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### Corrigenda

- P. 16, fourth line from the bottom should read "Bachmann" instead of "Zahn"; also p. 17, first line, and p. 32 first line.
- P. 19, note 68, first line read "a" in place of "the".
- P. 24, first line, read "has taken", not "has been taken".

## PURPOSE CLAUSES IN THE PAULINE EPISTLES

A working knowledge of the Greek language is a very valuable asset to the minister of the Gospel, and has a rightful place in his professional equipment. It belongs to his tools. The better the tool, the more efficient will the workman be. The better acquainted the minister is with the Bible, his One Tool, the more effective will his service be.

How can a minister become more firmly and deeply rooted in the Bible than through its study on the basis of the original? In this task his knowledge of Greek stands him in good stead, for in this language the Holy Ghost inspired the books of the New Testament. The translations into the vernacular are inspired only in so far as they are reproductions of the original inspired text.

The translator's task is not always an easy one. The vernacular will frequently not lend itself to reproducing the full meaning of the original exactly. The result is that fine shades of meaning may be lost in the process of translating. Any student of the New Testament who works with the Greek will readily admit this fact. If the minister is able to prepare his message on the basis of the original Greek (we are not speaking of the delivery, of course), he will be more likely to present a more exact meaning for the particular text than if he were not acquainted with the original.

It makes for originality in his preaching. Thoughts and suggestions for his sermon often lie hidden in certain grammatical forms. A preacher may, for instance, find pictures in prepositions which will help to make his discourse more perceptible ( cf. German "anschaulich" ) to the human mind.

A knowledge of the Greek language is indispensable for exactness in exegesis, and it serves in this way the cause of preserving purity of doctrine. Here comes to mind Luther's exegetical dictum: grammatica est regina, "grammar is the queen". Any exposition of a certain passage which is not grammatically correct must be rejected at the outset. Here Luther's renowned words on the importance of retaining the study of the original languages of the Bible also apply ( St. Louis Edition, vol. X, p. 470 ): "Lasset uns das gesagt sein, dass wir das Evangelium nicht wohl werden erhalten ohne die Sprachen. Die Sprachen sind die Scheide, darin dies Messer des Geistes steckt; sie sind der Schrein, darin man dies Kleinod traegt; sie sind das Gefaess, darin man diesen Trank fasset; sie sind die Kennot, darin diese Speise liegt; und, wie das Evangelium selbst zeigt, sie sind die Koerbe, darin man dies Brod (sic) und Fische und Brocken behaelt."

From these introductory remarks the choice of subject for this thesis clearly vindicates itself.

I. CLAUSES WITH  $\epsilon\upsilon\delta$ 

The most common particle introducing purpose clauses, in Classical as well as in Koine Greek, is  $\epsilon\upsilon\delta$ . The Pauline Epistles are no exception. Our research places the number of instances at about 250, though these are not all purely final, as will be pointed out later.

The particle itself has an interesting history. Its etymology cannot be ascertained with certainty<sup>2</sup>. The first two characters, the Iota and Nu, occur as a word in a fragment of Hesiod, whose approximate date is 776 B. C.<sup>3</sup>. It has local meaning with the poets beginning with Homer in the sense of "where", "in what place".

How this particle with local meaning evolved into one of purpose, is not clear. Parallels may be found in other Indo-Germanic languages. The Latin ut, the English that, and the German dass underwent similar transitions in the course of time.

That a living language develops, is well illustrated by the development and extension in the uses of the particle  $\epsilon\upsilon\delta$ . It is, in fact, a characteristic of Western Hellenistic that  $\epsilon\upsilon\delta$  is widely extended in usage.<sup>4</sup> It goes over into the territory of  $\sigma\tau\upsilon\varsigma$  to introduce purpose - and object clauses and of the infinitive in similar functions, but more of that literary expansion will be discussed later.

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1. A. T. Robertson, "A Grammar of the Greek New Testament in the Light of Historical Research", p. 981.

