the Eng. has 'vanity,' as in Eccl. i. 2, ix. 9, xii. 8, Ps. xxxix. 5, lxii. 9, cxliv. 4, Job vii. 16. For the thought see Wisd. ii. 4 παρελεύσεται ὁ βίος ἡμῶν ὡς ἴχνη νεφέλης καὶ ὡς ὀμίχλη διασκεδασθήσεται διωχθεῖσα ὑπὸ ἀκτίνων ἡλίου, *ib.* v. 9-14 and passages quoted in Wetstein. The force of γάρ here is to give significance to the preceding ποία. The reading ἐστε is more vigorous than ἐστι, and may be compared with the substitution of ὁ πλούσιος for πλούτος in i. 10, where the thought is the same as here.

πρὸς ὀλίγον.] So Heb. xii. 10 οἱ μὲν πρὸς ὀλίγας ἡμέρας ἐπαίδεον, Apoc. xvii. 10 ὀλίγον αὐτὸν δεῖ μείναι.

ἔπειτα καὶ ἀφανιζομένη.] We might have expected ὕστερον δέ, but the δέ is often omitted after ἔπειτα as in iii. 17, and the καὶ implies 'as it appears, so also it disappears': the character of our life is transiency. Elsewhere in N.T. the verb denotes 'to destroy' or 'to disfigure.' It is used of an eclipse in Aristotle and Cleomedes, and generally of the obscuration of the heavenly bodies in Pseudo-Aristotle *de Mundo* vi. 22 πᾶσα κινεῖται ἐνδελεχῶς ἐν κύκλοις ἰδίους, ποτὲ μὲν ἀφανιζομένη ποτὲ δὲ φαινομένη, μυρίας ιδέας ἀναφαίνουσα τε καὶ πάλιν ἀποκρύπτουσα ἐκ μιᾶς ἀρχῆς. Aristotle also uses it of the migration of birds (*Hist. An.* vi. 7 ὁ κόκκυξ φαίνεται ἐπ' ὀλίγον χρόνον τοῦ θέρους, τὸν δὲ χειμῶνα ἀφανίζεται).

15. ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς.] Cf. Ps. cviii. 4 ἀντὶ τοῦ ἀγαπᾶν με ἐνδιέβαλλόν με, and above iii. 3 εἰς τὸ πείθεσθαι αὐτοὺς ἡμῖν, where see n. A

¹ WH. read here in their text οὐκ ἐπίστασθε τῆς αὔριον ποία ἢ ζωὴ ὑμῶν. ἀτμὶς γάρ ἐστε πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη, agreeing with B except that the latter omits ἢ before ζωή. This seems to me to give a harsh construction for the genitive, and also to weaken the force of the passage. The folly of boasting as to the morrow is naturally exposed by pointing to our ignorance of what will happen on the morrow, and this is itself a consequence of the uncertainty of our life, appearing and disappearing like a shifting mist. The omission of the first step confuses the expression. It was easy for τὸ or τὰ to be lost before τῆς, and then γάρ would be dropped in order to supply some sort of construction. Again, the weight of evidence seems to me in favour of retaining ἢ before πρὸς (which also facilitates the reading of Sin. ποία ἢ ζωὴ ὑμῶν ἢ πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη). The difference in meaning made by the retention of the article is that the tendency to appear and disappear is made a property of the vapour, not a mere accidental circumstance.

classical writer would rather have said *δέον λέγειν* or *οἷτινες βέλτιον ἂν εἶπον*.

ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ.] Cf. Acts xviii. 21 τοῦ Θεοῦ θέλοντος, 1 Cor. iv. 19 ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ, *ib.* xvi. 17 ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος ἐπιτρέπῃ, Heb. vi. 3, Phil. ii. 24 πέποιθα ἐν τῷ Κυρίῳ ὅτι...ἐλεύσομαι, but elsewhere we find St. Paul speaking of his future plans without the use of any such phrase, e.g. Acts xix. 21, Rom. xv. 28, 1 Cor. xvi. 5. A similar phrase was customary with the Greeks and Romans, cf. Arist. *Plut.* 114 οἶμαι γὰρ, οἶμαι, σὺν θεῷ δ' εἰρήσεται, ταύτης ἀπαλλάξειν σε τῆς ὀφθαλμίας, *ib.* 347, 405, 1188 ἦν θεὸς θέλη, Xen. *Hierarch.* ix. 8 ταῦτα δὲ πάντα θεῶν συνεθελόντων γένοιτ' ἂν· εἰ δέ τις τοῦτο θαυμάζει ὅτι πολλάκις γέγραπται τὸ σὺν θεῷ πράττειν, εὖ ἴστω ὅτι, ἦν πολλάκις κινδυνεύῃ, ἦττον τοῦτο θαυμάσεται, Plat. *Theaet.* 151, *Laches* 201 ἀλλὰ ποιήσω ὧ Δυσίμαχε ταῦτα καὶ ἤξω παρά σε αὔριον ἦν θεὸς ἐθέλη, *Hierp. Maj.* 286 μέλλω ἐπιδεικνύναί εἰς τρίτην ἡμέραν...ὅπως παρέσει καὶ αὐτὸς καὶ ἄλλους ἄξις. 'Ἀλλὰ ταῦτ' ἔσται ἂν θεὸς ἐθέλη, *Alcib.* I. p. 135 ἐὰν βούλη σὺ ὧ Σώκρατες. Οὐ καλῶς λέγεις ὧ 'Ἀλκιβιάδῃ. 'Ἀλλὰ πῶς χρὴ λέγειν; 'Ὅτι ἐὰν θεὸς ἐθέλη, Eur. *Alc.* 783, Minuc. F. 18 'si Deus dederit:' *vulgi iste naturalis sermo est*, Senec. *Tranquill.* 13 *tutissimum est de fortuna cogitare et nihil sibi de fide ejus promittere: navigabo nisi si quid inciderit, &c.* Cf. Brisson i. 57. The same language is customary among Jews and Arabs. Ben Sira is quoted to the effect:¹ 'Let no man say he will do anything without prefixing to it "If the Lord will."'

καὶ ζήσομεν καὶ ποιήσομεν.] The boaster forgets that life depends on the will of God. The right feeling is, both my life and my actions are determined by Him. To put *ζήσομεν* or *ζήσωμεν* into the pre-taxis is to make life independent of God's will, a second factor which needs to be taken into account.

16. νῦν δέ.] 'But as the case really stands,' cf. 1 Cor. xiv. 6.

ἐν ταῖς ἀλαζονίαις.²] Does not denote the subject of glorying like ἐν τῷ ὑψί i. 9, but the manner in which glorying was shown, 'in your self-confident speeches or imaginations' = ἀλαζονευόμενοι, cf. Clem. Rom. 21 ἀνθρώποις ἐγκαυχωμένοις ἐν ἀλαζονείᾳ τοῦ λόγου αὐτῶν. In N.T. only found here and 1 John ii. 16 ἡ ἀλαζόνεια τοῦ βίου. The adj. is also found twice, each time joined with ὑπερήφανος, see above ver. 6. Aristotle defines it *Eth. N.* iv. 7. 2 δοκεῖ ὁ ἀλαζὼν προσποιητικὸς τῶν ἐνδόξων εἶναι καὶ μὴ ὑπαρχόντων καὶ μειζόνων ἢ ὑπάρχει, see Trench *Syn.* p. 113 foll. It implies confidence in one's cleverness, luck, strength, skill, &c. For the plural see above ii. 1 προσωποληψίαις: Bengel says *arrogantiae exprimentur in illis verbis, profisciscemur, lucrabimur; gloriatio in praesumptione temporis.*

τοιαύτη.] 'Every such boasting,' because there may be a good καύχησις, as in i. 9; cf. 1 Cor. v. 6 οὐ καλὸν τὸ καύχημα ὑμῶν.

17. εἰδοῦτι οὖν.] 'So it seems, if one knows to do good and does it not, there is guilt to him.' The verse sums up all that has been said before, going back as far as i. 22, ii. 14, iii. 1, 13, iv. 11. Instead of εἰδοῦτι καλὸν ποιεῖν...ἀμαρτία ἐστίν, we should rather have expected τὸ

¹ Grotius *ap.* Theile *in loc.*

² So WH. read with B¹. Similarly they read ἐριθία iii. 16 and κακοπαθίας v. 10.

εἰδέναι... ἁμαρτία ἐστίν, or ὁ εἶδὼς ἁμαρτίαν ἔχει, as in John ix. 41 εἰ τυφλοὶ ἦτε οὐκ ἂν εἶχετε ἁμαρτίαν, *ib.* xv. 22, 24, 1 John i. 8. For the dative cf. Rom. xiv. 14 οὐδὲν κοινὸν δι' ἑαυτοῦ εἰ μὴ τῷ λογιζομένῳ τι κοινὸν εἶναι, ἐκείνῳ κοινόν, 1 Cor. iv. 3 ἐμοὶ δὲ εἰς ἐλάχιστόν ἐστιν ἵνα ὑφ' ὑμῶν ἀνακριθῶ where see Alf., Clem. Rom. 44 ἁμαρτία οὐ μικρὰ ὑμῖν ἔσται ἐὰν... ἀποβάλωμεν, *Hermas Vis.* iii. 3 τί μοι ὄφελος ταῦτα ἐωρακότι καὶ μὴ γινώσκοντι (where, as here, the infinitive would have been easier than the participle). The phrase ἔσται σοι (or ἐν σοι) ἁμαρτία is common in LXX., e.g. Deut. xv. 9, xxiii. 21, 22, xxiv. 15; also ἁμαρτίαν λαμβάνειν Lev. xix. 17, xxii. 9, xxiv. 15, so Rom. xiv. 20 πᾶν δὲ ὃ οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως ἁμαρτία ἐστί.

For the pleonasm of αὐτῷ cf. John xv. 2 πᾶν κλήμα μὴ φέρον καρπὸν αἶρει αὐτό, Matt. iv. 16, Apoc. ii. 7 τῷ νικῶντι δώσω αὐτῷ φαγεῖν, esp. after a relative, as Mark vii. 25 γυνὴ ἧς εἶχεν τὸ θυγάτριον αὐτῆς πνεῦμα ἀκάθαρτον, very common in LXX., as Exod. iv. 17 ῥάβδον ἐν ἧ ποιήσεις ἐν αὐτῇ τὰ σημεῖα, Amos. iv. 7 μερὶς ἐφ' ἣν οὐ βρέξω ἐπ' αὐτὴν ξηρανθήσεται, see Winer p. 184, who gives instances from classical Greek. Examples of the infinitive after οἶδα in this sense are found in 2 Pet. ii. 9, Matt. vii. 11. The word καλόν is common with St. James (ii. 7, iii. 13) as with St. Paul (Rom. vii. 18, 19, 21, 2 Cor. xiii. 7, Gal. vi. 9, where the phrase ποιεῖν τὸ καλόν occurs). The anarthrous neuter occurs in the similar phrase πᾶς ποιῶν πονηρόν Mal. ii. 17. For the thought see Luke xii. 47, John ix. 41, Philo M. 2. p. 518 τῷ μὲν ἀγνοία τοῦ κρείττονος διαμαρτάνοντι συγγνώμη δίδοται· ὁ δ' ἐξ ἐπιστήμης ἀδικῶν ἀπολογίαν οὐκ ἔχει. The appeal to knowledge here, as above i. 19, is a proof that the writer is addressing Christians.

V. 1.—It is a question whether the rich here addressed are Christians or not. That there were rich members of the Church appears from i. 10, ii. 2, iv. 13 and St. Paul's warnings against the love of riches. On the other hand 'the brethren' in v. 7 seem to be opposed to 'the rich' here; and the prophets, whom St. James imitates, did not confine their threats and warnings to Israel: we have the burden of Moab and Egypt as well as of Israel. If we suppose the words uttered first of all with reference to disbelievers, they will still be applicable to all who in any respect follow in their footsteps.

ἄγε νῦν.] See above iv. 13. For severity towards the rich cf. Luke vi. 24, xviii. 24, 1 Tim. vi. 9, 10, Prov. xi. 28, Amos iii. 10, v. 11, viii. 4 foll., Isa. v. 8, xxxiii. 1, Jer. iv. 8.

ὀλολύζοντες.] Only here in N.T.: it is used in Hom. *Il.* vi. 297 and Herod. iv. 189, of the joyful outcries of women in the worship of Athene; in the LXX. it occurs only as the expression of violent grief, as in Joel i. 5, 13, Isa. xiii. 6 (of Babylon) ὀλολύζετε· ἐγγὺς γὰρ ἡμέρα Κυρίου, *ib.* xiv. 31 ὀλολύξατε πύλαι πόλεων, *ib.* xv. 3 ὀλολύξατε μετὰ κλαυθμοῦ, *ib.* xvi. 7, Jer. iv. 8. So Latin *ululatus*.

ἐπὶ ταῖς ταλαιπωραῖς ταῖς ἐπερχομέναις.] The early Christians were in momentary expectation of the second coming of the Lord, when the world and its lusts would pass away (v. 8): cf. on the ὠδῖνες, the sufferings which precede his appearance, 4 Ezra v. and the prophecies of Dan. xii. 1, Matt. xxiv. partially fulfilled in the siege of Jerusalem, in

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κατιούται καὶ χαλκὸς καὶ ἄργυρος καὶ πᾶν τὸ στιλπνὸν μέχρι καὶ χρυσοῦ, so Diod. ii. 48: Dioscorides v. 91 describes gold rusted by chemicals. Compare Lam. 4. 1 πῶς ἀμαυρωθήσεται χρυσίον;

ὁ ἰὸς αὐτῶν εἰς μαρτύριον ὑμῖν ἔσται.] ἰὸς (Lat. *virus*), which was used in the sense of poison in iii. 8, and possibly in some of the passages quoted in the preceding note, here stands for rust. The thought is 'You think only of outer riches, your heart is set on treasure here: that treasure is perishing before your eyes: it is a witness of the perishableness of all earthly things, including the body which makes use of it. You yourselves are doomed to a like decay, which will consume that flesh with which you identify yourselves (Job xv. 25, 26, Psa. lxxiii. 7) no less certainly than the funeral pyre of the Gentiles, or that which burns to consume the garbage in the Vale of Hinnom. If you had been willing to lose your lower life, you would have found a higher: the corrupting body would have been nothing to the true self.' (Compare Gal. vi. 8 'he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption.' May we attach to this general conception a more special application of the figurative rust? It is a witness that you have not used your wealth but selfishly stored it up (cf. Theophr. *Char.* x. τῶν μικρολόγων καὶ τὰς ἀργυροθήκας ἔστιν ἰδεῖν εὐρωτιώσας καὶ κλεῖς ἰωμένας); so Calvin *neque Deus aurum destinavit aerugini neque vestes tineis, quin potius haec voluit esse humanae vitae subsidia. Quare ipsa sine usu consumptio testis ipsorum inhumanitatis erit. Auri et argenti putredo quasi materia erit inflammandae irae Domini ut instar ignis eos consumat.* As the rust eats into the metal, so that selfish covetousness, of which it is the sign, shall eat into your materialized soul like a canker, destroying all the finer and more generous qualities. For instances of the phrase εἰς μαρτύριον αὐτοῖς cf. Matt. viii. 4 'show thyself to the priest as a testimony unto them,' x. 18 'ye shall be brought before kings for a witness unto them and the Gentiles,' xxiv. 14, 'the Gospel shall be preached as a witness to all nations,' Luke ix. 5 'shake off the dust of your feet' εἰς μαρτύριον ἐπ' αὐτοὺς 'as a witness against them' (in the parallel passage Mark vi. 11 the dative simply is used), Luke xxi. 13 ἀποβήσεται ὑμῖν εἰς μαρτύριον 'it shall turn to you for a testimony' (in your favour). There is no need to translate ὑμῖν 'against you'; the rust is a witness first to you and then to all observers.

φάγεται τὰς σάρκας ὑμῶν.] This form of the fut. of ἐσθίω is Hellenistic and is found in Luke xiv. 15 and xvii. 8 διακόνει μοι ἕως φάγω καὶ πίω καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα φάγεσαι καὶ πίεσαι σύ, 2 Kings ix. 36 καταφάγονται αἱ κύνες τὰς σάρκας Ἰεζάβελ, Lev. xxvi. 29 φάγεσθε τὰς σάρκας τῶν υἱῶν, Apoc. xvii. 16 τὰς σάρκας τῆς πόρνῆς φάγονται, *ib.* xix. 18, 21. The form φαγοῦμαι appears in Gen. iii. 2. Both are condemned by Phrynichus (p. 327 Lob.). Cf. σητόβρωτα above, Judith xvi. 17 Κύριος ἐκδικήσει αὐτοὺς ἐν ἡμέρᾳ κρίσεως δοῦναι πῦρ καὶ σκώληκας εἰς σάρκας αὐτῶν, Micah iii. 2, 3, Plut. *Mor.* p. 164 F quoted on κατίωται, Stob. *Serm.* 38. 53 ὡσπερ ὁ ἰὸς σιδηρόν, οὕτως ὁ φθόνος τὴν ἔχουσαν αὐτὸν ψυχὴν ἐξαναψήχει, Basil. *hom. de invid.* p. 445 quoted by Suicer s.v. φθόνος, Sir. xxxiv. 1 ἀγρυπνία πλούτου ἐκτῆκει σάρκας. The pl. σάρκες is used for the fleshy parts of the body both in classical and later writers, e.g. Hom. *Il.* viii. 380 ἦ τις

καὶ Τρώων κορέει κύνας ἢ δ' οἰωνοὺς δημῶ καὶ σάρκεσσι, Aesch. *Uho.* 280, Theophil. *Ant.* i. 13 νόσω περιπεσὼν ἀπώλεσας τὰς σάρκας, and the preceding quotations from the LXX.; while the sing. σάρξ is used for the whole body. Cf. also Menander p. 198 M., *Antisth. ap. Laert.* vi. 5.

ὡς πῦρ.] I think the parallel passages lead us to connect this with what precedes rather than (as WH. and others after Cod. A. and Pesh.) with what follows, cf. Isa. x. 16, 17, xxx. 27 ἡ ὀργὴ τοῦ θυμοῦ ὡς πῦρ ἐδεται, *ib.* xxxiii. 11, Ezek. xv. 7 πῦρ αὐτοὺς καταφάγεται, Jer. v. 14, Ps. xli. 9, Amos i. 12, 14, v. 6, vii. 4, Heb. x. 27 φοβερὰ τις ἐκδοχὴ κρίσεως καὶ πυρὸς ζήλος ἐσθίειν μέλλοντος τοὺς ὑπεναντίους. It is not merely gradual unperceived decay which is to be feared, but this is changed into gnawing pain and swift destruction as by fire in the approaching judgment. Cf. Jude 7 πυρὸς αἰωνίου δίκην ὑπέχουσαι, Matt. xxv. 41, Mark ix. 44 ὅπου ὁ σκώληξ αὐτῶν οὐ τελευτᾷ καὶ τὸ πῦρ οὐ σβέννυται.

ἐθησαυρίσατε.] Absolute, as in Luke xii. 21 οὕτως ὁ θησαυρίζων ἑαυτῷ, 2 Cor. xii. 14. In Matt. vi. 19 we have the full phrase μὴ θησαυρίζετε θησαυροὺς, cf. Rom. ii. 5 θησαυρίζεις σεαυτῷ ὀργὴν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ ὀργῆς, Prov. i. 18 οἱ φόνου μετέχοντες θησαυρίζουσιν ἑαυτοῖς κακά, Amos iii. 10, Tobit iv. 9, Psalm. Sol. ix. 9. 'The aor. is used as if from the standing-point of the day of judgment, looking back over this life,' Alf. Perhaps it is more correct to say that it refers back to the perfects σέσηπε, κατίωται. The laying up of treasures is anterior to these. The word ἐθησαυρίσατε is pregnant with irony: 'You heap up treasure, but the time for enjoying such treasure has come to an end; it is now only a treasure of wrath in the day of wrath.' For the asyndeton cf. below v. 6.

ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις.] Cf. Acts ii. 17 ἔσται ἐν ταῖς ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις, 2 Tim. iii. 1 ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις ἐνστήσονται καιροὶ χαλεποί, Didaché 16. 3 ἐν τ. ἐσχ. ἡμέραις πληθυνθήσονται οἱ ψευδοπροφήται. The singular ἐν τῇ ἐσχάτῃ ἡμέρᾳ is often used in St. John's Gospel; other forms are ἐν καιρῷ ἐσχάτῳ 1 Pet. i. 5, ἐπ' ἐσχάτων τῶν χρόνων *ib.* v. 20, ἐπ' ἐσχάτων τῶν ἡμερῶν 2 Pet. iii. 3, ἐπ' ἐσχάτου χρόνου Jude 18, cf. Deut. iv. 30, Numb. xxiv. 14, Isa. xli. 23, 4 Esdr. xiii. 18, Vorst p. 109 foll., Westcott on 1 Joh. ii. 18 ἐσχάτῃ ὥρᾳ. For the general sense see below on ἡμέρα σφαγῆς, and for omission of article Essay on Grammar.

4. ἰδοῦ.] For the sing. see above on ἄγε iv. 13.

ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἐργατῶν.] A reminiscence of the proverb ἄξιός ὁ ἐργάτης τοῦ μισθοῦ αὐτοῦ Luke x. 7, 1 Tim. v. 18. The word is used especially of husbandmen as in Matt. ix. 37.

τῶν ἀμησάντων.] It does not seem that any distinction is to be drawn between this and θερισάντων below. ἀμάω appears to mean originally 'gathering,' 'heaping together,' as of the ant Hes. *Opera* 778 ἴδρις σωρὸν ἀμάται, of 'pressing the curds together' ἀμηςάμενος *Od.* ix. 247, of preparing a couch εὐνήν ἐπαμήσατο *Od.* v. 482; hence (in compounds) of heaping up earth round the roots of a plant Xen. *Oecon.* xix. 11 ἐπαμήσαιο δ' ἂν μόνον, ἔφη, τὴν γῆν, ἢ καὶ σάξαις ἂν εὖ μάλα περὶ τὸ φυτόν; *ib.* xvii. 13 ἀντιπροσαμηςάμενοι τὴν γῆν τῷ ἐψιλωμένῳ τὰς ρίζας, of heaping earth on a corpse Herod. viii. 24 τάφρους ὀρυξάμενος ἔθαψε γῆν.

ἐπαρησάμενος: in its commonest sense of reaping or mowing, getting in the harvest, the active voice is used as in Homer *Il.* xviii. 551 ἔριθοι ἡμῶν ὀξείας δρεπάνας ἐν χερσὶν ἔχοντες, *ib.* xxiv. 451 λαχνήεντ' ὄροφον (reeds) λειμωνόθεν ἀμήσαντες, Herod. vi. 28 ἀμ. σῖτον, Arist. *Lq.* 392 ἀμ. θέρος. The word θερίζειν is rather more common for reaping and harvesting, and is given as a synonym of ἀμᾶν by Hesych. Both are used alike of the reaping of corn (ἀμ. in Lev. xxv. 11, Deut. xxiv. 19, Isa. xvii. 5) and the mowing of grass (θερ. in Ps. cxxix. 7). Both are used also in a metaphorical sense of cutting sheer off, as in Hes. *Theog.* 181 (of Cronos mutilating his father) ἤμησε, Soph. *Aj.* 239 (of Ajax) γλῶσσαν ῥίπτει θερίσας.

τὰς χώρας ὑμῶν.] Used here of a field, plot of ground, like χωρίον in Acts i. 18, iv. 34, xxviii. 7, and in classical writers. So we find Luke xxi. 21 οἱ ἐν ταῖς χώραις, *ib.* xii. 16 ἀνθρώπου τινὸς εὐφόρησεν ἡ χώρα, John iv. 35 θεάσασθε τὰς χώρας ὅτι λευκαί εἰσι πρὸς θερισμόν, Evang. Thomae c. 12 ἵνα σπείρη σῖτον εἰς τὴν χώραν αὐτῶν. In Amos iii. 9, x. 11 it stands where the A.V. has 'palaces': Josephus (*Ant.* vii. 8. 5) uses it of Joab's field, called μερίς 2 Sam. xiv. 30.

ὁ ἀφυστερημένος ἀφ' ὑμῶν.] 'Which is kept back by you,' 'comes too late from you.' The verb is only found here in N.T. In classical writers ὑστερέω and its compounds are intransitive, as also in Sir. xiv. 14 μὴ ἀφυστερήσης ἀπὸ ἀγαθῆς ἡμέρας 'be not late for a feast,' Heb. xii. 15 ὑστερῶν ἀπὸ τῆς χάριτος τοῦ Θεοῦ 'falling short of,' Luke xxii. 25 μή τινος ὑστερήσατε; 'did ye come short in anything?', Sir. xxvi. 19 ἀνὴρ πολεμιστῆς ὑστερῶν δι' ἔνδειαν. Of the transitive use we have an example in Neh. ix. 20 τὸ μάννα σου οὐκ ἀφυστέρησας ἀπὸ στόματος αὐτῶν. The passive occurs Diod. xviii. 71 ὑστεροῦντο τῆς χρείας, Eurip. *Iph. A.* 1203 παιδὸς ὑστερήσομαι (?), 2 Cor. xi. 8 'when I was in want (ὑστερηθεὶς) I was not a burden on any man,' Heb. xi. 37 ὑστερούμενοι, θλιβόμενοι, Luke xv. 14, 1 Cor. viii. 8, Phil. iv. 12, Sir. xi. 11 ἔστι σπεύδων καὶ τόσῳ μᾶλλον ὑστερεῖται. Some take ἀπό = ὑπό comparing Luke xvii. 25 ἀποδοκιμασθῆναι ἀπὸ τῆς γενεᾶς ταύτης. In both cases I should prefer to explain it as denoting not properly the agent, but the quarter from which the action proceeds. I cannot agree with Huther, Lange and Alford in connecting it with κράζει 'cries from your coffers.' The law required the prompt payment of the workman, Deut. xxiv. 15 αὐθημερὸν ἀποδώσεις τὸν μισθὸν αὐτοῦ· οὐκ ἐπιδύσεται ὁ ἥλιος ἐπ' αὐτῷ, ὅτι πένης ἐστὶ καὶ ἐν αὐτῷ ἔχει τὴν ἐλπίδα καὶ καταβοήσεται κατὰ σοῦ πρὸς Κύριον καὶ ἔσται ἐν σοὶ ἁμαρτία, Levit. xix. 13, Jer. xxii. 13, Mal. iii. 5, Prov. iii. 27, 28, Sir. xxxi. (xxxiv.) 22 ἐκχέων αἷμα ὁ ἀποστερῶν μισθὸν μισθίου, Tobit iv. 14, Hermas *Vis.* iii. 9 βλέπετε ὑμεῖς οἱ γαυρούμενοι ἐν τῷ πλούτῳ ὑμῶν μήποτε στενάξουσιν οἱ ὑστερούμενοι καὶ ὁ στεναγμὸς αὐτῶν ἀναβήσεται πρὸς τὸν Κύριον. Immediately afterwards he speaks of the ἰός received into their heart.

κράζει.] The withholding of wages is one of the four sins which are said to cry to heaven. See Deut. *l.c.*, Gen. iv. 10 thy brother's blood βοᾷ πρὸς με ἐκ τῆς γῆς, *ib.* xviii. 20 (cry of Sodom), Job. xvi. 18 foll., xxxi. 38, Sirac. xxxii. 17 προσευχὴ ταπεινοῦ νεφέλας διήλθε...καὶ οὐ μὴ

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words in the *Nubes* 55 ὡ γύναι λίαν σπαθᾶς, and that elsewhere it only means 'to squander.' In our word however the prominent idea is that of self-indulgence without distinct reference to squandering.

ἑθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας.] No other instance of this phrase is recorded. Oecumenius gives παινίνομαι as the equivalent of τρέφω, and this agrees with its use in Hom. *Od.* ix. 246 ἡμῖσιν θρέψας γαλακτός of turning milk into cheese (whence τροφαλῖς = cheese). It would thus have the same force as παχύνειν τὴν καρδίαν Matt. xiii. 15 quoted from Isa. vi. 10, cf. Luke xxi. 34 προσέχετε μήποτε βαρυνθῶσιν ὑμῶν αἱ καρδίαι ἐν κραιπάλῃ καὶ μερίμναις βιωτικαῖς, καὶ αἰφνίδιος ἐφ' ὑμᾶς ἐπιστῆ ἡ ἡμέρα ἐκείνη, Acts xiv. 17, Psa. civ. 15.

ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς.] Psa. xliv. 22, Prov. vii. 22 ὡσπερ βοῦς ἐπὶ σφαγῆν ἄγεται, Jer. xii. 3 ἄγνισον αὐτοὺς εἰς ἡμέραν σφαγῆς, *ib.* xxv. (xxxii.) 34 ἀλαλάξατε... ὅτι ἐπληρώθησαν αἱ ἡμέραι ὑμῶν εἰς σφαγῆν, Philo *M.* 2. p. 543 σιτία μοι καὶ ποτὰ καθάπερ τοῖς θρέμμασιν ἐπὶ σφαγῆν δίδονται, *ib.* ap. Euseb. *P.E.* viii. 14, 26 τῶν θρεμμάτων τὰ πρὸς ἱερουργίαν πωινομένα τῆς πλείστης ἐπιμελείας ἐπὶ τῷ σφαγῆναι τυγχάνει διὰ πολύκρεων εὐωχίαν, Philemon ap. Stob. 51. p. 356, 47 (Meineke, p. 418) στρατιῶτα κοῦκ ἄνθρωπε καὶ σιτούμενε, ὡς τὰ γ' ἱερεῖ', ἔν' ὁπόταν ἦ καιρὸς τυθῆς, Anthol. i. 37. 2 πάντες τῷ θανάτῳ τηρούμεθα καὶ τρεφόμεσθα, ὡς ἀγέλη χοίρων σφαζομένων ἀλόγως, Minucius 37 § 7 (*Deum nescientes*) ut victimae ad supplicium saginantur, ut hostiae ad poenam coronantur. For ἐν ἡμέρᾳ cf. 1 Pet. ii. 12, Rom. ii. 5. The rich are represented as sinning (1) in getting their wealth by injustice, (2) in spending it merely on their own pleasures. Their folly is shown (1) in laying up their treasures on earth, (2) especially in doing so in the very day of judgment, fattening themselves like sheep unconscious of their doom. Dr. Plummer illustrates from Jos. *B. J.* v. 10. 2, 'Josephus tells us it was all one whether the richer Jews stayed in the city during the siege or tried to escape to the Romans; they were equally destroyed in either case. Every such person was put to death on the pretext that he was preparing to desert, but in reality that the plunderers might get his possessions. . . Those whose bodies showed no signs of privation were tortured to make them reveal the treasures they were supposed to have concealed.' Even more horrible is the description in v. 13. 4.

6. κατεδικάσατε.] The word occurs Matt. xii. 7, Wisd. xi. 11, xii. 15, and in the remarkable parallel ii. 20 θανάτῳ ἀσχήμονι καταδικάζωμεν αὐτόν (τὸν δίκαιον). The middle is used Job xxxiv. 29, Psa. xciii. 21. In classical writers it is followed by a genitive of the person.

ἐφονεύσατε.] See n. on iv. 2, and for the asyndeton Essay on Grammar. τὸν δίκαιον.] Cf. Wisd. ii. 10-20, esp. καταδυναστεύσωμεν πένητα δίκαιον... ἐνεδρεύσωμεν τὸν δίκαιον ὅτι δύσχρηστος ἡμῖν ἐστίν... ἀλαζονεύεται πατέρα Θεόν... εἰ γάρ ἐστίν ὁ δίκαιος υἱὸς Θεοῦ, ἀντιλήψεται αὐτοῦ κ.τ.λ., a passage regarded by some of the Fathers and by many in later times as prophetic of Christ; by others it has been thought to be a Christian interpolation. We may compare other parts of the same book, e.g. iii. 1, iv. 7, as well as Isa. iii. 10 δήσωμεν τὸν δίκαιον ὅτι δύσχρηστος ἡμῖν ἐστίν (from which the passage in Wisdom is borrowed), *ib.* ch. liii., Prov. i. 11, Amos v. 12, Matt. xxiii. 35, xxvii. 19, 24, 1 John ii. 1, iii. 12, Acts iii.

14, vii. 52, xxii. 14, 1 Pet. iii. 18, Luke xxiii. 47. These passages might suggest that we have here a direct reference to the Crucifixion, but in any case ὁ δίκαιος must be regarded as generic and not confined to one individual. Thus the words are applicable to the writer himself, who was known to all the Jews as the Just; cf. the account of his death in Euseb. *H.E.* ii. 23, taken from Hegesippus: διὰ τὴν ὑπερβολὴν τῆς δικαιοσύνης αὐτοῦ ἐκαλεῖτο Δίκαιος καὶ Ὠβλίας, the Jews ran upon him crying out ὦ ὦ καὶ ὁ δίκαιος ἐπλανήθη...λιθάσωμεν τὸν δίκαιον, herein fulfilling the prophesy in Isa. iii. 10 (as Hegesippus says). One of the priests in vain tried to save him with the words παύσασθε, τί ποιεῖτε; εὔχεται ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν ὁ δίκαιος. See below v. 16.

οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν.] The subject here is ὁ δίκαιος. A more regular construction would be οὐκ ἀντιτασσόμενον, but the abrupt change to direct statement is a far more graphic way of putting the fact. For the change from aor. to present we may compare the similar passage in Isa. liii. 5-7 ἐτραυματίσθη διὰ τὰς ἁμαρτίας ἡμῶν...καὶ αὐτὸς διὰ τὸ κεκακῶσθαι οὐκ ἀνοίγει τὸ στόμα· ὡς πρόβατον ἐπὶ σφαγῆν ἤχθη, καὶ ὡς ἄμνος...οὐκ ἀνοίγει τὸ στόμα. The present brings the action before our eyes and makes us dwell upon this, as the central point, in contrast with the accompanying circumstances. Others (Hofmann, Erdmann, &c.) take the verb as an impersonal passive, like ἀφεθήσεται below v. 15, meaning 'no opposition is needed,' 'you have your way'; but no instance of this use has been pointed out. It is the middle, not the active, which means to resist, as above iv. 6, and Rom. xiii. 2, Acts xviii. 6, 1 Kings xi. 34, Hos. i. 6. The only example of the passive in the LXX. is Prov. iii. 15, where it means 'shall not be compared with her,' lit. 'set against her.' The clause is made interrogative by WH., as by Benson, understanding ὁ Κύριος (cf. above iv. 6),¹ which was actually substituted for οὐκ by Bentley (OKΣ for OYK), but I agree with Herder that this gives a less natural and a less pathetic sense than the reading of the MSS. For the thought see Matt. v. 39, Rom. xii. 19, 1 Pet. ii. 23; and for asyndeton the Essay on Grammar and ii. 13 above.

7. μακροθυμήσατε οὖν.] Turning to the oppressed brethren St. James urges patience upon them by the example of 'the just,' and because it is now the last time, the day of slaughter, and their cries have gone up to the Lord of Sabaoth. As γλυκύθυμος means 'sweet-tempered,' ὀξύθυμος 'quick-tempered,' so μακρόθυμος is literally 'long-tempered,' the opposite to our 'short-tempered.' In N. T. we find μακρόθυμος used of God (Rom. ii. 4, 1 Pet. iii. 20), of man (below v. 10 and 2 Cor. vi. 6, also the adv. μακροθύμως Acts xxvi. 3). The verb μακροθυμέω is used of God 2 Pet. iii. 9, of man 1 Cor. xiii. 4. In LXX. we find μακρόθυμος of God Exod. xxxiv. 6, Ps. ciii. 8; of man Prov. xiv. 29, xvi. 32, xix. 11. The word is rare in classical Greek, but μακροθυμία occurs in Menander p. 203 Mein., and μακροθυμέω in Plutarch. On the relation of μακροθυμία to ὑπομονή see Lightfoot on Col. i. 11, and 2 Tim. iii. 11.

ἕως τῆς παρουσίας] ἕως seems to be first used as a preposition by

¹ Dr. Abbott would understand ὁ δίκαιος with much the same sense.

Arist. *Top.* ii. 2, p. 109b ἕως τῶν ἀτόμων,¹ then by Polyb. i. 18. 2 οὐκ ἀντεξήεσαν πλὴν ἕως ἀκροβολισμοῦ, often in LXX. and N.T. The word παρουσία 'visible presence' is regularly used for the Second Coming, as below v. 8, Matt. xxiv. 3, xxxvii. 39. 1 Thess. ii. 19, iv. 15, &c., 2 Pet. iii. 4. Other expressions are ἀποκάλυψις Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ 1 Pet. i. 7, 13; ἐπιφάνεια Tit. ii. 13, 2 Tim. iv. 1; ἡ ἐπιφάνεια τῆς παρουσίας, 2 Thess. ii. 9.

ἰδοῦ.] As in iii. 4, 5, directs attention to the following illustration.

ὁ γεωργός.] For the comparison see Sir. vi. 18 ὡς ὁ ἀροτριῶν καὶ ὁ σπείρων προσέλθε τῇ παιδείᾳ καὶ ἀνάμενε τοὺς ἀγαθοὺς καρποὺς αὐτῆς, Psa. cxxvi. 5, 6, Matt. xiii. 30, *ib.* xxiv. 32, John iv. 35 foll., 1 Cor. iii. 5-9, Gal. vi. 7, 2 Tim. ii. 6, Menander p. 245 Mein. ὁ τῶν γεωργῶν ἡδονὴν ἔχει βίος, ταῖς ἐλπίσιν τάλγεινὰ παραμυθούμενος, Tibull. ii. 6. 21 *spes alit agricolae*, &c.

ἐκδέχεται.] Cf. what seems like a reminiscence in Clem. Rom. ii. 20, γυμναζόμεθα τῷ νῦν βίῳ ἵνα τῷ μέλλοντι στεφανωθῶμεν· οὐδεὶς τῶν δικαίων ταχὺν καρπὸν ἔλαβεν ἀλλ' ἐκδέχεται αὐτόν. He goes on to give the reason for this, εἰ γὰρ τὸν μισθὸν τῶν δικαίων ὁ Θεὸς συντόμως ἀπεδίδου, εὐθέως ἐμπορίαν ἡσκοῦμεν καὶ οὐ θεοσέβειαν. The word ἐκδ. is also found Heb. x. 13, xi. 10, 1 Cor. xvi. 11 &c.

τίμιον.] Coupled with αἶμα 1 Pet. i. 19, with ἐπάγγελμα 2 Pet. i. 4. The preciousness of the fruit justifies waiting.

μακροθυμεῖ ἐπ' αὐτῷ.] Same phrase in Luke xviii. 7, Sir. xviii. 10, xxix. 8 ἐπὶ ταπείνῳ μακροθύμησον. See Winer p. 491 on the use of ἐπί with verbs denoting emotion.

ἕως λάβῃ.] The subject is καρπός (cf. above iii. 18) contained in the nearest object αὐτῷ, not (as Luther) the husbandman, nor (as Erdmann) the earth. On the omission of ἄν see on ii. 10, and cf. Winer 370, 387, Goodwin § 620.

πρώϊμον.] WH. read πρώϊμον here with B¹, though retaining the ω in πρωινός Apoc. ii. 28, xxii. 16: see their Appendix, p. 152. Xenophon uses it of crops *Oecon.* xvii. 4 πολλοὶ διαφέρονται περὶ τοῦ σπόρου, πότερον ὁ πρώϊμος κράτιστος ἢ ὁ μέσος ἢ ὁ ὄψιμώτατος, and so Hofmann here understands it, as πρώϊμα is used of early figs (Jer. xxiv. 2) and ὄψιμα of wheat and rye (Exod. ix. 32). But the reference is more commonly to rain, as in Deut. xi. 14 δώσει τὸν ὑετὸν τῇ γῆ σου καθ' ὥραν πρώϊμον καὶ ὄψιμον, καὶ εἰσοίσεις τὸν σῖτόν σου, Hos. vi. 4 ἤξει ὁ Κύριος ὡς ὑετὸς ἡμῖν πρώϊμος καὶ ὄψιμος (perhaps referred to here), Jer. v. 24, Joel ii. 23, Zech. x. 1. The former rain comes after the sowing, the latter just before the ripening, see *D. of B.* under 'rain.' For the ellipsis of ὑετός see Winer p. 738 foll. and above iii. 11 τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρόν.

8. στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας.] This is more usually ascribed to the Divine working, as in 1 Thess. iii. 13 εἰς τὸ στηρίξαι ὑμῶν τὰς καρδίας, 1 Pet. v. 10, 2 Thess. ii. 17, Ps. li. 12, cf. Ps. xxvi. 14. It is the true cure for διψυχία. The noun στηριγμός occurs in the same sense 2 Pet. iii. 17.

¹ The instance quoted from Demosthenes p. 262 is contained in one of the documents of the *De Corona*.

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is found Matt. vii. 22, Jer. xliv. (li.) 16 ὁ λόγος ὃν ἐλάλησας πρὸς ἡμᾶς ὀνόματι Κυρίου. This approaches the force of ἐπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι (depending on his name, i.e. through his power), which occurs both in N.T., as in Acts iv. 17, 18, and in classical writers, as Dem. *Lept.* 495. 7, Isae. 58. 28 and 85. 3 with Schömann's n. Diodorus xviii. 57 has γράψας ἐπιστολὴν ἐκ τοῦ τῶν βασιλέων ὀνόματος.

11. μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομείναντας.] As in i. 12, and Dan. xii. 12, cf. Matt. xxiv. 13 ὁ δὲ ὑπομείνας εἰς τέλος οὗτος σωθήσεται. Ὑπομονή is found in connexion with μακροθυμία 2 Cor. vi. 4 ff., Col. i. 11, 2 Tim. iii. 10.

Ἰώβ.] Job is not an example of what we should call patience except in his first acceptance of calamity (i. 21, ii. 10). We should rather say that his complaint in ch. iii., his indignation against his friends for their want of faith in him, his agony at the thought that God had forsaken him, were symptoms of an extremely sensitive, vehement, impatient character, which has very little either of Stoic ἀπάθεια or of Christian πραύτης, but excites our admiration by its passionate outbursts of exalted feeling. The word means however endurance, and may well be applied to the persistent trust in God shown in ch. xiii. 10, 15, xvi. 19-21, xix. 25 foll. It corresponds to ἐκαρτέρησε, used of Moses, Heb. xi. 25. For the reference to Job, cf. Tanchuma 29. 4 ap. Schoettgen *H.H.* 1009 foll. *si pauper stat in tentatione et non recalcitrat, ille duplum accipiet in mundo futuro. Ex cujus exemplo hoc addiscis? Exemplo Jobi qui tentatus est in hoc mundo, Deus vero duplum ipsi reddidit.*

ἠκούσατε.] So in the Sermon on the Mount ἠκούσατε ὅτι ἐρρήθη. It is properly used of oral instruction in the synagogue. The aor. here must be translated, as in many other instances, by the Eng. perfect.

τὸ τέλος Κυρίου εἶδετε.] 'You are acquainted with the story and have seen in it how God makes all turn out for good.' Alf. reads ἴδετε with AB², translating 'see also,' which gives a very uncouth sentence, and would imply that they could have heard the story without seeing the end. On the confusion between εἰ and ι in the MSS. see note on iii. 3 ἴδε. Ewald understands τέλος as 'das Ziel welches Gott bei Job's Leiden hatte, nämlich seine Liebe zu zeigen,' so Schegg and others, comparing 1 Tim. i. 5 τὸ τέλος τῆς παραγγελίας ἐστὶν ἀγάπη, but it is better understood (as in the Peshitto version *exitum quem ei fecit dominus*) of the end appointed by the Lord, viz. Job's final prosperity and the declaration of his integrity against Satan and the friends, cf. Heb. xiii. 7 ὧν ἀναθεωροῦντες τὴν ἔκβασιν τῆς ἀναστροφῆς μιμείσθε τὴν πίστιν and Job xlii. 12 ὁ δὲ Κύριος εὐλόγησε τὰ ἔσχατα Ἰώβ ἢ τὰ ἔμπροσθεν, 2 Cor. xi. 15 ὧν τὸ τέλος ἔσται κατὰ τὰ ἔργα αὐτῶν, 1 Pet. iv. 17 τί τὸ τέλος τῶν ἀπειθούντων; For the subjective genitive Κυρίου cf. 1 Pet. iii. 14 τὸν φόβον αὐτῶν μὴ φοβήθητε, 2 Cor. xi. 26 κινδύνοις ποταμῶν, ληστῶν, κ.τ.λ., Test. Gad. p. 685 ὄρον Κυρίου ἐκδέξασθε 'wait the limit appointed by the Lord,' so δικαιοσύνη, εἰρήνη Θεοῦ. Many of the older commentators and Bassett take Κυρίου of Christ, contrasting what the readers had seen of his sufferings with what they had heard about Job. But this, instead of giving one perfect illustration of the result of suffering rightly borne, gives two imperfect and barely intelligible illustrations. If τέλος is supposed to refer to the Resurrection

and Ascension, the main point of the comparison (suffering) is omitted : if it refers to the Crucifixion, the encouragement is wanting. Moreover if Κυρίου is to bear this force here, we should at least have expected the article with it ; and the writer in the preceding verse bid them look to the prophets as their examples, not to Christ.

ἔτι.] Epexegetic of τέλος. 'Ye have seen the final result of God's working, (showing) that God is merciful.' Alford, taking it in the sense 'because,' gives a very forced explanation 'look on to the end which God gave Job ; and it is well worth your while to do so, for you will find that he is very pitiful.'

πολύσπλαχνος.] 'Sympathetic.' Occurs elsewhere only in *Hermas Mand.* iv. 3. 5, *Sim.* v. 7. 4. The equivalent πολυέλεος is found in *Psa.* ciii. 8, *Joel* ii. 13. The substantive πολυσπλαχνία is found in *Herm. Vis.* i. 3. 2, *ib.* ii. 2. 8, iv. 2. 3, *Mand.* ix. 2, *Justin M. Tryph* § 55 ; πολυεύσπλαχνος *Herm. Sim.* v. 4, πολυευσπλαχνία in *Sim.* viii. 6. 1, see the n. on *Vis.* i. 3. 2, and cf. εὐσπλαχνος *Eph.* iv. 32, *1 Pet.* iii. 8, σπλαγγνίζομαι common in the Gospels, both derived from such phrases as σπλάγγνα ἐλέους *Luke* i. 78, σπλ. οἰκτιρῶν *Col.* iii. 12, τὰ σπλάγγνα τῶν ἁγίων ἀναπαύεται *Philem.* 7, κλείειν τὰ σπλάγγνα *1 John* iii. 17, τὰ σπλάγγνα αὐτοῦ περισσοτέρως εἰς ὑμᾶς ἐστίν *2 Cor.* vii. 15, αὐτόν, τοῦτ' ἐστὶ τὰ ἐμὰ σπλάγγνα 'my very heart' *Philem.* 12, *Prov.* xii. 10, *Isa.* lxiii. 15, where *Vulg.* has *multitudo viscerum tuorum*. The sing. is used in the same sense in *Test. Zab.* 8 ὁ Θεὸς ἀποστέλλει τὸ σπλάγγνον αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς καὶ ὅπου εὐρῆ σπλάγγνα ἐλέους ἐν αὐτῷ κατοικεῖ, *Herm. Sim.* ix. 24 σπλάγγνον ἔχοντες ἐπὶ πάντα ἄνθρωπον. The word is sometimes used metaphorically by classical writers, as by *Eur. Med.* 220 πρὶν ἀνδρὸς σπλάγγνον ἐκμαθεῖν, but this is of disposition in a wider sense, not specially of compassion. See *Vorst.* p. 35 foll.

οἰκτιρῶν.] 'Compassionate.' Occurs elsewhere in N.T. only in *Luke* vi. 36, found in *LXX. Clem. R.* i. 23 and *Theocritus*.

12. πρὸ πάντων δὲ μὴ ὀμνύετε.] This is a reminiscence of our Lord's words (*Matt.* v. 34) in which, instead of the old rule οὐκ ἐπιορκήσεις, he lays down the Christian rule μὴ ὀμόσαι ὅλως... ἔστω δὲ ὁ λόγος ὑμῶν ναὶ ναί, οὐ οὐ τὸ δὲ περισσὸν τούτων ἐκ τοῦ πονηροῦ ἐστίν. The language of the O.T. itself is not by any means uniform on this subject. A Jew might defend the use of oaths by appealing to *Deut.* vi. 13 (bidding the people swear by the name of God), *Psa.* lxiii. 11 ἐπαινεθήσεται πᾶς ὁ ὀμνύων ἐν αὐτῷ, *Isa.* lxv. 16, *Jer.* xii. 16 (though in these passages it is rather the faith in Jehovah symbolized by the oath than the oath itself which is meant); also to the practice of *Elijah* (*1 Kings* xvii. 1); *Micaiah* (*ib.* xxii. 14), and the words ascribed (ἄνθρωπικώτερον, as *Athanasius* says, *ap. Suic.* ii. p. 513) to God himself, *Gen.* xxii. 16, *Psa.* cv. 9, *Isa.* xl. 23, see particularly *Heb.* vi. 16 f., vii. 21. On the other hand we read in *Sir.* xxiii. 7 παιδείαν στόματος ἀκούσατε τέκνα... ἐν τοῖς χείλεσιν αὐτοῦ καταληφθήσεται ἁμαρτωλός, καὶ λοῖδορος καὶ ὑπερήφανος σκανδαλισθήσονται ἐν αὐτοῖς. ὄρκω μὴ ἐθίσῃς τὸ στόμα σου καὶ ὀνομασία τοῦ Θεοῦ μὴ συνεθισθῆς... ἀνὴρ πολυόρκος πλησθήσεται ἀνομίας κ.τ.λ., *Prov.* xxx. 9 ἵνα μὴ πενηθεὶς κλέψω καὶ ὀμόσω τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ Θεοῦ, which *Delitzsch* understands of blaspheming against God, cursing him as the

cause of his misfortunes, Levit. xxiv. 15 ἄνθρωπος ὃς ἐὰν καταράσῃται Θεὸν ἁμαρτίαν λήμψεται, ὀνομάζων δὲ ὄνομα Κυρίου θανάτῳ θανατούσθω. This prohibition gave rise to a variety of forms of swearing in which the name of God was not expressed, see Matt. v. 35, 36, xxiii. 16-22, Philo *Spec. Legg.* M. 2. p. 271 'if a man must swear, let him not swear by God, but by the earth, the sun, the moon, the stars, the heaven.' Elsewhere however Philo gives the higher view (M. 2. p. 184) κάλλιστον δὴ καὶ βιωφελέστατον καὶ ἄρμοστον λογικῇ φύσει τὸ ἀνώμοτον, οὕτως ἀληθεύειν ἐφ' ἐκάστου δεδιδασμένῃ ὡς τοὺς λόγους ὄρκους εἶναι νομίζεσθαι. δεύτερος δὲ πλοῦς τὸ εὐορκεῖν, *ib.* p. 271 οὐ πίστεως ἢ πολυορκία τεκμήριον ἀλλ' ἀπιστίας ἐστὶ παρὰ τοῖς εὖ φρονούσιν, and he goes on to point out the motives, such as hatred, which often lead to swearing. Similarly the Essenes are said to have forbidden all swearing, Joseph. *B.J.* ii. 8. ὅ πάν τὸ ῥηθὲν ὑπ' αὐτῶν ἰσχυρότερον ὄρκου, τὸ δὲ ὀμνύειν περιίστανται χεῖρόν τι τῆς ἐπιορκίας ὑπολαμβάνοντες, so Philo M. 2. p. 458; hence Herod excused their taking the oath of allegiance (Jos. *Ant.* xv. 10. 4). It is difficult to reconcile with this what Josephus says of the oaths they had to take in the course of initiation (*B.J.* ii. 8. 7). So the ancient Greeks, see Pythag. *ap.* Diog. L. viii. 22 μὴ ὀμνύειν θεοὺς, ἀσκεῖν γὰρ αὐτὸν δεῖν ἀξιόπιστον παρέχειν, Diod. Sic. x. fr. 16, Epict. *Ench.* 33, cf. Wetst. on Matt. v. 37, and the story told of Xenocrates (Cic. *pro Balb.* 5) *cum jurandi causa ad aras accederet una voce omnes iudices ne is juraret reclamasse.*

On the teaching and practice of the early Christians see *Dict. of Christ. Ant.* under 'Oaths,' Nicod. *Evang.* p. 532 Thilo (on Pilate's adjuring certain witnesses ὀρκίζω ὑμᾶς κατὰ τῆς σωτηρίας Καίσαρος, they answer) ἡμεῖς νόμον ἔχομεν μὴ ὀμνύειν ὅτι ἁμαρτία ἐστὶ, Clem. Al. *Strom.* vii. 8. p. 861 P. esp. § 51 πεπεισμένος πάντῃ τὸν Θεὸν εἶναι πάντοτε καὶ αἰδούμενος μὴ ἀληθεύειν, ἀνάξιόν τε αὐτοῦ καὶ ψεύδεσθαι γινώσκων, τῇ συνειδήσει τῇ θείᾳ καὶ τῇ ἑαυτοῦ ἀρκεῖται μόναις...ταύτῃ δὲ οὐδὲ ὀμνυσιν ὄρκον ἀπαιτηθεῖς, Orig. on Jerem. iv. 2 (where Israel is bidden to swear righteously and truly) says τάχα πρῶτον δεῖ ὀμῶσαι ἐν ἀληθείᾳ .. ἵνα μετὰ τοῦτο προκόψας τις ἄξιος γένηται τοῦ μὴ ὀμνύειν ὅλως ἀλλ' ἔχη ναὶ μὴ δεόμενον μαρτύρων τοῦ εἶναι τὸ ναί (Lomm. vol. xv. p. 166), Chrysost. *Hom.* viii. *in Act.* (*ap.* Suic. ii. 510) χαλινὸν ἐπιθῶμεν τῇ γλώττῃ· μηδεὶς ὀμνύτω τὸν Θεόν, Photius *Epist.* i. 34 ὁ δὲ εὐσταθῆς καὶ μεγαλόψυχος ἀνὴρ αἰσχυνηθήσεται τοὺς λόγους ὄρκῳ πιστοὺς ἀποφαίνειν καὶ τὴν διὰ τῶν οἰκείων τρόπων πίστιν ἀτιμάζειν, Theodoret *Epit. div. decr.* 16, ὁ μὲν παλαιὸς νόμος ἀπαγορεύει τὸ ψεῦδος, ὁ δὲ γε νέος καὶ τὸν ὄρκον: Tertullian is inconsistent, denying the lawfulness of oaths in *Idol.* xi. *taceo de perjurio, quando ne jurare quidem liceat*, but allowing it in *Apol.* 33 *sed et juramus sic, ut non per genios Caesarum, ita per salutem eorum.* For a further discussion see Comment below.

St. Augustine has some interesting remarks on this verse (*Serm.* 180). He had always, he says, shrunk from taking it as the subject of a sermon, but as it came in the lesson for the day he felt it his duty to offer some explanation. He sees no harm in oaths if it were not for the danger of committing perjury. They are sometimes required in order to induce belief of an important matter, but

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“nay nay”, and so apparently WH. reading τὸ Ναὶ ναὶ καὶ τὸ Οὐ οὐ. Justin M. while quoting from St. Matt. inserts the article with St. James (*Apol.* i. 16 D) and so Clem. Al. *Str.* v. 100 quotes τὸ τοῦ Κυρίου ῥητόν, ἔστω ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναὶ καὶ οὐ οὐ, *ib.* vii. 67 δικαιοσύνης ἦν ἐπιτομὴ φάναι Ἔστω ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναὶ καὶ οὐ οὐ, and Clem. Hom. xix. 2 τοῖς δὲ νομίζουσιν ὡς αἱ γραφαὶ διδάσκουσιν ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς ὀμνύει ἔφη, ἔστω ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναὶ καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ. So also Eriphanus *Haer.* i. p. 44 τοῦ Κυρίου λέγοντος Μὴ ὀμνύει μῆτε τὸν οὐραϊὸν μῆτε τὴν γῆν μῆτε ἕτερόν τινα ὄρκον, ἀλλ’ ἦτω ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναὶ καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ. Resch (*Zeitschr. f. kirchl. Wissenschaft u. k. Leben* 1888, pp. 283—288) regards this variety as a proof that we have in them different renderings of the same Aramaic *logion*. Similarly he regards the ὅλως of Matt. and the πρὸ πάντων of James as standing for the same word in the original; and compares τὸ ναὶ with ὁ Ἀμήν in Apoc. iii. 14. If Stanley and Alford are right in their explanation of 2 Cor. i. 17 (ἢ ἂ βουλευόμεαι κατὰ σάρκα βουλευόμεαι, ἵνα ἡ παρ’ ἐμοὶ τὸ ναὶ ναί, καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ;) it has no reference to our Lord’s words, and is indeed used in an opposite sense, implying either blamable inconsistency or, as others think, over-confidence and obstinacy.

ἵνα μὴ ὑπὸ κρίσιν πέσητε.] = ἵνα μὴ κρίθητε above v. 9: cf. Sir. xix. 19 ἀμαρτωλὸς ἐμπεσεῖται εἰς κρίσεις. The judgment would be for the breach of the third commandment.

13. κακοπαθεῖ τις.] See on κακοπαθία above v. 10. The verb occurs in N.T. only here and in the Second Epistle to Timothy ii. 3 κακοπάθησον ὡς καλὸς στρατιώτης, v. 9 κακοπαθῶ μέχρι δεσμῶν, *ib.* iv. 5 νῆφε καὶ κακοπάθησον. For examples of a hypothesis contained in an indicative clause without any hypothetical particle, see above iii. 13 n., 1 Cor. vii. 18 περιτετμημένος τις ἐκλήθη; μὴ ἐπισπάσθω· ἐν ἀκροβυστία κέκληται τις; μὴ περιτεμνέσθω, *ib.* ver. 27 δέδεσαι γυναικί; μὴ ζῆτει λύσιν. λέλυσαι ἀπὸ γυναικός; μὴ ζῆτει γυναῖκα, *ib.* ver. 21 δοῦλος ἐκλήθη; μὴ σοι μελέτω, Sir. vii. 22—26: also in profane Greek Dem. *Cor.* p. 317. 15 ἀδικεῖ τις ἐκῶν; ὀργὴ καὶ τιμωρία κατὰ τούτου· ἐξήμαρτέ τις ἄκων; συγγνώμη ἀντὶ τῆς τιμωρίας τούτου, id. *Androt.* 601 ἀσθενέστερος εἶ; τοῖς ἄρχουσιν ἐφηγοῦ· φοβῆ καὶ τούτο; γράφου, Jun. 3. 100 *rides, maiore cachinno excutitur* with Mayor’s n., Roby Gr. § 1553, 1555. In Latin the protasis is usually regarded as a categorical assumption, and so some would take it here, and even in such forms as that in iii. 13, where the sentence begins with the interrogative pronoun. The interrogative is more in accordance with the vivacity which characterizes St. James.

ἐν ὑμῖν.] See above iii. 13 and 1 Cor. xv. 12 λέγουσιν τινες ἐν ὑμῖν. προσευχέσθω.] Instead of breaking out into oaths.

εὐθυμεῖ.] Classical, found elsewhere in N.T. only in Acts xxvii. 22, 25.

ψαλλέτω.] Properly used of playing on a stringed instrument, as Luc. *Paras.* 17 οὔτε γὰρ αὐλεῖν ἐνὶ χωρὶς αὐλῶν οὔτε ψάλλειν ἄνευ λύρας. We find it also used of singing with the voice and with the heart, Eph. v. 19, 1 Cor. xiv. 15. The word is only used of sacred music in N.T., but in Sir. ix. 4 of a hired *citharistria*, μετὰ ψαλλούσης μὴ ἐνδελέχιζε.

14. ἀσθενεῖ.] ‘Sick,’ as in Matt. x. 8 and often both in classical and Hellenistic Greek. A special case of κακοπαθία.

τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας.] The same phrase occurs Acts xx. 17 (of Ephesus). The ecclesiastical constitution of the Jewish churches was developed out of the synagogue, in which, if the place was populous, there was the council of elders (Luke vii. 3) one or more of whom, entitled ἀρχισύναγωγος, like Jairus (Luke viii. 41, 49), was intrusted with the superintendence of the religious meetings,¹ cf. *D. of B.* under 'Bishop' and 'Synagogue,' also *Dict. of Chr. Ant.* pp. 1699 foll. and Rothe *Die Anfänge der christlichen Kirche*, pp. 147 foll. Other references to Christian elders are Acts xi. 30 (the church at Antioch send their contributions to the elders at Jerusalem), *ib.* xxi. 18 (the elders were present during Paul's interview with James), 1 Pet. v. 1 πρεσβυτέρους ἐν ὑμῖν παρακαλῶ ὁ συμπρεσβύτερος. Rauch contests the genuineness of this passage on the ground that the writer elsewhere speaks of διδάσκαλοι and συναγωγή, not as here of πρεσβύτεροι and ἐκκλησία; but ἐκκ. and συν. are convertible terms, not only in early Christian literature (for which see note on ii. 2, Schürer *l.c.* p. 58 and Harnack in *Zt. f. wissenschaft. Theol.* 1876, p. 104), but in the LXX. A reason for the use of ἐκκ. here may be that it is a general word for the permanent body of the Church, and is appropriately used for the title of its ministers (cf. Matt. xvii. 17 'if thy brother sin against thee'...εἶπὲ τῇ ἐκκλησίᾳ, which has much the same force as 'the elders of the Church' here), while συναγ. refers strictly to the congregation in a particular building. If James presided over the council at Jerusalem and wrote the letter preserved in the Acts, he cannot have been ignorant of πρεσβύτεροι. We need not of course suppose the word to be used in its later hierarchical sense (see *Dict. of Chr. Ant.* under 'Priest'): Bede *in loc.* understands it simply of age and experience, *tristato praecipiens ut ipse pro se oret et psallat, infirmanti autem vel corpore vel fide mandans ut, qui majorem sustinuit plagam, plurimorum se adjutorio et hoc seniorum curare meminerit; neque ad juniores minusque doctos causam suae imbecillitatis referat, ne forte quid per eos allocutionis aut consilii nocentis accipiat.* It seems better however to regard it as an official title, denoting the leaders of the local Christian society (οἱ προϊστάμενοι 1 Thes. v. 12, οἱ ἡγούμενοι Heb. xiii. 17), who would exercise a general superintendence over the activity of the individual members and over the use to be made of the χάρισμα. Those who possessed these gifts in the largest measure would doubtless be themselves included in the council of elders (τὸ πρεσβυτέριον 1 Tim. iv. 14). On notification of a case of sickness, the council would, we may suppose, consider whether it was a fit case for the exercise of the χάρισμα, and would depute some of their body to attend to the case and unite in prayer for the sick person (Matt. xviii. 20). Schneckenburger is, I think, right in his view that the writer is not here commending a new remedy, but *remedii semper usitati rectum usum commendare...Noluit tumultuario charismatum usu ordinem, jam docendi promiscue pruritu (iii. 1) labefactatum, magis turbari.*

¹ Cf. Schürer *Jewish People* Div. II. vol 2 § 27, pp. 53—65, § 31, pp. 243—252, Eng. tr. ed. I. We learn from Epiphanius that the Jewish titles were still retained in his time by the Ebionites of Palestine (*Haer.* xxx. 18 πρεσβυτέρους γὰρ οὗτοι ἔχουσι καὶ ἀρχισυναγώγους).

In Clem. Hom. *Eph. ad Jac.* 12 it is said to be the duty of the deacons, as the eyes of the bishop, to inform the congregation of all cases of sickness, in order that they may visit the sick and give such assistance as the president may think fit. Wetst. quotes from Rabbinical writings showing that it was the custom to send for a rabbi in sickness, and that sometimes as many as four visited the sick at one time. Polycarp (*ad Phil.* 6) mentions visitation of the sick as a duty of the elders ἐπισκεπτόμενοι πάντας ἀσθενεῖς, see Acts xx. 35. On the treatment of the sick and the use of the physician cf. Sir. xxxviii. 1-15 esp. v. 9 ἐν ἀρρωσθήματί σου... εὖξαι Κυρίῳ καὶ αὐτὸς ἰάσεται σε.

προσευξάσθωσαν ἐπ' αὐτόν.] 'Let them pray (stretching their hands) over him.' Origen (*Hom. in Lev.* ii. 4) comparing the ways of propitiation under the old and new covenants, quotes this verse as follows *si quis autem infirmatur, vocet presbyteros ecclesiae, et imponant ei manus, ungentes eum in nomine Domini. Et oratio fidei salvabit infirmum et, si in peccatis fuerit, remittentur ei.* I do not think this implies any denial of the beneficial effect of oil in bodily sickness (as Dr. Plummer seems to hold in his note on this passage): it is merely that Origen does not care to dwell upon it, as it is unconnected with his particular subject. For the acc. cf. μὴ κλαίετε ἐπ' ἐμέ Luke xxiii. 28, ὀνομάζειν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἔχοντας τὰ πνεύματα τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ Κυρίου Acts xix. 13. It often alternates with the dat. as in Zech. xii. 10 κόψονται ἐπ' αὐτόν, ὡς ἐπ' ἀγαπητῶ, and σπλαγχνίζομαι ἐπ' αὐτόν Matt. xv. 32, Mark viii. 2, ix. 22, but ἐπ' αὐτῇ Luke vii. 13; so πιστεύω with acc. Acts ix. 42, but with dat. Rom. iv. 3, 1 Tim. i. 16: cf. Winer p. 508, 510.

