12—18) **allow myself to speak of those  
things which Christ has nor done by  
me** (but by some other), **in order to the  
obedience** (subjection to the Gospel) **of  
the Gentiles** (then, as if the sentence were  
in the affirmative form, ‘I will only boast  
of what Christ has veritably done *by me*  
towards the obedience of the Gentiles,’ he  
proceeds), **by word and deed, in the power  
ef signs and wonders, in the power of  
the** [**Holy**] **Spirit**.—The signs and wonders  
are not spiritual, but external miraculous  
acts,—see 2 Cor. xii. 12. 19.] **So  
that** (result of this working of Christ by  
him) **from Jerusalem** (the eastern boundary  
of his preaching) **and round about** (Jerusalem: *round about* is not to be joined  
with *as far as Iilyricum*, but refers to  
Jerusalem, meaning perhaps its immediate neighbourhood, perhaps Arabia (?),  
Gal. i. 17,—but hardly Damascus and  
Cilicia, seeing that they would come into  
the route afterwards specified, from Jerusalem to Illyricum), **as far as Illyricum**  
(Illyricum bordered on Macedonia to the  
South. It is possible that St. Paul may  
literally have advanced to its frontiers  
during his preaching in Macedonia; but I  
think it more probable, that he uses it  
broadly as the ‘terminus of his journeys,’  
the next province to that in which he had  
preached), **I have fully preached (literally,  
fulfilled) the Gospel of Christ** ;

**20.**] **yet**  
limits the foregoing assertion) **on this wise**‘after the following rule) **making it my  
ambition to preach the gospel, not where  
Christ was** (previously) **named, that I might  
not build upon another man’s foundation:  
but according as it is written** (i.e. according to the following rule of Scripture:  
I determined to act in the spirit of these  
words, forming part of a general prophecy  
of the dispersion of that Gospel which I  
was preaching), **&c.**—The citation is from  
the Septuagint. Our A. V. renders: “That:  
which had not been told them, shall they  
see: and that which they had not heard,  
shall they consider.”

**22.**] **For which  
cause**,—not, *because a foundation had  
been already laid at Rome by another*:  
this would refer to merely a secondary  
part of the foregoing assertion: the expression refers to the primary, viz. his  
having been so earnestly engaged in preaching elsewhere. **these many times:**  
not, ‘*for the most part*,’—or, ‘*the greater  
number of times,*’ which would suggest  
the idea that there had been other occasions on which this hindrance had not been  
operative.

**23.**] **I have no more**