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 19 They went out from us, 19! They went out from among us, ! Pevt,sii.13,   
 but they were not of us; SUS) IL,   
 Sor if they had been of us, but they were not of us; for kif, Ace.   
 they would no doubt have they had been of us, they would te Sate adv   
 continued with us : but they | eontinuciberiiiest: but [+ they ; 20 Jann vl.   
 went out, dhat they might| went out,] that they may be made |   
 be made manifest that they   
 were not all of us. 3° But manifest that all are not of us.   
 20 And ™ ye have an anointing " from 3¢or,   
 ver. nMarki.26 Act   
   
   
 realizing, and concentrating itself from the meaning, whatever be supplied, to tuke   
 time to time, in evil men and evil books the simplest supplement, viz. “they went   
 and evil days, but awaiting its final de- out,” which is already the expressed verb   
 velopment and consummation in [the] of the sentence), in order that they may be   
 Antichrists, who shall personally appear made manifest, that all are not of us (the   
 before the coming of the Lord. In St. meaning is, that by their example it may   
 John’s time, these many Antichrists were be made manifest that all [who are among   
 to be seen in the early heretical teachers us] are not of us. The rendering of the   
 whose false and corrupting doctrine and A.V, “that they were not all of us,” leaves   
 practice was beginning to trouble the open the inevitable conclusion that some   
 church): from whence we know that it is of themare of us. The Apostle makes their   
 the last time (these words are a formal manifestation the proof not that they were   
 statement of the connexion between the first, not of us, but that all are not of us, viz.   
 and second members of the foregoing sen- who are commonly fornd among us.   
 tence, which without them it would be left, It is not my intention to go inte the ques-   
 for the reader to supply in his mind). tion as to the dogmatic consequences which   
 19.] These Antichrists are designated as remained, it is a “voluntary verse. The   
 having been formerly attached to the Apostle is probably speaking here not dog-   
 Christian church, but never really mem- mate connexion ethically. If enunciation ne-   
 bers of it. They had not that communion this whole portion of the Epistle, ch. i.   
 with the Father and the Son in which the 7. The object of this portion is, ch. i.   
 communion of Christians with one another that ye may have fellowship with us, in   
 really consists, inasmuch as they deny the that we have fellowship with the Father   
 Father and the Son, They went out from and the Son. This aim penetrates all the   
 among us, but they were not of us (did exhortation, ii, 19—28. This fellowship   
 not really belong to us, as neither had they depends on the walking in light, i. e.   
 their origin among ns); for if they hai Knowledge of the truth as regards our.   
 been of us they would have remained with selves and God, and love to God and the   
 us (the A. V. inserts “no doubt,” as re- brethren. He who departs from the truth,   
 presenting an erroneous rendering of the he who loves not God and the brethren,   
 Vulgate Latin, which bas misled our belongs not to this fellowship, and shews   
 translators. See in my Greek Test. The that he belongs not to it. If he had be-   
 sense is, if had ats belonged to our longed tot, he wonkl have held fast his   
 nuinber, had been true servants of Christ, walk in the light, as shewn by these indi-   
 they would have Sudured, and would not cations. This is the human side, on which   
 have become antichrists: very be- our passage regards the act and fact.   
 coming so proves the unreality of their There is also a divine side. They who   
 Christian profession. ‘This point is now attain eternal life are given by the Father   
 brought out in what follows): but (the to the Son, and no man can come to the   
 ellipsis [see marginal note] is variously Son except the Father draw him [John vi.   
 supplied: by “they went out,” as in text, 37, 44, 65, xvii. 6], such are kept by   
 from above: by “ this was done,” or “ God 3 but also we read that   
 dogth this.” ‘AIL these in fact come to the they believe on the Son, receive the word   
 same, provided that we keep the simple of the Son, and keep themselves [Juhn vi,   
 sense of the purpose implied, which must   
 necessitate a doer; and that doer, God,   
 So that it will be better, as divine pur-