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 AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED. AUTHORIZED VERSION.   
 -via2. shall be fully manifest unto all, “as manifest unto all men, as   
 their’s also was. 10 \* But thou wert their’s also was. 1% But   
 “a follower of my doctrine, manner thou hast fully known my   
 of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, doctrine, manner of life,   
 love, patience, 1 persecutions, suffer- purpose, fiith, longsuf-   
 yAetsxiil.4, ings, such as happened unto me ¥ at, |fering, charity, patience,   
 rActsxiv.5. Antioch, 7at Iconium, \*at Lystra; 1 persecutions, afflictions,   
 such persecutions as I endured: and which came unto me at   
 bps xcxiviie. Pout of all the Lord delivered me. Antioch, at Iconium, at   
 @ Acts 19, Lystra; what persecutions   
 Tendured: but out of them   
 2Cor. all the Lord delivered me.   
 ch. iv.   
   
 further in ungodliness ;” and it is in vain (or patience: “how generously I bear the   
 to deny that there is an apparent and attacks of my enemies,” 'heodoret), perse-   
 literal inconsistency the two asser- cutions (“to these endurance furnished the   
 tions. But on looking further into them, note of transition,” [luther), (not   
 it is that while there the Apostle only was I persecuted, but the persecution   
 is speaking of an spread of crror, issned in infliction suffering), such (suf-   
 here he is looking to its ultimate defeat, ferings)as befell mein Antioch (of Pisidia),   
 and extinction): for their folly (unintelli- in Iconium, in Lystra (why should these   
 gent and senseless method of proselytizing be especially enumerated? Theodoret as-   
 and upholding their opinions—and indeed signs as a reason, “ Omitting mention of   
 folly of those opinions themselves) shall other dangers, he speaks only of those   
 thoroughly manifested to all, as that happened to him in Pisidia and Lycaonia.   
 of those men was (Exod. viii. 18: ix. 11: For he to whom he was writing was a Ly-   
 but most probably the allusion is to their eaonian, and these incidents were better   
 traditional end). known to him than the rest.” And so   
 10—17.] Contrast, by way of reminding Chrysostom, and many both ancient and   
 and exhortation, of the education, know- modern, It may be so, doubtless: and   
 ledge, and life of Timothy, with the cha- this reason, though rejected by De Wette   
 racter just drawn of the opponents.—But andothers, seems much better tosuit con-   
 thou followedst (‘followedstas thy pattern?’ text and probability, than the other, given   
 “it was myexample in all things which by Huther, that these persecutions were   
 was set before thee as guide—thou wert: first which befell Apostle in his   
 a follower of me, as I of Christ.’ The in- ary work among the heathen. It is   
 definite past tense is less obvious and to it, that during the former of these per-   
 more appropriate than the perfect: this secutions Timothy was not with St. Paul.   
 eas the example set before him, and the But the answer to that is easy. At the   
 reminisceuce joined to the exhortation of time of his conversion, they were recent,   
 ver. 14, bears something of reproach with and the talk of the churches in those parts:   
 it, which is quite in accordance with what and thus, especially with our rendering,   
 we have reason to infer from the general and the indetinite past sense of “ thou fol-   
 tone of the Epistle. Whereas the per- lowedst,” would be naturally mentioned,   
 fect, as in A. V., would imply that the ex- as being those sufferings of the Apostle   
 ample had been really ever before him, which first excited the young convert’s   
 and followed up to the present moment: attention to make them his own pattern of   
 and so would weaken the necessity of what he too must suffer for the Gospel’s   
 the exhortation) my teaching, conduct, sake. Baur and De Wette regard the   
 purpose (Ellicott remarks, that in all exact correspondence with the Acts (xiii.   
 other passages in St. Paul’s Epistles, this 50; xiv. 5, xvi. 3] as a suspicious cir-   
 word purpose is used with reference to cumstance. Wiesinger well asks, would   
 God), faith, longsuffering (“his bearing they have regarded a discrepancy from the   
 with the offences of the brethren,” Theo- Acts as a mark of genuineness ?); what   
 doret: or perhaps, as Chrysostom,—\* his persecutions (or, such persecutions as:—   
 patience in respect of false teachers understand, ‘ thou sawest ; in proposing to   
 the troubles of the time”), love (“which thyself a pattern thou hadst before thee   
 they had not,” Chrysostom), endurance . . 7) underwent: and out ofall the Lord