THE GENERAL EPISTLE   
   
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 JAMES.   
   
   
   
   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION. AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED,   
 I. JAMES, a servant of |J, 14 Jane:   
 God and of the Lord Jesus s, Pa servant of God and a Acts x17,   
 Christ, to the twelve tribes of the Lor rd Jesus Christ, ¢to the, fis 8   
 which are scattered abroad, twelve tribes 4 which are in the dis- 94:   
 greeting. \* My brethren, persion, greeting. 2 My brethren, §. ‘Act   
 count it all when ye fall 9 n 4) Beal   
 into divers temptations ; tw y Pet   
 \*count it all joy ‘when ye fall into , iPets-1   
 Heb.2.34 1Petiv15,16, “eT Pet i.6,   
 Cuar. I. 1.] Apprrss AND GREETING. been notas yet distinct. If the later date   
 James (for all questions who the Author of the Epistle be taken [see Introd.], then   
 of this Epistle was, see the Introduction. the Jewish Christians are addressed as the   
 ich I have there nucleus and kernel of all Christendom.   
 endeavoured to establish, that it is James But to my mind, the former is more pro-   
 the Lord’s brother,” the first. or bable) which are in the dispersion Cine   
 bishop of the church at Jerusalem, an Apos- most likely reference of this word is to the   
 tle, but not one of the Twelve), servant literal and actual dispersion: and the   
 (not necessarily, as Huther, au official ap- Epistle must be considered as addressed,   
 pellation ; but iinplying, he also confesses, from the head of the mother church in   
 devotion to God and His work alone, irre- Jerusalem, to the Jewish believers, residing   
 spectively of self-will or other men’s will) among the dispersed tribes of Israel),   
 of God, and of the Lord Jesus Christ greeting (the formula thus rendered is not,   
 (not “of the God and Lord, J. C,” found in the address of any other apostolical   
 but, as CBeumenius, “by God, he means Epistle ; but it oceurs in the Epistle drawn   
 the Father: by Lord, the Son.’ Huther up under the direction of James to the   
 remarks, that in all the addresses of Gentile churches in Acts xv. 23).   
 Epistles, the whole name Jesus Christ 2—12.] Exhortations regarding the en-   
 is given. St. James mentions our Lord durance of trials. Think it all joy (the   
 only here and ch. ii. 1 in this Epistle, word joy is taken up out of the word ren-   
 not at all in his speeches in Acts xv. and dered greeting, 4: “deficient . . means to   
 xxi. Bengel says, “ It might have seemed, cient,” ver. 4, a characteristic of the style   
 if he had often named Jesus, as if did it wrath,” Epistle thus to take up again for   
 to exalt himself as the brother of our Lord. just but be so doers of the word,” let endu-   
 For that very reason, he «knew Christ 22; “that man’s religion is vain . . pure   
 according to the flesh” less than others”), religion,” ver. 26, &e., &e. all joy, i.   
 to the twelve tribes (of Isracl: nor can all couceivable joy—a matter on all hands   
 there be any reasonable doubt that this   
 Epistle was addressed to Jewish Chris   
 tians in the first place. Not however to   
 them, as distinguished from Gentile Chi   
 tians: for the two classes appear to have