ἀλείψαντες ἐλαίῳ.] Anointing the sick was customary, see *D. of B.* under 'Medicine' and also vol. iii. p. 395, and for instances Isa. i. 6, Luke x. 34. Herod in his last illness was recommended a bath of oil by his physicians (*Jos. B.J.* i. 33. 5). The medicinal properties of oil are also praised by Philo (*Somn. M.* i. 666), Pliny (*N.H.* xxiii. 34-50), and Galen (*Med. Temp.* bk. ii.). The latter calls it ἄριστον ἰαμάτων πάντων τοῖς ἐξηραμμένοις καὶ ἀνυχμώδεσι σώμασιν. Here the anointing is accompanied by a miraculous healing in answer to prayer, as we are told of the Twelve (Mark vi. 13) ἤλειφον ἐλαίῳ πολλοὺς ἀρρώστους καὶ ἐθεράπευον. Nothing is specified as to the use of oil in the promise recorded by the same Evangelist (xvi. 18) ἐπὶ ἀρρώστους χεῖρας ἐπιθήσουσιν καὶ καλῶς ἔξουσιν, or in Acts xxviii. 8, where St. Paul is said to have healed the father of Publius by prayer and the laying on of hands. In the church of Corinth (1 Cor. xii. 9) gifts of healing (χαρίσματα ἰαμάτων) are mentioned along with the other manifestations of the Spirit, but again nothing is said as to their mode of working. So too Irenaeus (ii. 32. 4) asserts that miraculous powers might still be witnessed in his day, ἄλλοι τοὺς κάμνοντας διὰ τῆς τῶν χειρῶν ἐπιθέσεως ἰῶνται, but is silent as to the use of oil: Augustine in his long list of contemporary miracles (*Civ. D.* xxii. 8) only once mentions the use of oil. On the other hand Tertullian (*ad Scap.* 4) says Septimius Severus was cured with oil by the Christian Proculus; and in the Gospel of Nicodemus (c. 19) Seth, having asked for oil from the tree of life to heal his father Adam, is told that this is impossible, but that hereafter the

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healing of the body was forgotten and 'the rite came to be regarded as part of a Christian's immediate preparation for death. Hence in the 12th century it acquired the name of *unctio extrema*. . . . In the 13th century it was placed by schoolmen among the seven rites to which they then limited the application of the term sacrament.' *D. of C. A.*

The effect of this sacrament is thus defined by the Council of Trent (*sessio decima quarta*). After declaring (cap. 1) that it was ordained by Christ (Mark vi. 13) and promulgated in this verse by St James, the decree continues (cap. 2) *res et effectus hujus sacramenti illis verbis explicatur: Et oratio fidei salvabit infirmum et alleviabit eum Dominus; et si in peccatis sit, dimittentur ei. Res etenim haec est gratia Spiritus sancti, cujus Unctio delicta, si quae sint adhuc expianda, ac peccati reliquias abstergit et aegroti animam alleviat et confirmat...et sanitatem corporis interdum, ubi saluti animae expedierit, consequitur.* The dogma is clenched by the following anathemas: Can. I. *Si quis dixerit extremam Unctionem non esse vere et proprie Sacramentum a Christo Domino nostro institutum et a beato Jacobo Apostolo promulgatum, sed ritum tantum acceptum a patribus aut figmentum humanum; anathema sit.* Can. II. *Si quis dixerit sacram infirmorum Unctionem non conferre gratiam nec remittere peccata nec alleviare infirmos; sed jam cessasse, quasi olim fuerit gratia curationum; anathema sit.* Similarly in Canons III. and IV. those are anathematized who think that the Roman rite is opposed to the teaching of St. James and may be safely neglected by Christians, as well as those who think that the Elders mentioned by St. James are other than episcopally ordained priests. The Roman Catechism adds that it is only to be administered to those who are dangerously ill, that the oil is to be applied to those parts of the body *in quibus potissimum sentiendi vis eminent*, eyes, ears, nose, mouth, hands, feet, *renes etiam veluti voluptatis et libidinis sedes*. Pastors must instruct their people that by this sacrament venial sins are remitted, the soul is freed from the weaknesses contracted by sin, and filled with courage, hope, and joy. If bodily health does not now follow it, this is to be ascribed to the want of faith of those who administer or receive the sacrament. In the form of Visitation for the Sick, in the English Prayer-book of 1549, anointing was allowed if the sick person desired it: 'then shall the priest anoint him on the forehead or breast only, making the sign of the Cross and saying thus' (a prayer for the inward anointing of the soul and for a restoration of bodily health).

As regards the Greek Church Dr. King says (*Rites and Ceremonies of the Greek Church in Russia*, 1772, p. 305) 'though the Greek Church reckons it (the anointing of the sick) in the number of her mysteries, yet it is certain there is nothing throughout the whole office which implies that it should be administered only to persons *periculose aegrotantibus et mortis periculo imminente*, as is prescribed in the Roman Church. On the contrary it may . . . be used in any illness as a pious and charitable work, but not of necessity; and thence I presume the doctors of this church maintain that this mystery is not obligatory or necessary to all persons.'

It is curious that there is no note on this verse in Theophylact, Euth. Zig., or Cramer's *Catena*. Oecumenius on ἀλείψαντες ἐλαίῳ refers simply to the miracles in the Gospels without alluding to any sacramental use of oil in his own day: τοῦτο καὶ τοῦ Κυρίου ἔτι τοῖς ἀνθρώποις συναναστρεφομένου οἱ ἀπόστολοι ἐποίουν ἀλείφοντες τοὺς ἀσθενοῦντας ἐλαίῳ καὶ ἰώμενοι. Bede in like manner speaks only of the use of oil for healing bodily disease: *hoc et apostolos fecisse in Evangelio legimus, et nunc Ecclesiae consuetudo tenet ut infirmi oleo consecrato ungantur a presbyteris et oratione comitante sanentur. Nec solum presbyteris, sed, ut Innocentius papa scribit, etiam omnibus Christianis uti licet eodem oleo in sua aut suorum necessitate ungerendo, quod tamen oleum non nisi ab episcopis licet confici. Nam quod ait, 'Oleo in nomine Domini,' significat oleum consecratum in nomine Domini: vel certe quia etiam, cum unguunt infirmum, nomen Domini super eum invocare debent.* Luther's opponent, Cardinal Cajetan, in his comment on this verse denies that it has any reference to the Sacrament of Extreme Unction: *Textus non dicit 'Infirmatur quis ad mortem?' sed absolute 'Infirmatur quis?' et effectum dicit infirmis alleviationem, et de remissione peccatorum non nisi conditionaliter loquitur. . . . Praeter hoc quod Jacobus ad unum aegrum multos presbyteros tum orantes tum ungentes mandat vocari, quod ab extrema unctione alienum est.*

ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ Κυρίου.] In v. 10 we had the same phrase used of the prophets only with the omission of the article before K. It is probable however that the words τ. K., which are bracketed by WH., are merely an explanatory gloss, as they are not found in B and are variously given in the other MSS. In that case τὸ ὄνομα will be used here as in 3 John 7 (where see Westcott), Acts v. 41 (where αὐτοῦ or some other specifying genitive is added in the inferior MSS.), Lev. xxiv. 11, cf. above ii. 7, and the similar use of ἡ ὁδός in Acts ix. 2, xix. 9, &c.¹ All cures were wrought in the name of Jesus Christ; cf. Mark xvi. 17 ἐν τῷ ὀνόματί μου... ἐπὶ ἀρρώστους χεῖρας ἐπιθήσουσιν, Luke x. 17, John xiv. 13, Acts iii. 6, 16, iv. 10, xvi. 18, xix. 13 (of the exorcists).

15. ἡ εὐχή τῆς πίστεως.] Prayer proceeding from faith, cf. i. 6.

σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα.] 'Shall restore to health him who is ailing,' cf. Mark v. 23 (lay thy hands upon her) ὅπως σωθῆ καὶ ζήσεται, *ib.* vi. 56, iii. 4, viii. 35, &c.: so in classical writers, Lys. p. 107 Ἄνδοκίδης ἔχει τὰ μήνυτρα σώσας τὴν αὐτοῦ ψυχὴν ἐτέρων διὰ ταῦτα ἀποθανόντων: hence the word σῶστρον was used of a doctor's fee. This is the only passage in the N.T. in which κάμνω is found in this sense, though it is common enough in classical writers, who also use the aor. and perf. participles of the dead. I see no ground for the distinction made by some between ἀσθενῶ and κάμνω.

ἐγερῆ αὐτὸν ὁ Κύριος.] Cf. Mark i. 31 προσελθὼν ἤγειρεν αὐτήν, Matt. ix. 5, Psa. xli. 8-10. Dean Plumptre compares Acts ix. 34 'J. C. maketh thee whole.' The R.C. interpreters understand it of spiritual comfort.

¹ Compare Clem. R. ii. 13 ἵνα τὸ ὄνομα μὴ βλασφημῆται, where Lightfoot refers to his note on Ignat. *Eph.* 3, also Taylor, *Jewish Fathers*, p. 81.

κἄν.] Not to be taken in its more usual sense 'even if,' as Alford and Huther. The latter denies that it can ever have the copulative force, but see Mark xvi. 18 κἄν θανάσιμόν τι πίωσιν, Luke xiii. 9 κἄν μὲν ποιήσῃ καρπόν, Demosth. *F.L.* 411 οὗτος ἐκτρέπεται με νῦν ἀπαντῶν, κἄν ἀναγκασθῆ που συντυχεῖν, ἀπεπήδησεν εὐθέως, Xen. *Αναβ.* i. 8, 12 Κῦρος ἐβόα ἄγειν τὸ στράτευμα κατὰ μέσον τὸ τῶν πολεμίων ὅτι ἐκεῖ βασιλεὺς εἶη, κἄν τοῦτ', ἔφη, νικῶμεν, πάνθ' ἡμῖν πεποιήται, *ib.* iii. 36, Isaeus p. 66, 4 ὁμοίως ὑπάρχει τὴν αὐτὴν εἶναι μητέρα, κἄν ἐν τῷ πατρὶ μὲνη τις οἴκῳ, κἄν ἐκποιηθῆ, and often in the newly discovered *Constitution of Athens*, e.g. § 61 κἄν τινα ἀποχειροτονήσωσιν κρίνουσιν ἐν τῷ δικαστηρίῳ, κἄν μὲν ἀλῶ τιμῶσιν.

ἀμαρτίας ἢ πεποιηκός.] We might ask why St. James puts the commission of sin hypothetically after he had distinctly said πολλὰ πταίόμεν ἀπαντες. But the clause is probably to be taken as meaning 'if he has committed sins which have given rise to this sickness,' cf. Matt. ix. 2-5 (the healing of the paralytic), John v. 14, *ib.* ix. 2, 1 Cor. xi. 30, Deut. xxviii. 22, 27, Psa. xxxviii., Job xxxiii. 19 foll. There is a Jewish saying 'No sick man recovers from sickness till his sins have been forgiven' (Nedarim f. 41a cited by Schneckenburger). Lange compares Isa. xxxiii. 24 'The inhabitant shall not say I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.'

ἀφεθήσεται αὐτῷ.] Impersonal: 'forgiveness shall be extended to him,' cf. Matt. vii. 2 ἀντιμετρηθήσεται αὐτῷ, *ib.* ver. 7 δοθήσεται, xii. 32 ὃς ἐὰν εἴπῃ λόγον κατὰ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἀφεθήσεται αὐτῷ, xxv. 29, Luke xiv. 14 ἀνταποδοθήσεται, Rom. x. 10 καρδία πιστεύεται...στόματι ὁμολογεῖται, 1 Pet. iv. 6 εὐηγγελίσθη, Polyc. *Phil.* 2 ἀφίετε καὶ ἀφεθήσεται ὑμῖν, Clem. R.I. 13, Euseb. *H.E.* ii. 9 κατὰ τὴν ὁδὸν ἠξίωσεν ἀφεθῆναι αὐτῷ ὑπὸ τοῦ Ἰακώβου.

16. ἐξομολογεῖσθε οὖν ἀλλήλοις τὰς ἀμαρτίας.] Instead of τὰς ἀμαρτίας, read by W.H. Ti. Treg. with the best MSS., Alford reads τὰ παραπτώματα, found in K L Pesh., Theophylact, Oecumenius, and Origen in *Proverb.* (Mai *Nov. Bib.* vii. 51) ὁ Ἰακώβος φησὶν, ἀλλήλοις ἐξαγγέλλετε τὰ παραπτώματα ὑμῶν ὅπως ἰαθῆτε. It may perhaps receive some slight support from the *Didache* 4. 14 ἐν ἐκκλησίᾳ ἐξομολογήσῃ τὰ παραπτώματά σου καὶ οὐ προσελεύσῃ ἐπὶ προσευχὴν σου ἐν συνειδήσει πονηρᾷ, *ib.* xiv. 1 κατὰ κυριακὴν...κλάσατε ἄρτον καὶ εὐχαριστήσατε προεξομολογησάμενοι τὰ παραπτώματα ὑμῶν ὅπως καθαρὰ ἡ θυσία ὑμῶν ἢ πᾶς δὲ ἔχων τὴν ἀμφιβολίαν μετὰ τοῦ ἐταίρου αὐτοῦ μὴ συνελθέτω ὑμῖν ἕως οὐ διαλλαγῶσιν, ἵνα μὴ κοινωθῆ ἡ θυσία ὑμῶν, Clem. Ep. ad Jac. 15 ἐξομολογούμενοι τὰ παραπτώματα καὶ τὰ ἐξ ἐπιθυμιῶν ἀτάκτων σωρευθέντα κακά, ἅτινα τῷ ὁμολογῆσαι ὡσπερ ἀπεμέσαντες κουφίζεσθε τῆς νόσου, προσιέμενοι τὴν ἐκ τῆς ἐπιμελείας σωτήριον ὑγίειαν. The latter reading seems to agree better with what appears to be the sense of the passage, if we understand it as referring to our Lord's words reported in Matt. v. 23 foll. and vi. 14: the sins of the sick man will only be forgiven if he forgives others who have injured him, and if he makes amends for any injuries he may himself have committed. St. James expands the precept out of its narrow application 'let the sick man confess his trespasses to those against whom he has trespassed and let them in turn confess any trespasses which they

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custom in monasteries,¹ and the Moravian Societies (which Wesley took as the pattern for the Methodist Classes) used to meet two or three times a week 'to confess their faults one to another and to pray for one another that they might be healed.' The word Exomologesis was borrowed by the Latin Christians, cf. Tertull. *Orat.* 7. For further information see articles on Exomologesis and Penitence in *D.C.A.*

ὅπως ἰαθῆτε.] For the use of ἰασθαί in reference to the diseases of the soul cf. Heb. xii. 13, 1 Pet. ii. 24, Matt. xiii. 15, Deut. xxx. 3 ἰάσεται Κύριος τὰς ἀμαρτίας σου, 2 Chron. xxx. 20, Isa. vi. 10, lvii. 19, Sir. xxviii. 3, &c., Herm. *Sim.* 9. 23, also the remarkable parallel in Arrian *Anab.* vii. 29 μόνη γὰρ ἔμοιγε δοκεῖ ἰασίς ἀμαρτίας ὁμολογεῖν τε ἀμαρτάνοντα καὶ δῆλον εἶναι ἐπ' αὐτῷ μεταγιγνώσκοντα. If the word is understood literally of bodily disease, as by De Wette and Huther, the connexion of thought is perhaps closer, keeping to the subject of the miraculous cure, which is spoken of in the preceding verse and seems to be referred to in the words which follow, dwelling on the miraculous power of the prayer of Elijah.

πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου.] Compare the saying of R. Jehuda *poenitentia potest aliquid sed preces possunt omnia*, and the promise in Matt. xvii. 20, 21, *ib.* xxi. 21, 22, Mark xi. 22–26, Phil. iv. 13, 1 John v. 14–16, Psa. cxlv. 18, 19, Prov. xv. 29, Sir. xxxii. 7, Clem. R. 21 μαθέτωσαν τί ταπεινοφροσύνη παρὰ Θεῷ ἰσχύει. For δικαίου cf. v. 6: he is one who by faith fulfils the νόμος ἐλευθερίας. Bp. Wordsworth (*Stud. Bib.* I. 128) and Rönisch (*Das Neue Test. Tertullians*) hold that Tertullian never quotes from St. James; but is there not a reference to this passage in the *De Oratione* c. 28? We find there 1st an allusion to the prayer of Elijah *retro oratio imbrium utilia prohibebat*, and 2nd to the much-availing 'prayer of righteousness': *nunc vero oratio justitiae omnem iram Dei avertit*, and its employment *defunctorum animas de ipso mortis itinere vocare, debiles reformare, aegros remediare . . . Eadem diluit delicta, tentationes repellit*: cf. above ver. 15 and below ver. 20, also i. 5, 6.

ἐνεργουμένη.] Is this passive or middle? Of the former we have examples 1 Esdr. ii. 19 ἐνεργεῖται τὰ κατὰ τὸν ναόν 'the works of the temple are being pushed on,' Joseph. *Ant.* xv. 5. 3 τὸν δὲ πόλεμον ὅτι καὶ θέλει τοῦτον ἐνεργεῖσθαι καὶ δίκαιον οἶδεν, δεδήλωκεν αὐτὸς ὁ Θεός, Arist. *Phys.* ii. 3 *fin.* τὰ ἐνεργούντα (πρότερα) πρὸς τὰ ἐνεργούμενα, Polyb. i. 13. 5 ὁ πόλεμος ἐνηργεῖτο, *ib.* ix. 13. 9 δι' ὧν ἐνεργηθήσεται τὸ κριθέν, Justin *Apol.* i. 12 πεπέισμεθα ἐκ δαιμόνων ταῦτα ἐνεργεῖσθαι, *Τρυφή.* 78 εἰπὼν τοὺς τὰ Μίθρα μυστήρια παραδιδόντας... ὑπὸ τοῦ διαβόλου ἐνεργηθῆναι εἰπεῖν, *ib.* 18 τὰ ἐξ ἀνθρώπων καὶ δαιμόνων ἐνεργούμενα εἰς ἡμᾶς, hence the term ἐνεργούμενος used of those possessed (cf. Suicer i. p. 1115), Clem. *Hom.* ix. 12 πολλοὶ οὐκ εἰδότες πόθεν ἐνεργοῦνται ταῖς τῶν δαιμόνων κακαῖς ὑπονοίαις... συντίθενται, Arethas *in Apoc.* v. 6 τὰ σώματα τῶν θνησκόντων τρεῖς ἡμέρας διακαρτερεῖν τῇ φυσικῇ ζωῇ ἐνεργούμενα (i.e. being animated or energized by the mere life of nature). It is denied however that this use is ever found in the

¹ See examples in Martene *Ant. Eccl. Rit.* iv. p. 38, Athanas. *Vit. Ant.* p. 75.

N.T., see Alf. and Lightfoot on Gal. v. 6 πίστις δι' ἀγάπης ἐνεργουμένη. The latter says 'the Spirit of God or the Spirit of Evil' ἐνεργεῖ [cf. 1 Cor. xii. 6 διαιρέσεις ἐνεργημάτων εἰσὶ καὶ ὁ αὐτὸς Θεὸς ὁ ἐνεργῶν τὰ πάντα ἐν πᾶσιν, Gal. ii. 8 ὁ ἐνεργήσας Πέτρῳ... ἐνήργησεν καὶ ἐμοί, Eph. i. 20 κατὰ τὴν ἐνέργειαν ἣν ἐνήργηκεν ἐν Χριστῷ, Phil. ii. 13; and (of Satan) Eph. ii. 2 τοῦ πνεύματος τοῦ νῦν ἐνεργοῦντος ἐν τοῖς υἱοῖς τῆς ἀπειθείας, Justin M. *Apol.* i. 5 οἱ δαίμονες ἐνήργησαν ὡς ἄθεον καὶ ἀσεβῆ ἀποκτεῖναι (τὸν Σωκράτη) καὶ ὁμοίως ἐφ' ἡμῶν τὸ αὐτὸ ἐνεργοῦσιν, *ib.* 26 διὰ τῆς τῶν ἐνεργούντων δαιμόνων τέχνης δυνάμεις ποιήσας μαγικάς, and a little below Μένανδρον ἐνεργηθέντα ὑπὸ τῶν δαιμονίων, *id.* *Tryph.* 78 (the Magi were carried away) πρὸς πάσας κακὰς πράξεις τὰς ἐνεργουμένας ὑπὸ τοῦ δαιμονίου], 'the human agent or the human mind ἐνεργεῖται (middle).' It is however not quite correct to say that the human agent ἐνεργεῖται: the word in the N.T. is always used of some principle or power at work, whether in the soul or elsewhere, e.g. Rom. vii. 5 ὅτε ἡμεν ἐν τῇ σαρκί, τὰ παθήματα τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν τὰ διὰ τοῦ νόμου ἐνηργεῖτο ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν, 2 Cor. i. 6 ὑπὲρ τῆς ὑμῶν παρακλήσεως τῆς ἐνεργουμένης ἐν ὑπομονῇ, *ib.* iv. 12 ὁ θάνατος ἐν ἡμῖν ἐνεργεῖται, Eph. iii. 20 (to Him that can do exceeding abundantly) κατὰ τὴν δύναμιν τὴν ἐνεργουμένην ἐν ἡμῖν, Col. i. 29 ἀγωνιζόμενος κατὰ τὴν ἐνέργειαν αὐτοῦ (*i.e.* Christ) τὴν ἐνεργουμένην ἐν ἐμοί ἐν δυνάμει, 1 Thess. ii. 13 (λόγος Θεοῦ) ἐνεργεῖται ἐν ὑμῖν τοῖς πιστεύουσιν, 2 Thess. ii. 7 τὸ μυστήριον ἤδη ἐνεργεῖται τῆς ἀνομίας. Again the active is not exclusively confined in the Hellenistic writers to the immediate action of a good or evil spirit, cf. Prov. xxi. 6 ὁ ἐνεργῶν θησαυρίσματα· γλώσση ψευδεῖ μάταια διώκει 'he that getteth treasures by falsehood,' Matt. xiv. 2 αἱ δυνάμεις ἐνεργοῦσιν ἐν αὐτῷ (with which compare ἐνεργουμένην used in Eph. iii. 20, Col. i. 29), Wisd. xv. 11 ἠγγόησε τὸν ἐμπνέυσαντα αὐτῷ ψυχὴν ἐνεργοῦσαν, Prov. xxxi. 12 ἡ γυνὴ ἐνεργεῖ τῷ ἀνδρὶ εἰς ἀγαθὰ πάντα τὸν βίον, cf. Jos. *B. J.* iv. 6 τὰ δοχθέντα τάχιον καὶ τῆς ἐπινοίας ἐνήργουν ('put in practice'). When we compare such instances of the transitive use of the act. as Gal. iii. 5 ὁ ἐνεργῶν δυνάμεις ἐν ἡμῖν, Phil. ii. 13 ὁ ἐνεργῶν ἐν ὑμῖν τὸ ἐνεργεῖν, Eph. i. 20 ἣν (ἐνέργειαν) ἐνήργησεν ἐν Χριστῷ, and the use of the passive noun ἐνέργημα, we are tempted to regard as passive the forms which are usually assumed to be middle, and so to get the force here of prayer *actuated or inspired by the Spirit*, as in Rom. viii. 26 (so Bull '*fervere atque impetu quodam divino acta et incitata*,' Benson 'inspired,' Macknight 'inwrought prayer,' Bassett, 'when energized by the Spirit of God'). In like manner Chrysostom on Rom. vii. 5 οὐκ εἶπεν, ἀ ἐνήργει τὰ μέλη, ἀλλ' ἀ ἐνηργεῖτο ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν, δεικνὺς ἐτέρωθεν οὔσαν τῆς πονηρίας τὴν ἀρχὴν, ἀπὸ τῶν ἐνεργούντων λογισμῶν, οὐκ ἀπὸ τῶν ἐνεργουμένων μελῶν. Cf. Bull *Examen Censurae* (vol. v. p. 22 foll.) '*ἐνεργεῖσθαι fere semper id significat quod Latine dicimus agi, agitari, exerceri, effici*': he supports this by Tertullian's renderings of Rom. vii. 5 and Gal. v. 6, and by Chrys. on 2 Cor. i. 6 ἡ σωτηρία ὑμῶν τότε ἐνεργεῖται μειζόνως, τοῦτ' ἐστὶ δεικνυται, αὔξεται, ἐπιτείνεται, ὅταν ὑπομονὴν ἔχη... οὐκ εἶπεν, τῆς ἐνεργούσης, ἀλλὰ τῆς ἐνεργουμένης, δεικνὺς ὅτι ἡ χάρις πολλὰ εἰσέφερεν ἐνεργοῦσα ἐν αὐτοῖς. On the whole I am not satisfied that any undoubted instance of the middle can be adduced either from profane or sacred writers. If however we

are to regard this as a true middle, it would seem that the distinction between it and the active here is analogous to that between *τιθέναι* and *τίθεσθαι νόμον*. God acting by his own sovereign will *ἐνεργεῖ*, the principle of good which he engrafts into our nature *ἐνεργεῖται*.

I turn now to the explanations offered by previous editors. The old Greek commentators give it a passive sense, Oecumenius and Theophylact interpreting it much as Matthaei's scholiast *συνεργουμένη ὑπὸ τῆς τοῦ δεομένου γνώμης καὶ πράξεως* 'assisted by (actualized by) the intention and the action of the sick man,' and not far otherwise Euthymius and Cramer's *Catena* 'strengthened and heartened by the penitence and obedience of the sick,' which they illustrate by the case of Samuel forbidden to pray for Saul, of Jeremiah forbidden to pray for the Jews. They also give a second interpretation, according to which the just man's prayer is energized by his own life of active godliness (*τὴν δέησιν ἐνεργον καὶ ζῶσαν τοῖς τρόποις τῶν ἐντολῶν ψυχουμένην ... ἰσχυρὰν καὶ πάντα δυναμένην ὁ δίκαιος ἔχει τὴν δέησιν ἐνεργουμένην ταῖς ἐντολαῖς*): cf. Theodoret's note on the next verse *ταῦτα τοῦ θείου πνεύματος ἐνεργοῦντος εἶρηκεν ὁ προφήτης* in the same *Catena*. Michaelis takes it in the way suggested above *preces agitante Spiritu effusae*. De Wette, Hofmann, Huther, Alford take it 'the prayer of a righteous man avails much in its working,' but this gives a very poor force to a word which ought from its position to be emphatic. Erdmann translates 'viel vermag das Gebet des Gerechten indem es sich wirksam erweist,' which appears to me either tautological or unmeaning: prayer is no prayer at all, if it is not real. Bp. Wordsworth seems to strain the force of the preposition (which cannot be other in the verb than in adj. *ἐνεργος*, from which it is derived) when he translates 'working inwardly,' 'inwardly energizing in devotion and love, so as to produce external effects in obedience.' Most commentators take it with Luther 'wenn es ernstlich ist' (so Dean Scott 'when urgent,' he compares Col. iv. 12 *πάντοτε ἀγωνιζόμενος ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν ἐν ταῖς προσευχαῖς*); though some ignore the participial force and make it simply equivalent to *ἐνεργῆς* (Heb. iv. 12, Philem. 6) or *ἐκτενῆς* (Luke xxii. 44, Acts xii. 5), as Schneckenburger, Kern, Bouman, Wiesinger. I would not deny that *ἐνεργουμένη* may be used in the sense of *ἐνεργῆς οὔσα* but no precise parallel is cited. Pallad. *Laus*. 1083 B and Eustath. on *Odyss.* δ. p. 197, 50 are cited for the phrase *προσευχὴ ἐνεργῆς*. Lange tries to combine the form of the passive and middle, 'die mit der vollen Hingebung an den göttlichen Impuls zugleich gesetzt volle Spannung des betenden Geistes.'

17. *ἄνθρωπος ἦν ὁμοιοπαθῆς ἡμῖν.*] The classical word *ὁμ.* is used by Paul of himself and Barnabas to the people of Lystra, by the Fathers of Christ (e.g. Euseb. *H.E.* i. 2, cf. Heb. iv. 15), in 4 Macc. xii. 13 to show the atrocity of persecution *οὐκ ἠδέσθης ἄνθρωπος ὢν τοὺς ὁμοιοπαθεῖς καὶ ἐκ τῶν αὐτῶν γεγονότας στοιχείων γλωττοτομήσαι*. It was necessary for the writer to insist on the resemblance between us and Elijah because of the exaggerated ideas entertained of the latter at that time (see Sir. xlvi. 1-12): 'Such potency of prayer is not out of our reach, for Elijah possessed it, though he gave evidence of weakness similar to

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the O.T. unless the expression 'before whom I stand' (in 1 Kings xvii. 1) may be interpreted to mean 'stand in prayer' as in Jer. xv. 1, cf. Gen. xviii. 22, xix. 17. The duration of the drought here given is the same as that in Luke iv. 25, which is also found in the Rabbinical tractate Jalkut Simeoni quoted by Schegg after Surenhusius; but in 1 Kings xviii. 1 it is said 'after many days the word of the Lord came to Elijah in the third year saying...I will send rain upon the earth.' We are not told from what point the third year is dated; if it is from the commencement of his sojourn with the widow, as is generally supposed; and if the expression 'end of the days' in 1 Kings xvii. 7 ('it came to pass at the end of the days that the brook dried up') is to be understood, as in other places, of a year or more (see Keil *in loc.* and on xviii. 1, who compares Lev. xxv. 29, 1 Sam. xxvii. 7, Jud. xvii. 10); then the cessation of the drought would take place in the fourth year from its commencement, and Jewish tradition would naturally fix on the middle of the fourth year, as giving the half of the symbolical number, which is so prominent in the prophecies of Daniel and in Apoc. xi. 3-9 (where it is said that the two witnesses 'have power to shut the heaven ἵνα μὴ ὑετὸς βρέχη during the days of their prophecy,' i.e. 1260 days = 3½ years). Others suppose the calculation to include the dry season preceding the first failure of the regular periodical rains. It is simply a question as to the origin of a Jewish tradition which undoubtedly existed at the time of the Christian era, and which was probably excogitated by the early rabbinical interpreters. In the fourth book of Esdras (vii. 39) Elijah is cited as an example of intercession *pro his qui pluviam acceperunt et pro mortuo ut viveret.*

ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.] Merely filling up the idea of ἔβρεξεν as in Gen. vii. 12 ἐγένετο ὁ ὑετὸς ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, 1 Kings xvii. 7, see above v. 5.

18. πάλιν προσηύξατο.] As shown by his attitude (1 Kings xviii. 42), for which cf. Neh. viii. 6.

ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν.] The phrase ὑ. διδ. is used of God 1 Kings xviii. 1, 1 Sam. xii. 17, Acts xiv. 17 οὐρανόθεν ὑετοὺς διδούς. Josephus (*Ant.* xiv. 2. 1) tells a similar anecdote of Onias (B.C. 64) δίκαιος ἀνὴρ καὶ θεοφιλὴς ὃς ἀνομβρίας ποτὲ οὕσης ἠϋξάτο τῷ Θεῷ...καὶ ὁ Θεὸς ὕσεν, and Eriphanus (p. 1046) of James himself, ποτὲ ἀβροχίας γενομένης ἐπῆρε τὰς χεῖρας εἰς οὐρανὸν καὶ προσηύξατο καὶ εὐθὺς ὁ οὐρανὸς ἔδωκεν ὑετόν. Clem. Al. (*Strom.* vi. 3, p. 753 P.) cites the legendary story of Aeacus (Paus. ii. 28, p. 179) to the same effect, as being derived from the narrative of the miraculous rain sent in answer to Samuel's prayer (1 Sam. xii. 17). Compare also the story of the Legio Fulminatrix given by Euseb. *H.E.* v. 5.

ἐβλάστησεν.] The aor. is here transitive, as in Gen. i. 11 βλαστησάτω ἡ γῆ βοτάνην, Sir. xxiv. 17 ἐγὼ ὡς ἄμπελος ἐβλάστησα χάριν, more usually intr., as Matt. xiii. 26, Heb. ix. 4. In later Greek the present also is sometimes found in a transitive sense, see Lobeck on *Aj.* l. 869.

19. εἰάν τις ἐν ὑμῖν πλανηθῆ.] Returns to the subject of ver. 16. For ἐν ὑμῖν see above v. 13. There seems no reason to give, as Alf., to πλανηθῆ here the passive force which it bears in Apoc. xviii. 23 ἐν τῇ

φαρμακεία σου ἐπλανήθησαν πάντα τὰ ἔθνη. The passive aor. is used with a middle force in classical writers, as in the LXX. Deut. xxii. 1, Ps. cxix. 176, Ezek. xxxiv. 4, and probably in Luke xxi. 8 and 2 Pet. ii. 15 καταλείποντες εὐθείαν ὁδὸν ἐπλανήθησαν. It makes no difference as to the admonition given, whether the wanderer goes astray of his own will, or is led astray by others. See above i. 16 and πλάνη ὁδοῦ just below.

ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας.] See above i. 18, John viii. 32, 1 John i. 6, iii. 18, 19, 3 John 4 (I have no greater joy than to hear that my children) ἐν ἀληθείᾳ περιπατοῦσιν, Wisd. v. 6 ἐπλανήθημεν ἀπὸ ὁδοῦ ἀληθείας, Psa. cxix. 30 ὁδὸν ἀληθείας ἤρετισάμην.

ἐπιστρέψῃ τις.] Found with the same force Mal. ii. 6 πολλοὺς ἐπέστρεψεν ἀπὸ ἀδικίας, Luke i. 16, 17, Acts xxvi. 18, Psa. lxxix. 3, Lam. v. 21, Polyc. ad Phil. 6 οἱ πρεσβύτεροι εὐσπλαγχοι...ἐπιστρέφοντες τὰ ἀποπεπλανημένα, Apost. Const. ii. 6 τοὺς πεπλανημένους ἐπιστρέφετε, Plut. Mor. 21 (Menander) ἐπέστρεψε καὶ περιέσπασε πρὸς τὸ καλὸν ἡμᾶς. In Matt. xiii. 15 and elsewhere it is used intransitively, much as the passive in 1 Pet. ii. 25 ἦτε γὰρ ὡς πρόβατα πλανώμενοι, ἀλλ' ἐπεστράφητε νῦν ἐπὶ τὸν ποιμένα καὶ ἐπίσκοπον τῶν ψυχῶν ὑμῶν. The following τις shows that this duty was not confined to the elders. As it belongs to the brethren in common to pray for each other and hear each other's confessions, so here they are in common exhorted to bring back wanderers to the faith.

20. γινώσκετε.] So WH. with Cod. B. The majority of the best MSS. have γινωσκέτω, keeping the regular construction. The use of the plural after τις ἐν ὑμῖν may be paralleled by μὴ δῶτε after τις ἐξ ὑμῶν above (ii. 16). On the other hand it is possible that an original γινωσκέτω may have been altered to suit ἀδελφοί μου. Reading γινώσκετε, I should be inclined to treat it as an indicative (as in Matt. xxiv. 32, John xv. 18), calling attention to the well known fact (like ἵστε in i. 19) that conversion involves salvation, rather than introducing it as something of which they had to be informed. Or, if we follow the other interpretation, and consider that we have here an appeal to enlightened self-interest, it may perhaps be thought more worthy of St. James to mention this as a fact in which all are interested, than to insist on it as a motive for the individual who takes in hand to convert his brother.

ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρτωλόν.] Why is this repeated? Some say in order to emphasize the fact, but a more obvious reason would be that it is in order to avoid ambiguity, especially if γινώσκετε is read. Without these words the subject of σώσει would naturally be understood to be 'one of you.'

ἐκ πλάνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ.] Comparing Wisd. xii. 24 τῶν πλάνης ὁδῶν μακρότερον ἐπλανήθησαν *longius aberrabant quam erroris viae ferebant* ('even further than error itself') we might be disposed to make πλάνης depend on ὁδοῦ, translating 'his erring path'; but the usual order of words, when the metaphorical ὁδός is joined with a gen. of quality, is to put ὁδός first, as in Psa. cxix. 29, 30 ὁδὸν ἀδικίας ἀπόστησον ἀπ' ἐμοῦ...ὁδὸν ἀληθείας ἤρετισάμην, Prov. iv. 24 ὁδ. εἰρήνης, *ib.* viii. 20 ὁδ. δικαιοσύνης, *ib.* v. 6 ὁδ. ζωῆς, *ib.* xii. 19, xv. 25, xvii. 24, Job xxiv. 13, Isa. xxvi. 7,

lix. 8. It seems better therefore to translate 'from the error of his way.' In classical prose the article would have been used both before *πλάνης* and *όδοῦ*. The second article is omitted according to Hellenistic usage because the noun is defined by the genitive of the personal pronoun which follows it (cf. *ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ* just below, *καρδίαν αὐτοῦ*, *γλώσσαν αὐτοῦ* above i. 26 and Winer, p. 155 foll.), and the first article is omitted by the 'law of correlation' to suit the anarthrous *όδοῦ*, as in Matt. xix. 28 *ἐπὶ θρόνου δόξης αὐτοῦ*, cf. Winer, p. 175 and A. Buttmann, p. 104. We find the same opposition of *πλάνη* to *ἀλήθεια* in 1 John iv. 6 *ἐκ τούτου γινώσκομεν τὸ πνεῦμα τῆς ἀληθείας καὶ τὸ πνεῦμα τῆς πλάνης*.

σώσει ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ.] If this is the correct reading, the second *αὐτοῦ* may either be understood of the subject of the verb (= Lat. *suus*, cf. Winer, p. 188 foll., A. Buttmann, p. 97 foll., Meisterhans *Gr. Att. Insch.* p. 122), or, more probably, it repeats the preceding *αὐτοῦ*, in which case it may have been intentionally inserted to mark that this clause refers to the sinner exclusively, allowing a wider scope to the next clause; but in B. *αὐτοῦ* comes after *θανάτου*¹ instead of after *ψυχὴν*, suggesting that it may have arisen from a dittography. The future *σώσει* is easier to understand if *ψυχὴν* refers to the subject of the verb. 'He who converts a sinner will be himself saved' reads naturally enough, the one action not being either identical or contemporaneous with the other; or again 'He who converts a sinner has thereby saved a soul'; but there is something of incongruity in the words 'He who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save that sinner's soul from death, and will cover a multitude of sins.' The object of the writer is to stimulate and encourage the work of conversion to the utmost, but by the use of the future instead of the present² or past he puts off the issue of the work to an indefinite distance of time. [Bengel explains it *olim constabit*, it will be seen on the day of judgment that he has saved a soul from death.] Otherwise salvation is regarded and spoken of by the writers of the N.T. sometimes as a fact of the present, sometimes of the future. See n. on next clause. For *σ. ψ.* cf. i. 21, and for the absence of the article the last note and 1 Pet. iii. 3 *ὀφθαλμοὶ Κυρίου ἐπὶ δικαίους καὶ ὦτα αὐτοῦ εἰς δέησιν αὐτῶν*, particularly with the word *ψυχὴ*, Heb. x. 39 *εἰς περιποίησιν ψυχῆς*, 1 Pet. i. 9 *κομιζόμενος τὸ τέλος τῆς πίστεως, σωτηρίαν ψυχῶν*, 2 Pet. ii. 8 *ψυχὴν δικαίαν ἀνόμοις ἔργοις ἐβασάνιζεν*. The saving of the soul is attributed to the human instrument in Rom. xi. 14, 1 Cor. vii. 16, 1 Tim. iv. 16, &c.

ἐκ θανάτου.] See above i. 15.

καλύψει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν.] A proverbial expression, which occurs also in 1 Pet. iv. 8 *ἀγάπη καλύπτει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν*, and which Resch regards as one of the unwritten words of Christ, quoting Clem. Al. *Paed.* iii. 12. p. 306, where it is introduced by *φησί*, which he

¹ So Corbay MS. *salvat animam de morte sua*. The Vulgate has *animam ejus*, but Bede notes *quidam codices habent 'salvabit animam suam'...et re vera qui errantem corrigit sibi ipse per hoc vitae caelestis gaudia ampliora conquirit*.

² The Pesh. has the present 'covers the multitude of his sins,' so too Corb. and Orig. *Hom. in Lev.* quoted below.

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ii. § 4) referred to in the same note, in which the different *remissiones peccatorum* in the Gospel are enumerated: (1) baptism, (2) martyrdom, (3) almsgiving (which he supports by Luke xi. 41), (4) forgiveness of others (supported by Matt. vi. 14), (5) converting a sinner, *ita enim dicit scriptura divina, quia qui converti fecerit peccatorem ab errore viae suae salvat animam*¹ *a morte et cooperit multitudinem peccatorum*,² (6) love (supported by Luke vii. 47 and 1 Pet. iv. 8); and much in the same way Cassian (*Coll.* xx. 8) enumerating the various ways in which sin may be blotted out, besides simple penitence, mentions the conversion of others by our exhortations. Other passages in which almsgiving is referred to as efficacious for the saving of the soul are Didaché iv. 6 *ἐὰν ἔχῃς διὰ τῶν χειρῶν σου δώσεις*³ *λύτρωσιν ἁμαρτιῶν σου*, *Constit. Apost.* vii. 12 *δός, ἵνα ἐργάσῃ εἰς λύτρωσιν ἁμαρτιῶν σου. ἐλεημοσύναις γὰρ καὶ πίστεσιν ἀποκαθαίρονται ἁμαρτίαι*, so *Barn.* xix. 10. Luke xvi. 9 is naturally understood in the same sense.

It appears to me that these passages leave little doubt as to the ordinary way of thinking among Jewish writers on this subject, both before and after the Christian era; and if we further consider the use of the future tense (*σώσει, καλύψει*) touched on in the previous note, and the fact that, if the saving of the soul and the hiding of sins have reference to the sinner, they do not essentially differ from what is already involved in the protasis, which states the conversion of the sinner from the error of his way, it might seem that we ought to interpret the verse as Origen does in the passage just quoted. So *Euth. Zig.* and *Cramer's Catena (in loc.)* τοιοῦτον τὸ ἐν τῷ Ἱερεμίᾳ εἰρημένον, 'καὶ ἐὰν ἐξαγάγῃς τίμιον ἀπὸ ἀναξίου ὡς στόμα μου ἔσται' ἐὰν φῆσιν, εἰς τῶν ἀπολλυμένων διὰ τὴν κακίαν εὐτελῶν σωθῆ διὰ τῶν σῶν λόγων, ἔντιμος ἔσῃ διὰ τοῦτο παρ' ἐμοί. We may also compare *Dan.* xii. 3 'they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever,' 1 *Tim.* iv. 16 *ἔπεχε σεαυτῷ καὶ τῇ διδασκαλίᾳ. τοῦτο γὰρ ποιῶν καὶ σεαυτὸν σώσεις καὶ τοὺς ἀκούοντάς σου*, 1 *Cor.* iii. 14, 15, *Pirké Aboth* v. 26, 27 'whosoever makes the many righteous, sin prevails not over him, and whosoever makes the many to sin, they grant him not the faculty to repent,' *Clem. Al. Str.* vii. p. 52 ὁ γνωστικός, ἰδίαν σωτηρίαν ἡγούμενος τὴν τῶν πέλας ὠφέλειαν, ἄγαλμα ἔμψυχον εἰκότως ἀν τοῦ Κυρίου λέγοιτο, *Const. Ap.* ii. 18 τοὺς ὑπνώδεις καὶ παρειμένους ἐπίστρεφε, ὑποστήριζε, παρακάλει, θεράπευε, ἐπιστάμενος ἡλίκον μισθὸν ἔχεις ταῦτα ἐπιτελῶν, ὥσπερ οὖν καὶ κίνδυνον ἐὰν ἀμελήσῃς τούτων. For a discussion as to how far this is in accordance with the general teaching of the N.T., see comment below. St. Paul's words in 1 *Cor.* ix. 16 may perhaps be compared, 'woe is me if I preach not the Gospel,' and the punishment of 'the wicked and slothful servant,' *Matt.* xxv. 26. It

¹ So *Cod. Sangerm.*; libri editi add *ejus*.

² This is repeated further on with allusion to the Levitical offering of doves: *Si meditando sicut columba...ab errore suo converteris peccatorem et abjecta nequitia ad simplicitatem cum columbae revocaveris...duos pullos columbarum Domino obtulisti.*

³ Dr. Abbott suggests *δός εἰς* as in the following quotation from *Const. Apost.*

may on the other hand be urged that it is at any rate a lower motive than that proposed in Matt. xviii. 15 *ἐὰν ἁμαρτήσῃ ὁ ἀδελφός σου, ὑπάγε ἔλεγξον αὐτὸν μεταξύ σοῦ καὶ αὐτοῦ μόνου· ἐάν σου ἀκούσῃ, ἐκέρδησας τὸν ἀδελφόν σου*, and that such phrases as *πλήθος ἁμαρτιῶν* and *σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου* naturally remind us of the preceding *ἁμαρτωλός*, and of the *ἁμαρτία* which brings forth death in i. 15, but are unsuitable if used of one whom St. James would be likely to commission to call others to repentance; cf. Luke xxii. 32 *σύ ποτε ἐπιστρέψας στήρισον τοὺς ἀδελφούς σου*, Psal. l. 16, li. 13, Matt. xv. 14: on the other hand the psalmist who had 'preached righteousness in the great congregation' speaks of his iniquities as more numerous than the hairs of his head (Psal. xl. 9, 12). We need not however press the force of a proverbial phrase, nor indeed would there be any objection to make *πλήθος* cover the sins of both parties, as Bede does: *qui peccatorem ab errore convertit, et ejus peccata per hanc conversionem ab aspectu judicis abscondit, et sua quoque in quibuscunque offendit errata ab intuitu ejus qui omnia videt proximum curando contegit*; similarly Bengel and Schneckenburger.¹ Cf. Clem. Rom. ii. 19 (I exhort you to give heed to the things that are written) *ἵνα καὶ ἑαυτοὺς σώσητε καὶ τὸν ἀναγινώσκοντα ἐν ὑμῖν· μισθὸν γὰρ αἰτῶ ὑμᾶς τὸ μετανοῆσαι ἐξ ὅλης καρδίας, σωτηρίαν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ ζωὴν διδόντας*, *ib.* 17 (if we are commanded to convert even the heathen, how unpardonable would it be to allow the ruin of a soul which has once known the true God!) *συλλάβωμεν οὖν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ τοὺς ἀσθενοῦντας ἀνάγειν ἐπὶ τὸ ἀγαθόν, ὅπως σωθῶμεν ἅπαντες· καὶ ἐπιστρέψωμεν ἀλλήλους καὶ νουθετήσωμεν*, *ib.* 15 (he that obeys) *καὶ ἑαυτὸν σώσει καὶ ἐμὲ τὸν συμβουλεύσαντα· μισθὸς γὰρ οὐκ ἔστιν μικρὸς πλανωμένην ψυχὴν καὶ ἀπολλυμένην ἀποστρέψαι εἰς τὸ σωθῆναι*. In that case we might suppose the phrase *σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου* to be parenthetical and refer to the converted person, the future being attracted from the main verb.

¹ Hammond, Hofmann and Schegg following Erasmus and the R.C. commentators generally understand the sins covered to be those of the preacher of righteousness; most modern commentators take them to be the sins of the person converted. Calvin's note deserves to be quoted: *Cibum dare esurienti et sitiēti potum, videmus quanti Christus aestimet: atqui multo pretiosior est illi animae salus quam corporis vita. Cavendum ergo ne nostra ignavia pereant redemptae a Christo animae, quarum salutem quodam modo in manu nostra ponit Deus. Non quod salutem conferamus ipsi; sed quod Deus ministerio nostro liberat ac servat, quod alioqui videbatur exitio propinquum. . . . Alludit potius ad dictum Salomonis quam pro testimonio citat. . . . Qui oderunt, libidine sese mutuo infamandi ardent: qui amant, libenter inter se condonant multa: caritas ergo peccata sepelit apud homines. Jacobus hic altius quiddam docet, nempe quod deleantur coram Deo, ac si diceret, Salomon hunc caritatis fructum praedicat, quod tegat peccata: atqui nulla melior tegendi ratio, quam ubi in totum coram Deo abolentur.*

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(Part I. ch. 4): 'It must be somewhat either in our external circumstances or in our nature. For on the one hand persons may be betrayed into wrong behaviour upon surprise, or overcome upon any other very singular and extraordinary external occasions, who would otherwise have preserved their character of prudence and of virtue: in which cases every one, in speaking of the wrong behaviour of these persons, would impute it to such external circumstances. And on the other hand men who have contracted habits of vice and folly of any kind, or have some particular passions in excess, will seek opportunities, and, as it were, go out of their way to gratify themselves in these respects at the expense of their wisdom and their virtue; led to it, as every one would say, not by external temptations, but by such habits and passions. . . . However, as, when we say, men are misled by external circumstances of temptation, it cannot but be understood, that there is somewhat within themselves to render those circumstances temptations, or to render them susceptible of impressions from them; so, when we say, they are misled by passions, it is always supposed that there are occasions, circumstances, and objects exciting these passions, and affording means for gratifying them. And therefore temptations from within and from without coincide and mutually imply each other.'

Again, speaking of moral improvement by discipline, he says (ch. 5): 'Mankind and perhaps all finite creatures from the very constitution of their nature, before habits of virtue, are deficient and in danger of deviating from what is right, and therefore stand in need of virtuous habits for a security against this danger. For, together with the general principle of moral understanding, we have in our inward frame various affections towards particular external objects. These affections are naturally, and of right, subject to the government of the moral principle as to the occasions on which they may be gratified, as to the times, degrees, and manner, in which the objects of them may be pursued; but then the principle of virtue can neither excite them nor prevent their being excited. On the contrary, they are naturally felt when the objects of them are present to the mind, not only before all consideration whether they can be obtained by lawful means, but after it is found they cannot. For the natural objects of affection continue so; the necessaries, conveniences, and pleasures of life remain naturally desirable, though they cannot be obtained innocently, nay, though they cannot possibly be obtained at all. And when the objects of any affection whatever cannot be obtained without unlawful means, but may be obtained by them; such affection,—though its being excited, and its continuing some time in the mind, be as innocent as it is natural and necessary,—yet cannot but be conceived to have a tendency to incline persons to venture upon such unlawful means; and therefore must be conceived as putting them in some danger of it. . . . This tendency in some one particular propension may be increased by the greater frequency of occasions naturally exciting it, than of occasions exciting others. The least voluntary indulgence in forbidden circumstances, though but in thought, will increase this wrong tendency, and may increase it further till, peculiar conjunctures perhaps conspiring,

it becomes effect, and danger of deviating from right ends in actual deviation from it; a danger necessarily arising from the very nature of propension, and which therefore could not have been prevented, though it might have been escaped or got innocently through. . . . It is impossible to say how much even the first full overt act of irregularity might disorder the inward constitution, unsettle the adjustments and alter the proportions which formed it, and in which the uprightness of its make consisted; but repetition of irregularities would produce habits. And thus the constitution would be spoiled, and creatures made upright become corrupt and depraved in their settled character, proportionably to their repeated irregularities in occasional acts. But on the contrary these creatures might have improved and raised themselves to an higher and more secure state of virtue by the contrary behaviour; by steadily following the moral principle supposed to be one part of their nature, and thus withstanding that unavoidable danger of defection, which necessarily arose from propension, the other part of it. For, by thus preserving their integrity for some time, their danger would lessen; since propensions by being inured to submit would do it more easily and of course: and their security against this lessening danger would increase; since the moral principle would gain additional strength by exercise: both which things are implied in the notion of virtuous habits. Thus then vicious indulgence is not only criminal in itself, but also depraves the inward constitution and character. And virtuous self-government is not only right in itself but also improves the inward constitution and character: and may improve it to such a degree that, though we should suppose it impossible for particular affections to be absolutely coincident with the moral principle, and consequently should allow that such creatures, as have been above supposed, would for ever remain defectible, yet their danger of actually deviating from right may be almost infinitely lessened, and they fully fortified against what remains of it.'

Butler then proceeds to argue that 'this world is peculiarly fit to be a state of discipline to such as will set themselves to mend and improve. For the various temptations with which we are surrounded,—our experience of the deceits of wickedness, having been in many instances led wrong ourselves, the great viciousness of the world, the infinite disorders consequent upon it, our being made acquainted with pain and sorrow either from our own feeling of it or from the sight of it in others,—these things, though some of them may indeed produce wrong effects upon our minds, yet when duly reflected upon, have, all of them, a direct tendency to bring us to a settled moderation and reasonableness of temper, the contrary both to thoughtless levity, and also to that unrestrained self-will and violent bent to follow present inclination, which may be observed in undisciplined minds. . . . Allurements to what is wrong, difficulties in the discharge of our duty, our not being able to act an uniform right part without some thought and care, and the opportunities which we have, or imagine we have, of avoiding what we dislike or obtaining what we desire by unlawful means, when we either cannot do it at all, or at least not so easily, by lawful ones,—

these things, i.e. the snares and temptations of vice, are what render the present world peculiarly fit to be a state of discipline to those who will preserve their integrity; because they render being upon our guard, resolution, and the denial of our passions, necessary in order to that end. And the exercise of such particular recollection, intention of mind, and self-government, in the practice of virtue, has from the make of our nature a peculiar tendency to form habits of virtue, as implying not only a real, but also a more continued, and a more intense exercise of the virtuous principle, or a more constant and stronger effort of virtue exerted into act. Thus suppose a person to know himself to be in particular danger for some time of doing anything wrong, which yet he fully resolves not to do; continued recollection and keeping upon his guard, in order to make good his resolution, is a continued exerting of that act of virtue in a high degree, which need have been, and perhaps would have been, only instantaneous and weak, had the temptation been so.'

Butler's distinction between the two factors in temptation, the inner nature and the external circumstances, will help us to understand the contrast apparent in the text between the trial (*πειρασμός*) in which the Christian is to rejoice, and the temptation (*πειράζεσθαι*) which must not be ascribed to God, since from Him only good proceeds. The latter is the inner temptation, the former the outer trial, and not even that in its full extent. External circumstances may try us either by suggestions of pain, of which the great example is our Lord's agony in the garden, or by suggestions of pleasure, exemplified in our Lord's temptation in the wilderness, i.e. either by intimidating or by alluring. It is the former, the trial by pain, which St. James has in his mind in the 2nd verse, and by which those to whom he writes were assailed. They were mainly poor and were suffering persecution and oppression from the rich, as we gather from ii. 6, v. 7 foll. They were tempted to murmur against God and to speak evil of men. St James (below v. 7-11) urges upon them the duty of patience, by showing how necessary it is in common life, by appealing to the example of the prophets, and pointing to the near approach of the judgment day, in which murmuring and impatience would be punished and the blessedness of patient suffering be revealed. Here he bids them rejoice in these trying circumstances, because, if patiently endured, they would confirm their faith and fit them to receive the reward of eternal life promised to all that love God. It is the same motive which is appealed to in the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. v. 4, 10-12) and in 1 Pet. i. 6 foll. Another reason for rejoicing in affliction is given in Heb. xii. 6: it is a mark of God's love towards those whom he chastises. In Acts v. 41 we read that the Apostles, when scourged, rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for the name of Christ. St. Peter speaks of the partaking of Christ's sufferings as a ground for rejoicing (1 Pet. iv. 13). St. Paul rejoiced in the thought that he was allowed to supplement the afflictions of Christ for the sake of the Church (Col. i. 24).

The stages of Christian growth according to St. James are as follows;

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such tests of faith as are not naturally grievous, in wealth, power, beauty, popularity, prosperity of every kind? Or, yet further, in the external temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil? Might Joseph rejoice in the temptation which came to him in Potiphar's house, as well as in that which came when his brothers sold him to the Midianites? The conquest of pleasure-temptation is not less useful as experience; it is not less strengthening to the character than the conquest over pain: to have gone through such temptation unscathed may be the ground of deepest thankfulness afterwards; but the spiritual joy in resisting temptation of which St. James speaks is not compatible with any lower feeling of pleasure. To have suddenly come into possession of a great fortune is a cause of rejoicing to the natural man: one who has a right sense of the responsibilities and the snares of wealth may shrink from it as a burden, or enter upon it with much anxiety and self-suspicion; but we can hardly conceive of such an inversion of the ordinary view as to allow of a man's rejoicing in wealth as a trial. St. James just below speaks of the poor as rejoicing in his dignity, but the rich in his humiliation as a Christian—both equally difficult and the latter especially painful to the natural man. Onesimus and Philemon may both rejoice in the new relation of brotherhood, which replaces that of slavery and lordship: to the one it may bear the aspect of a levelling up, to the other of a levelling down; but in reality what both rejoice in is the falling into the background of the old transitory distinction in comparison with their common fellowship in the eternal glory.

The call to rejoice is of course not exclusively made to those who are tried. There is a natural joy which is not condemned, but which needs to be associated with the thought of God to guard it from becoming a snare to us (ch. v. 13). 'Rejoice in the Lord always' is a universal precept for all Christians, but one that has to be insisted upon especially in the case of those whose circumstances naturally tempt them to sorrow. It is a bracing appeal to them (like St. Paul's in Eph. vi. 10 foll.) to muster up all their courage, and to look their difficulties in the face, seeing in them a Divine discipline, which they are to accept as sent by Him who knows what is best for them and will not suffer them to be tempted above that they are able. On the other hand there is a false joy springing from a confidence in ourselves and in our circumstances, which shows that we aim at the friendship of the world, and which necessarily separates us from God (ch. iv. 4, 16). This false joy must be exchanged for the sorrow of repentance before the true joy can enter our hearts (iv. 9, 10).

In ver. 12 St. James guards against a possible misunderstanding of the encouragement given in ver. 2. Trial can only be a subject of rejoicing when it is patiently endured. He who gives way to the temptation involved in trial is in no way benefited, but the reverse, unless, as in the case of St. Peter, his discovery of his own weakness leads him to a deeper repentance.

A still more serious error is met in ver. 13. Man throws the blame of his wrong-doing on God, who made him what he is, and placed him

in circumstances which it was impossible to contend against. St. James meets this in two ways: (1) by showing that it involves a supposition which contradicts what we know of God, (2) by explaining more fully the nature of internal temptation. (1) (*a*) God is untemptable; (*b*) He tempts none. But how are these statements to be reconciled with other passages of Scripture, in which God is said both to be tempted and to tempt? Such are Ex. xvii. 2 'why do ye tempt (πειράζετε) the Lord?' ver 7 'he called the name of the place Massah (πειρασμόν) because they tempted the Lord, saying, Is the Lord among us or not?' Numbers xiv. 22, Deut. vi. 16 'ye shall not tempt the Lord,' Ps. lxxviii. 18, 41, xcvi. 9, Isa. vii. 12, Matt. iv. 7, where our Lord meets the temptation to cast himself down from the temple by referring to the command in Deut. vi. 16, Acts v. 9 (of Ananias and Sapphira) 'how is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord?' 1 Cor. x. 9 'neither let us tempt Christ as some of them also tempted and were destroyed of serpents' (referring to Numb. xxi. 5 'the people spake against God and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness?'), cf. Judith viii. 12 (of the rash oath of Ozias to surrender Bethulia if help did not come within five days) 'who are ye that have tempted God? . . . ye cannot find out the depth of the heart of man, then how can ye search out God or comprehend his purpose? . . . He hath power to defend us when he will. Do not bind the counsels of the Lord our God.' So self-sought martyrdom and the proposal to test the power of prayer by comparing the results in a praying and in a non-praying hospital may in different ways be regarded as tempting God. The distinction is plain between the temptation to sin of which St. James speaks and such cases as these, in which men are said to tempt God, when they make experiments with Him, or take liberties with Him, try how far they may go, so to speak, instead of humbly submitting to what they feel to be His revealed will or His providential ordering; when in the words of Stier they 'anticipate by the word of their own self-will the word of God upon which they should wait.' Man can be tempted because of the propensity to evil in his own nature; God cannot be tempted because He is absolute goodness.

But (*b*) we also read of God tempting man, as where he tested Abraham's obedience by demanding the sacrifice of his son (Gen. xxii. 1), or the Israelites by the forty years' wandering 'to humble thee, and to prove thee (πειράση), to know what was in thine heart,' Deut. viii. 2, or Hezekiah by the Babylonian embassy 2 Chron. xxxii. 31, Judith viii. 25-27. But here again the design of temptation is quite different from that spoken of in the text; it is not temptation with the view of drawing man into sin, but trial with the view of discovering his motives and principles and of gradually building up the perfect Christian character, as stated in the second verse.

What then is the real history of the temptation which allures us to sin? It has its root in man himself, in his appetites, desires and impulses of every sort, suggesting the thought of pleasure to be obtained (or pain avoided) by the commission of a wrong act.

At first the impulse is a blind instinctive movement, involuntary and therefore innocent, but if unchecked it discovers a definite aim, which it seeks to attain by uniting itself with thought and will. Sin originates when we choose to dwell upon the thought of the pleasure suggested, though knowing, or strongly suspecting, that it cannot be lawfully obtained. The desire becomes stronger by indulgence, the thought of sin ceases to shock as it becomes more familiar, until at last that which had been long rehearsed in the imagination is enacted in real life. In most cases the commission of the outward act is followed by something of shame or remorse, which may lead to genuine repentance, but if the sting of conscience is disregarded, the first wrong action is naturally followed by others, which give rise to a sinful habit, and at length conscience is silenced, the will is permanently enslaved, the moral nature is to all appearance dead; and so the soul departs to the other world to receive the reward of the things done in the body. The genesis of temptation is admirably illustrated in the story of Macbeth. In the second scene we have the picture of an innocent and laudable ambition. The interview with the witches shows this ambition perilously sensitive to outward solicitation, and already open to the suggestion of unlawful means for the attainment of the coveted object, a suggestion seconded by his wife's direct instigation, and supported by external circumstances, the nomination of Malcolm as heir to the throne and the visit of Duncan. We have then after many misgivings the final resolve and the execution of the murder: the consequent change from the noble Macbeth, whose nature is full of the milk of human kindness and of whom it is said 'what thou wouldst highly that wouldst thou holily,' to the bloodthirsty tyrant of the later scenes. It is to be noticed that in Macbeth we are always conscious of a background of hellish instigation. This does not appear in the first chapter of St. James, but is recognized afterwards in iii. 6 where the tongue is said to be set on fire of hell, iii. 15 where false wisdom is described as devilish, iv. 7 where we are bidden to submit ourselves to God and resist the devil, 'the tempter' as he is called by St. Paul, who makes use of our natural impulses to bring us to ruin.

Here however a further difficulty arises, for the action of Satan is sometimes said to be permitted by God, as in the temptation of Job; at other times an action is attributed indifferently to Satan and to God, as in the numbering of the people by David, which is said to be instigated by God in 2 Sam. xxiv. 1, by Satan in 1 Chron. xxi. 1; and yet again God seems to be represented as the author of immoral or irreligious conduct in man, as in Ex. ix. 16 'the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh.' With regard to the first case the answer is simple: Satan tempts with the design of inducing Job to give up his righteousness and his trust in God: God permits the temptation, because he knows the end will be to prove Job's faith and confirm his righteousness. It is fundamentally the case of those to whom St. James writes. They are in trouble; Satan is allowed to suggest that this trouble is a sign that God neglects them; yet they are to rejoice in this trouble

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The following scheme may serve to illustrate the teaching of St. James on this subject.

STAGES OF TEMPTATION.

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| <i>Pre-Moral Stages</i> | } | 1. Internal nature with its impulses (<i>ἐπιθυμίας</i>) which often require some external stimulus (<i>πειρασμός</i>) to rouse them, otherwise remaining dormant. | |
| | | 2. Excitement of particular impulse through external stimulus of present or prospective pleasure or pain. | |
| | | 3. The impulse thus roused is brought under the purview of reason and conscience, and, if unsanctioned by them, constitutes full temptation (<i>πειράζεται</i>). | |
| | | 4. The two ways. Action of will under temptation:
(a) passively yielding under Satanic influence. | (b) actively resisting under Divine influence. |
| <i>Moral Stages</i> | } | 5. (a) The understanding cooperates with the impulse, suggesting modes of gratifying it, and picturing the pleasure of gratification (<i>συλλαβοῦσα</i>). | (b) The will summons up the other powers of the mind and above all seeks aid from God to enable it to resist temptation (<i>ὑπομονή</i>). |
| | | 6. (a) The will identifies itself with the impulse and resolves on the steps required to attain desired object (<i>τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν</i>). | (b) The will identifies itself with conscience and refuses all parley with temptation. |
| | | 7. (a) Sinful act. | (b) Virtuous act. |
| | | 8. (a) Habit of vice formed by repetition of vicious action (<i>ἁμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα</i>). | (b) Habit of virtue formed by repetition of virtuous acts (<i>ἡ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἔχει</i>). |
| | | 9. (a) Final result, death (<i>ἀποκνεῖ θάνατον</i>). | (b) Final result, crown of life (<i>δοκιμὸς γενόμενος λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς</i>). |

I. 16—18. Paraphrase.

Beware of wrong thoughts as to the character and work of God. All good from the lowest to the highest comes from above, descending from the Source of all lights, with whom (unlike the luminaries of this lower world) there can be neither change from within nor overshadowing from without. God of His own good pleasure implanted in our hearts the germ of His own nature by the preaching of the Gospel, in order that we might be the first-fruits of His new creation.

GOD THE AUTHOR OF ALL GOOD.

