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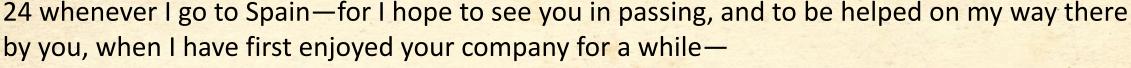
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- 28 Therefore, when I have finished this, and have put my seal on this fruit of theirs, I will go on by way of you to Spain.
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Acts 16:5-8 "So the churches were being strengthened in the faith, and were-increasing in number daily. They passed through the Phrygian and Galatian region, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia; and after they came to Mysia, they were trying to go into Bithynia, and the Spirit of Jesus did not permit them; and passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas."

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#### PROVERBS 16:9

"The mind of man plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps."

#### DANIEL 3:15-18

15 "Now if you are ready, at the moment you hear the sound of the horn, flute, lyre, trigon, psaltery and bagpipe and all kinds of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, very well. But if you do not worship, you will immediately be cast into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire; and what god is there who can deliver you out of my hands?"



16 Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to give you an answer concerning this matter.

17 "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king.

18 "But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up."

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#### 1 CORINTHIANS 15:58



"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be <u>steadfast</u>, <u>immovable</u>, <u>always</u> abounding in the <u>work</u> of the Lord, <u>knowing</u> that your toil is <u>not in vain</u> in the Lord."

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### GALATIANS 3:28-29



"There is <u>neither Jew</u> nor <u>Greek</u>, there is neither <u>slave</u> nor <u>free</u> man, there is neither <u>male</u> nor <u>female</u>; for <u>you are all one in Christ Jesus</u>. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise."



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