THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE   
   
   
   
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 TIMOTHY.   
   
   
   
   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION. AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED.   
 I.} PAUL, an apostle I. 2 Pavn, an apostle + of Christ t sogeretaest   
 of Jesus Christ by the Jesus \*according to the command- \*A¢tsi:15-   
 commandment of God our Gal.i.1,11,   
 Saviour, and Lord Jesus ment Yof God our Saviour, and >sh-iis&!   
 Christ, which is our hope ; Christ Jesus ‘our hope; 2 unto 10. ‘Titus   
 2unto Timothy, my own 4Timothy, my °true child in the @4ctsx 27.   
 son in the faith: Grace, faith: ‘Grace, mercy, peace. from   
 mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus gatas ii   
 God our Father and Jesus 1 Thess,   
 is 3   
 Christ our Lord. \* As I amp ibapil, 3Even as I besought ?7im}2   
   
 Cuap. I. 1, 2.] ADDRESS AND GREET- 5, “O God our Saviour, who art the hope   
 ING. 1. according to the command- of all the ends of the earth”—which is   
 ment] See Rom. xvi. 26, Tit.i. 3: a usual interesting, as it might have suggested the   
 expression of St. Paul, and remarkably expression here, familiar as the Apostle was   
 enough occurring in the doxology at the with Old Test. diction. 2. my true   
 end of the Epistle to the Romans, which child] my genuine offspring, by me   
 there is every reason to think was written unto the faith of Christ. Compare Acts   
 long after the Epistle itself. It is a more xvi. L: Cor. iv. 14—17 ; and see Introd.   
 direct predication of divine command than to this Epistle, § i.1 #. merey and   
 “by the will of God” in the earlier Epis- peace are found joined in Gal. vi. 16, in   
 tles. and Christ Jesus] The Apostle which Epistle are so many similarities to   
 loves these repetitions in his more solemn these (see Introd. to these Hpistles, i. 32,   
 and formal passages—and the whole style note).—The expression God the Father,   
 of these Epistles partakes more of this absolute, is found in St. in Gal. i. 3:   
 character, as was natural in the decline of Eph. vi. 23: Phil. 11: Col. iii.17 1 Thess.   
 life. our hope] It is not easy to point i. (2 Thess i. various reading :) Tim. i.   
 out the exact reference of this word here, 2: Tit. i.4. So that it to all   
 any further than we may say that it gives of his writing, but chiefly to later.   
 utterance to the fulness of an old man’s 3—20.] From specifying the object for   
 heart in the near prospect of that on which which Timothy was left at Ephesus (vv. 3,   
 it naturally was ever dwelling. It is the 4), and characterizing the false teachers   
 ripening and familiarization of “ Christ in (5—7), he digresses to the true use of the   
 us the hope of glory,” Col. i. See also law which they pretended to teach (8—10),   
 Tit. i. T am persuaded that in many and its agreement with the gospel with   
 such expressions in these Epistles, we are which he was entrusted (11): thence to his   
 to seek rather a psychological than a prag- own conversion, for the mercies of which   
 matical explanation. Theodoret notices he expresses his thankfulness in glowing   
 the similar occurrence of words in Ps. lxv. terms (12—17). Thence he returns to his