To dissipate entirely the idea that temptation comes from God, and that man is therefore not responsible for his sin, St. James here gives the positive side of that characteristic which he had shadowed out on its negative side in ver. 13. God is not merely Himself free from all touch of evil, and therefore incapable of injuring others, He is absolute Goodness, always communicating good to others, and Himself the hidden spring of all good done by others. Nor is it only moral good that comes from Him, though that may be His most perfect gift; but all light, all truth, beauty and happiness, all that at first made the world appear good in the eyes of its Creator, is still His work, His gift. It is vain to look for good from any other quarter, from the lusts of the flesh, or the smiles of the world. Man, however, by his own sin raises up a cloud which hides from him the face of God; and thus he comes to picture to himself a God who is no longer loving, but stern, vindictive, jealous of human happiness. Such an imagination is a delusion of the devil. Even this material sun does not cease to shine behind the cloud which hides it from human view; and God's love, more unchanging than the brightness of the sun, knows no eclipse. In all worlds He is eternally the same, the giver of all good, who cannot do otherwise than will what is best for every one of His creatures. His purpose for us Christians is that we should be the first-fruits, the sample and earnest, of His new creation. Through us He reveals to the world what He would have all men to be. And the means by which He renews in us the divine image, which is the true nature of man, is the declaration of His love, made first through the Son, and then further explained and enforced by those whom the Son has sent to sow the good seed of the kingdom. The teaching of Christ rightly received into the heart constitutes the germ of a new divine life, by which it is the will of God that humanity as a whole should in the end be permeated and transfused.¹

It shows how liable men are to be deluded by phrases, that Luther, with this passage before him, could imagine the teaching of St. James to be opposed to that of St. Paul. 'By grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God' is not a stronger

See Jukes, *Restitution of All Things*, pp. 30-45.

expression of the doctrine of free justification than the words before us, 'of his own will begat he us with the word of truth.'

REGENERATION.

It is worth while to compare the different terms used in the Bible to express the change wrought in man's nature by the Divine influence.

(1) It is described as a new birth. This is expressed in the text by the verb ἀποκνέω. St. Peter in his First Epistle (i. 23) employs the verb ἀναγεννάω 'being born again not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the living and abiding word of God,' cf. *ib.* ii. 2. St. John has either γεννάω ἄνωθεν or the simple γεννάω, as in i. 12, 13, 'As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God,' *ib.* iii. 3 'except a man be born from above, he cannot see the kingdom of God,' this new birth being further explained by the words in verses 5, 6, 'except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit'; similarly 1 ep. iii. 9 'every one who is born of God committeth not sin; for his seed remaineth in him, and he cannot sin, because he is born of God'; *ib.* v. 4 'whatsoever is born of God (πάν τὸ γεγεννημένον ἐκ τοῦ Θεοῦ) overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith,' cf. also ii. 29, iv. 7, v. 1, 18. St. Paul uses the word παλιγγενεσία in Tit. iii. 5 'according to his mercy he saved us by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost,' and addresses the Galatians as 'my little children of whom I travail in birth until Christ be formed in you' (Gal. iv. 19).

(2) Nearly related to this is the description of the change as that of adoption (υιοθεσία) or sonship, for which see Rom. viii. 14—17, 'As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye did not receive a spirit of bondage again to fear, but ye received a spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father . . . The Spirit itself witnesseth with our spirit, that we are the children of God,' cf. Gal. iv. 5, 6, Eph. i. 5.

(3) Or again, that which speaks of a new heart, a new man, a new creation, a new nature, cf. Ezek. xi. 19 'I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them a heart of flesh.' *Ib.* xxxvi. 25—27, Jer. xxxi. 33, Ps. li. 10, 2 Cor. v. 17 'If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature (καινή κτίσις); old things have passed away; behold all things are become new,' Eph. iv. 22 'that ye put off the old man which is being destroyed in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man which after God is created in righteousness and holiness of truth,' 2 Pet. i. 4 'in order that through the promises ye may become partakers of the divine nature,' Gal. vi. 15, Eph. ii. 15, Col. iii. 9, 10.

(4) This new nature is further described as a resurrection from

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and grafted into the body of Christ's Church. J. B. Mozley in his treatise on Baptismal Regeneration argues that since regeneration, strictly taken, implies Christian perfection, the assertion here made must be understood hypothetically, as expressing a charitable hope that the person is on the way to perfection. The more common explanation is that all baptized persons are by the fact of their baptism placed in a new state of spiritual capacity. It is important to notice here two things: (1) that the same distinction is made between outward and inward baptism as between outward and inward circumcision. Of the latter St. Paul says, borrowing the figure used in the book of Deuteronomy (xxx. 6), 'he is not a Jew which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh; but he is a Jew which is one inwardly and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit and not in the letter'; and so St. Peter after saying that 'baptism saves us,' adds the caution 'not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience (*συνειδήσεως ἀγαθῆς ἐπερώτημα*) towards God'; and St. John, who reports the words 'except a man be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God,' gives a test by which we may ascertain who is thus born, in the words 'every one that doeth righteousness is born of him' (1 ep. ii. 29), 'whatsoever is born of God doth not commit sin' (*ib.* iii. 9), 'whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith' (*ib.* v. 4). That baptism was not always a regeneration in this high sense is shown by such instances as that of Simon Magus, who, after he had been baptized by Philip, and received the gifts of the Spirit by the laying on of the hands of Peter, was declared by the latter to 'have neither part nor lot in the matter, but to be still in the gall of bitterness and the bond of iniquity.' (2) We have to remember that the Apostles wrote at a time when adult baptism was the rule, and infant baptism the exception. Baptism was then, as it is now in heathen or Mahometan countries, the confession of the faith of Christ crucified, when it entailed shame, persecution, even death. It was of such confession Christ himself said 'whosoever shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven' (Matt. x. 32); and St. Paul, 'with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation' (Rom. x. 10); with which we may compare the words recorded in Mark xvi. 16 'he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.' Faith and repentance (or conversion) were the necessary preliminaries to baptism; but baptism, being the outward sign and seal of the inward change, being also the confession of Christ before men, and being accompanied by further gifts of the Spirit, became the summary expression for the new birth which preceded it. It is evident that in these respects infant baptism now is something very different from adult baptism then. Yet these differences do not derogate from the uses of Infant Baptism. We rightly regard the offering of the child to God by the parents in baptism as the first step in the Christian life, the acknowledgment on their part of their duty towards the child as a

creature born not for time, but for eternity; and the authoritative declaration on the part of God of His saving will in regard to each child thus brought to Him. In bringing our infants to the font we only carry out the principle laid down by St. Paul (1 Cor. vii. 14)) in respect to the children of Christian parents, and obey the word of Christ Himself 'Suffer little children to come unto me.' If all goes on as it should do, we may hope and believe that the child will lead the rest of his life according to that beginning; that there will be a steady onward growth, as in the case of Timothy, without any deliberate falling away, such as to require that entire change of heart and life which we generally understand by the term 'conversion.' In this, which ought surely to be the normal case in a Christian country, the child is brought up to believe that he has not to win God's favour by any special merit of his own, but that he is already redeemed, already grafted into the true Vine, a participator in the gifts of the Spirit, and an heir to all the promised blessings of the Gospel, unless by his own neglect he refuses to avail himself of these privileges. And in such a life as this it does not seem possible to fix on any other moment as the moment of regeneration, except that in which the parents proclaimed their intention to bring up their infant as a member of Christ and a child of God.

It is interesting to observe the acknowledgment of the necessity of a conversion or new birth even among heathen writers. Some found this in the initiation of the mysteries, others in the teaching of philosophy.¹

THE WORD OF TRUTH.

As there are some who attribute a magical virtue to the material rite of baptism, so there are others who attribute a magical virtue to sermons. They support their view by citing such texts as the following: 'Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. How shall they hear without a preacher?' (Rom. x. 14, 17); 'God hath manifested his word through preaching' (Tit. i. 3). But we have only to compare the state of things in the early Church with the state of things which now prevails, in order to see how entirely inappropriate such language, literally understood, is to our own time. When St. Paul thus spoke, it is almost certain that there was no

¹ Compare for the conversion of the soul (*ψυχῆς περιπαγωγή*) effected by philosophy, Plato's account of the Cave-dwellers in *Rep.* vii. 514-522, and the Stoic passages quoted by Zeller (vol. iv.³ p. 255) on the instantaneous change from a state of folly and misery to one of wisdom and happiness, also Seneca, *ep.* 6, § 1 *intellego non emendari me tantum, sed transfigurari...hoc ipsum argumentum est in melius translatis animi, quod vitia sua, quae adhuc ignorabat, videt*; for the mysteries compare the words used by the initiated *ἔφυγον κακόν, εὖρον ἄμεινον* in Dem. *De Corona*, 313, also Apul. *Metam.* xi. 21 *Nam et inferum claustra et salutis tutelam in deae manu posita, ipsamque traditionem ad instar voluntariae mortis et precariae salutis celebrari, quippe cum . . . in ipso finitae lucis limine constitutos . . . numen deae soleat elicere et sua providentia quodam modo renatos ad novae reponere rursus salutis curricula*; and Tertull. *Praescript.* c. 40 *Diabolus ipsas quoque res sacramentorum divinatorum in idolorum mysteriis aemulatur.*

written Gospel. It was an oral revelation, passed from mouth to mouth. The words of eternal life spoken by Christ were reported by those who heard him, and these words were spirit and life to all who received them. But even then it made no difference whether they were addressed to many at once in the temple, as by Peter, or to one in a chariot, as by Philip. Nor did it make any difference, when James set the example of preaching by letter, where he could not preach in person, and was followed by Paul and the other Apostles. Preaching is only one out of many Christianizing influences now at work in England. Some go so far as to question whether it would not be for the advantage of all, preachers and hearers alike, if we would give heed to St. James' advice (*μὴ πολλοὶ διδάσκαλοι γίνεσθε*) and put a stop to four-fifths of the preaching which now goes on. Still there is room for sermons in the adaptation of the Gospel to the varying needs of successive generations, and different classes of men, as well as to the idiosyncrasies of different individuals. And there is need of course for personal influence, especially with the less educated. Next to the influence of believing parents, and in some cases superior to it, is the influence of a schoolmaster like Arnold, of a preacher like Maurice or Keble, in convincing a man of the reality of Christianity.

I. 19—27. Paraphrase.

Since you know that it is God who of His own good pleasure has infused a new life into us by means of the preaching of the Word, listen with eagerness to the Word which comes from Him, remembering that it is not something to talk about or to fight about, but to receive into our heart and to manifest in our actions. Human passion and bitterness are not pleasing to God or productive of the righteousness which God requires, and which He alone can give. Therefore begin by putting away all that unkindness which is so ready to overflow the lips and defile the man; and then open your hearts to receive in meekness the Word sown, which is able to save the soul. Do not however deceive yourselves with the idea that it is enough to be hearers of the Word without carrying it out in action. Such a hearer is like a man who, looking at his face in a mirror, gives one glance, and is gone, and at once forgets what he was like. If we wish to make a right use of the heavenly mirror, the Word which shows us what we are and what we should be, we must not be satisfied with a hasty glance, we must give our minds to it; we must embrace it as the law of our lives and never lose sight of it. Only thus will God's blessing attend our actions. If any one regards himself as a religious man, while he knows not how to bridle his tongue, such a man deceives himself and his religion is of no avail. Such was the religion of the

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vocation? Are not some men called to be artists, poets, philosophers, students or teachers, as other men are called to be men of business and action? Is not action itself crippled and wasted from want of knowledge? Is it not one of the most deplorable features of modern life, that there is so much restless activity with so little thought as to the end to be pursued, and the means to be employed for arriving at the end; so much talk and profession, and so little feeling; so much fuss, and so little real enjoyment?

We may allow all this, and yet hold with Bp. Butler and St. James, that it is a disastrous thing for a man to rest satisfied with his own 'passive impressions.' If a poet like Wordsworth devotes himself steadily to the task of raising the standard of thought and feeling among his countrymen, or a jurispudent, such as Bentham, lives laborious days in order to reform men's ideas of what law should be, and so ultimately to bring about that vast improvement in the statute law of England which has been witnessed in this century, no one could deny that these were in the highest sense men of action. It is true there have been artists and philosophers who were less consciously practical, 'who sang but as the linnets sing,' who wrote or composed in obedience to the inner impulse without any definite idea of benefiting others; whose work nevertheless has been rich in practical results of the greatest importance. Here too, for the work to produce such results, there must have been a high degree of mental activity, and a conscientious effort to render faithfully the impression or the thought by which the writer or artist was possessed. To borrow St. James' figure, no great work of art was ever produced by a mere hasty glance at the mirror of the Divine Word. But St. James is of course speaking primarily of moral and spiritual truth. He does not deny that one who preaches or theorizes on these subjects without practising his own precepts may put forward thoughts which may be good and useful for other men; nor that he may even be a medium, like Balaam, for divine inspiration, though he should be found in the end fighting, like Balaam, for the enemies of God: but what he says is that, to the theorizer himself, moral theory without practice is of no avail, but rather a dangerous snare as fostering the habit of self-deception.

SLOW TO SPEAK.

But is it not the duty of a Christian to let his light shine? to preach 'the Gospel to every creature? Does not the Psalmist say (lxxii. 74), 'my mouth shall speak of thy righteousness all the day,' and St. James himself (v. 20) give a special encouragement to one who 'converts a sinner from the error of his way'? On the other hand, in ch. iii., he warns his readers against being too ready to take upon themselves the office of teacher, and urges on them the necessity of controlling the tongue. Doubtless we are to understand him in the text as deprecating rash and hasty speech on religious subjects, in accordance with the teaching of the wise man, 'God is in heaven and thou on earth; therefore let thy words be few' (Eccl. v. 1, 2). A grave

reverence, modesty and humility, careful previous consideration of the subject on which he has to speak, these seem to be the qualities St. James requires in a teacher, in contrast with the flippant familiarity, the readiness to pour out prayers or exhortations on the shortest notice, which are often found so attractive. 'Slow to speak' seems also to imply a long period of testing and preparation for the work of the ministry, in contrast with the plan ascribed to the Salvationists, of taking one who has only just abandoned a life of sin himself, and setting him up to be an evangelist to others. The words 'slow to speak' are applied by Stier to conversation on religious topics as well as to actual preaching. 'How many Christians,' he says, 'hold that God's word is a matter about which people must talk together—God's word which should always speak directly to the heart!...Guard against the so much loved pious conversations, which are often so unprofitable, often no more than mere idle babbling. Do not *talk away* from your hearts the power and blessing of saving truth.' Allowing this to be the general rule, we must not forget that the demoniac was bidden to tell how great things God had done for him; and that however unwilling a man may be to set himself up as *censor morum* or an instructor of others, it is every one's duty to make confession of his own belief and principles when occasion calls for it.

Should we limit the injunction to the sphere of religion, or give it a general application, equivalent to Carlyle's 'Silence is golden'? Let us consider the case of one who was certainly *ταχὺς λαλεῖν*, the Apostle Peter. His promptness of speech is shown on many occasions, as when he said 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord,' 'Let us make three tabernacles,' 'Thou art the Christ, the son of the living God,' 'This be far from thee, Lord, this shall not be unto thee,' 'Thou shalt never wash my feet,' 'Not my feet only but my hands and my head.' Here we have the immediate, spontaneous, expression of the feelings of the heart, sometimes right, sometimes wrong, but always attractive and interesting. It is this simplicity and openness which draws us so much to the Apostle and makes us place such confidence in his sincerity. So in general, expansiveness and freedom of utterance is both a loveable and useful quality. We do not wish the natural flow to be checked by the constant question 'Is what I am about to say wise? Is it prudent? How will it affect people's estimate of me?' On the other hand what can be more wearisome than a flow of words where there is little of feeling or thought? words which are mere words, or words prompted simply by vanity, or which betray a shallow or coarse or malicious nature? That a talker of this kind should be induced to check the current of his words by asking 'Is this true? Is it likely to pain or injure any one? Can it do good to any one?' is surely much to be desired. But even in the case of natural kindly utterance, some sort of control is desirable. The impulse to hear should balance the impulse to speak. There should be the thought that others too may wish to express themselves, and that the thoughts and experiences of others may be not less interesting and useful than our own to the company at large. There should be

the instinctive shrinking from any approach to falsehood, as well as from anything which could give pain or do mischief. There is nothing unnatural or artificial in such control as this, nothing to excite a suspicion of Jesuitism.

But if we have no difficulty in finding cases in which we should all echo the admonition of St. James; if we should allow that for the Jews of his time, as for certain races in our own time, the rule 'slow to speak' might be of very general application; do we not also find cases, especially in England, where a stimulus is needed in the opposite direction? Is there not sometimes a stolid absence of interest both in persons and things, which does away with the chief motive for conversation? or a sluggishness of thought and speech, which amounts almost to dumbness? or a timidity and self-distrust, which make it a painful effort to open oneself to others? In such cases surely the injunction should be: Try to break through the isolation in which you have placed yourself: learn to interest yourself more in others: remember that you too in your own small circle are intended not only to do the will of God, but to be an oracle of God, reflecting back that aspect of the Divine Glory, to manifest which is the reason of your creation. Certainly neither Moses nor Jeremiah were commended for their slowness of speech. In vain the former pleaded 'I am not eloquent, but am slow of speech and of a slow tongue.' 'The anger of the Lord,' we are told, 'was kindled against him' for his unwillingness to carry the Divine message to his countrymen.

SLOW TO WRATH.

This is not to be understood as enjoining on Christians the habit of Stoic apathy, any more than 'slow to speak' is to be understood as enjoining a Trappist silence. Bp. Butler in his sermons on Resentment has well shown both the use and the abuse of the irascible element in man. One chief means of raising a degraded moral tone is the sight of the indignation produced in persons of a more generous nature by a mean or unkind action. We have many examples of such indignation in the Bible, notably in the language of John the Baptist and of our Lord. What the text means is 'do not give way to the first impulse to anger. Think how often you have had to repent of what you have done or said under the influence of passion: how often you have found that you had misapprehended the facts, or misinterpreted the motives of the supposed offender. Even when there can be no reasonable doubt on these points, in any case do not let yourself be carried away by blind passion; ask yourself how much of your anger arises from the fact that *wrong* is done, and how much from the fact that it is done to *you*, and try to eliminate the latter element; take into account the extenuating circumstances, hereditary predisposition, defective education or whatever it may be. Consider also your own liability to go wrong; and above all consider the royal law, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Put yourself into his place, and act

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it is so easy, so comforting to be a good hater, to take for granted that one's own side has a monopoly of intellect and virtue, to accept the party watch-word and join in shouting the party war-cry; so arduous and so humbling to divest oneself of prejudice, to seek the truth for its own sake, to acknowledge the evil in ourselves, and see the good in those who differ from us.

MODES OF SELF-DECEPTION.

St. James notices in this chapter four ways in which men may delude themselves as regards their religious state in God's sight, and preach peace to themselves when there is no peace. The first is by their fluency in speaking on religious subjects, the second by their religious zeal, the third by their pleasure in hearing sermons or reading religious books, the fourth (see verses 26 and 27) by the punctiliousness of their religious services. Not that any one of these is in itself wrong; they may be all good and right as means of grace; but they are easily capable of becoming a source of self-delusion, because it is so easy to confound the means with the end. Thus under the old dispensation Isaiah (i. 10—20) was commissioned to declare the utter worthlessness of sacrifices and incense, of sabbaths and holidays, of solemn meetings and many prayers, unless they were accompanied by a moral change, unless the worshippers ceased to do evil, and learnt to do well,—a change exemplified in Isaiah, as in St. James, by kindness shown to the orphan and the widow. In like manner Micah (vi. 6 foll.) contrasts the externalities of a sacrificial worship with that which the Lord requires, justice, mercy, humility. The same contrast is found in the New Testament, as in John iv. 20—24, where Christ himself corrects the Samaritan woman's ideas of the special sanctity attaching to one place above another, in the words 'God is a Spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth'; and again in Matt. vii. 21—23, where He declares that, to many who have prayed and prophesied and wrought miracles in His name, it shall hereafter be said 'I never knew you; depart from me, ye that work iniquity.' In his next chapter St. James specifies a fifth mode of self-deception, arising from confidence in the orthodoxy of our creed: 'thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.' To all these various semblances of religion—not necessarily hypocritical semblances, for it is not a seeming to others, but a seeming to self, which is condemned in the *εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι* of the 26th verse—he opposes the reality, *οὐ γὰρ δοκεῖν ἄριστος ἀλλ' εἶναι θέλω*.

II. 1—13. Paraphrase.

An example of the worldly spirit may be seen in your assemblies when a poor man entering is shown to the worst place, and a rich man to the best. How is this regard for worldly distinctions con-

sistent with your belief in Christ, the only glory of believers? Does it not show that you are divided in heart, and allow yourselves to be influenced by lower considerations? In reality the poor have more title to our respect than the rich, since it is among the poor we find those who are rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom of heaven, while the rich, as a class, maltreat the brethren and blaspheme the name of Christ. If it is from obedience to the royal law of love that we show courtesy to the rich, it is well; but if we do this only from respect of persons, it is a breach of law and defiance of the lawgiver no less than adultery or murder. Remember that both words and actions will be tried by the law of liberty, which regards the motive as well as the deed. If we do not show mercy to others, we shall not receive mercy ourselves. It is mercy only which triumphs over judgment. (See notes on vv. 8 and 12 especially.)

RESPECT OF PERSONS.

It is to be feared that, if St. James were to visit our English churches, he would not find much improvement on the state of things existing in the congregations of which he speaks. While there is perhaps no objection either to the appropriation of sittings, in so far as it assures to regular attendants the right to sit in their accustomed place, or to the exactment of a fixed payment from the well-to-do members of the congregation for the use of their seats; it is surely most contrary to the spirit of the Gospel that all the best seats should be monopolized by the highest bidders. The poor are at any rate not to be at a disadvantage in the House of God. The free and open seats should at least be as good as the paying seats, and it should not be in the power of a seat-holder to prevent any unoccupied sitting from being used.

But the principle here inculcated goes much further than the particular example given. If it is wrong to thrust the poor into bad places in church, it is also wrong to treat them with disrespect in our ordinary intercourse. St. James had before spoken of the change brought about by Christianity in the feelings of the rich and poor themselves: the rich brother was to exult in his humiliation, i.e. in the feeling of common brotherhood which unites all Christians to Christ, and in the special obligation, which lies upon one who is specially favoured, to use his talents and his means for the common good; the poor brother was to exult in his admission to the full rights and privileges of a member of Christ and a child of God. Here he is speaking of the duty of Christians generally towards these two extremes. Apparently he allows of no difference in our behaviour towards them. Our behaviour towards both should be governed by the simple rule laid down by St. Peter, 'honour all men.' This does not mean that we are to show

less courtesy than we have hitherto done towards the rich, provided this courtesy proceeds from the right motive; but it means that our courtesy towards the poor should, if anything, be greater than our courtesy towards the rich, partly because they have greater claims upon us—the claims of the widow and orphan were noticed in the previous verse—and partly because it may be more difficult for those who have been long down-trodden to rise to their full dignity as Christians, unless aided by our brotherly sympathy.

There are several questions which suggest themselves here. Does St. James mean that all persons are to be treated exactly in the same way, irrespective of rank, age, sex, colour, creed, nationality, or the special relations by which men are connected one with another? Are all these differences considered to belong not to the man himself, but to the part he plays on the transitory stage of this mortal life? Is it wrong to be influenced by such qualities as beauty, amiability, cleverness, external refinement and good manners? Should our behaviour towards one another be determined only by superiority of moral excellence, as constituting the true essence of the man?

This last distinction must of course in any case put a limit on the injunction to 'honour all men.' We are to honour man as man, but not as coward or liar. It is the godlike, not the bestial or the devilish, in man which deserves our honour. Yet seeing that these elements are bound up in one individual, we must take care that the stern repression which may be the treatment required for the worse elements, does not entirely extinguish or conceal the reverence which should be forthcoming for any manifestation of the higher nature in the man. The reason given in the text for honouring the poor rather than the rich, is that the latter are blasphemers and persecutors, the former the inheritors of the kingdom of heaven. Nor again can we suppose that St. James would disagree with St. Peter's injunction to pay honour to the wife as to the weaker vessel, or that he would fail to recognise the relative duties of parent and child, master and servant, &c. Special honour is due to the king and the magistrate in consideration of the office which they hold. While we give the first place to moral goodness in whatever circumstances it may be found, it is only natural and right to acknowledge with thankfulness God's good gifts of mind or body, provided we are not led by them to condone or to think lightly of the moral defects by which they may be accompanied. We cannot love all alike, nor can we honour all alike, yet still honour and love are due to all who share the image of God (iii. 9).

We come now to the actual case of respect of persons condemned by St. James. Is it right to pay respect to wealth *qua* wealth? It may be right to respect it, in so far as it is the sign and result of honest skill and industry, or if it is used as a stewardship for the good of others; but where it has been accumulated by withholding his fair wages from the workman, and where it is used simply for the purpose of selfish luxury, St. James has no measure in his indignant denunciations (v. 1—6). On the whole we may say that, while he

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St. James ascribes to the flatterers of the rich in his day. Might does not make right now, any more than it did under Roman imperialism or mediaeval feudalism. The true way of honouring the masses, if we like to use that term, is first by taking for granted that they, like the classes above them, are largely made up of reasonable beings, who desire to learn the honest opinions of all who have taken the trouble to form opinions for themselves; secondly, by ourselves doing our best to understand their position, listening with respect to their opinions, and freely pointing out where we believe them to be mistaken; thirdly, by seeking to make them sharers in all the civilizing influences of our time, and as far as possible to raise them to the level of the more favoured classes; in other words, by extending as widely as possible the refinement and culture, the self-respect and self-control, implied in the old name of 'gentleman.' We may hope that in these and other ways much of the bitterness of poverty may be done away with, and that the upward path to competence may be opened to all who are capable of making use of it; but until human nature is entirely regenerated, the ascent of some from the lowest class is likely to be balanced by the descent of others from the upper classes. Nor is this in itself to be regretted, poverty and want being the reformatories provided by nature for the idle and vicious. In time past, it is true, these reformatories have too often acted as incitements to crime rather than to virtue, because the sufferers were left to suffer alone, without guidance for the present or hope for the future. The thought and effort which are now being applied to schemes for the improvement of the condition of the 'submerged tenth' will, we may believe, tend to bring out the good, and neutralize the evil of poverty, while at the same time providing a safe channel for the exercise of Christian charity.

It is however important to remember that the Jewish law, forbidding respect of persons, was directed not less against the partiality which favours the poor, than against that which favours the rich. The caution against the former, which we find in Lev. xix. 15, 'thou shalt not respect the person of the poor,' is certainly as much needed now as it ever was.

SOLIDARITY OF DUTY AND THE LAW OF LIBERTY.

'He who keeps the law as a whole and fails in one point only is guilty of all.' Such a principle would evidently cause great injustice, if applied in the administration of human law. A child who steals a carrot is not thereby guilty of forgery and murder. If the divine law consisted of rules relating to outward action only, as human law does, the same would be true of it also; but the perfect law of God, as St. James tells us in i. 25 and ii. 12, is a law of liberty. It is fulfilled only when we freely choose what God commands, when His will becomes our will, when we love Him because He loved us; when we love our neighbours as ourselves, because they are children of the same Father, redeemed by the same Saviour, partakers of the same

Spirit with ourselves. If then we systematically neglect any one commandment of God, say, the duty of honouring our parents, it will not atone for this, though we should be most scrupulous in all other respects; the one wilful neglect proves that we were not actuated by a right motive in our obedience to the other commandments: it shows that we were not led by the Spirit of God.

In the 3rd chapter we read 'in many things we all offend' the word (*πταίομεν*) being the same as that used here, where it is said, that 'he who offends in one point is guilty of all.' How then are any to be saved? This is explained in v. 13 'mercy triumpheth over judgment,' which follows closely on the words 'So speak and so act, as being about to be tried by the law of liberty.' The law of liberty is at once more exacting and more merciful than the law of bondage. It is the former, because it is not satisfied with the outward act: it is the latter, because, where there is real love of good, and real desire and effort to do right, God accepts the will for the deed. To bear in mind therefore that we shall be judged by the law of liberty tends to produce in us a deeper conviction of sin, at the same time that it frees us from anxiety, because we believe that God Himself desires that we may be perfect as He is perfect, and that He will accomplish this perfection in us by the presence of His Holy Spirit in our hearts, if we are willing to receive it.

II. 14—26. Paraphrase.

We have seen that hearing is useless without doing, that the doing which is confined to external forms of worship is equally useless, since the only service which pleases God is that of practical kindness and unselfishness. We have seen further that our faith is of no value if it does not keep us from respect of persons and if it does not manifest itself in love. This may be summed up by saying that faith without works, profession without practice, is worthless, as worthless as a mere verbal philanthropy. Even if such a faith were real, it could not prove its existence; and the uselessness of a bare faith is shown by the fact that even the devils possess such faith. The typical examples of faith given in the Old Testament prove that the faith which justifies must be an active principle. The function of faith is to inspire action, and it is itself perfected by action. An inactive faith is the mere corpse of religion. [See especially notes on vv. 14, 23, 26.]

FAITH.

St. James has already told us that trials are sent to test and confirm our faith (i. 3), that without faith prayer is of no avail (i. 6, cf. v. 15, 16), that Christianity consists in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ

(ii. 1), that those who are rich in faith are heirs of the promised kingdom (ii. 5). By this faith he means trust in the loving will of God revealed to us in Christ, and the reception of His word into our souls, as seed into a good soil (i. 17, 18, 21). If we retain our trust in God's all-wise, just and loving Providence, in spite of the trials which He permits, the habit of endurance is strengthened in us, and thus we grow up to the full stature of Christian manhood (i. 4). The opposite to faith is worldliness: our faith is shown to be tainted with worldliness if we favour the rich above the poor (i. 27, ii. 2—4). In the verses which we have now to deal with, faith appears in a different light. It is no longer the essence of Christianity, but a mere dead semblance, or empty profession of faith. For the employment of the same word *πίστις* to denote the two kinds of faith, we may compare the different meanings of *πειρασμός* and *πειράζεσθαι* in i. 2, and 13, the former used of a tempting for good, the latter of a tempting for evil; the use of *σοφία* to express both a heavenly and an earthly wisdom in iii. 15, 17, 1 Cor. i. 17—ii. 16, and so of *πανουργία* in Sir. xxi. 12; also the use of *ἔρις* in Hesiod (*Op.* 11—30) for the emulation which is good, and the quarrelsomeness which is hurtful. This use of the same name for different things is natural enough in the rough and ready speech of men little accustomed to metaphysical analysis or subtle refinements of language, and would be intentionally adopted by those who had to address such hearers. The change of meaning is however prepared for here by the use of the word *λέγη* in ver. 14: not faith in itself, but the profession of faith is declared to be of no avail. The thought of faith is apparently suggested by the statement in ver. 13 that 'love (compassion) is the only thing which can triumph over judgment,' judgment being without mercy to him who has shown no mercy. To this an objection is supposed to be made by the worldly-minded Christian of ver. 1: 'Will not faith also triumph against judgment? What is the good of being an orthodox believer, if I am no better off than a Samaritan or a Gentile or an unbelieving Jew?' St. James replies by the parable of the talking philanthropist. Just as a profession of philanthropy unaccompanied by kind actions is of no good to the needy, so a profession of faith unaccompanied by righteous actions is of no good to ourselves; both are alike a mere hypocrisy in the sight of God. Such profession is indeed the dead carcass of genuine religion. But in the midst of this diatribe against a dead faith, St. James gives some further particulars of a true faith, such as Abraham's (ver. 22): 'faith cooperated with his works and by works was faith made perfect'; words which are in close agreement with St. Paul's teaching as to 'faith which worketh by love,' and the 'fruits of the Spirit.'

If St. James were not so fully justified by the subsequent history of the Church, we might be inclined to wonder at the scathing words in which he expresses his contempt for those who place their confidence in the orthodoxy of their creed. But it may be questioned whether any form of fetishism has been quite so mischievous, so destructive to all kindly feeling as well as to moral and spiritual and intellectual progress, as the fetish of orthodoxy, i.e. the idea that the assent to a

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of St. James on their side, when he speaks of the profession of a right faith being consistent with devilish wickedness. Nor can we evade this by assuming that the profession is merely verbal. In the supposed case there is real belief, a belief, be it observed, which has a real effect on the believer; but the effect is not that which St. James' opponents claimed for their orthodox faith; not an assurance of salvation, but the extremity of terror. There can, however, be no doubt of what St. James himself really held in regard to the connexion between thought and action. He spoke in i. 19 of the seminal power of the divine Word received into the mind: he is equally explicit below as to the evil influence of words uttered at the instigation of a wisdom which is earthly, sensual and devilish (iii. 6, 15). But, as is explained in the Parable of the Sower, there are many things which may hinder the word, or the thought, or the doctrine, from producing its natural effect. It may lie altogether on the outside of the mind; it may make a mere momentary impression; it may form strange combinations with the already existing growths; as, for instance, the thought of One All-powerful and All-holy, meeting with a will which is obstinately set on evil, is naturally productive of terror. It is only where it finds a good soil, clear of weeds, that the full virtue of the Word is manifested. We need not however assume that the Word is necessarily wasted, where its effect is not immediately perceptible. The use of short formularies, texts or hymns committed to memory, is to store up for the future truths to which the heart may be inaccessible at the moment.

