49:4 I, THESSALONIANS. Vv.   
   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED. AUTHORIZED VERSION.   
 know them which labour among you, beseech you, brethren, to   
 and preside over you in the Lord, know them which labour   
 and admonish you; 1 and to esteem among you, and are over   
 them very highly in love for their you in the Lord, and ad-   
 5 Be at peace among monish you; %3 and to   
 sMarkix.so, Work’s sake. 14 But we exhort you, esteem them very highly   
 yourselves. tn love for their work's   
 sake. And be at peace   
 amiss. brethren, ‘admonish the disorderly, among yourselves. 14 Now   
 x Heb. xiv. “comfort the fainthearted, \* support we exhort you, brethren,   
 &xv.) : “" the weak, ¥ be long-suffering toward warn them that are unruly,   
 15%See that none render comfort the feebleminded,   
 ; evil men. evil unto any one; but support the weak, be pa-   
 a that which is tient toward all 15 See   
 Teor. ever \*follow toward one another, that none render evil for   
 16> Rejoice always, evil unto any man; but   
 0. W¢pray unceasingly, 184in every ever follow that which is   
 1 Pet. toward all. good, both among your-   
 selves, and to all men.   
 16 Rejoice evermore. 1”   
 1. without ceasing. 18 In   
 xxi. 36. Rom, Eph. Col. iv.2. iv.7. Eph. v.20, Col.   
   
 especial work this is; and one part of for- 14. disorderly] This, as ch. iy. 2 Thess.   
 warding the work is, recognition and iii. 11, certainly implies that there was   
 encouragement of them by the church. reason to complain of this disorder in the   
 12.] to know: i.e. favourably and Thessalonian church. The original word   
 honourably to recognize. Compare 2 Tim. is especially said of the soldier who does   
 ii. 19: also 1 Cor. xvi. 18.—The persons not remain in his rank: hence disorderly.   
 indicated by them which labour . . . pre- fainthearted] such e.g. as needed   
 side... admonish ..., are the same, viz. the comfort of ch. iv. ff. support]   
 the presbyters or bishops: sce note on literally, hold of. the weak must,   
 Acts xx. 17, 28. in the Lord, as the be understood of the spiritually not   
 element in which, the matter with regard the literally sick. 15.) This gives a   
 to which, their presidency takes place: slight warning that the practice might   
 ‘in divine things.’ 13.] very highly creep on them unawares. It is not ad-   
 is best taken with in Jove: it will form dressed to any particular section of the   
 a suitable qualification the verb esteem, church, but to all: to each himself, and   
 as that word is used in the original. the church for cach. 16.] Chrysostom   
 for their work’s sake may mean, becanse refers this to ver. 15: “When we have   
 of the nature of their work, viz. that it such a disposition as to hurt no one but to   
 is the Lord’s work, for your souls: or, on do good to all, whence can the sting of   
 account of their activity in their office, grief enter? For he who so joys in being   
 as a recompense for their work. Both injured as to requite his injurer by good   
 these motives are combined in Heb. xiii. offices, shall he receive annoyance   
 This exhortation, be at peace among your- for the future?” But perhaps this is   
 selves, seems to be suggested by the fore- somewhat far-fetched. The connexion   
 going, as enforcing peaceful and loving seems however to be justified as he pro-   
 subordination without party strife: see ceeds: “And how, means the Apostle, is   
 the mention of the unruly below. this possible? if we will, it is possible.   
 14—22.] General exhortations with re- And then he shews the way: ‘pray   
 gard to Christian duties. There appears uneeasingly’ &c.” And so Theophylact :   
 no reason for regarding these verses as “ For one accustomed to converse with God   
 addressed to the presbyters, as some have and to give thanks to Him for all that   
 done. They are for ali: for each to inter- happens, as good for him, will clearly   
 pret according to the sphere of his own sess unbroken joy.” 17.] See Chry-   
 duties. By the word brethren, he con- sostom and Theophylact above. pray,   
 tinucs the same address as above. not of the mere spirit prayer, as Jowett :