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(12) But I desire that you should understand, brothers, that the things *which happened* to me have turned out rather to the furtherance of the gospel;

(13) So that my bonds in Christ are clearly seen in all the palace, and in all other *places*;

(14) And many of the brothers in the Lord, growing confident because of my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

(15) Some indeed preach Christ even out of envy and strife; and some also of good will:

(16) The one preach Christ from contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:

(17) But the other out of love, knowing that I am set for the defense of the gospel.

(18) What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretense, or in truth, Christ is preached; and in that I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.

(19) Because I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

(20) According to my earnest expectation and *my* hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but *that* with all boldness, as always, *so* now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether *it be* by life, or by death.

(21) Because to me to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain.

(22) But if I live in the flesh, this *is* the fruit of my labor: yet what I shall choose I do not know

(23) Because I am in a strait between two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:

(24) Nevertheless to remain in the flesh *is* more needful for you.

(25) And having this confidence, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your furtherance and joy of faith;

(26) That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ for me by my coming to you again. <<<<<<<<<<<

(27) Only let your conversation be as it becomes the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

(28) And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God.

(29) Because to you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on Him, but also to suffer for His sake;

(30) Having the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear *to be* in me.