5—18. I. CORINTHIANS.   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION. |   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED.   
 10 Neither murmur ye, as the serpents. 10 Neither murmur ye,   
 some of them also mur- jas "some of them murmured, and n Exod   
 mured, and were destroyed °were destroyed by Pthe destroyer.   
 of the destroyer. ' Now 1 But all these things happened oXign i   
 all these things happened unto them by way of example: and p¥¥ea.xi.25   
 our admonition, upon who : | they were written for our admoni- 4   
 and they are written for tion, "upon whom the ends of the “a   
 i world are come.   
 the ends of the world are him that thinketh he standeth take   
 come. '\* Wherefore let him heed lest he fall. 12 Wherefore \* let   
 that thinketh he standeth no temptation taken you but such   
 take heed lest he fall. as is common to man: but ' God is tenis.   
 13 There hath no tempta- faithful, "who will not suffer hath’ "Ps, expr.   
 tion taken you but such|   
 as is common to man: but   
 God is faithful, who will}   
 not suffer you to tempted   
   
   
 times,—the daring Him, in trying His world in Matt. xiii. 39; xxviii. 20: this   
 patience by rebellious conduct and sin. being literally, the ends of the ages of this   
 Compare the similar use of the verb to world’s lifetime. So Chrysostom, “He   
 tempt, Acts v.9; xv.10. And he warns means nothing else than that the terrible   
 the Corinthians, that they should not in judgment is close hand.” are come]   
 their manner provoke God by their sins the literally, have reached. The ages are   
 (well-known) serpents. 10.] Murmur treated as oceupying space, and their ex-   
 has been by some understood of murmuring tent as just coincident with our own time.   
 against their teachers, as the Israelites See a similar figure in ch. xiv. 36.   
 against Moses and Aaron, Num. xiv. 2; 12.] he standeth, viz. ix his place as a   
 xvi.41. But not to mention that this was, member of Christ’s church, to be recognized   
 in fact, murmuring against God, such a by him at His coming for one of His. ‘To   
 reference would require something more such an one the example of the Israelites is   
 specific than the mere word murmur. The a warning to take heed that he fall not, as   
 warning is substantially the same as the they did from their place in God’s church.   
 Jast, but regards more the spirit, and its 13.] There are two ways of under-   
 index, the tongue. As Theophylact says, standing the former part of this verse.   
 “they did not bear trials manfully, but Chrysostom and others take it as a con-   
 murmured, saying, When will the promised tinuation and urging of the warning of the   
 good things cone, and how long will troubles verse preceding, by the consideration that   
 Jast ?’”—The destruction referred to must no temptation had yet befallen them but   
 be that related Num. xvi. 41 ff., the such as was within the power of human   
 pestilence (which though it is not so spe- endurance: but a greater temptation is   
 cified there, was administered on another imminent :—while Calvin and others regard   
 oceasion by a destroying angel, 2 Sam. xxiv. it as a consolation, tending to shew them   
 16, 17, see also Exod. xii. 28) took off that taking heed not to fall, is the   
 14,700 of the people. The punishment of limits of their power, seeing that their   
 the unbelieving congregation in Num. xiv., temptation to sin was nothing extraordinary   
 to which this is commonly referred, does or unheard of, but only ‘ to man:’   
 not seem to answer to the expression “ were and they might trust to God’s loving care,   
 destroyed by the destroyer,” nor to the that no temptation should ever befall them   
 term “some of them,” seeing that all which should surpass their power to resist.   
 Joshua and Caleb were involved in it. This latter seems to me beyond doubt the   
 11. by way of example] or figure. Meyer correct view. For, besides the require-   
 cites from the Rabbis, “ Whatever hap- ments of the construction, &c., the other   
 pened to the fathers, was a sign to their view restricts the sense of temptation   
 posterity.” the ends of the world] An to persecution, which it bere does not   
 expression corresponding to “the comple- mean, but solicitation to sin, in   
 tion of the ages,” rendercd the end of the with the whole context. hath taken   
 you, not ‘took you,’ shews that the tempt-