+ I have in the introduction (pp. lxxxvii. foll.) touched on the relation which St. Paul's teaching on the subject of faith bears to that of St. James. We saw there that there was substantial agreement between them, notwithstanding the verbal contradictions which may be found in their Epistles. Both agree that 'in many things we offend all,'⁽¹⁾ that man is saved not by his own merits, but by the goodness and mercy of God. What differences there are, may be explained partly by the difference of the errors which they controvert. St. Paul is arguing against a dependence on the scrupulous performance of the Jewish law (what he calls the *ἔργα νόμου*), and against the denial of salvation to the Gentiles unless they conformed in all points to that law. St. James is arguing against a dependence upon Jewish orthodoxy, irrespective of moral conduct (what St. Paul might call *ἔργα πίστεως* or 'faith working by love'). But partly the difference is due to the difference in the character and development of the two men. To the one, whose spiritual experience had been broken by a violent shock, and whose special office it was to open the kingdom of heaven to the Gentiles, the Gospel is the antithesis of the Law; to the other, who had been brought up with Jesus, who had known His disciples from the first, and whose special office it was to make the final offer of salvation to his own countrymen, the Gospel was the consummation of the Law. Again, the one with his deeply speculative nature loves to fix his gaze on the Divine factor in man's salvation, the other with his strong practical bent directs his attention mainly to the human factor;

though each fully allows and even asserts the doctrine complementary to that which may be called peculiarly his own.

III. 1—12. Paraphrase.

Do not be eager to assume the responsibilities of teachers. Hard as it is for man to avoid stumbling in action, it is harder still to avoid it in speech ; so that to guide the tongue aright may be regarded as a test of Christian maturity. As the movements of the horse or the ship are controlled by the little bit in the mouth or rudder in the stern, so the whole activity of man is directed by the use made of the tongue. Like the spark which sets the forest on fire, the tongue, by some little insignificant word, can boast of setting on fire the wheel of mortality, the whole round of this mortal life. In the microcosm of man's nature the tongue represents the unrighteous world, and is used by Satan as his organ. Man has learnt to tame the most savage and venomous of animals, but the tongue is untameable and never at rest, and its venom is the deadliest of all. It is as impossible to combine acceptable worship of God with imprecations on man, God's image, as it is impossible for a fountain to send forth sweet and bitter water at the same orifice, or a tree of one species to bear fruit of another species. (See especially notes on verses 8, 10.)

USE AND ABUSE OF SPEECH.

The teacher here referred to is of course, in the first instance, the teacher in the congregation. It is the same warning as we read in i. 19 ; the same also as is given by St. Paul in 1 Cor. xiv. 26—40. From the latter passage we learn that the Christian assemblies were often scenes of great confusion, in which a number of persons, women as well as men, were trying to make themselves heard at the same time, one with a psalm, one with a revelation, one with a teaching, and so on. St. Paul insists that those who prophesy, or speak with unknown tongues, should speak by two or at the most by three (with which we may compare the *μη πολλοί* of St. James), and that *by course*, so that all things may be done decently and in order. It does not seem that there was any distinct order of teachers : each member of the congregation was at liberty to speak as he was moved by the Holy Spirit, in accordance with the prophecy of Joel, quoted by St. Peter on the day of Pentecost. But even the exercise of the gifts of the Spirit was to be kept under control ; the spirits of the prophets were subject to the prophets : there was to be nothing orgiastic in the Christian service. If there was anything of mere animal excitement, of pushing, or display, or want of consideration for others, this was a sign that the speaker was not exclusively influenced by the Spirit of God (vv. 14, 15). The

dangers arising from the over-freedom of the youthful Church have long ago been effectually guarded against in the Church of England by the denial of the right of speech to any but the clergy. But it may perhaps be questioned whether St. James would have consented to purchase immunity from the disorder of which he complains, by investing one of the teachers, not selected for that particular post, as being specially qualified for it, either by the congregation, or by the Apostles, or by the Church at large, but merely nominated by some wealthy person, perhaps one who was an entire stranger to the congregation, and who had never given proof of his qualifications to exercise such an important trust,—whether, I say, St. James would have approved of investing a teacher, so chosen, with exclusive authority over the ritual and the teaching of the congregation, and would further have thought it expedient to enable him, however incompetent or unsuited for that particular post, to disregard the wishes and feelings alike of his ecclesiastical superiors and of the people committed to his charge, by ensuring to him a practically irremovable tenure. And yet, after all, our present system does not make St. James' caution inapplicable. We may silence the laity, and still leave too many teachers; since it does not follow that, because a man is ordained and has the charge of a parish, he must therefore be able to preach. A man may be an excellent parish priest without having the qualifications of a prophet and teacher.

We must not, however, suppose that the caution is limited to preaching. It applies to all who set themselves up as instructors of others, whether as schoolmasters, lecturers, politicians, journalists, critics, writers of whatsoever kind, who make themselves responsible, not only for their own actions, but for the seed they sow in the minds of others. As there never was a time when people pressed more eagerly into these professions, so there never was a time when it behoved each man more seriously to ask himself, what kind of vocation he has for the work which he proposes to undertake, and whether he has conscientiously endeavoured to prepare himself for it. As regards education, perhaps the time has now come when it may be possible to require a certificate, both of adequate knowledge and of ability to teach, from others besides the teachers in our elementary schools.

On a first reading, there is to a western mind something odd and exaggerated in St. James' remarks as to the Tongue. The tongue is of course merely the innocent instrument employed by the free will of man. The rhetorical figure by which it stands for the abuse of the faculty of speech, and of which examples have been given in the note, need not however imply a want of earnestness in the speaker, any more than Cranmer's apostrophe to 'this unworthy hand.' In some cases there can be no doubt that temptation comes from 'the pleasures encamped in our members' (below iv. 1). There would be nothing inappropriate, for instance, in ascribing to the palate the evils which arise from gluttony. But there is no physical pleasure in the actual movement of the tongue, and but little in hearing ourselves talk. The pleasures and temptations connected with the use of the tongue

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from the flesh, the world and the devil. It is materialistic, irreligious, hating God and goodness, and is attended by unrest, disquietude and every kind of evil. On the other hand the wisdom which comes from God is first of all pure: it has gained the victory over all the lower impulses of our nature: it is at peace with itself, with God and with man: it is gentle, reasonable, compassionate, single-minded, free from dissimulation, abounding in good fruits. It is by the peaceful activity of such lovers of peace that the seed, which will spring up into a harvest of righteousness, is sown in the hearts of men.

WISDOM.

St. James, following the books of Job and of Proverbs and the sapiential books of the Apocrypha, has already spoken of wisdom as the gift of God, which we are to seek by earnest prayer, and which will enable the Christian to understand the purpose of the trials to which he is exposed, and to make the right use of them (i. 3). In the O. T. the word has a very wide sense, including both science and literature (1 Kings iv. 29-34, Prov. i. 6), but laying most stress on practical wisdom, of which the foundation is said to be the fear of the Lord. Here it is introduced as a sequel to the instructions to teachers, especially religious teachers, and is defined by the moral qualifications which go to the making of a good teacher or student. Freedom from personal objects, single-minded devotion to the pursuit of truth, simplicity, modesty—these qualities are essential to students in whatever department of thought. Gentleness and sympathy, appreciation for the work of others—these qualities are essential to a persuasive teacher. So much we shall all admit; but it may be asked, Is wisdom to St. James nothing more than this? If we test his description of wisdom by applying it to the case of men who are universally esteemed wise, a Thucydides, a Plato, a Shakespeare; or to an Athanasius, or a Pascal, or a Bishop Butler; even to St. Paul or St. John, do we find that it supplies us with anything like an exhaustive analysis of what we know as wisdom in them? It evidently takes no account of the original powers of the mind, or of the strictly intellectual training needed for the full development of those powers. It is as suited to the ordinary Sunday School teacher as to the highest genius. So far, we may regard this exhortation of St. James as illustrating the Christian freedom from exclusiveness. The Gospel addresses itself to the Publican as well as to the Pharisee, to 'this people that knoweth not the law' as well as to the doctor and the scribe. Every one has some mental powers: wisdom consists in the right use of those powers, be they small or great. But there is no reason to suppose that St. James intended to give a complete exposition of his ideas on wisdom in this passage. He is simply dealing with the evils incident to the religious teaching of the time. There were in the Christian assemblies, as we learn from the Pastoral

Epistles and elsewhere, the counterparts of the Jewish rabbis, men fluent and positive and argumentative, who arrogated to themselves the name of wise. St. James says nothing as to the extent of their learning or knowledge; he is content to point out those particular characteristics of heavenly wisdom in which they were manifestly deficient. We cannot argue from this that he would have disapproved of elaborate disquisitions on theological questions such as we read in the Epistle to the Hebrews, or that he would have condemned the pursuit of learning or science for its own sake; but for the present his mind is fixed on practical issues.

IV. 1—17. Paraphrase.

The real source of our quarrelsomeness is the greediness with which each one grasps at pleasure for himself. We are envious, if we see others succeed where we have failed: and we are conscious that our whole life is a failure, as it always must be, when men either omit to pray, or pray only for worldly objects whereby to gratify their selfish impulses. But those who seek the world's favour can never obtain the favour of God. The two are absolutely incompatible. As the Scripture says, 'the Spirit which He has planted in us jealously longs for our love.' It is owing to this jealous affection that He resists the proud and gives grace to the humble. If we submissively accept His chastisement and return to Him, He will return to us, and the tempter, who offers the world to each of us, as he did to Christ, will flee from us also, when he finds we are determined to resist him. This we must do by renouncing all wicked actions and checking all evil thoughts, by learning to take a serious view of life, giving up our thoughtless mirth, practising self-denial and repentance, mourning over sin and humbling ourselves before God. If we thus turn from the world to God, He will raise us up and grant us a share in His kingdom.

Do not think lightly of ill-natured gossip. To speak against a brother or to condemn a brother is really to speak against and condemn the law of God, who has bidden us to love one another, and has given a special warning against this sin in the words, 'Judge not, that ye be not judged.' Shall we venture to set up our opinion against God's law, and claim to do that which has been distinctly forbidden by the sole Lawgiver and Judge? Our duty is not to criticize, but to obey.

A further characteristic of the spirit of worldliness is exhibited in our confident forming of plans for the future, without any thought of the precarious nature of earthly enjoyment, and of our dependence

on God for the life of each successive day. All schemes for the future should be accompanied by the proviso 'if God will.'

Do you say that you know all this already? Remember then that it is the knowledge of good, combined with the choice of evil, which constitutes sin.

THE WORLD.

The term *κόσμος* is borrowed from the Greek philosophers who used it to express, first, the divine order apparent in the universe, and then the actual universe and especially the heavenly bodies. In the pantheistic system of the Stoics the *κόσμος* itself was deified. By the writers of the N. T. it is generally used in a dyslogistic sense. Thus St. James (i. 27) bids his readers 'keep themselves unspotted from the world.' In ii. 5 he speaks of those who were 'poor in the view of the world' as being 'rich in faith.' In iii. 6 he speaks of the tongue as the organ of the unrighteous world in our body. Here he says 'the friendship of the world is enmity with God.' St. John (1 Ep. ii. 15-17) analyses the influence of the world into the 'lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life.' He tells us further (iii. 1) that the world knew not God and therefore knows not the sons of God; (iii. 13) that the world hateth you; (iv. 5) that false prophets are of the world and the world hears them; (v. 4) 'whatever is begotten of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory which overcometh the world, even our faith'; (v. 19) 'the whole world lieth in wickedness' (or 'in the evil one'); (iii. 17) 'the world's good' is used in the same sense as 'the unrighteous Mammon.' So in his Gospel we read (xiv. 17) that 'the world cannot receive the Comforter'; (xiv. 30) 'the prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in me'; (xv. 19) 'If ye were of the world the world would love its own, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.' So St. Paul 'the world through its wisdom knew not God' (1 Cor. i. 21); 'God chose the base things of the world' (1 Cor. i. 27); and St. Peter 'that ye may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption which is in the world through lust' (2 Pet. i. 4). It is evident that in these passages the world is used not for the external universe, but for the world of men, that same world of which we are told that God so loved it, that he sent his Son that the world through him might be saved (Joh. iii. 16, 17); and yet St. James says that one who loves the world thereby becomes an enemy of God. How are we to explain this? What is the exact nature of that world which is so dear to God, and so dangerous to man?

In the simplest sense of the word, the world is each man's natural environment, that into which he enters at birth, and from which he departs in death. It is the immediate present, the seen and temporal, of which our senses bear witness, in contrast to the unseen and eternal; as St. John says 'the world passeth away and the lusts thereof, but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.' It supplies the objects of all our appetites, the stimulus to our activities, the occasions of our

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happiness of others. How is this to be remedied? The Stoics answered: 'By ceasing to desire.' The Christian answer is: 'By desiring to be and to do what God wills, and by desiring others' good rather than our own.'

THE DIVINE JEALOUSY.

We are familiar with the Greek idea of Nemesis. Excessive prosperity on the part of man even apart from evil-doing, as in the well-known story of the Ring of Polycrates, portended utter ruin, because it provoked the divine jealousy of human happiness. We are familiar also with the ascription of jealousy to the God of the Jews, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation. This seems to us to belong to the same stage of thought as the *lex talionis* 'an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth,' or as the expulsion of Adam out of Eden for fear that he might put forth his hand and eat of the tree of life; or again as the dispersion of mankind over the face of the earth, for fear that they might make themselves too strong by building the tower of Babel. Such conceptions seem to us natural to the anthropomorphism of a rude people and period, when even Moses could urge as a reason for sparing the Israelites the fear that the Egyptians might say, 'because the Lord was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness.' But under the New Dispensation we are perhaps surprised that it should still be possible to make use of a figure which seems derogatory to the Divine Perfection. We think jealousy a defect in human love; how much more in Divine! The phrase itself is no doubt due to the writer's Hebraic tone of thought and speech; but it is at the same time a most forcible expression of a most important truth; and the addition 'He giveth more grace' removes from it all that is unamiable in the idea of jealousy. It is really a parable in which the soul is represented as standing between rival wooers, God and the world. The strongest human passion is boldly taken to represent the Divine longing for the entire possession of the human heart, i.e. for the expulsion of every thought and feeling which interferes with the recovery of the Divine image in man and the attainment of the perfect ideal of humanity. We blame human jealousy, because it is so largely made up of a selfish desire for our own pleasure and honour; so liable to turn into hatred of the object of our passion. The Divine jealousy, as depicted in the N.T., desires nothing but the best good of the beloved object, and hates nothing but that which would injure and degrade it. How is this jealousy concerned in 'resisting the proud, and giving grace to the humble'? Pride here consists in man's claim to be independent of God, to do what he likes and gratify all his natural impulses irrespective of God's will. It is the choice of the temporal in preference to the eternal, of the world in preference to God. This pride is resisted, as was shown in the previous Comment, by the continual failure to obtain the happiness sought for. The Divine jealousy having

ordained that the world shall never give satisfaction, he who seeks his happiness there cannot but feel himself continually thwarted in his ambitions, until at last he conceives himself to be the victim of some jealous and hostile power seated upon the throne of the universe. Yet 'He giveth more grace.' Underneath the dark suspicion which blots out heaven from our eyes we are dimly conscious of an appeal to feelings long lost sight of and all but extinct within us. In the Prodigal's heart there begins to arise a loathing, not only for the husks with which he has striven to satisfy the cravings of the immortal soul, but also a loathing for his own folly and sin, a longing for the home which he has forsaken, joined with the sense of his own unworthiness, which makes him fear lest he should have lost it for ever. To one thus humbled grace is given in full measure: the soul, which could never satisfy its thirst from earthly cisterns, finds never-failing supplies of happiness in that inner union with God which is typified by the well of water springing up unto everlasting life.

ACCOMPANIMENTS OF REPENTANCE.

Does St. James mean that God's grace and favour are to be won by fasting and self-discipline? Not so; God's loving favour is ours to receive, the moment we believe in it. He means 'be willing to give up what has till now seemed to be the chief interest of your life: give up the pursuit of honours and pleasures: no longer indulge in dreams of conquering your rivals and taking vengeance on your enemies: welcome what may seem the gloom of renunciation: examine yourself to see where you have gone wrong in the past: and set to work to atone, so far as may be, for any wrongs you have done to others. Listen for the voice of God in conscience, and do your duty, as in His sight and relying on His strength, with all the more energy in proportion to its irksomeness and difficulty.' The natural accompaniments of such feelings and resolutions amongst the Jews were weeping and fasting, the rending of clothes and the casting of dust on the head. If these things help the inward change, good: if they are its natural accompaniments, good also: but, if they are used as substitutes for the inner change, or as an anodyne to quiet the conscience and pave the way for the resumption of the former life, then they are nothing better than the vain religion (*θηρσκειά μάταιος*) already condemned by St. James.

JUDGING.

Are we then never to find fault with others? It may be an essential part of our duty, as in the case of a magistrate, appointed for the very purpose of deciding whether the accused is guilty or not guilty; of a parent, who has to train up his children to distinguish between right and wrong; and so in every case where instruction or criticism is required. What St. James means is that we are not to indulge in the habit of fault-finding from the mere love of it, where duty does

not call us to it, for the sake of showing off our acuteness and pulling down others by way of exalting ourselves. Even where it is our duty to judge, it should be done under a sense of responsibility, with the consciousness of our own liability to go wrong and a genuine desire for the improvement, not the humiliation, of the person blamed; and further our judgment should be determined by the objective standard of right, not by our private tastes or likings; otherwise we set up ourselves above the law and the lawgiver. There is no fault which brings about its own punishment more certainly than the love of fault-finding. While we become quick to see the mote in a brother's eye, the beam is still growing in our own. The habit of negative criticism is destructive to the creative faculty and to much besides. All human action is more or less blundering; if we choose to concentrate our attention on the blunders, and shut our eyes to the honest aim and the real good effected in spite of the blunders, we lose the stimulus of admiration and emulation; thus deadening within us all that makes life worth living, if it be true, as the poet teaches, that 'we live by admiration, hope, and love.'

MAKING PLANS.

Are we then to live at hap-hazard? not to use our best endeavours to foresee the future and shape our actions in accordance with probabilities? This would be to give up one main use of reason. When our Lord said 'take no thought (R.V. 'be not anxious') for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself' (Matt. vi. 34), he did not mean to forbid serious consideration of the course to be adopted under given circumstances. He did not mean that it was wrong to make engagements beforehand and to take steps to keep our engagements; that it was wrong for a man to deliberate carefully before choosing a profession or accepting a post which might be offered him; or again, that it was wrong for a statesman to consider carefully what measures he should bring forward in Parliament. His meaning was that we should not worry ourselves with the anticipation of evil: we should make all due preparation for it, and then await it calmly in reliance upon God.

✱ As Christ forbade undue anxiety, so St. James here forbids undue confidence. We should bear in mind that we cannot foresee the issues of things; so that what we think desirable now, may turn out hereafter to have been undesirable; and again that the best-laid plans are liable to fail; so that, however good the object, still it may be unattainable by us; that we should therefore not stake our life, as it were, on a single throw of the dice, but join with all our plans for the future the reservation 'if God will,' and the aspiration 'Thy will be done.' Some people, perhaps thinking of Christ's promise of divine assistance to those who should be brought before synagogues and magistrates for his sake (Matt. x. 18), seem to have an idea that forethought and planning are in themselves opposed to faith, and that, in religious matters especially, there is something approaching to impiety in making preparations for the future. It is enough to say in answer to this, that

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STERNNESS OF ST. JAMES.

What are we to say to the stern denunciation of this passage? Is it not inconsistent with the warning against judging and evil-speaking, given in iv. 11? At any rate it is not inconsistent with the denunciation of the Pharisees by John the Baptist and by our Lord. What would be presumption in an ordinary Christian may be part of the commission of a prophet. It was not presumption in Jonah to declare the approaching downfall of Nineveh: the presumption came in, where he expostulated with God for refusing to make good his threats, when they had produced the desired effect. The prophetic announcement of impending evil is not inconsistent with the tenderest sympathy, as is shown by our Lord's lamentation over Jerusalem. Here we can see ample reason for the strongest warning. The rich represented the pride of the world. Their success, their triumphant career of selfish oppression, while it left little hope of the possibility of their own repentance, caused despair in the hearts of the brethren whom they oppressed. It was the truest kindness on the part of the prophet to set before both the fact of imminent judgment revealed to him by the Spirit. To the rich it was the final invitation, the hand-writing on the wall, which, if instantly accepted, might still enable them to seek a share in the humiliation of a Christian (i. 10); to the poor it was the encouragement needed to prevent their falling away. Nor is this prophetic office yet extinct in the Church of Christ. Wherever sin is rampant, wherever oppression and cruelty prevail, where the denunciation of the evil-doer is a dangerous and unpopular service, there the heart of the prophet will still burn within him, till at the last he speaks with his tongue.

V. 12—20. Paraphrase.

Do not make use of oaths of any kind, lest you fall into condemnation. Let all your feelings, whether of joy or sorrow, be controlled and sanctified by laying them before God. In case of sickness send to the elders, and let them pray and anoint the sick person, and the Lord will answer the prayer of faith, and, if his sickness is the consequence of past sin, it shall be forgiven. Confess your offences therefore to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The story of Elijah on Mt. Carmel shows how great is the power of a good man's prayer prompted by the Spirit of God. If a brother falls into sin, you know that he who brings him back into the right way will be the means both of saving a soul and of hiding a multitude of sins.

SWEARING.

From the form of the prohibition, we might suppose that St. James took the same view of the subject as St. Augustine, quoted in the note, and forbade swearing, not so much because it was wrong in itself, as because it was likely to lead to wrong, and therefore to condemnation. He could not have said of murder 'Do not kill lest you fall under condemnation.' At any rate by giving his warning in this form he made it easier for the Jews to accept it. Whatever their practice was, they would certainly allow that there was much careless and irreverent swearing, and that this could not but be displeasing to God. St. James is, however, quoting Christ's own words, and it is therefore probable that he means 'Whatever form of oath you use, it will come under the prohibition of Christ.' Are we to understand from this that every kind of swearing is absolutely forbidden, that the Quakers, for instance, were right in refusing to take an oath in a court of justice? This is not what we should gather from the conduct of St. Paul and of Christ Himself. The former calls God to witness that he is speaking the truth in more than one passage (2 Cor. i. 23, xi. 31, Gal. i. 20, etc.), and our Lord took the oath proposed to Him in the words of the High Priest 'I adjure thee by the living God.' So the angel in the Apocalypse is represented as swearing 'by Him that liveth for ever and ever.' The same rule of interpretation must be applied here as in the case of the other precepts of the Sermon on the Mount. They supply an ideal standard, a goal to be aimed at, but not a code of law to be immediately put into execution, regardless of existing circumstances, and of the manner in which their exact observance would affect our carrying out the two great commandments on which hang all the law and the prophets. Take for instance the precept to turn the other cheek: if this is tried by the principle that we should do to others as we would wish them to do to us, it is evident that the last thing which a sane man could wish for himself or for one whom he loved would be that he should be allowed to strike and insult others with impunity. We have to disregard the letter, in order to keep the spirit of the precept; which is that a Christian should never act from mere vindictiveness. The law of love requires us to act for the best interest of the offender, i.e. to act in such a way as to induce him to avoid such faults in future. It is only where there is sufficient generosity of character to make a man ashamed of striking one who offers no resistance, that non-resistance becomes the fitting course for a Christian, the right way of obeying the law 'Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.' Yet in proportion as a society becomes Christianized, it becomes more and more possible to practise non-resistance without transgressing the higher law of love, which bids us always act for the best interest of our neighbour. So with swearing: the right state in a Christian community is that all should feel so strongly the obligation of truth, that there should be no occasion for further sanction beyond the simple 'yes' and 'no.' Wherever there is need of more 'it comes of evil.' But often the standard of truthfulness is so

low, that it is necessary to appeal to the All-seeing Witness in order to make the affirmant realize what is his duty in respect of the truth. And thus swearing becomes allowable, just as war is allowable in the present imperfect state of things; yet the aim of the Christian should be, as far as possible, to limit the use both of oaths and of war, so as ultimately to get rid of them altogether. See an excellent article, in the *Cont. Rev.* vol. 49, pp. 1—17, by the late Archbishop Magee, on the substitution of a declaration for an oath in admitting members of Parliament. Unhappily in this, as in some other matters, the professed advocates of religion have often taken a lower view than its professed opponents. The earnestness of St. James in this prohibition is probably to be explained by the constant breach of the third commandment caused by the Jewish habit of swearing.

HEALING OF THE SICK BY ANOINTING WITH OIL AND BY PRAYER.

There can be little doubt that St. James is here describing a miraculous cure following the prayer of faith. To encourage the elders to obey his injunctions, he first insists on the power of prayer, when inspired by the Divine Spirit, and then refers to an example of this power in the person of Elijah, a man, as he reminds them, of like weakness with ourselves. A difficulty arises here: if every sick person could be miraculously healed, how is it that St. Paul did not miraculously heal Timothy and others (1 Tim. v. 23, 2 Tim. iv. 20)? Why was not his own thorn in the flesh removed? We hear occasionally of miraculous cures, but they are plainly exceptional. May not the explanation lie in the word *ἐνεργουμένη* (ver. 17)? When a miracle was to be wrought the power of the Spirit made itself felt in the prayer which preceded. Elijah himself could not work a miracle at will. He too must wait, like Samson, till the Spirit of the Lord came upon him. One reason why the elders, rather than others, were to be called in, may have been that they were better able to judge what was the will of the Spirit. From v. 16, however, it would appear that the office of prayer and anointing and receiving confessions was not confined to them. It has been already pointed out (pp. cxxi, cxxii) that the assumption here made by St. James, that the anointing of the sick would be attended by a miraculous cure, if performed in the spirit of prayer, is a mark of the very early date of the Epistle.

Are we to consider that the scope of this injunction, which is evidently temporary in form, is limited to the age in which it was written, or is it in any way applicable to our own time? The prayers of the Congregation are still requested for the sick in the public services of the Church of England; and to offer such prayers is a natural, we might say, an inevitable outcome of Christian friendship. There are some who disbelieve in anything beyond a subjective answer to prayer. Yet even they must allow that a subjective action on the imagination may produce an objective change in the bodily condition, as has been attested in many cases of faith-healing, both among Protestants and Roman Catholics. But

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that, as far as we can judge, it was never contemplated by St. James, and that there is no evidence of its use during the first eight centuries by any except an obscure sect of Gnostics. There are others who, while allowing that the belief in spiritual benefit to be derived from Extreme Unction is a mere unauthorized fancy, are still inclined to wink at it, as a means of tranquillizing the mind and preserving it from terrors as unreal and as superstitious as the remedy. If a false theology has fastened on the mind the belief that God's mercy is limited to this life, and that after death He has no further compassion for the sinner who has not repented and believed while on earth, but is henceforth only the Judge and the Avenger, is it not allowable to drive out one error by another? The question is far-reaching, but no lover of truth can hesitate. Even at the last hour let the true Gospel sound in the ears of the dying penitent, still more of the dying saint, who is terrified by suspicions that he has not the right faith or the true conversion. He who has once grasped the idea that Christ is the propitiation for the sins of the whole world; that God's mercies are everlasting over all His creatures; that He will do for each after death exactly what perfect love and perfect wisdom dictate; that Eternal Justice and Eternal Holiness, no less than Eternal Love, are our guarantee against an eternity of evil, will have no need and no wish for a material anointing.

CONFESSION OF SIN.

The connexion between suffering and sin was universally believed in, and even exaggerated, when St. James wrote; as is evident from our Lord's words about the Galileans, whose blood Pilate mingled with the sacrifices, and also from the question of the disciples about the man who was born blind. St. Paul asserts that many were punished with sickness and even with death for irreverence in receiving the Eucharist. The Jewish proverb quoted in my note to the effect that 'a man could not recover from sickness till his sins were forgiven' is quite in accordance with our Lord's procedure in healing the sick of the palsy, where the words 'Son, thy sins are forgiven thee' preceded the command 'Rise up and walk'; and both enable us to understand why confession and forgiveness are introduced here in the instructions given for the healing of the sick.

There seems, however, to be a certain want of consecutiveness in the language of St. James. We should have expected the confession of sins to be mentioned before the forgiveness of sins, and even before the prayer for healing, since healing, as we have seen, was regarded as implying forgiveness; whereas it is brought in afterwards as a second thought, though connected with what precedes by the inferential particle *οὖν*. The emphatic *ἀλλήλοις* and *ἀλλήλων* of v. 16 are decisive against the Romish limitation of confession to the priest. Either the Elders mentioned in v. 14 have no special position distinguishing them from the other members of the Church, or, more probably, we are to suppose that the duty

of visiting the sick is not confined to them, but falls on the brethren generally. Are we to understand that no one may hear the confession of others unless he at the same time confesses his sins to them? This would seem the most natural meaning of the Greek; but it evidently could not be always carried out. Children ought to confess their faults to father or mother, but it would in most cases be far from expedient that the former should in their turn hear the confessions of the latter. On the other hand we can easily conceive cases in which mutual confession is most natural and desirable, since one party is seldom so entirely in the right, as to leave all the regrets and apologies to the other party. If however we are to think of confession here in connexion with healing, it must be the confession of sin against God which is intended: how would this suit the idea of mutual confession? We can understand that confession is made easier to the sinner, if another is ready to join in the expression of sorrow and repentance. We can understand too that an unsympathizing Pharisaic tone is likely to repel any confidences on the part of a penitent. But the idea of mutual confession does not seem altogether appropriate in the case of the sick man, and yet, if the word *ιαθῆτε* is taken literally, we seem to be tied down to this case. If on the other hand we give it a metaphorical meaning, we may suppose that the precept is of general application, and that St. James is recommending the habit of mutual confession between friends. It cannot, I think, be doubted that in many respects such mutual confidences might be productive of great good. How much easier it would be to put up with hastiness or coldness on the part of a friend, if we knew that he was himself conscious of his faults and trying to amend them! What a relief it would be to one of a sensitive self-conscious nature to lay his anxieties before another of whose wisdom and sympathy he felt assured! Might it not tend to increase the feeling of Christian fellowship, if those who were exposed to the same difficulties, anxious to conquer the same weaknesses and to practise the same virtues, could break through their isolation and confirm themselves in their good resolutions by the knowledge that they were shared by others? Might it not help to diminish the miseries of life, and to change the course of thoughts which may be tending towards insanity or suicide, if there were more of outspoken sympathy in the world, if people were sure that they might trust their secret feelings to others without fear of being despised or laughed at or shrunk from? The Church of England has wisely refused to follow Rome in requiring regular confession to the priest; yet, where the parish priest is what he should be, wise with the heavenly wisdom described by St. James, none should be better fitted than he by position, training, and experience, to receive such confidences and give the needed comfort and counsel.¹

On the whole of this section of the Epistle it may be worth while to quote Dr. Arnold's remarks² :—

See *Homilies*, p. 479, Oxf. ed.

² *Fragment on the Church*, p. 44 foll.

‘The object of the passage is to encourage the exercise of those mutual spiritual aids rendered by Christians to each other, which is one of the great objects and privileges of the institution of the Church. The body was to sympathize with its several members. If a man was in trouble, he was to pray; if in joy, to sing hymns: in neither case is the Apostle speaking of private prayer or private singing; but of those of the Christian congregation¹: there every individual Christian could find the best relief for his sorrows, and the liveliest sympathy in his joy. St. Paul’s command “Rejoice with them that do rejoice and weep with them that weep,” applies to this same sympathy, which the prayers and hymns of the church services were a constant means of expressing. But if a man were sick and could not go to the congregation, still he was not to lose the benefit of his Christian communion with them; he might then ask them to come to him; and as the whole congregation could not thus be summoned, the elders were to go as its representatives, and their prayers were to take the place of the prayers of the whole church. Care, however, is taken to show that the virtue of their prayers arises not from their being priests, but from their being Christians, and standing in the place of the whole church. For these words immediately follow: “confess therefore to one another your sins, and pray for one another, that ye may be healed; there is much virtue in a just man’s prayer, when it is offered earnestly.” Now, this most divine system of a living Church, in which all were to aid each other, in which each man might open his heart to his neighbour and receive the help of his prayers, and in which each man’s earnest prayer, offered in Christ’s name, had so high a promise of blessing annexed to it, has been almost² destroyed by that notion of a priesthood, which claiming that men should confess their sins to the clergy, not as to their brethren, but as to God’s vicegerents, and confining the promised blessing to the prayers of the clergy as priests, not as Christians, nor as the representatives of the whole church, has changed the sympathy of a Christian society into the dominion of a priesthood and the mingled carelessness and superstition of a laity.

