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 fervent heat. 13 But, aecording to [fervent heat? 8 Neverthe-   
 his promise, we look for less we, according to his   
 heavens and a new earth, wherein promise, look for new hea-   
 vens and a new earth,   
 dwelleth righteousness. 1 Where wherein dwelleth righteous-   
 fore, beloved, seeing that ye look! ness. \4 Wherefore, be-   
 21Cor 5.8.8 for such things, strive diligently 7 to| for such things, be ye look   
 xv. 38, be found in peace, without spot, and   
 Philei, his sight, Sand ac- that ye may be found of   
 thes. th blameless \*the in longsuffering him in peace, without spot,   
 Lord salvation ; even as our beloved and blameless. 18 And ac-   
 Paul also according to the count that the longsuffer-   
 ing of our Lord is salva-   
 brother tion; even as our beloved   
 brother Paul also accord   
 not? The same liquefaction has actually is in the Apostle’s mind) to be found (at   
 taken place in the crust of the earth wher- His coming. This word shews plainly   
 ever the central fires have acted on it. enongh that a personal coming of the   
 All our igneous rocks have been in a liquid Lord, as in ver. 4, is in the view of the   
 should not that day, in its Apostle throughout, as connected with the   
 ing process, produce a similar effect proceedings of the great Day. The form   
 on the earth again, and on her cognate of expression reminds us forcibly of Matt.   
 planets, if they are be included ? spotless and blameless (com-   
 Tn this recapitulation, the Apostle men- pa 2 Cor. vi. 3, vill. also the con-   
 tions that part only of the destruction trast, above, eh, ii, 18. From the con-   
 of that day which concerns the heavens : nexion there with a feast, it seems very   
 arguing from the greater to the less. The probable that in both passages the parable   
 similarity to Isa. xxxiv. 4 can hardly of the wedding garment was floating be-   
 escape notice, “ All the host of heaven fore the Apostle’s mind) in His sight (so,   
 shall be dissolved.” See also Micah i. and not, “by Him,” or “of Him,” as   
 4). ‘A. V., must we render) in peace (second   
 Me] The positive result of that day as predicate after the verb to be found: the   
 regards the church, But (contrast to the spotlessness and blamelessness were with   
 destructive effects of the day lately dwelt, reference to God; this, in reference to   
 on: not “nevertheless,” as A. V.. which your own state and lot: in peace among   
 looks as if the two effects were in auta- Yourselves, in peace with yourselves, in   
 gonism, and the earth were to be anni- peace for yourselves, with God. But per-   
 hilated, of which idea there is no trace. haps ‘an ‘expression so familiar to. the   
 ‘The flood did not annihilate the earth, but Eastern tongue as “in peace,” may have   
 changed it; and as the new earth was the au onward as well as a present meaning,   
 consequence ‘of the flood, the final new as in “go in peace:” and be taken of that   
 heavens and earth shall be of the fire) eternal peace, of which all earthly peace is   
 according to His (God’s) promise (viz, but a feeble foretaste): and account the   
 that written in Isa, xxii, 16) we (no long-suffering of our Lord (our Lord,   
 str as is almost unavoidable in the thus expressed, is hardly to be dissevered   
 A.V. “ Nevertheless we, according to his from Him who is expressly thus named.   
 promise :” there is no personal pronoun below, ver. 18. And if so, then, through-   
 expressed in the Greek, nor is the distine- out this weighty passage, the Lord Jesus   
 tion drawn between us and any other class is invested with the full attributes of   
 of persons) expect new heavens and a new Deity. It is He who waits and is long-   
 earth, in which (heavens and earth, plural) suffering: He, in His union and co-   
 righteousness dwelleth (as before: Isa., equality with the Father, who ruleth all   
 compare alsa Isa. Ixv. 25) things after the counsel of His own will)   
 14.) Exhortation founded on this ex- salvation (contrast to those who count   
 pectation. Wherefore, beloved, expecting His delay to be slackness, yer, 9): even   
 (as ye do) these things, be earnest (not ‘as also (besides myself) our beloved bro-   
 the daily habit so much, as the one great ther (this term is probably used in a closer   
 life-eflurt which shall accomplish the end, sense than as merely signifying fellow-