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 them which were of reputa- AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED.   
 tion, lest by any means I which were of reputation, lest by   
 should run, or had run, in any means °I should be running, or © Phil.ii.».   
 vain. % But neither Titus, have run, in vain. 1 Thess.   
 who was with me, being a even Titus, my companion, though   
 Greek, was compelled to he was a Greek, was compelled to   
 be circumcised: \* and that be circumcised: 4 and that because   
 because of false brethren of the “false brethren secretly brought ¢4ctssv.1,25.   
 unawares brought in, who in, who came in by stealth to spy 7   
 came in privily to spy out out our ‘liberty which we have in °¢hii-&   
 our liberty which we have Christ Jesus, that they might bring £260,312.   
 in Christ Jesus, that they us into bondage: 5 to whom we did   
 might bring us into bond- not give way by subjection, no, not   
 age: >to whom we gave for an hour; that &the truth of the svrJ4, ,   
 place by subjection, no, not gospel might abide with you.   
 Sor anhour ; that the truth   
 of the gospel might con-   
 tinue with you, © But of   
 6 But   
   
 vately (in a private conference: not to be implied, that the church at Jerusalem   
 conceived as separate from, but as specify- {and the Apostles? apparently not, from   
 ing, the former communication) to those Acts xv. 5] demanded his circumcision,   
 that were eminent (more at length ver. 6, but on account of the reason following,   
 “they which seemed to be somewhat.” the demand was not complied with, but   
 These were James, Cephas, and John, resisted by Paul and Barnabas. So Meyer,   
 ver. 9,—who appear to have heen the only and others, and I am persuaded, rightly,   
 Apostles then at Jerusalem. ‘This is from what follows. But usually it is un-   
 said, not for his own sake, but for that of derstood, that the circumcision of Titus   
 others: meaning, that all might see the was not even demanded, and that St. Paul   
 unity of the preaching, and that the truths alleged this as shewing his agreement   
 proclaimed by me were well pleasing to with the other Apostles. But had this   
 the rest.” Theodoret), lest by any means been so, besides that the following could   
 I should (seem to) be running, or (to) not have stood as it does, not the strong   
 have run, in vain. It is quite out of the expression was compelled, but the weakest   
 question, that this last clause should ex- possible one would have been used— the   
 press a bona fide fear, lest his ministry circumcision of Titus was not even men-   
 should really be, or have been, in vain, tioned’): 4.) and that (restricts and   
 without the recognition of the church at qualifies the broader assertion which went   
 Jerusalem: such a sentiment would be before. ‘Titus was not compelled ...: and   
 unworthy of him, and, besides, at vari- the reason was,’ &c.) because of the false   
 ance with the whole course of his argu- brethren who had been foisted in among   
 ment here. The reference must be to us (the Judaizers in the church at Jeru-   
 the estimation in which his preaching salem, see Acts xv. 1), men who crept in   
 would be held by those to whom he im- to spy out (in a hostile sense) our freedom   
 parted it. When we consider the very (from the ceremonial law : to see whether,   
 strong prejudices of the Jerusalem church, or how far, we kept #) which we have   
 this feeling of anxiety, leading him to in Christ Jesus, with intent to enslave   
 take measures to prevent his work from us utterly: to whom not even for one   
 being tumultuonsly disowned by them, is hour did we (Barnabas, Titus, and myself)   
 surely but natural. 3.] Howbeit yield with the subjection required of us,   
 (so far were they from regarding my course that the truth of the gospel (as con-   
 to have been in vain, that) not even was trasted with the perverted view which   
 Titus, who was with me, a Greek (i.e. they would have introduced. Had they   
 though he was a Gentile, and therefore been overborne in this point, the verity   
 liable to the demand that he should the Gospel would have been endangered   
 be circumcised), compelled to be circum- among them,—i.e. that doctrine of justi-   
 cised (i.e. we did not allow him to be fication, on which the Gospel turns as the   
 thus compelled: the facts being, as here truth of God) might abide with you