13—16. 2 PETER.   
   
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 ing to the wisdom given wil dom given unto him wrote unto   
 unto him hath written unto you; 'as also in all his epistles,   
 you; as also in all his » speaking in them of these things ; > Rem. sit.10.   
 epistles, speaking in them 1 Cor. 2.   
 of these things; in whick in which + Epistles are some things i:' iv.   
 are some things hard to be hard to be understood, which the + So three   
 understood, which they that ignorant and unstable wrest, as they mot! ancient   
 are unlearned and unstable do also the other scriptures, unto BINS.   
 wrest, as they do also the relat   
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 Christian: our beloved \_ fellow-Apostle) § i. par. 6): others, the Bp tles to the   
 Paul according to the wisdom given to Corinthians, especially 1 Cor. i. MSS. find-   
 him (see Cor. iii, Also Gal, ii, 9; ing an allusion 1 (or 1m. See the   
 Eph. 7,8; Col. i. 25) wrote to you words “according to the wisdom given to   
 (What ? Where? to whom? By some him ?? others, the Epistles to the Gula-   
 the reply to the first has been found in tians, Ephesians, Colossians, being ad-   
 the preceding clanse, “that the long-suf- dressed to Asia Minor churches, as they   
 fering of our Lord is salvation :” which, hold this to be: others, referring the   
 in seuse, is almost identical with Rom. words “in peace” to the diflerence be-   
 ii. “the gooduess of God leadeth thee tween Paul and Peter, the Kpistle to the   
 fo repentance.” But. surely the reference Galatians: others, some Epistle which has   
 is too narrow to satisfy what follows here, not come down to us) ; as also in all (His,   
 speaking in them concerning these things, but not expressed: in all Epistles which   
 where the reference must be to the things, he writes, leaving room for the possibility   
 which we Christians look for, viz., to the that the number of those Epistles was   
 coming of the day of the Lord. Thus complete, but still added to) Epistles,   
 then we should interpret the particular speaking in them (as he does) of these   
 reference to be to some particular passage things (viz. the coming of our Lord, and   
 im which St. Paul had exhorted to readi- the end of the world), in which (Epistles, if   
 nes in expectation of that day, and the the feminine relative be read: if the mas-   
 more general reference, ver. 16, of the culine [or nenter], “in which sayings of   
 quent mention of that day in his other his not, “in which things,” “in which   
 jstles. In searching then 2) for some subjects,” as some have rendered by   
 we whieh may fulfil the above con- of escape the supposed difficulty : for   
 it seems to me that we need not the pronoun is correlative with the other   
 go beyond the earliest Epistle of St. Paul, scriptures, and must therefore designate   
 iz. 1 Thessalonians, There, in ch. some writings previously mentioned: or   
 11, we have a passage on this very else the sentence is stultified) are some   
 point, and the more satisfactory, because things difficult to understand (De Wette   
 . Peter seems, in our ver. 10, to have especially refers to 2 Thess, ti. 1 ff. and   
 had 1 Thess. v. 2 before his mind, And it is not improbable that this may have   
 as to 8) the expression to you, there been particularly in the Apostles mind.   
 seems no need to press it as identifying See note on 2 Tim. ii. 18), the igno-   
 any particular church, seeing that this our rant (unintelligent, uninformed : this want   
 Epistle is addressed to all alike: of intelligence may arise from many causes :   
 see ch. i, 1. AH that follows from this to but the misunderstanding of difficult   
 you is what may also be gathered from tures is common to the unintelligent in   
 yer. 16, that our Epistle belongs to a date general) and unstable (those who, wanting   
 when the Pauline Epistles were no longer firm foundation and anchorage, waver and   
 the property only of the churehes to which drift about with every wind of doctrine.   
 they were writien, but were dispersed Snch persons are stirred from their Ch   
 thro and considered to belong to, the tian stability by every apparent difficulty   
 hole Christian Church. What date that are rendered anxious and perplexed by   
 T have diseussed in the Introduction. hard texts: and showing more anxicty to   
 There have been very various opinions as interpret them somehow, than to wait upon   
 to the passage and Epistle : some God for their solution, rush upon erroneous   
 think it to be the Epistle to the H ‘Sy and dangerons ways of interpretation) di   
 on account of ch. ix. 26 Mf, 25, 387 tort (the verb means, properly, to twi   
 on these in the Lutrod. to the Hebrews, with a handserew or windlu Ilence to