2. Ibid.

3. Ibid.

4. A. T. Robertson, op. cit., p. 992. Cf. Also Blass-Debrunner, Neutestamentliche Grammatik, p. 204. (Fifth Edition)

Its chief function remains final, also with Paul. It introduces a subordinate clause which expresses the purpose of the action of the main clause. This connection also is an evolution, for telic clauses, were originally independent clauses, their origin begin traceable to parataxis.<sup>6</sup> This view is held by Robertson,<sup>6</sup> and Gildersleeve supports him in his contention: "Nihil est in hypotaxi quod non prius fuerit in parataxi." The subjunctive then was originally the volitive Subjunctive of parataxis. This origin is accepted by J. H. Moulton<sup>7</sup>; "Out of the Volitive (scil. subjunctive) arose the great class of dependent Clauses of Purpose, also paratactic in origin. The closeness of relation between future and subjunctive is seen in the fact that final clauses with *ὅπως* c. fut. were negatived with *μή*; the future did not by any means restrict itself to the futuristic use of the mood which it pillaged." Passing through the various stages of development it became hypotactic. To illustrate, Robertson uses the short sentence *ἔλθ' ἵνα μάθω*, "veni ut discam". The *ἵνα* he regards as a demonstrative in the accusative case of reference. The *μάθω* is in apposition to *ἵνα*, "I came as to this", viz. "I may learn".<sup>8</sup>

The predominate mood with Paul, as throughout the New Testament, is the subjunctive, as in Col. 3, 21: "Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, *ἵνα μὴ ἀλυκοῦσιν*." This instance also shows which particle of negation was employed. Winer remarks that

5. Op. cit., p. 980 f.

6. Ibid., for quotation.

7. A Grammar of New Testament Greek, Vol. 1, Prolegomena, p. 185.

8. Op. cit., p. 982. The paratactic origin may be shown by comparing, "Pray lest (*ἵνα μὴ*) ye enter into temptation." (Mk. 14,38) and "Take care and beware", (Luke 12,15). Moulton, op. cit., p. 178.



that<sup>9</sup> the subjunctive was used because purpose is always directed to something future. Only the indicative future could possibly have been used, if the writer thought correctly. As to the force of the subjunctive, he continues<sup>10</sup>: "Der Konjunktive bezeichnet hier das, was als wirklich eintreten sollende Folge gedacht, was in der Tat und unmittelbar beabsichtigt wurde, mithin das objektiv Mögliche".

Pauline Greek, in accordance with the Koine, has deviated from the Classical also in this respect that the optative mood does not occur in purpose-clauses even after secondary tenses.<sup>11</sup> In Eph. 1, 17, "Making mention of you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ .... may give .... the spirit of wisdom etc.", we find  $\epsilon\upsilon\lambda\omicron\ \delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  with  $\delta\acute{\omega}\tilde{\omega}$ , or  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  in the margin. This reading  $\delta\acute{\omega}\tilde{\omega}$ , the subjunctive, is found in the Codex Vaticanus and is adopted as correct by the British scholars Westcott and Hort. Robertson labels this case a volitive optative with  $\epsilon\upsilon\lambda\omicron$  only introductory.<sup>12</sup> Winer is of the same opinion<sup>13</sup>: "The sentence at the head of which stands  $\epsilon\upsilon\lambda\omicron$  expresses the content (Gegenstand) of the wish and prayer. Optative is chosen as modus optandi." Blass has a different solution, though equally plausible. He calls  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  "der vermeintliche Optativ"<sup>14</sup>. On p. 53 of his Grammar he comments: " $\Delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  fast nur bei Paulus, bei dem die Abschreiber den ihnen nicht geläufigen Opt.

9. Grammatik des Neutestamentlichen Sprachidioms, p. 269 f.

10. Ibid.

11. E. Burton, Syntax of the Moods and Tenses in New Testament Greek, p. 84: "Clauses introduced by a final particle usually employ the Subjunctive after both primary and secondary tenses, less frequently the Future Indicative."

12. Op. cit., p. 940

13. Op. cit., p. 273

14. Op. cit., p. 204

$\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  cefter antrafen und also Konjunktiv betrachteten (also eher  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  = Opt. zu schreiben; allerdings ist  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  und  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  fuer die nachchristliche Aussprache dasselbe." He clearly regards  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  a scribal error for  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$ . Similar is Burton's view. Preferring the reading  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$ , he looks upon the  $\epsilon\acute{\nu}\alpha$  - clause as object-clause after  $\mu\upsilon\epsilon\acute{\iota}\delta\alpha\iota\ \pi\omicron\lambda\omicron\upsilon\mu\epsilon\upsilon\omicron\varsigma$ .<sup>15</sup>

