400 EPHESIANS. Vv.   
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 ocnii2 the sons of disobedience. 7 Be AUTHORIZED VERSION.   
 not therefore partakers with them. 7 Be not ye therefore par-   
 pisix2., 8P For once ye were darkness, but takers with them. \* For   
 ye were sometimes dark-   
 ness, but now are ye light   
 Matt. iv. @now are ye light in the Lord: in the Lord: walk as chil-   
 eh. li. 12. walk as ‘children of light: 9 for the dren of light: 9 (for the   
 fruit of the flight is in all good- fruit of the Spirit is in all   
 . ness and righteousness and truth ; goodness and righteousness   
 108 proving what is well pleasing and truth ;) '° what   
 Ml And thave no is acceptable unto the   
 fellowship with the "unfruitful works 1 And have no fellowship   
 .of darkness, Lord. rather even \*re- with the unfruitful works   
 . prove them. }? For the things which of darkness, but rather re-   
 ' are done by them in secret Yit is a prove them, !2 For it is   
 @ shame even to speak of   
 those things which are done   
 of them in secret. 18 But   
 ia. shame even to speak of. 13 But Zall   
   
 x Ley. 7, 1 Tim. v.20. y Rom. 1.2%, yer. 3. z John 20,21. iy.13,   
   
 ordinary judgments, “of which examples ditioning element) the Lord (Jesus): walk   
 are betore our eyes:” but His special (the omission of “therefore” makes the   
 wrath, His vengeance for these sins, over inference rhetorically more forcible) as   
 and above their state of disobedience) on children of light ; 9.] for (gives the   
 the sons of (see on ch. ii. disobedience reason of the introduction the comparison   
 (the aetive and practical side the state of in the context, connecting this with the   
 the unbeliever [John iii. is here brought, moral details which have preceded) the fruit   
 out. The word [which in the original of the light is (is borne within the   
 may mean either] is a valuable middle of, its condition element) all   
 term between unbelief and disobedience, and righteousness and truth (in all is   
 implying their identity in a manner full of good [Gal. v. 22], right, true); 10.)   
 the highest instruction). 7.) Be not proving (to be joined with the verb walk,   
 (the distinction ‘ not’ is unneces- ver. 9 been parenthetical. The Chris-   
 sary and indeed unsuitable: it is not a tian’s whole course is a continual proving,   
 gradual ‘ becoming,’ but ‘being,’ like testing, of the will God in practice: in-   
 which he here dehorts from. See note, vestigating not what pleases himself, but   
 ch. iv. last therefore (since this so what pleases Him) what is well pleasing   
 —that God’s wrath comes on them) par- unto the Lord. \_11.] have no fellow-   
 takers (see ch. iii. with them (the sons ship with the unfruitful works of darkness   
 of disobedience, not the sixs:—sharers in (see Gal. v. 22; on which Jerome says,   
 that which they have in common, viz. “Vices finish with themselves and perish ;   
 these practices: their present habitude, virtues put forth fruit abound.” Sce also   
 not, their punishment, which is future). the distinction in John iii. 21; v. 29),   
 8.] For {your state [present, see rather even reprove them (ix words: not   
 eae) is a totally one from theirs only abstain from fellowship with them, but   
 —exeluding any such participation) ye attack them and put them to shame).   
 WERE (emphatic) once darkness (stronger 12.] For (the connexion seems to be, ‘re-   
 than “zn darkness,” Rom. ii. 19; 1 Thess. prove them—this they want, and this is   
 v. 4: they were darkness itself—see on more befitting you—for to have the least   
 “light” below), but now (are ye, in the part in them, even in speaking of them, is   
 original, is not expressed—perhaps, as shameful’) the things done in secret by   
 Stier suggests, not only for emphasis, but them it is shameful even to speak of (the   
 to carry a slight tinge of the coming ex- connexion being—‘I mention not, and you   
 hortation, by shewing them what they need not speak of, these deeds of darkness,   
 ought to be, as well as were by profession) much less have any fellowship them—   
 light (not “enlightened” —light an your connexion with them must be only   
 active, illuminating which is brought. that which the act of reproof necessitates’).   
 out in ver. 13) in (‘in union with’—con- 13.] But (opposition to things done