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 that ye may be tried; and ye shall AUTHORIZED VERSION,   
 smattxsi. have tribulation ten days. \* Be thou   
 some of'you intoprison, that   
 ye may betried ;andye shall   
 faithful unto death, and I will give have tribulation ten days :   
 thee ta crown of life. 14 He that be thou faithfulunto death,   
 hath an ear, let him hear what the and I will give thee a   
 Spirit saith unto the churches. crown of life. He that   
 that overcometh shall not be hurt hath an ear, let him hear   
 what the Spirit saith unto   
 the churches; He that over-   
 xehazas by \* the second death. cometh shall not be hurt   
 12 And to the angel of the church of the second death. 32 And   
 in Pergamus write; These things saith to the angel of the church   
 yo.ita ¥he which hath the sharp sword with in Pergamos write; These   
 = two edges; 1871 know where thou things saith he which hath   
 Hepes dwellest, even \* where Satan’s throne the sharp sword with two   
 ant edges ; 4+ I thy works,   
 ‘omitted al i and thou holdest fast my name, and where thou dwellest,   
 even where Satan’s seat   
 aren d: is: and thou holdest fast   
   
 human agents, and among them eminently death itself. Compare Phil. ii, 8) death,   
 these Jewish enemies) is about to cast and (reff) I will give thee the crown   
 [some] of you into prison (to be lite- (the crown, as being the well-known prize   
 rally understood: the constant accom- Promised tothe fihfal : a5 in Tames i 22,   
 paniment of persecution, Acts xii, 35 the Tim. iv. of being the crown apposition :   
 xvi. 23), that ye may be tried (by temp- and distinction, on 2 Tim. iv. 8). see note,   
 tations to fall away: not, that ye may 11] Conclusion: see above, verse 7.—   
 be proved. ‘This might he the end which He that conquereth shall not be injured.   
 Christ had in view in permitting the (the form in the original gives great, pre-   
 persecution: but the expression here cision and certainty to the promise: there   
 rather gives the purpose of the agent in is no chance that he should be) by (as   
 the previous clause, viz. the devil); and the souree or original of injury) the second   
 ye shall have tribulation ten days (the death (defined to be, in ch. xx. 14, the   
 expression is probably used to signify a lake of fire. In this he shall have no   
 short and limited Gre so in Gen. xxiv. part, nor it any power over him),   
 55; Judges xi. 19; i. 12: see also 12—17,] Tix Eprstze To THE cHuRcTE   
 Numb, xiv, 22 T Sane 1.8; Job xix. 35 an Prraaxvs. And to the angel of the   
 Acts xxv. 6. An kinds of fincifal inter- church in Pergamus write; These things   
 pretations have been given: see in my saith He that hath the sharp two-edged   
 Greek Test.). Be (literally, new sword (the designation of our Lord is   
 circumstances of trial requiring new kinds made with reference to ver. 16 below):   
 and degrees of fidelity; which does not. I know where thou dwellest, (viz.)   
 remain as it is, but takes accession) thon where is the throne of Satan (it is not   
 (it is quite it to attempt to distinguish easy to say, what these words import.   
 in these Epistles between what is said to Andreas (cent. vi.) and Arethas (cent. x.)   
 the Angel in the singular, and what is say, “He calls Pergamus the throne of   
 said to the Chureh in the plural. This is Satan, as being idolatrous beyond the rest   
 shewn by the former part of this verse, of Asia.” But it may be doubted whether   
 “thou art about to suffer,” .. . followed it was more idolatrous than e. g. Ephesus.   
 by some of you. Only where there is oe- And so Vitringa and Bengel. A more   
 casion to diseriminate, is the plural used : likely direction in which to find the solu-   
 see v. 24f.: but wherever the whole chureh tion is that taken by Lyra   
 js spoken of it is in the under the throne, that is, his power, in inclining   
 person of its representative angel) faith- the unbelievers to persecute the church :”   
 fal unto (not, “until?” but “even unto,” for above, ver. 10, the act of persecution   
 i.e. up to the point or measure of: Let is ascribed to the devil: and here we   
 not thy faithfulness stop short of enduring