‘St. John’s language agrees with that of St. James: “If any man see his brother sinning a sin which is not unto death, he shall pray, and Christ shall give him life, for those who are not sinning unto death. There is a sin unto death;—it is not for that that I am bidding him to pray.” Here the very same blessing which St. James speaks of as following the elders’ prayers is said by St. John to follow the prayer of any Christian, a clear proof that the elders were sent for as representatives of the Church, and not as if their prayers possessed a peculiar virtue, because they stood as priests between God and the people.’

¹ I cannot agree with Arnold in confining the exhortation to congregational singing or prayer.

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others, but by receiving in meekness the ingrafted word, and continuing in the perfect law of liberty. What in fact could be more contemptible in itself and more fatal to any good influence, than for a man to urge upon others a course which he has determined not to follow himself, and expect to be rewarded for *their* faith and works, when he has no faith or works of his own? The passages from the N.T. quoted in the notes do not contemplate the possibility of a preacher of righteousness, who has still to be saved from his sins. It is only in the Apocrypha that we find such unchristian sentiments as 'Almsgiving saves from death and purges away all sin' (Tobit xii. 9). The other quotations are simply encouragements to sincere but sluggish workers, to throw more energy into their work. It is allowable to say 'you have done much evil in the past, try and make up for it by the good you do in the future,' or 'remember that you are appointed by God to be a teacher or an elder: it is not enough for you to keep yourself unspotted in the world: you must bring your influence to bear on others, or you will be found wanting at last': but it is not in accordance with Christian truth to say 'If you make a convert, your own sins will be forgiven.' It appears therefore that we must fall back on the other interpretation understanding 'his' of the sinner. The chief difficulty in this interpretation is that the apodosis seems to add so little to the protasis. 'Conversion' to us already implies 'saving the soul'; but this need not have been so to the first readers of the Epistle. To them the words may have meant 'However many sins the wanderer has been guilty of, still, if he turns, he will be saved from the death he has deserved, and all his sins will be forgiven.' We can imagine that such a promise might have been a great encouragement to those who were dispirited at the state of the backsliders in the church to which they belonged, and doubted whether it was possible to renew them again unto repentance.

INDEX OF GREEK WORDS

(a) words not used by any writer previous to St. James.

(b) not used in this sense before St. James.

(c) not used by any other N.T. writer.

(d) not used in the Septuagint (including Apocrypha).

(e) post-Aristotelian.

(Add.) see Addenda after Preface.

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Ἀβραάμ : ii. 21 Ἀβ. ὁ πατὴρ ἡμῶν οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη, ii. 23 Ἀβ. ἐπίστευσεν τῷ Θεῷ.

ἀγαθός : i. 17 πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθή, iii. 17 καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν.

ἀγαπάω : i. 12 τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς ὃν ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν, ii. 5 κληρονόμους τῆς βασιλείας ἧς ἐπηγγείλατο τοῖς ἀγαπῶσιν αὐτόν, ii. 8 ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτόν.

ἀγαπητός : i. 16, i. 19, ii. 5 ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί.

ἄγγελος : ii. 25 Ῥαὰβ ὑποδεξαμένη τοὺς ἀγγέλους.

ἀγνίζω : iv. 8 ἀγνίσατε καρδίας δίψυχοι.

ἀγνός : iii. 17 ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή ἐστίν.

c. ἄγε : iv. 13 ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες, v. 1. ἄγε νῦν οἱ πλούσιοι κλαύσατε.

ἀδελφή : ii. 15.

ἀδελφός : i. 9 ὁ ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινός, ii. 15 εἰν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφή γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχουσιν, iv. 11 ὁ καταλαλῶν ἀδελφοῦ ἢ κρίνων τὸν ἀδελφόν : vocative ἀδελφοί iv. 11, v. 7, 9, 10, ἀδελφοί μου i. 2, ii. 1, 14, iii. 1, 10, 12, v. 12, 19, ἀδ. μου ἀγαπητοί, i. 16, 19, ii. 5.

b.c.e. ἀδιάκριτος : iii. 17 ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία ἀδιάκριτος.

ἀδικία : iii. 6 ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας.

αἰτέω : i. 5 αἰτείτω παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ, i. 6 αἰτείτω δὲ ἐν πίστει μηδὲν διακρινόμενος, iv. 2 οὐκ ἔχετε διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι, iv. 3 αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε, διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε.

e. ἀκαταστασία : iii. 16 ὅπου ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία, ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία.

c. ἀκατάστατος : i. 8 ἀνὴρ δίψυχος ἀκατάστατος, iii. 8 τὴν γλῶσσαν...ἀκατάστατον κακόν.

c e. ἀκατάσχετος : iii. 8 read for ἀκατάστατος in some MSS.

ἀκούω : i. 19 ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι, ii. 5 ἀκούσατε ἀδελφοί, v. 11 τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰὼβ ἠκούσατε.

- d.* ἀκροατής : i. 22 γίνεσθε ποιηταὶ λόγου, καὶ μὴ μόνον ἀκροαταί, i. 23 εἴ τις ἀκροατής λόγου ἐστίν, i. 25 ἀκροατής ἐπιλησμονῆς.
- ἀλαζονία (ἀλαζονεία) : iv. 16 καυχᾶσθε ἐν ταῖς ἀλαζονίαις ὑμῶν.
- ἀλείφω : v. 14 ἀλείψαντες αὐτὸν ἐλαίῳ ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι.
- ἀλήθεια : i. 18 λόγῳ ἀληθείας, iii. 14 μὴ κατακαυχᾶσθε καὶ ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας, v. 19 εἴαν τις πλανηθῆ ἀπὸ τῆς ἀληθείας.
- ἀλλά : i. 25 οὐκ ἀκροατής ἀλλὰ ποιητής, i. 26 μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλῶσσαν ἀλλὰ ἀπατῶν καρδίαν, ii. 18 ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις, iii. 15 οὐκ ἔστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν ἀλλὰ ἐπίγειος, iv. 11 οὐκ εἶ ποιητής νόμου ἀλλὰ κριτής. See p. cliii.
- ἀλλήλων : iv. 11 μὴ καταλαλεῖτε ἀλλήλων, ἀδελφοί, v. 9 μὴ στενάζετε κατ' ἀλλήλων, v. 16 ἐξομολογεῖσθε ἀλλήλοις τὰς ἁμαρτίας καὶ εὐχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων.
- ἄλλος : v. 12 μήτε ἄλλον τινὰ ὄρκον.
- c.* ἀλυκός : iii. 12 οὔτε ἀλυκὸν γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ.
- ἁμαρτία : i. 15 ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν, ἡ δὲ ἁμαρτία ἀποτελεσθεῖσα ἀποκνεῖ θάνατον, ii. 9 εἰ προσωπολημπτεῖτε ἁμαρτίαν ἐργάζεσθε, iv. 17 εἰδότε οὖν καλὸν ποιεῖν καὶ μὴ ποιοῦντι ἁμαρτία αὐτῷ ἔστιν, v. 15 κἂν ἁμαρτίας ἢ πεποικώς, v. 16 ἐξομολογεῖσθε τὰς ἁμαρτίας (αἱ. τὰ παραπτώματα), v. 20 καλύψει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν.
- ἁμαρτωλός : iv. 8 καθαρίσατε χεῖρας ἁμαρτωλοί, v. 20 ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἁμαρτωλὸν ἐκ πλάνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ.
- c.* ἀμάω : v. 4 τῶν ἐργατῶν τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας ὑμῶν.
- ἀμίαντος : i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος.
- ἄμπελος : iii. 12 μὴ δύναται ἄμπελος σῦκα (ποιῆσαι) ;
- ἄν : iii. 4 ὅπου ἄν, iv. 4 ὅς ἄν (εἴαν), v. 7 ἕως ἄν λάβῃ ὑετόν. See κἂν, and p. clxxxii.
- ἀνάπτω : iii. 5 ἰδοὺ ἠλίκον πῦρ ἠλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει.
- e.* ἀναστροφή : iii. 13 δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ.
- ἀνατέλλω : i. 11 ἀνέτειλεν γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος.
- ἀναφέρω : ii. 21 ἀνερέγκας Ἰσαὰκ ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον.
- a.* ἀνέλεος : ii. 13 ἡ γὰρ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος.
- a.* ἀνεμίζομαι : i. 6 ἔοικε κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ἀνεμιζομένῳ καὶ ῥιπιζομένῳ.
- ἄνεμος : iii. 4 τὰ πλοῖα ὑπὸ σκληρῶν ἀνέμων ἐλαυνόμενα.
- ἄνῆρ : i. 8 ἀνὴρ δίψυχος, i. 12 μακάριος ἀνὴρ ὃς ὑπομένει πειρασμόν, i. 20 ὄργῃ γὰρ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται, i. 23 ἔοικεν ἀνδρὶ κατανοοῦντι τὸ πρόσωπον, ii. 2 ἀνὴρ χρυσοδακτύλιος, iii. 2 εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει οὗτος τέλειος ἀνὴρ.
- ἀνθίστημι : iv. 7 ἀντίστητε τῷ διαβόλῳ, καὶ φεύξεται.
- ἄνθος : i. 10 ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου παρελεύσεται, i. 11 τὸ ἄνθος ἐξέπεσεν.
- ἀνθρώπινος : iii. 7 πᾶσα φύσις δεδάμασται τῇ φύσει τῇ ἀνθρωπίνῃ.
- ἄνθρωπος : i. 7 ὁ ἄνθ. ἐκεῖνος, i. 19 πᾶς ἄνθ., ii. 20 ὦ ἄνθρωπε κενέ, ii. 24 δικαιοῦται ἄνθ., iii. 8 οὐδεὶς ἀνθρώπων, iii. 9 καταρώμεθα τ. ἀνθρώπους, v. 17 Ἡλίας ἄνθρωπος ἦν.
- ἀντί : iv. 15 ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς. See p. clxxii.
- ἀντιτάσσω : iv. 6 ὁ Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται, v. 6 (ὁ δίκαιος) οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται ὑμῖν.
- e.* ἀνυπόκριτος : iii. 17 ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία ἀνυπόκριτος.

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βλέπω : ii. 22 βλέπεις ὅτι ἡ πίστις συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ.

c. βοή : v. 4 αἱ βοαὶ τῶν θερισάντων.

βούλομαι : i. 18 βουλευθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, iii. 4 ὅπου ἡ ὁρμὴ τοῦ εὐθύνοντος βούλεται, iv. 4 ὃς ἐὰν βουλευθῆ φίλος εἶναι τοῦ κόσμου.

βραδύς : i. 19 ἔστω πᾶς ἄνθρωπος βραδύς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι, βραδύς εἰς ὀργήν.

βρέχω : v. 17 Ἡλίας προσηύξατο τοῦ μὴ βρέξαι, καὶ οὐκ ἔβρεξεν.

c.d. βρύω : iii. 11 μήτι ἡ πηγὴ ἐκ τῆς αὐτῆς ὀπῆς βρύει τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρὸν ;

Γ

γάρ : i. 6, 7, 11, 13, 20, 24, ii. 2, 10, 11, 13, 26, iii. 2, 7, 16, iv. 14.

e. γεέννα : iii. 6 φλογιζομένη ὑπὸ τῆς γεέννης.

c. γέλως : iv. 9 ὁ γέλως ὑμῶν εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω.

γένεσις : i. 23 τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως αὐτοῦ, iii. 6 φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως.

γεωργός : v. 7 ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν τῆς γῆς.

γῆ : v. 7 τὸν καρπὸν τῆς γῆς, v. 12 μὴ ὀμνύετε τὴν γῆν, v. 5 ἐτρυφήσατε ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, v. 17 οὐκ ἔβρεξεν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, v. 18 ἡ γῆ ἐβλάστησεν τὸν καρπὸν.

γίνομαι : i. 12 δόκιμος γενόμενος, i. 22 γίνεσθε ποιηταί, i. 25 οὐκ ἀκροατῆς γενόμενος, ii. 4 ἐγένεσθε κριταί, ii. 10 γέγονεν πάντων ἔνοχος, ii. 11 γέγονας παραβάτης, iii. 1 μὴ πολλοὶ διδάσκαλοι γίνεσθε, iii. 9 τοὺς καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας, iii. 10 οὐ χρὴ ταῦτα οὕτως γίνεσθαι, v. 2 τὰ ἱμάτια σητόβρωτα γέγονεν.

γινώσκω : i. 3 γινώσκοντες ὅτι τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονήν, ii. 20 θέλεις δὲ γνῶναι ὅτι ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων ἀργή ἐστιν ; v. 20 γινώσκετε (αλ. γινωσκέτω) ὅτι ὁ ἐπιστρέψας ἀμαρτωλὸν σώσει ψυχὴν.

γλυκύς : iii. 11 μήτι ἡ πηγὴ βρύει τὸ γλυκὺ καὶ τὸ πικρὸν ; iii. 12 οὔτε ἀλυκὸν γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ.

γλώσσα : i. 26 μὴ χαλιναγωγῶν γλώσσαν, iii. 5 ἡ γλώσσα μικρὸν μέλος ἐστὶν καὶ μεγάλα αὐχεῖ, iii. 6 καὶ ἡ γλώσσα πῦρ, ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ γλώσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν, iii. 8 τὴν γλώσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται.

γραφὴ : ii. 8 κατὰ τὴν γραφήν, ii. 23 καὶ ἐπληρώθη ἡ γραφὴ ἡ λέγουσα, iv. 5 ἡ γραφὴ λέγει.

γυμνός : ii. 15 ἐὰν δὲ ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχωσιν.

Δ

δαιμόνιον : ii. 19 καὶ τὰ δαιμόνια πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουσιν.

a. δαιμονιώδης : iii. 15 σοφία δαιμονιώδης.

δαμάζω : iii. 7 πᾶσα φύσις θηρίων δαμάζεται καὶ δεδάμασται τῇ φύσει τῇ ἀνθρωπίνῃ, iii. 8 τὴν γλώσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται.

δαπανάω : iv. 3 κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε, ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς ὑμῶν δαπανήσητε.

- δέ with the correlative μέν omitted, i. 10, 13, ii. 2, 11; preceded by more than one word, ii. 14, v. 12; omitted with ἔπειτα, iii. 17, iv. 14; δὲ καί ii. 2, 25. Occurs on the whole thirty-one times.
- δέησις: v. 16 πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη.
- δείκνυμι: ii. 18 δεῖξόν μοι τὴν πίστιν σου χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων καὶ γὰρ σοὶ δείξω ἐκ τῶν ἔργων μου, iii. 13 δεῖξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ.
- δ. δελεάζω: i. 14 ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος.
- δέχομαι: i. 21 ἐν πραύτητι δέξασθε τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον.
- διά: ii. 12 διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας, iv. 2 διὰ τὸ μὴ αἰτεῖσθαι ὑμᾶς. See pp. clxxii, clxxiii.
- e. διάβολος: iv. 7 ἀντίστητε τῷ διαβόλῳ, καὶ φεύξεται.
- b. διακρίνω: i. 6 αἰτείτω ἐν πίστει, μηδὲν διακρινόμενος· ὁ γὰρ διακρινόμενος ἔοικεν κλύδωνι, ii. 4 οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς;
- διαλογισμός: ii. 4 ἐγένεσθε κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν.
- e. διασπορά: i. 1 ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς ταῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ.
- διδάσκαλος: iii. 1 μὴ πολλοὶ διδάσκαλοι γίνεσθε.
- δίδωμι: i. 5 τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ πᾶσιν ἀπλῶς, ib. δοθήσεται αὐτῷ, ii. 16 ἐὰν μὴ δώτε αὐτοῖς τὰ ἐπιτήδεια, iv. 6 δίδωσιν χάριν (bis), v. 18 ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν.
- δίκαιος: v. 6 ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον, v. 16 πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη.
- δικαιοσύνη: i. 20 ὀργὴ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται, ii. 18 ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην, iii. 18 καρπὸς δὲ τῆς δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην.
- δικαιόω: ii. 21 Ἀβ. οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη; ii. 24 ἐξ ἔργων δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος, καὶ οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως μόνον, ii. 25 Ῥαὰβ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων ἐδικαιώθη;
- διό: i. 21 διὸ ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν, iv. 6 διὸ λέγει.
- διότι: iv. 3 αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε, διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε.
- a. δίψυχος: i. 8 ἀνὴρ δίψυχος ἀκατάστατος, iv. 8 ἀγνίσατε καρδίας δίψυχοι.
- δοκέω: i. 26 εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι, iv. 5 ἢ δοκεῖτε ὅτι κενῶς ἢ γραφὴ λέγει;
- e. δοκίμιον: i. 3 τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως κατεργάζεται ὑπομονήν.
- δόκιμος: i. 12 δόκιμος γενόμενος λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς.
- δόξα: ii. 1 τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τῆς δόξης.
- δόσις: i. 17 πᾶσα δόσις ἀγαθὴ καὶ πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον ἄνωθέν ἐστιν.
- δοῦλος: i. 1 Ἰάκωβος Θεοῦ καὶ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δοῦλος.
- δύναμαι: i. 21 τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον, τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν, ii. 14 μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις σῶσαι αὐτόν; iii. 8 τὴν γλῶσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσαι δύναται, iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι; iv. 2 οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν, iv. 12 ὁ δυνάμενος σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι.
- δυνατός: iii. 2 τέλειος ἀνὴρ, δυνατὸς χαλιναγωγῆσαι καὶ ὅλον τὸ σῶμα.
- δώδεκα: i. 1 Ἰάκωβος ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς.
- d. δῶρημα: i. 17 πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον ἄνωθέν ἐστιν.

E

- ἐάν: ii. 2 ἐὰν γὰρ εἰσέλθῃ, ii. 14 ἐὰν πίστιν λέγῃ τις ἔχειν, ii. 15 ἐὰν ἀδελφὸς ἢ ἀδελφὴ γυμνοὶ ὑπάρχωσιν, ii. 17 ἢ πίστις, ἐὰν μὴ ἔχῃ ἔργα, νεκρά ἐστιν, iv. 15 ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ, v. 19 ἐὰν τις πλανηθῇ: used

- with relative instead of ἄν, iv. 4 ὅς ἐὰν βουληθῆ φίλος εἶναι. See κἄν, also pp. clxxix, clxxxix.
- ἑαυτοῦ: i. 22 παραλογιζόμενοι ἑαυτούς, i. 24 κατενόησεν ἑαυτόν, i. 27 ἄσπιλον ἑαυτόν τηρεῖν, ii. 4 οὐ διεκρίθητε ἐν ἑαυτοῖς, ii. 17 καθ' ἑαυτήν. See p. clxviii.
- ἐγγίζω: iv. 8 ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ, καὶ ἐγγίσει ὑμῖν, v. 8 ἡ παρουσία τοῦ Κυρίου ἤγγικεν.
- ἐγείρω: v. 15 ἐγερεῖ αὐτὸν ὁ Κύριος.
- ἐγώ: (μου) i. 2, 16, 19, ii. 1, 3, 5, 14, 18, iii. 1, 10, 12, v. 10, 12; (μοι) ii. 18; (ἡμᾶς) i. 18; (ἡμῶν) ii. 1, 21, iii. 6; (ἡμῖν) iii. 3, iv. 5, v. 17. See κἀγώ.
- εἰ: i. 5, 23, 26, ii. 8, 9, 11, iii. 2, 14, iv. 11. See p. clxxix.
- εἶδον: see ὀράω.
- εἶμί: (εἶ) iv. 11, 12; (ἐστίν) i. 13, 17, 23, 27, ii. 17, 19, 20, 26, iii. 5, 15, 17, iv. 4, 12, 16, 17, v. 11; (ἐστέ) iv. 14; (ἔσται) i. 25, v. 3; (ἦν) i. 24, v. 17; (ἦτε) i. 4; (ἔστω) i. 19, (ἦτω) v. 12; (ἦ) v. 15; (εἶναι) i. 18, 26, iv. 4; (ὄντα) iii. 4. See p. clvi.
- εἶπον: ii. 3 ἐὰν εἶπητε αὐτῷ Σὺ κάθου, ii. 11 ὁ γὰρ εἰπὼν...εἶπε καὶ κ.τ.λ., ii. 16 εἶπη δέ τις Ὑπάγετε ἐν εἰρήνῃ.
- εἰρήνη: ii. 16 ὑπάγετε ἐν εἰρήνῃ, iii. 18 καρπὸς δὲ τῆς δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται τοῖς ποιούσιν εἰρήνην.
- εἰρηνικός: iii. 17 ἡ ἄνωθεν σοφία εἰρηνική.
- εἰς: i. 18, 19, 25, ii. 2, 6, 23, iii. 3, iv. 9, 13, v. 3, 4. See pp. clxxii, clxxxvii.
- εἰς: ii. 10 πταίση δὲ ἐν ἐνί, see *Add.*, ii. 19 εἰς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός, iv. 12 εἰς ἐστὶν νομοθέτης, iv. 13 ἐνιαυτὸν ἓνα.
- εἰσέρχομαι: ii. 2 ἐὰν εἰσέλθῃ εἰς συναγωγὴν, v. 4 εἰς τὰ ὦτα Κυρίου Σαβαῶθ εἰσελήλυθαν, cf. pp. clvi, clxxxv.
- εἶτα: i. 15 εἶτα ἡ ἐπιθυμία τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν.
- ἐκ: ii. 16, 18, 21, 22, 24, 25, iii. 10, 11, 13, iv. 1, v. 20. See p. clxxiii.
- ἕκαστος: i. 14 ἕκαστος δὲ πειράζεται ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας.
- ἐκβάλλω: ii. 25 τοὺς ἀγγέλους ἐτέρα ὁδῷ ἐκβαλοῦσα.
- ἐκδέχομαι: v. 7 ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν.
- ἐκεῖ: ii. 3 σὺ στῆθι ἐκεῖ, iii. 16 ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία, iv. 13 ποιήσομεν ἐκεῖ ἐνιαυτὸν ἓνα.
- ἐκεῖνος: i. 7 ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος, iv. 15 ποιήσομεν τοῦτο ἢ ἐκεῖνο.
- ἐκκλησία: v. 14 τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας.
- ἐκλέγω: ii. 5 οὐχ ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς;
- ἐκπίπτω: i. 11 καὶ τὸ ἄνθος αὐτοῦ ἐξέπεσεν.
- ἐλαία: iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι;
- ἔλαιον: v. 14 ἀλείψαντες αὐτὸν ἐλαίῳ.
- ἐλαύνω: iii. 4 τὰ πλοῖα ὑπὸ σκληρῶν ἀνέμων ἐλαυνόμενα.
- ἐλάχιστος: iii. 4 τὰ πλοῖα μετάγεται ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου πηδαλίου.
- ἐλέγχω: ii. 9 ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμου ὡς παραβάται.
- ἔλεος: ii. 13 ἡ κρίσις ἀνέλεος τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος· κατακαυχᾶται ἔλεος κρίσεως, iii. 17 μεστὴ ἐλέους. See p. cliv.
- ἐλευθερία: i. 25 νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας, ii. 12 ὡς διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι.

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- ἐργάζομαι : i. 20 ὀργή δικαιοσύνην οὐκ ἐργάζεται, ii. 9 εἰ προσωπολημπτεῖτε, ἁμαρτίαν ἐργάζεσθε. See p. cxciiii.
- ἐργάτης : v. 4 ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἐργατῶν τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας.
- ἔργον : i. 4 ἡ δὲ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω, i. 25 οὐκ ἀκροατὴς ἀλλὰ ποιητὴς ἔργου, ii. 14, 17, 18 πίστιν ἔχειν, ἔργα ἔχειν, ii. 20, 26 ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων, ii. 21, 24, 25 ἐξ ἔργων δικαιούσθαι, ii. 22 ἡ πίστις συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἐτελειώθη, iii. 13 δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα.
- d. ἐριθία (ἐριθεία) : iii. 14 ζῆλον πικρὸν ἔχετε καὶ ἐριθίαν, iii. 16 ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία.
- έρπετόν : iii. 7 πᾶσα φύσις ἐρπετῶν τε καὶ ἐναλίων.
- έρῶ : ii. 18 ἀλλ' ἐρεῖ τις, Σὺ πίστιν ἔχεις.
- ἐσθής : ii. 2 ἐσθῆτι λαμπρᾷ) (ῥυπαρᾷ ἐσθῆτι, ii. 3 τὸν φοροῦντα τὴν ἐσθῆτα τὴν λαμπράν.
- ἐσθίω : v. 3 ὁ ἰὸς φάγεται τὰς σάρκας ὑμῶν. See pp. clv, clxxxiv.
- ἔσοπτρον : i. 23 κατανοῶν τὸ πρόσωπον ἐν ἐσόπτρῳ.
- ἔσχατος : v. 3 ἐθησαυρίσατε ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις.
- ἕτερος : ii. 25 ἕτερα ὁδῶ ἐκβαλοῦσα.
- εὐθέως : i. 24 εὐθέως ἐπελάθετο ὁποῖος ἦν.
- εὐθυμέω : v. 13 εὐθυμεῖ τίς ; ψαλλέτω.
- εὐθύνω : iii. 4 ἡ ὁρμὴ τοῦ εὐθύνοντος.
- εὐλογέω : iii. 9 ἐν αὐτῇ εὐλογοῦμεν τὸν Θεόν.
- εὐλογία : iii. 10 εὐλογία καὶ κατάρα.
- c.d. εὐπειθής : iii. 17 ἡ δὲ ἄνωθεν σοφία εὐπειθής.
- c. εὐπρέπεια : i. 11 ἡ εὐπρέπεια τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ.
- εὐχή : v. 15 ἡ εὐχὴ τῆς πίστεως σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα.
- εὐχομαι : v. 16 εὐχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων, ὅπως ἰαθῆτε.
- c.d.e. ἐφήμερος : ii. 15 τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς.
- ἔχθρα : iv. 4 ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν.
- ἐχθρός : iv. 4 φίλος τοῦ κόσμου, ἐχθρὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ.
- ἔχω : i. 4 ἡ ὑπομονὴ ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω, ii. 1 μὴ ἐν προσωπολημψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν, ii. 14 πίστιν ἔχειν, ii. 14, 17, 18 ἔργα ἔχειν, iii. 14 ζῆλον ἔχειν, iv. 2 ἐπιθυμεῖτε, καὶ οὐκ ἔχετε. See p. cxciiii.
- ἕως : (prep.) v. 7 ἕως τῆς παρουσίας τοῦ Κυρίου ; (conj.) v. 7 μακροθυμῶν ἕως λάβῃ. See p. clxxiii.

Z

- ζάω : iv. 15 εἰ ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ, καὶ ζήσομεν καὶ...
- ζῆλος : iii. 14 ζῆλον πικρὸν, iii. 16 ζῆλος καὶ ἐριθία.
- ζηλόω : iv. 2 ζηλοῦτε καὶ οὐ δύνασθε ἐπιτυχεῖν.
- ζωή : i. 12 τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς, iv. 14 ποία ἡ ζωὴ ὑμῶν ;

H

- ἦ : (= an) iv. 5 ἦ δοκεῖτε ὅτι κενῶς... ; (= aut) i. 17, ii. 3, 15, iii. 12, iv. 1, 13, 15.
- ἠγέομαι : i. 2 πᾶσαν χαρὰν ἠγήσασθε.

- ἡδονή: iv. 1 τῶν ἡδονῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ὑμῶν, iv. 3 ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς δαπανήσητε.
 Ἡλίας: v. 17 Ἡλίας ἄνθρωπος ἦν ὁμοιοπαθῆς ἡμῖν.
 ἡλίκος: iii. 5 ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει.
 ἥλιος: i. 11 ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος.
 ἡμεῖς: see ἐγώ.
 ἡμέρα: v. 3 ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις, v. 5 ὡς ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς.

Θ

- θάλασσα: i. 6 κλύδωνι θαλάσσης.
 c. θανατηφόρος: iii. 8 (γλῶσσα) μεστή ἰοῦ θανατηφόρου.
 θάνατος: i. 15 ἡ δὲ ἁμαρτία ἀποκνέει θάνατον, v. 20 σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου.
 θέλω: ii. 20 θέλεις δὲ γινῶναι; iv. 15 ἐὰν ὁ Κύριος θελήσῃ.
 Θεός: i. 1 Θεοῦ καὶ Κυρίου I. X. δούλος, i. 5 παρὰ τοῦ διδόντος Θεοῦ, i. 13 ἀπὸ Θεοῦ πειράζομαι, ib. Θ. ἀπείραστος, i. 20 δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ, i. 27 θρησκεία ἀμίαντος παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ καὶ Πατρί, ii. 5 ὁ Θεὸς ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς, ii. 19 εἷς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός, ii. 23 ἐπίστευσεν Ἀβραὰμ τῷ Θεῷ καὶ φίλος Θεοῦ ἐκλήθη, iii. 9 καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ, iv. 4 ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἐχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ... φίλος τοῦ κόσμου ἐχθρὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, iv. 6 ὁ Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται, iv. 7 ὑποτάγητε τῷ Θεῷ, iv. 8 ἐγγίσατε τῷ Θεῷ. See p. clviii foll.
 θερίζω: v. 4 αἰ βοαὶ τῶν θερισάντων.
 θερμαίνω: ii. 16 θερμαίνεσθε καὶ χορτάζεσθε.
 θηρίον: iii. 7 πᾶσα φύσις θηρίων τε καὶ πετεινῶν.
 θησαυρίζω: v. 3 ἐθησαυρίσατε ἐν ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις.
 θλίψις: i. 27 ὀρφανοὺς καὶ χήρας ἐν τῇ θλίψει αὐτῶν.
 θρησκεία: i. 26 τούτου ματαῖος ἡ θρησκεία, i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος.
 α. θρησκός: i. 26 εἴ τις δοκεῖ θρησκὸς εἶναι.
 θύρα: v. 9 ὁ κριτῆς πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν ἔστηκεν.
 e. θυσιαστήριον: ii. 21 ἀνενέγκας Ἰσαὰκ ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον.

I

- Ἰάκωβος: i. 1 Ἰάκωβος Θεοῦ καὶ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δούλος.
 ἰάομαι: v. 16 εὐχεσθε ὑπὲρ ἀλλήλων, ὅπως ἰαθῆτε.
 ἴδιος: i. 14 ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας ἐξελκόμενος.
 ἴδε (al. εἰ δέ): iii. 3 ἴδε, τοὺς χαλινούς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν. Add.
 ἰδού: iii. 4 ἰδού, καὶ τὰ πλοῖα μετάγεται, iii. 5 ἰδού, ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει, v. 4 ἰδού, ὁ μισθὸς κράζει, v. 7 ἰδού, ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται τὸν καρπὸν, v. 9 ἰδού, ὁ κριτῆς ἔστηκεν, v. 11 ἰδού, μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομένοντας.
 Ἰησους: i. 1 Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δούλος, ii. 1 τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ τῆς δόξης.
 ἰμάτιον: v. 2 τὰ ἰμάτια ὑμῶν σητόβρωτα γέγονεν.
 ἵνα: i. 4 ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι, iv. 3 ἵνα ἐν ταῖς ἡδοναῖς δαπανήσητε, v. 9 ἵνα μὴ κριθῆτε, v. 12 ἵνα μὴ ὑπὸ κρίσιν πέσητε. See pp. clxxviii foll., clxxxviii.
 ἰός: v. 3 ὁ ἰὸς αὐτῶν εἰς μαρτύριον ὑμῖν ἔσται.

ἵππος : iii. 3 ἰδοῦ, τῶν ἵππων τοὺς χαλινοὺς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν.
 Ἰσαάκ : ii. 21 ἀνερέγκας Ἰσαὰκ τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον.
 ἴστημι : ii. 3 σὺ στήθι ἐκεῖ, v. 9 ἰδοῦ, ὁ κριτῆς πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν ἕστηκεν.
 ἰσχύω : v. 16 πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις δικαίου ἐνεργουμένη.
 Ἰώβ : v. 11 τὴν ὑπομονὴν Ἰώβ ἠκούσατε.