Another disputed verse is II Tim. 2, 25: "Instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance,"  $\mu\grave{\eta}\pi\omicron\tau\epsilon\ \delta\acute{\omega}\eta$ . Here again later codices have the variant reading of the subjunctive, but the evidence from the MSS. is in favor of the optative. Robertson<sup>16</sup> agrees with Moulton that  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  (subj.) is to be read. The reason which they give is that it occurs with a parallel subjunctive,  $\alpha\acute{\nu}\alpha\upsilon\eta\psi\omega\omicron\iota\upsilon$ . Evenso, they do violence to the text, not adhering to the important rule of Textual Criticism, <sup>that</sup> the more difficult reading is to be preferred. Blaszc applies his theory of a scribal error according to which the copyist confused  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$  and  $\delta\acute{\omega}\eta$ , as he does sub Eph. 1, 17<sup>17</sup>. Granted that the optative is correct, since it is the more difficult reading, the clause is really a kind of indirect question and not purely a clause of purpose.<sup>18</sup>

The indicative future occurs a few times with Paul in this construction. In several passages the reading is uncertain<sup>19</sup>, but there is no doubt as to the mood and tense in passages like

15. Op. cit., p. 87

16. Op. cit., p. 988 f.

17. Op. cit., p. 205 f.

18. Robertson, loc. cit.

19. E. g., I Cor. 13, 3; Gal. 2,4; I Thess. 9, 15.

Eph. 6, 5 ( ἔσῃ<sup>21</sup> ), I Cor. 9, 18 ( λήσω ), 15 ( κενώσει ).

On the employment of the future indicative S. G. Green<sup>20</sup> has this statement: "The Future, where admitted, must be taken as conveying the idea of duration more vividly than the Aorist Subjunctive."

A rara avis in the New Testament is the present indicative in final clauses. This solecism, namely, does not become frequent until the Byzantine Age. There is no indisputable example in Pauline Literature. True, some codices have indicatives in Gal. 6, 12 ( A C and later ones) I Thess. 4, 15 ( A D and later) and Titus 2, 4 ( A ), but these examples would not be admitted from the viewpoint of Textual Criticism. Two doubtful forms are φουσιῶσε and ζηλοῦτε in I Cor. 4, 6 and Gal. 4, 17 respectively. The subjunctives normally would be φουσιῶσεν and ζηλώτε. However, in certain dialects, e. g. in the Thessalian and later in the Aeolic, the ω is changed to ου<sup>21</sup>. Robertson leaves the question as to whether they are subjunctives or indicatives undecided.<sup>22</sup> Eliaz labels both as "die wie Indikative aussehenden Konjunktive mit ου statt attisches ω."<sup>23</sup> Hort and Schmiedel also believe that they are subjunctives<sup>24</sup>. Winer, on the other hand, regards both as indicatives and considers the whole construction of ἵνα with present indicative as a "Missbrauch der spaeteren Zeit"<sup>25</sup>. He comes to this conclusion in view of the fact

20. Handbook to the Grammar of the Greek Testament, p. 323.

21. Robertson, op. cit., p. 202 f.

22. "One is slow to credit this form to a mere vowel-change." Ibid.

23. Op. cit., p. 50 f.

24. V. Burton, op. cit., p. 84, for references.

25. Op. cit., p. 272. He mentions that the Exegete Mayer regards ἵνα in both places as "Ortspartikel".

that there is a similar usage in extra - New Testament literature and that some codices have the present indicative in parallel constructions.<sup>26</sup> The view that both are subjunctives deserves the preference.

The aorist tense is most frequently chosen by Paul, as in I Cor. 1, 14.15: "I thank God that I baptized none of you but Crispus and Gaius; lest any should say (ἵνα μή τις εἴπῃ) that I had baptized in my own name." Less frequently he uses the present, and then to express continuous action, as in Gal. 1, 16: "God ..... called me by His grace to reveal His Son in me that I might preach (ἵνα εὐαγγελίζωμαι) him among the heathen." The perfect subjunctive forms of certain verbs occur as εἰδῶμεν (I Cor. 2, 12), πεποιθότες ὤμεν (II Cor. 1, 9) παρεβηθεμένοι ἦτε, and ἦτε κατηρημένοι (I Cor. 1, 10). For the use of the future compare what was said above.

The present imperative in I Cor. 1, 31: "That (scil. of him are ye in Christ), according as it is written, he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord, ἵνα ..... καυχῶσθε," is due to the quotation from the LXX, Jer. 9, 22 - 24.

As already mentioned, the use of ἵνα is widely extended; it takes over functions of other particles and invades the territory of the infinitive,<sup>27</sup> although the infinitive is still quite frequent in

26. V. footnote #19.

27. Burton, op. cit., p. 84; Moulton, op. cit., p. 207; Blass, op. cit., p. 204.

in Paul's Letters.<sup>28</sup> Some wish to explain the weakening of the telic force as a Latinism. Moulton disagrees because, as he observes, the use of ἵνα in object-clauses in the vernacular was deeply rooted, and the influence of the Latin did not reach this field.<sup>29</sup> In the same connection he says: "From such sentences, in which the object-clause, from the nature of the governing verb, had a jussive sense in it which made the subjunctive natural, there was an early transition to object-clauses in which the jussive idea was absent."

