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 not to speak any thing. 9 For   
 thing. ° For they them- they themselves report concerning   
 selves shew of us what man- us ¢what manner of entering in we aeb.ii1.   
 ner of entering in we had had unto you, and ‘how ye turned "hui   
 unto you, and how ye to God from your idols to serve the   
 turned to God from idols living and true God; 10 and to § wait + Rom.   
 to serve the living true for his Son ' from the heavens, \* whom   
 God; and to wait for he raised from the dead, even Jesus, tet   
 his Son from heaven, wham who delivereth us \*from the wrath   
 he raised from the dead, which is to come. i   
 even Jesus, which delivered II. 1 For \*yourselves know, bre- aenis2   
 us from the wrath to come. thren, our entering in unto yon, that   
 IL, } For yourselves, bre- it hath not been in vain: 2 nay,   
 thren, know our entrance in after that we had suffered before,   
 unto you, that it was not and had been shamefully treated, as   
 in vain: \* but even after ye know, at ’Philippi, ‘we were bActsxvi.2   
 that we had suffered before,   
 and were shamefully en-   
 treated, as ye know, at   
 Philippi, we were bold in   
 our God to speak unto you   
 the gospel of God with bold in our God to ‘speak unto you 4 actsxvii.2.   
   
   
 that the report of the Thessalonians’ faith tive of His office, Deliverer.   
 may have been spread by Christian travel- which is coming] compare Eph. v. 6;   
 ling merchants, such as Aquila and Pris- Col. iii.   
 cilla. so that we need not. ..] The Cu. Il. 1—16.] He reminds the Thes-   
 report being already rife, we found no salonians of his manner of preaching   
 occasion to speak of your faith, or in your among them (1—12, answering to ch. i.   
 praise, 9.] they, the people in Mace- Qa): praises them for their reception of the   
 donia and Achaia and in every place. Gospel, and firmness in persecution (13   
 concerning us| Paul and Silvanus and —16, answering to ch. i. b).   
 Timothy ; ‘us both,’ including the Thessa- 1.] For xefers back to ch. i. ‘not only   
 loniaus. The things reported here corre- do strangers report it, but you know it to   
 spond to the two members of the above be true.” He makes use now of that know-   
 proof, verses 5 and 6. living, as distin- ledge to carry out the description of his   
 guished froin lifeless idols: true, from preaching among them, with a view, by   
 those who were falsely called gods. recapitulating these details, to confirm   
 10.] The especial aspect of the faith the them, who were as yet but uovices, in the   
 Thessalonians was hope: hope of the re- faith, in vain] or, empty. It is evident   
 turn of the Son of God from heaven: a from vv. 2 ff,, this does not here apply   
 hope, indeed, common to them with all to the fruits, but to the character of his   
 Christians in all ages, but evidently enter- preaching : the result does not appear till   
 tained by them as pointing to au event ver. 18, And within this limitation, we   
 more immediate than the church has sub- may observe that the verb is hath been,   
 sequently believed it to be, Certainly not was; to be understood therefore not   
 these words would give them an idea of of any mere intent of the Apostle at the   
 the nearness of the coming of Christ: and. time of his coming among them, but of   
 perhaps the misunderstanding of them may some abiding character of his preaching.   
 have contributed to the notion which the It probably expresses, that his entering im   
 Apostle corrects, 2 Thess. 1 ff. : note was and continued ‘no emply scheme’ (‘no   
 there. By the words, whom he raised light matter, as we say), but an earnest,   
 from the dead, that whereby (Rom. i. 4) bold, self-denying endeavour for their   
 Jesus was declared to be the Son of God This he proceeds to prove. 2.) On   
 with power, is emphatically prefixed to the facts, see Acts xvi. were   
 His name. who delivereth: not, as bold to speak] i.e. we had the confidence   
 A.V., past, ‘who delivered, but descrip. to speak. our God, because all true