K

κἀγώ : ii. 18 bis. See p. cliv.
 e. καθαρίζω : iv. 8 καθαρίσατε χεῖρας ἀμαρτωλοί.
 καθαρός : i. 27 θρησκεία καθαρὰ καὶ ἀμίαντος.
 κάθημαι : ii. 3 σὺ κάθου ὧδε καλῶς.
 καθίστημι : iii. 6 οὕτως ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μελεσιν, iv. 4 ἐχθρὸς τοῦ θεοῦ καθίσταται.
 καί : ('also,' never 'even') i. 11 οὕτως καὶ ὁ πλούσιος μαρανθήσεται, ii. 2 εἰσέλθη δὲ καὶ πτωχός, ii. 11 ὁ γὰρ εἰπὼν Μὴ μοιχεύσης, εἶπεν καὶ Μὴ φονεύσης, ii. 17, 26 οὕτως καὶ ἡ πίστις, ii. 19 καὶ τὰ δαίμονια πιστεύουσιν, ii. 25 ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ῥαάβ, iii. 2 δυνατὸς χαλιναγωγῆσαι καὶ ὄλον τὸ σῶμα, iii. 4 ἰδοῦ καὶ τὰ πλοῖα, iii. 5 οὕτως καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα, iii. 14 ἔπειτα καὶ ἀφανιζομένη, v. 8 μακροθυμήσατε καὶ ὑμεῖς. Joining cause and effect (with imperative) i. 5 αἰτείτω καὶ δοθήσεται, iv. 7 ἀντίστητε καὶ φεύξεται, iv. 8 ἐγγίσατε καὶ ἐγγίσει, iv. 10 ταπεινώθητε καὶ ὑψώσει, v. 15 προσευξάσθωσαν καὶ σώσει : (with indic.) i. 11 ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος καὶ ἐξέπεσεν, v. 17, 18 προσηύξατο καὶ... Connecting contrasted notions ii. 19 πιστεύουσιν καὶ φρίσσουν, iii. 5 μικρὸν μέλος ἐστὶν καὶ μεγάλα αὐχεῖ. Connecting six successive clauses in v. 17, 18, five in v. 14, 15. Used where we might have expected δέ in ii. 4, iv. 15. See κἀγώ and κἄν.
 κακία : i. 21 περισσεῖαν κακίας.
 κακοπαθέω : v. 13 κακοπαθεῖ τις ἐν ὑμῖν ; προσευχέσθω.
 c. κακοπάθεια : v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς κακοπαθείας τοὺς προφήτας.
 κακός : i. 13 ὁ Θεὸς ἀπείραστός ἐστιν κακῶν, iii. 8 ἀκατάστατον κακόν.
 κακῶς : iv. 3 οὐ λαμβάνετε διότι κακῶς αἰτεῖσθε.
 καλέω : ii. 23 φίλος Θεοῦ ἐκλήθη.
 καλός : ii. 7 τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα, iii. 13 ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς, iv. 17 καλὸν ποιεῖν.
 καλύπτω : v. 20 καλύψει πλῆθος ἀμαρτιῶν.
 καλῶς : ii. 3 σὺ κάθου ὧδε καλῶς, ii. 8 καλῶς ποιεῖτε, ii. 19 καλῶς ποιεῖς.
 κάμνω : v. 15 ἡ εὐχὴ σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα.
 κἄν (= καὶ ἐάν 'and if') : v. 15. See p. cliv.
 καρδία : i. 26 ἀπατῶν καρδίαν, iii. 14 ζῆλον ἔχετε ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ, iv. 8 ἀγνίσ- ατε καρδίας, v. 5 ἐθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας, v. 8 στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας.
 καρπός : iii. 17 μεστὴ καρπῶν ἀγαθῶν, iii. 18 καρπὸς δικαιοσύνης v. 7 τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν τῆς γῆς, v. 18 ἡ γῆ ἐβλάστησεν τὸν καρπὸν αὐτῆς.
 κατά : (c. acc.) ii. 8 κατὰ τὴν γραφὴν, ii. 17 καθ' ἑαυτήν, iii. 9 καθ' ὁμοίωσιν Θεοῦ ; (c. gen.) iii. 14 ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας, v. 9 μὴ στενάζετε κατ' ἀλλήλων. See pp. clxxii, clxxiii.
 καταβαίνω : i. 17 καταβαίνον ἀπὸ τοῦ πατρὸς τῶν φώτων.
 καταδικάζω : v. 6 κατεδικάσατε, ἐφονεύσατε τὸν δίκαιον.

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Λ

- λαλίω : i. 19 βραδὺς εἰς τὸ λαλήσαι, ii. 12 οὕτως λαλεῖτε, v. 10 ἐλάλησαν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου.
 λαμβάνω : i. 7 μὴ οἰέσθω ὅτι λήμψεταιί τι, i. 12 λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον, iii. 1 μείζον κρίμα λημψόμεθα, iv. 3 αἰτεῖτε καὶ οὐ λαμβάνετε, v. 7 μακροθυμῶν ἕως λάβη, v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τοὺς προφήτας. See p. cxciiii.
 λαμπρός : ii. 2 ἐν ἐσθῆτι λαμπρᾷ, ii. 3 τὸν φοροῦντα τὴν ἐσθῆτα τὴν λαμπράν.
 λέγω : i. 13 μηδεὶς λεγέτω ὅτι, ii. 14 ἐὰν πίστιν λέγη τις ἔχειν, ii. 23, iv. 5, 6 ἡ γραφὴ λέγει, iv. 13 ἄγε νῦν οἱ λέγοντες, iv. 15 ἀντὶ τοῦ λέγειν ὑμᾶς.
 λείπω : i. 4 ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι, i. 5 εἴ τις ὑμῶν λείπεται σοφίας, ii. 15 λειπόμενοι τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς.
 λογίζομαι : ii. 23 ἐλογίσθη αὐτῷ εἰς δικαιοσύνην.
 λογος : i. 18 ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας, i. 21 τὸν ἔμφυτον λόγον, i. 22 ποιηταὶ λόγου, i. 23 ἀκροατῆς λόγου, iii. 2 εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει. See pp. clix, clxv.

Μ

- μακαρίζω : v. 11 ἰδοὺ, μακαρίζομεν τοὺς ὑπομειναντας.
 μακάριος : i. 12 μακάριος ἀνὴρ ὃς ὑπομένει πειρασμόν, i. 25 οὗτος μακάριος ἐν τῇ ποιήσει αὐτοῦ ἔσται.
 e. μακροθυμέω : v. 7 μακροθυμήσατε, ἕως τῆς παρουσίας τοῦ Κυρίου... ὁ γεωργὸς ἐκδέχεται μακροθυμῶν, v. 8 μακροθυμήσατε καὶ ὑμεῖς.
 μακροθυμία : v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τῆς μακροθυμίας τοὺς προφήτας.
 c. μαραίνω : i. 11 ὁ πλούσιος ἐν ταῖς πορείαις αὐτοῦ μαρανθήσεται.
 μαρτύριον : v. 3 ὁ ἰὸς αὐτῶν εἰς μαρτύριον ὑμῖν ἔσται.
 μάταιος : i. 26 τούτου μάταιος ἡ θρησκεία.
 μάχη : iv. 1 πόθεν πόλεμοι καὶ μάχαι ἐν ὑμῖν ;
 μάχομαι : iv. 2 μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε.
 c. μεγαλαυχέω (μεγάλα αὐχέω) : iii. 5 ἡ γλῶσσα μεγάλα αὐχεῖ.
 μείζων : iii. 1 μείζον κρίμα, iv. 6 μείζονα δίδωσιν χάριν.
 μέλλω : ii. 12 διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι.
 μέλος : iii. 5 ἡ γλῶσσα μικρὸν μέλος, iii. 6 ὁ κόσμος τῆς ἀδικίας ἡ γλῶσσα καθίσταται ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν, iv. 1 τῶν ἡδονῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ὑμῶν.
 μέν : iii. 17 πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή.
 μέντοι : ii. 8 εἰ μέντοι νόμον τελεῖτε.
 μεστός : iii. 8 μεστή ἰοῦ θανατηφόρου, iii. 17 μεστή ἐλέους.
 c. μετάγω : iii. 3 τὸ σῶμα αὐτῶν μετάγομεν, iii. 4 τὰ πλοῖα μετάγεται ὑπὸ ἐλαχίστου πηδαλίου.
 μεταστρέφω (αἰ. μετατρέπω) : iv. 9 ὁ γέλωσ ὑμῶν εἰς πένθος μεταστραφήτω.
 μὴ : (with imperative force) i. 7, 16, 22, ii. 1, 11, iii. 1, 14, iv. 11, v. 9, 12.
 (with interrogative force) ii. 14, iii. 12, cf. μήτι.
 (with infinitive) iv. 2, 11, v. 17.

(with subjunctive) ii. 11, 14, 16, 17.

(with participle) i. 5, 6, 26, ii. 13, iv. 17.

See pp. clxxx, clxxxix.

μηδεὶς: i. 4 ἐν μηδενὶ λειπόμενοι, i. 6 μηδὲν διακρινόμενος, i. 13 μηδεὶς πειραζόμενος λεγέτω.

μῆν: v. 17 ἐνιαυτοὺς τρεῖς καὶ μῆνας ἕξ.

μήτε: v. 12 μὴ ὀμνύετε μήτε τὸν οὐρανὸν μήτε ἄλλον τινὰ ὄρκον.

μήτι: iii. 11 μήτι ἢ πηγὴ βρῦει τὸ γλυκύ;

μικρός: iii. 5 ἢ γλῶσσα μικρὸν μέλος ἐστίν. See ἐλάχιστος.

μισθός: v. 4 ὁ μισθὸς τῶν ἐργατῶν κράζει.

e. μοιχαλὶς: iv. 4 μοιχαλίδες, οὐκ οἶδατε ὅτι κ.τ.λ.

μοιχεύω: ii. 11 μὴ μοιχεύσης...εἰ δὲ οὐ μοιχεύεις.

μοιχός: iv. 4 in some MSS.

μόνον: i. 22 γίνεσθε μὴ ἀκροαταὶμόνον, ii. 24 οὐκ ἐκ πίστεωςμόνον.

N

ναί: v. 12 ἤτω δὲ ὑμῶν τὸ ναὶ ναί.

νεκρός: ii. 17 ἢ πίστις, ἐὰν μὴ ἔχη ἔργα, νεκρά ἐστίν, ii. 26 τὸ σῶμα χωρὶς πνεύματος νεκρὸν ἐστίν...ἢ πίστις χωρὶς ἔργων νεκρά ἐστίν, also ii. 20 read for ἀργή in some MSS.

c. νομοθέτης: iv. 12 εἷς ἐστίν νομοθέτης.

νόμος: i. 25 νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας, ii. 8 νόμον τελεῖτε βασιλικόν, ii. 9 ἐλεγχόμενοι ὑπὸ τοῦ νόμου, ii. 10 ὅστις ὄλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ, ii. 11 γέγονας παραβάτης νόμου, ii. 12 ὡς διὰ νόμου ἐλευθερίας μέλλοντες κρίνεσθαι, iv. 11 καταλαλεῖ νόμου καὶ κρίνει νόμον...εἰ δὲ νόμον κρίνεις οὐκ εἶ ποιητῆς νόμου. See pp. clix, clxv.

νῦν: iv. 16 νῦν δὲ καυχᾶσθε, iv. 13, v. 1 ἄγε νῦν.

Ξ

ξηραίνω: i. 11 ὁ ἥλιος ἐξήρανε τὸν χόρτον.

O

ὁ, ἡ, τό: see pp. clvi—clxvii.

ὅδε: iv. 13 εἰς τήνδε τὴν πόλιν.

ὁδός: i. 8 ἀκατάστατος ἐν πάσαις ταῖς ὁδοῖς αὐτοῦ, ii. 25 ἑτέρα ὁδῶ ἐκβαλοῦσα, v. 20 ἐκ πλάνης ὁδοῦ αὐτοῦ.

οἶδα: i. 19 ἴστε ἀδελφοί μου ἀγαπητοί, iii. 1 εἰδότες ὅτι μείζον κρίμα ληψόμεθα, iv. 4 οὐκ οἶδατε ὅτι ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἔχθρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐστίν; iv. 17 εἰδότες καλὸν ποιεῖν. See p. clvi.

e. οἰκτίρμων: v. 11 πολὺσπλαγχνός ἐστίν ὁ Κύριος καὶ οἰκτίρμων.

οἶμαι: i. 7 μὴ γὰρ οἶέσθω ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐκεῖνος ὅτι.

ὀλίγος: iv. 14 ἀτμὶς ἢ πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη, iii. 5 read for ἡλίγον by some MSS.

- ὀλόκληρος : i. 4 ἵνα ἦτε τέλειοι καὶ ὀλόκληροι.
 c. ὀλολύζω : v. 1 κλαύσατε ὀλολύζοντες ἐπὶ ταῖς ταλαιπωρίαις.
 ὄλος : ii. 10 ὄλον τὸν νόμον, iii. 2, 3, 6 ὄλον τὸ σῶμα.
 ὀμνύω : v. 12 πρὸ πάντων δὲ μὴ ὀμνύετε.
 ὀμοιοπαθής : v. 17 Ἡλίας ἄνθρωπος ἦν ὀμοιοπαθής ἡμῖν.
 ὀμοίως : ii. 25 ὀμοίως δὲ καὶ Ῥαάβ.
 c. ὀμοίωσις : iii. 9 τοὺς καθ' ὀμοίωσιν Θεοῦ γεγονότας.
 ὀνειδίζω : i. 5 τοῦ Θεοῦ μὴ ὀνειδίζοντος.
 ὄνομα : ii. 7 τὸ καλὸν ὄνομα τὸ ἐπικληθὲν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς, v. 10 ἐλάλησαν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου, v. 14 ἀλείψαντες ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι (τοῦ Κυρίου).
 ὀπή : iii. 11 ἡ πηγὴ ἐκ τῆς αὐτῆς ὀπῆς.
 ὀποῖος : i. 24 εὐθέως ἐπελάθετο ὀποῖος ἦν.
 ὄπου : iii. 4 ὄπου ἡ ὄρμη βούλεται, iii. 16 ὄπου ζῆλος ἐκεῖ ἀκαταστασία.
 ὄπως : v. 16 εὐχεσθε ὄπως ἰαθῆτε.
 ὀράω : ii. 24 ὀράτε ὅτι ἐξ ἔργων δικαιοῦται, v. 11 τὸ τέλος Κυρίου εἶδετε.
 See ἴδε, ἰδοῦ, οἶδα.
 ὀργή : i. 19 βραδὺς εἰς ὀργήν, i. 20 ὀργὴ γὰρ ἀνδρὸς δικαιοσύνην Θεοῦ οὐκ ἐργάζεται.
 ὄρκος : v. 12 μήτε ἄλλον τινὰ ὄρκον (ὀμνύετε).
 ὄρμη : iii. 4 ἡ ὄρμη τοῦ εὐθύνοντος.
 ὄς : i. 12, 17, ii. 5, iv. 5, v. 10 ; (ὄς ἐάν) iv. 4. See p. clxix.
 ὅστις : ii. 10 ὅστις ὄλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ, iv. 14 οἵτινες οὐκ ἐπίστασθε τὸ τῆς αὔριον.
 ὅταν : i. 2 ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε. See pp. clxxviii, clxxxviii.
 ὅτι : 'that' after γινώσκοντες i. 3, οἰέσθω i. 7, λεγέτω i. 13, πιστεύεις ii. 19, γνῶναι ii. 20, βλέπεις ii. 22, ὀράτε ii. 24, εἰδότες iii. 1, οἶδατε iv. 4, δοκεῖτε iv. 5, τὸ τέλος εἶδετε v. 11, γινώσκετε v. 20 ;
 'because' i. 10 καυχάσθω ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει, ὅτι παρελεύσεται, i. 12 μακάριος ὃς ὑπομένει, ὅτι λήμψεται τὸν στέφανον, i. 23 μὴ ἀκροαταὶ, ὅτι ἀκροατῆς ἔοικεν ἀνδρὶ κατανοοῦντι κ.τ.λ., v. 8 στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας, ὅτι ἡ παρουσία ἤγγικεν. See p. clxxviii.
 οὐ : v. 12 τὸ ναὶ ναί, καὶ τὸ οὐ οὐ. See p. clxxix.
 οὐδεῖς : i. 13 πειράζει δὲ αὐτὸς οὐδένα, iii. 8 τὴν γλώσσαν οὐδεῖς δαμάσαι δύναται.
 οὖν : iv. 4 ὃς ἐὰν οὖν βουληθῇ, iv. 7 ὑποτάγητε οὖν τῷ Θεῷ, iv. 17 εἰδότες οὖν, v. 7 μακροθυμήσατε οὖν, v. 16 ἐξομολογεῖσθε οὖν.
 οὐρανός : v. 12 μὴ ὀμνύετε μήτε τὸν οὐρανὸν μήτε τὴν γῆν, v. 18 ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν.
 οὖς : v. 4 εἰς τὰ ὦτα Κυρίου εἰσελήλυθαν.
 οὔτε (for οὐδέ) : iii. 12 οὔτε ἀλυκὸν γλυκὸν ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ.
 οὗτος : i. 23, 25, 26, 27, iii. 2, 10, 15, iv. 15. See p. clxxviii.
 οὕτως : (οὕτως καὶ after comparison) i. 11, ii. 17, 26, iii. 5 ; ii. 12 οὕτως λαλεῖτε καὶ οὕτως ποιεῖτε ὡς μέλλοντες κ.τ.λ., iii. 10 οὐ χρὴ ταῦτα οὕτως γίνεσθαι.
 ὄφελος : ii. 14, ii. 16 τί (τὸ) ὄφελος ;
 c. ὄψιμος : v. 7 ὑετὸν προῖμον καὶ ὄψιμον.

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- πλήθος : v. 20 καλύψει πλήθος ἀμαρτιῶν.
 πληρόω : ii. 23 ἐπληρώθη ἡ γραφή.
 πλησίον : ii. 8 ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτόν, iv. 12 ὁ κρίνων τὸν πλησίον.
 πλοῖον : iii. 4 ἰδοὺ καὶ τὰ πλοῖα.
 πλούσιος : i. 10 (καυχάσθω) ὁ πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει, i. 11 ὁ πλούσιος ἐν ταῖς πορείαις μαρανθήσεται, ii. 5 ἐξελέξατο τοὺς πτωχοὺς πλουσίους ἐν πίστει, ii. 6 οὐχ οἱ πλούσιοι καταδυναστεύουσιν ὑμῶν ; v. 1 ἄγε νῦν οἱ πλούσιοι κλαύσατε.
 πλούτος : v. 2 ὁ πλούτος ὑμῶν σέσηπεν.
 πνεῦμα : ii. 26 τὸ σῶμα χωρὶς πνεύματος νεκρόν, iv. 5 τὸ πνεῦμα ὃ κατώκισεν ἐν ἡμῖν.
 πόθεν : iv. 1 πόθεν πόλεμοι καὶ πόθεν μάχαι ;
 ποιέω : ii. 8 καλῶς ποιείτε, ii. 19 καλῶς ποιεῖς, ii. 12 οὕτως λαλεῖτε καὶ οὕτως ποιείτε, ii. 13 τῷ μὴ ποιήσαντι ἔλεος, iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι... γλυκὺ ποιῆσαι ὕδωρ, iii. 18 τοῖς ποιοῦσιν εἰρήνην, iv. 13 ποιήσομεν ἐκεῖ ἐνιαυτόν, iv. 15 ποιήσομεν τοῦτο ἢ ἐκεῖνο, iv. 17 εἰδότι οὖν καλὸν ποιεῖν καὶ μὴ ποιοῦντι ἀμαρτία ἐστίν, v. 15 κὰν ἀμαρτίας ἢ πεποικῶς. See p. cxci.iii.
 c. ποιήσις : i. 25 μακάριος ἐν τῇ ποιήσει αὐτοῦ.
 ποιητής : i. 22 ποιηταὶ λόγου, καὶ μὴ ἀκροαταὶ μόνον, i. 23 ἀκροατῆς λόγου καὶ οὐ ποιητῆς, i. 25 ποιητῆς ἔργου, iv. 11 ποιητῆς νόμου.
 ποικίλος : i. 2 ὅταν πειρασμοῖς περιπέσητε ποικίλοις.
 ποῖος : iv. 14 ποία γὰρ ἡ ζωὴ ὑμῶν ;
 πολεμέω : iv. 2 μάχεσθε καὶ πολεμεῖτε.
 πόλεμος : iv. 1 πόθεν πόλεμοι καὶ μάχαι ;
 πόλις : iv. 13 πορευσόμεθα εἰς τήνδε τὴν πόλιν.
 πολὺς : iii. 1 μὴ πολλοὶ διδάσκαλοι γίνεσθε, iii. 2 πολλὰ πταίομεν ἅπαντες, v. 16 πολὺ ἰσχύει δέησις.
 a.c. πολὺσπλαγχνος : v. 11 πολὺσπλαγχνός ἐστιν ὁ Κύριος.
 πονηρός : ii. 4 κριταὶ διαλογισμῶν πονηρῶν, iv. 16 πᾶσα καύχησις τοιαύτη πονηρά.
 πορεία : i. 11 ἐν ταῖς πορείαις μαρανθήσεται.
 πορεύομαι : iv. 13 πορευσόμεθα εἰς τήνδε τὴν πόλιν.
 πόρνη : ii. 25 Ῥαὰβ ἡ πόρνη.
 πούς : ii. 3 τῶν ποδῶν inserted after ὑποπόδιον by some MSS.
 πράγμα : iii. 16 πᾶν φαῦλον πρᾶγμα.
 e. πραύτης : i. 21 ἐν πραύτητι δέξασθε τὸν λόγον, iii. 13 δειξάτω τὰ ἔργα ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας.
 πρεσβύτερος : v. 14 τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας.
 πρό : v. 9 πρὸ τῶν θυρῶν ἔστηκεν, v. 12 πρὸ πάντων μὴ ὀμνύετε.
 c. προῖμος (πρώϊμος) : v. 7 ὑετὸν προῖμον καὶ ὄψιμον.
 πρὸς : (with accusative) iv. 5 πρὸς φθόνον ἐπιποθεῖ, iv. 14 πρὸς ὀλίγον φαινομένη. See p. clxxii.
 προσευχή : v. 17 προσευχῇ προσηύξατο τοῦ μὴ βρέξαι.
 προσεύχομαι : v. 13 κακοπαθεῖ τις ; προσευχέσθω, v. 14 προσευξάσθωσαν ἐπ' αὐτόν, v. 16 προσεύχεσθε read by some MSS. for εὔχεσθε, v. 17 προσευχῇ προσηύξατο, v. 18 πάλιν προσηύξατο.
 προσκαλέω : v. 14 προσκαλεσάσθω τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους.

- a.c.* προσωπολημπτέω : ii. 9 εἰ δὲ προσωπολημπτεῖτε, ἁμαρτίαν ἐργάζεσθε.
a. προσωποληψία : ii. 1 μὴ ἐν προσωποληψίαις ἔχετε τὴν πίστιν.
 πρόσωπον : i. 11 ἡ εὐπρέπεια τοῦ προσώπου αὐτοῦ, i. 23 τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γενέσεως αὐτοῦ.
 προφήτης : v. 10 ὑπόδειγμα λάβετε τοὺς προφῆτας.
 πρώϊμος : see προῖμος.
 πρῶτον : iii. 17 ἡ ἄνωθεν σοφία πρῶτον μὲν ἀγνή ἐστιν.
 πρωτότοκος : pp. xix, xxi.
 πταίω : ii. 10 (ὅστις) πταίση ἐν ἐνί, iii. 2 πολλὰ πταίομεν ἅπαντες... εἴ τις ἐν λόγῳ οὐ πταίει κ.τ.λ.
 πτωχός : ii. 2 πτωχὸς ἐν ῥυπαρᾷ ἐσθῆτι, ii. 3 τῷ πτωχῷ εἶπητε, ii. 5 τοὺς πτωχοὺς τῷ κόσμῳ, ii. 6 ἠτιμάσατε τὸν πτωχόν.
 πῦρ : iii. 5 ἡλίκον πῦρ ἡλίκην ὕλην ἀνάπτει, iii. 6 ἡ γλῶσσα πῦρ, v. 3 φάγεται τὰς σάρκας ὡς πῦρ.

P

- Ῥαάβ : ii. 25 Ῥαάβ ἡ πόρνη.
c.d. ῥιπίζω : i. 6 κλύδωνι θαλάσσης ῥιπιζομένῳ.
a.c. ῥυπαρία : i. 21 ἀποθέμενοι πᾶσαν ῥυπαρίαν.
 ῥυπαρός : ii. 2 ἐν ῥυπαρᾷ ἐσθῆτι.

Σ

- Σαβαώθ : v. 4 ὦτα Κυρίου Σαβαώθ.
 σάρξ : v. 3 ὁ ἰὸς φάγεται τὰς σάρκας ὑμῶν.
 σεαυτοῦ : ii. 8 ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτόν.
 σήμερον : iv. 13 σήμερον ἡ αὔριον.
c. σήπω : v. 2 ὁ πλοῦτος ὑμῶν σέσηπεν.
c.e. σητόβρωτος : v. 2 τὰ ἱμάτια σητόβρωτα.
 σκληρός : iii. 4 ὑπὸ σκληρῶν ἀνέμων.
 σοφία : i. 5 εἴ τις λείπεται σοφίας, iii. 13 ἐν πραύτητι σοφίας, iii. 15 οὐκ ἐστιν αὕτη ἡ σοφία ἄνωθεν κατερχομένη, iii. 17 ἡ ἄνωθεν σοφία.
 σοφός : iii. 13 σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιστήμων.
e. σπαταλάω : v. 5 ἐτρυφήσατε καὶ ἐσπαταλήσατε.
 σπείρω : iii. 18 καρπὸς δὲ δικαιοσύνης ἐν εἰρήνῃ σπείρεται.
 σπιλόω : iii. 6 (ἡ γλῶσσα) ἡ σπιλοῦσα ὄλον τὸ σῶμα.
 σπλάγχνα : see p. 153.
 στενάζω : v. 9 μὴ στενάζετε κατ' ἀλλήλων.
 στέφανος : i. 12 τὸν στέφανον τῆς ζωῆς.
 στηρίζω : v. 8 στηρίξατε τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν.
 στόμα : iii. 3 τοὺς χαλινοὺς εἰς τὰ στόματα βάλλομεν, iii. 10 ἐκ τοῦ αὐτοῦ στόματος ἐξέρχεται.
 στρατεύω : iv. 1 τῶν ἡδονῶν τῶν στρατευομένων ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν.
 σύ : ii. 3, 18, 19, iv. 12 σύ ; ii. 8, 18 σου ; ii. 18 σοι ; ii. 6, v. 8 ὑμεῖς ; ii. 6, 7, iv. 2, 10, 15 ὑμᾶς ; i. 3, 5, 21, ii. 2, 6, 16, iii. 14, iv. 1, 3, 7, 9, 14, 16, v. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 12 ὑμῶν ; iii. 13, iv. 1, 8, v. 3, 6, 13, 14, 19 ὑμῖν.
 συκῆ : iii. 12 μὴ δύναται συκῆ ἐλαίας ποιῆσαι ;
 σῦκον : iii. 12 ἡ ἄμπελος σῦκα ;

- συλλαμβάνω : i. 15 ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν.
 σύν : i. 11 ὁ ἥλιος σὺν τῷ καύσωνι.
 συναγωγή : ii. 2 εἰσέλθη εἰς συναγωγὴν ὑμῶν.
 συνεργέω : ii. 22 ἡ πίστις συνήργει τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ.
 σφαγή : v. 5 ὡς ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σφαγῆς.
 σώζω : i. 21 τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν, ii. 14 μὴ δύναται ἡ πίστις
 σῶσαι αὐτόν ; iv. 12 ὁ δυνάμενος σῶσαι καὶ ἀπολέσαι, v. 15 ἡ εὐχὴ τῆς
 πίστεως σώσει τὸν κάμνοντα, v. 20 σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου.
 σῶμα : ii. 16 τὰ ἐπιτήδεια τοῦ σώματος, ii. 26 τὸ σῶμα χωρὶς πνεύματος
 νεκρὸν ἐστίν, iii. 2, 3, 6, ὅλον τὸ σῶμα.

T

- c. ταλαιπωρέω : iv. 9 ταλαιπωρήσατε καὶ πενήθησατε.
 ταλαιπωρία : v. 1 ὁλολύζοντες ἐπὶ ταῖς ταλαιπωρίαις ὑμῶν.
 ταπεινός : i. 9 καυχάσθω ὁ ἀδελφὸς ὁ ταπεινὸς ἐν τῷ ὕψει, iv. 6 ταπεινοῖς
 δίδωσιν χάριν.
 ταπεινῶ : iv. 10 ταπεινώθητε ἐνώπιον τοῦ Κυρίου.
 ταπεινώσις : i. 10 ὁ δὲ πλούσιος ἐν τῇ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ.
 c. ταχύς : i. 19 ταχὺς εἰς τὸ ἀκοῦσαι.
 τε : iii. 7 θηρίων τε καὶ πετεινῶν, ἔρπετων τε καὶ ἐναλίων.
 τέλειος : i. 4 ἔργον τέλειον ἐχέτω ἵνα ᾗτε τέλειοι, i. 17 πᾶν δῶρημα τέλειον,
 i. 25 νόμον τέλειον τὸν τῆς ἐλευθερίας, iii. 2 οὗτος τέλειος ἀνὴρ.
 τελειῶ : ii. 22 ἐκ τῶν ἔργων ἡ πίστις ἐτελειώθη.
 τελέω : ii. 8 νόμον τελεῖτε βασιλικόν.
 τέλος : v. 11 τὸ τέλος Κυρίου εἶδετε.
 τηλικούτος : iii. 4 τὰ πλοῖα τηλικαῦτα ὄντα.
 τηρέω : i. 27 ἄσπιλον ἑαυτὸν τηρεῖν, ii. 10 ὅστις ὅλον τὸν νόμον τηρήσῃ.
 τίκτω : i. 15 ἡ ἐπιθυμία συλλαβοῦσα τίκτει ἁμαρτίαν.
 τίμιος : v. 7 τὸν τίμιον καρπὸν τῆς γῆς.
 τις : (substantival) εἷ τις i. 5, 23, 26, iii. 2 ; ἐάν τις ii. 14, 16, v. 19 ; ἐρεῖ τις
 &c. ii. 18, v. 13, 14 ; τι i. 7 : (adjectival) ἀπαρχὴν τινα i. 18, ἄλλον
 τινὰ ὄρκον v. 12.
 τίς : τί οφελος ; ii. 14, 16, τίς σοφός ; δειξάτω iii. 13, σύ τίς εἶ ; iv. 12.
 See p. clxix.
 τοιοῦτος : iv. 16 πᾶσα καύχησις τοιαύτη.
 τρεῖς : v. 17 ἐνιαυτοὺς τρεῖς.
 b. τρέφω : v. 5 ἐθρέψατε τὰς καρδίας.
 c. τροπή : i. 17 τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα.
 τροφή : ii. 15 λειπόμενοι τῆς ἐφημέρου τροφῆς.
 c. τροχός : iii. 6 φλογίζουσα τὸν τροχὸν τῆς γενέσεως.
 c. τρυφάω : v. 5 ἐτρυφήσατε ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.

Υ

- ὑδωρ : iii. 12 οὔτε ἀλυκὸν γλυκὸ ποιῆσαι ὑδωρ.
 ὑετός : v. 7 υετὸν προΐμον καὶ ὄψιμον, v. 18 ὁ οὐρανὸς ὑετὸν ἔδωκεν.
 υἱός : ii. 21 ἀνεγένεας Ἰσαὰκ τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ.

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- χείρ* : iv. 8 καθαρίσατε χεῖρας ἁμαρτωλοί.
χήρα : i. 27 ἐπισκέπτεσθαι ὀρφανούς καὶ χήρας.
χοϊκός : see p. 120.
χορτάζω : ii. 16 θερμαίνεσθε καὶ χορτάζεσθε.
χόρτος : i. 10 ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου, i. 11 ἐξήρανεν τὸν χόρτον.
c.d. χρῆ : iii. 10 οὐ χρῆ ταῦτα οὕτως γίνεσθαι.
Χριστός : i. 1 Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δούλος, ii. 1 τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰ. Χ.
a.c. χρυσοδακτύλιος : ii. 2 ἀνὴρ χρυσοδακτύλιος.
χρυσός : v. 3 ὁ χρυσὸς ὑμῶν κατίωται.
χώρα : v. 4 τῶν ἀμησάντων τὰς χώρας ὑμῶν.
χωρίς : ii. 18, 20 ἡ πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων, ii. 26 χωρὶς πνεύματος...χωρὶς ἔργων.

Ψ

- b. ψάλλω* : v. 13 εὐθυμεῖ τίς; ψαλλέτω.
ψεύδω : iii. 14 μὴ ψεύδεσθε κατὰ τῆς ἀληθείας.
ψυχή : i. 21 τὸν δυνάμενον σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν, v. 20 σώσει ψυχὴν ἐκ θανάτου.
b. ψυχικός : iii. 15 σοφία ἐπίγειος, ψυχική, δαιμονιώδης.

Ω

- ὦ* : ii. 20 ὦ ἄνθρωπε κενέ.
ὦδε : ii. 3 σὺ κάθου ὦδε καλῶς. See p. clxxx.
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