One type of clause in which ἵνα has been extended beyond Classical usage is the so-called sub-final use of ἵνα. This construction occupies an intermediate position between the telic and ecbatic usage. It appears in various functions, most commonly as object-clause. ἵνα seldom introduces such a clause in Classical Greek, where ὅπως is the usual particle used in that capacity.<sup>30</sup> Conversely, in the New Testament, including the Pauline Epistles, ἵνα occurs much oftener in this type of clause than ὅπως; in fact, there is no instance of a ὅπως-object-clause with Paul. Another shift in construction is that while Classical Greek used the future indicative, sometimes the subjunctive in such clauses, Paul, yes, the whole New Testament employs "the subjunctive to the exclusion of the future indicative."<sup>31</sup> Such clauses follow verbs of exhorting, beseeching, commanding, fearing, et al.<sup>32</sup> An example is I Cor. 16, 10: "If Timotheus come, see that he may be (βλέπετε ἵνα γένηται) with you without fear."

28. Cf. Blass, *op. cit.*, p. 215.

29. *Op. cit.*, p. 208.

30. Burton, *op. cit.*, p. 87

31. *Ibid.*

32. Moulton, *op. cit.*, p. 178. "An innovation in Hellenistic is ἵνα cum Subjunctive in commands, which takes the place of the classic

Sometimes this kind of clause is the subject of the sentence, I Cor. 4, 2: "It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful, ζητεῖται ἵνα ..... εὐρεθῆ." Or, it may be in apposition to a noun as in I Cor. 9, 18: "What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the Gospel, I may make the Gospel of Christ without charge (ἵνα ..... λήθω)." Even to a pronoun, Phil. 1, 9: "And this I pray that your love may abound yet more and more (τοῦτο ἵνα ..... περιεβέβη)." In all these clauses the purport, rather than the purpose is expressed.

Paul uses an idiom with ἵνα which is termed an "elliptical imperative."<sup>33</sup> The peculiarity of this clause is that there is no verb in the independent clause on which the subordinate depends. A few examples will suffice. I Cor. 7, 29: "It remaineth (τὸ λοιπόν) that both they that have wives be as though they had none (ἵνα ..... ὤσιν)." Or, Eph. 5, 33: "Let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself, and the wife see that she reverence her husband (ἡ δὲ θυγάτηρ ἵνα φοβῆται)." "

It is a debatable question among the grammarians whether ἵνα ever introduces a purely ecbatic clause in the N.T., for scholars are widely divided in their opinions. Moulton, op. cit., p. 209, suggests that a commentator interpret ἵνα as the context demands, telic, subfinal, ecbatic. Ellicot, Lightfoot, and Evans believe that ἵνα was used rather loosely.<sup>34</sup> Blaszyk is a little more

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(continued from #32 p. 9) ὅπως c. fut. ind." E.g., after μεριμνᾶν, εὐχομαι, λέλειπν, ζητεῖν, παρακαλεῖν.

33. Robertson, op. cit., p. 994.

34. V. Robertson, op. cit., p. 998; also "International Critical Commentary," vol. 32, p. 321.

conservative in his view: "Fuer den Inf. der Folge kann wie auch sonst wohl bei Spaetern (Vd eintreten, aber schwerlich bei eigentlich tatsaechlicher Folge."<sup>35</sup>

Burton follows Blaszk in his discussion on ecbatic (Vd . He designates these clauses as clauses of conceived result.<sup>36</sup> The relation between the principal and subordinate clauses is that of cause and effect. The speaker recognizes this relation in theory. Or, the action of the principal clause is the conditio sine qua non for the action of the subordinate clause. Conversely, the action of the independent clause may be conceived of as the result of that of the main clause. This use of (Vd is very similar to ἵνα cum infinitivo. Yet Burton admits: "There is no certain, scarcely a probable, instance in the New Testament of a clause introduced by (Vd denoting actual result conceived of as such."<sup>37</sup>

On the other hand, some scholars are not so ready to yield on this question. S. G. Green is of the opinion that the final significance is always discernible.<sup>38</sup> Thayer, the renowned lexicographer, agrees<sup>39</sup> with Winer and C. A. Fritzsche that "in all passages adduced from the New Testament to prove this usage (i.e. ecbatic) the telic (or final) force prevails." The commentator Meyer maintains emphatically that (Vd always has telic force.<sup>40</sup> We shall be better able to come to a conclusion after we have examined a number of passages.

