4—12. II. CORINTHIANS. 295   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION. AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED.   
 ingly, or of necessity; for ¥ God i kxot, xxv.   
 solet him give; not grudg- loveth a cheerful giver. 8 And rr.   
 ingly, or of necessity : for kGod is able to make every grace x fro   
 God loveth a cheerful abound unto you; that ye, always %   
 giver. §& And God is able having all sufficiency in every thing,   
 to make all grace abound may abound to every good work :   
 toward you; that ye, always as it is written, ! He dispersed 1 Psa. cxi.o.   
 having all sufficiency all abroad; he gave to the poor: his   
 things, may abound to every righteousness remaineth for ever.   
 good work : 9 (as it writ- 10 But he that ™supplieth seed to misaiv.20.   
 ten, He hath dispersed the sower and bread for eating, shall   
 abroad ; he hath given to supply and multiply your seed sown,   
 the poor: his righteous- and increase the fruits of your   
 ness remaineth for ever.   
 10 Now he that ministereth   
 seed to the sower both   
 minister bread for your   
 seed sown, multiply your   
 the fruits of your right- "righteousness; 1! being enriched » Hos.x.12   
 eousness ;) ' being en- in every thing unto all liberality,   
 riched in every thing to °which worketh through us thanks- o%.i,0-&   
 all bountifulness, which giving to God.   
 causeth through us thanks- 12 Because the mi-   
 giving to God. \\* For the   
   
   
 the gift ; let it be a reluctant offering, deed, which shall not be forgotten,—as a   
 given out of grief (so literally), of an sign of righteousness in character and con-   
 annoyed and troubled miud at having the duct.’ To build any inference from the   
 gift extorted, nor out necessity,— because text inconsistent with the great truths   
 compelled, Such givers,—that is implied, respecting righteousness ever insisted on   
 God does not love. by St. Paul (as Chrysostom does, when he   
 8—11.] He encourages them to a cheer- says, “For also henevolence maketh men   
 ful contribution by the assurance that God righteous, consuming their sins like fire,   
 both can (vv. 8, 9) and will (vv. 10, when it is poured forth with liberality”),   
 11) furnish them with the means of per- a manifest perversion. 10.] Assurance   
 forming such deeds of beneficence. that God will do this.—But (introduces   
 8. every grace ] even in good things the new assurance) He that ministers seed   
 —to which here the reference is: not ex- to the sower and bread for eating (in the   
 cluding, however, the wider meaning of physical world : from Isa. lv. The A. V.   
 ‘all grace. that having at all times here commits the mistake of joining “   
 in every thing all sufficiency (of worldly for your food” with the following verb   
 substance), ye may abound towards (‘have “supply” or “minister”), shall supply   
 an overplus for ;’ which is not inconsistent and multiply your seed (i.e. the money   
 with sufficiency, seeing that does for you to bestow, answering to the word.   
 not exclude the having more, but only the “seed to the sower”), and will increase   
 having Jess than is : the idea of a the -fruits of your righteousness (from   
 man’s having at all times and in all things Hos. reff.—the everlasting reward for your   
 a snfliciency, presuppose that he had bestowals in Christ’s name, as Matt. x. 42;   
 somewhat to spare) every good work: answering to ‘bread for eating,’ which is   
 9.] as it is written (i.e. fulfilling the result of the sower’s labours).   
 the character described in Scripture), He 11.] Method in which you will be thus   
 scattered abroad (metaphor from seed); blessed by God.—In every thing being en-   
 he gave to the poor: his righteousness re- riched unto all liberality (i.e. order that.   
 maineth for ever.—In what sense is righte- you may shew all liberality), (of a   
 ouszess used? Clearly in the only oue sort which) brings about by our means   
 warranted by the context—that of ‘ (as the distributors of it) thanksgiving   
 ness proved by bencficence,’-~‘ a rightcous (from those who will receive to God.