$38 THE ACTS. XXVIII.   
   
   
 plukeii-ss. every where Pit is spoken against. 23 And when they had   
 iia appointed him a day, there came many to him into his   
 alukesziv.. lodging ; 4to whom he expounded and testified the king-   
 Br xix.   
 see on ch. dom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, \* both out   
 xxvi. 22. of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morn-   
 iv. ing till evening. 2 And ‘some believed the things which   
 ach. 43 were spoken, and some believed not.   
 25 And when they   
 agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that   
 Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by   
   
 Esaias the prophet unto our fathers, 26 saying, Go unto   
 and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not   
 ‘understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:   
 ' \*7for the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their   
 40,   
 ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed ;   
 lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their   
 ears, and understand with their heart, and should 4Ze   
   
 converted, and I should heal them. °8 Be it known there-   
 4, fore unto you, that ithe salvation of God is sent "unto the   
 Gentiles, © and that they will hear it.   
 1m, said these words, the Jews departed, and [P9! And when he had   
 30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in   
 among themselves. ]   
   
 his own hired house, and received all that came in unto   
 x ch. 31. him, 8! \* preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching   
 Eph. vi.   
 h iterally, turn again. i read, this.   
   
 K render, they will also hear it.   
 1 omitted by all our oldest authorities : but see note.   
   
 —the year and a half (ch. xviii. 11), and application of the prophecy. These words   
 three months (ch. xx. 3) at Corinth, we are not cited by our Lord (Matt. xiii. as   
 know from the narrative nothing that above). 28.] this was probably   
 took place among the Christians them- omitted as superfluous, and perhaps to suit   
 selves. Besides, one great object of this Luke iii. 6. It adds greatly to the force :   
 history is to shew forth Paul as working this the message of God’s salvation, i.   
 out the Lord’s implied command to preach ‘there is no other for those who reject this.’   
 the Gospel ‘to the Jew first, also to they will also (besides having it   
 the Gentile’ (ch. i. 8), and, having every sent to them) hear it] “ What Paul bad   
 where done this, it is natural that he learned by experience in many cities of   
 should open his commission in Rome by Asia and Europe, viz. that the sowing of   
 assembling and speaking to the Jews. the word among the Gentiles was attended   
 28. his lodging] Probably the hired house” with more success, this he now anticipates   
 of ver. 30: hardly, as Olshansen thinks, the also for the future.” Grotius. 29.   
 house of Aquila. 25.] they departed, This verse has not the usual characteristic   
 but not before Paul had said one saying. of spurions passages,—the variety of read-   
 It is very remarkable, that the same pro- ings in those MSS. which contain it. It   
 phetie quotation with which our Lord may perhaps, after all, have been omitted   
 opened his teaching by parables (Matt. as appearing superfluous after ver.   
 xiii. 15), should form the solemn close 80, 31.] It is evident that Paul was not   
 of the historic Scriptures. 26.) The released from custody, bt continued with   
 Go, and say, is referred to himself, in his the soldier who kept him,—(1) from the