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 15 For though ye may have ten   
 sons I warn you. 1 For you.   
 though ye have ten thou- thousand schoolmasters in Christ,   
 sand instructers in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers: for   
 yet have ye not many fa- \*in Christ Jesus I begat you through «Actsz¥i   
 thers: in Christ Jesus 16 T beseech you there- Pa 4   
 Thave begotten you through | the gospel.   
 the gospel. °° Wherefore fore, » be ye imitators of me. Phil .   
 I beseech you, be ye fol- this cause have I sent unto Y For, Jame   
 lowers of me. \" For this ¢Timothy, 4who is my child, be-   
 cause have I sent unto you loved and faithful in the Lord, who   
 Timotheus, who is my be- shall \*remind you of my ways in anim...   
 loved son, and faithful in Christ, according as I ‘teach every ¢ 1 Thess.   
 the Lord, who shall bring where %in every church.   
 you into remembrance of some are puffed up, as though I   
 my ways which bein Christ, were not coming to you.   
 as I teach every where in I will come to you shortly, \*   
 every church. 18 Now some Lord will, and will know, not q But ‘ae xix. 21.   
 are puffed up, as though I if the x   
 would not come to you.   
 19 But I will come to you Rom. x   
 shortly, if the Lord will, Tames iv.   
 and will know, not the   
   
 ch. vi. 5: xv. 34, 15.) Justification of me by being put in mind of my ways and   
 the expression “my beloved children.” teaching. On the fact, Introduction,   
 ten thousand, the greatest possible § ii. my child] see 1 Tim. i, 2,   
 number—see ch. xiv. 19, school- 2Tim.i.2. Meyer remarks, that by the strict   
 masters] He was their spiritual father: use of the child (distinct from “   
 those who followed, Apollos included, were in this passage (compare verses 14, 15) we   
 but tuéors, having the care and education have a certain proof that Timothy was con-   
 of the children, but not the rights, they verted by Paul: sec Acts xiv. 6,7, note.   
 could not have the peculiar affection of the “The phrase seems to be used here in refer-   
 father. He evidently shews by the word ence to ‘beloved children,’ ver. <1 sent   
 ten thousand, that these schoolmasters ‘Timotheus, who stands to me in the same   
 were more in number than he could wish, relation that you stand in.” Stanley.   
 —including among them doubtless the in the Lord] points out the spiritual   
 false and party teachers: but to refer the nature of the relationship. shall re-   
 word only to them and their despotic lead- mind you} Timothy, by being himself a   
 ing, or to confine its meaning to the close imitator of the Christian virtues and   
 stricter sense of the word used in the teaching of his and their spiritual father,   
 original, the slave who led the child to would bring to their minds his well-known   
 school, is not here borne out by the facts. character, and way of teaching, which they   
 See Gal. iii. 25, and note. for in seemed to have well-nigh forgotten. See   
 Christ Jesus (as the spiritual element in 2 Tim. iii. 10. every where in every   
 which the begetting took place: so com- church.] To shew the importance of this   
 monly “in Christ,” applied to relations of his manner of teaching, he reminds them   
 life, ver. 17, twice) through the gospel of his unvarying practice of it as he   
 (the preached word being the instrument) was guided by the Spirit, by inference, of   
 I (emphatic) begat you (there is also an its universal necessity in the churches.   
 emphasis on you,—in your case, J it was 18—20.] To guard against mis-   
 who begot you). 16.] therefore, representation of the coming of Timothy   
 because I am your father. imitators, just announced, by those who had said and   
 not only, nor perhaps chiefly, in things would now the niore say, ‘Paul dare not   
 just mentioned, vy. 9—13,—but as ver. come to Corinth,’ ke announces the cer-   
 17, in my ways in Christ, my manner of tainty of his coming, if the Lord will.   
 life and teaching. 17.) For this cause, shortly] How soon, see ch, xvi. 8.   
 —in order that you may the better imitate I will “know, i i.e. I will inform