35. Op. cit., p. 217.

36. Op. cit., p. 94.

37. Ibid. 38. Op. cit., p. 320.

39. Greek - English Lexicon of the New Testament, p. 304 (sub (Vd II, 3).

A striking example is Gal. 5, 17: "These ( i.e. flesh and spirit) are contrary the one to the other so that ye cannot do the things that ye would, ἀντίκειται ἵνα μη ποιῆτε." The I.C.C. says, it is purely telic.<sup>41</sup> Burton follows suit with this comment: "Gal. 5, 17, best explained as expressing purpose of the hostility of the flesh and the spirit."<sup>42</sup> Meyer, who, as usual, sticks to the idea of a final clause, explains the sentence as expressing "die Tendenz jenes miteinander kämpfenden Potenzen bei diesem Kampfe in ihrem wechselseitigen Verhaeltnis zur sittlichen Willenstellung des Menschen, welche auch beim Wieder-geborenen zwiefach bestimmbar ist."<sup>43</sup> Robertson, however, follows Lightfoot in accepting the clause as consecutive.<sup>44</sup> The relation is quite evidently that of cause and of effect; therefore, the translation of the Authorized Version and of Luther, which is the ecclastic, is doubtlessly correct.

Then there is I Thess. 5, 4: "Ye, brethren, are not in darkness that that day should overtake you as a thief ( οὐκ ἐστε ἵνα καταλάβῃ )." This passage very aptly illustrates Burton's "clauses of conceived result."<sup>45</sup> To be overtaken by that day is conceived of in Paul's mind as the result of being in darkness. Paul has, of course, negated the whole clause. Surely it cannot be a clause of purpose. This use of ἵνα approximates the use of ὡςτε cum infinitivo.<sup>46</sup>

40. Vide his remarks on R. 5, 20, IV, p. 290; on 11, 11, p. 536; on I Cor. 1, 10, V, p. 24; on I Cor. 16, 10, vol. V, p. 508.

41. Vol. 34, p. 301 f. Author: Ernest De Witt Burton.

42. Op. cit., p. 94.

43. Vol. VII, p. 335ff.

44. Robertson, op. cit., p. 998.

45. Loc. cit. V, also Ephes., op. cit., p. 217.

46. Ibid. 47. " ἵνα not ἐκ/σάτικῶς, so that, but τελετικῶς, in order that, eo consilio ut. Ad a rule, the consecutive sense of



We append our findings on certain passages in which the meaning is directly or indirectly affected by either the telic or the ecbatic construction. Rom. 5, 20: "The Law entered that the offence might abound ( $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta\ \pi\lambda\epsilon\upsilon\sigma\acute{\alpha}\beta\eta$ )." Philippi, who leans towards Meyer's position on the question of the ecbatic  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  in the New Testament<sup>47</sup>, aptly remarks that what appears to us to be a consequence, is described as a purpose of God's Word, yes of God Himself. It all depends on the point of view. So  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  may under circumstances be equivalent to  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon$ , as already observed. Adopting the telic sense, then the purpose of the giving of the Law was to increase sin. In what sense? It was the mediate purpose, eventually to work the knowledge of sin. For a similar thought compare Rom. 5, 20; 7, 7; and Gal. 3, 19. This view is also shared by Stoeckhardt.<sup>48</sup> The theology of this passage is well summed up by Augustine.<sup>49</sup> "Hoc est in lege magnum mysterium, ideo eam datam, ut, crescente peccato, humiliarentur superbi, humiliati confiterentur confessi sanarentur. -- Non crudeliter hoc fecit Deus, sed consilio medicinae. Aliquando enim videtur sibi homo sanus et aegrotat: et in eo aegrotat et non sentit, medicum non quaerit: augetur morbus, crescit molestia, quaeritur medicus, et totum sanatur."

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(#48 concluded) the particle  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  is not demonstrable in the New Testament with certainty." Commentary on St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, vol. I, p. 125.

48. Roemerbrief, p. 269.

49. Quoted by Philippi, op. cit., p. 284, Augustine's Enartio in Psalm CII, ch. 15.

Headlam and Sunday do not regard this clause as purely telic. They believe that it is a laxer use of <sup>50</sup> *ἵνα* that is thought of here.<sup>50</sup> They look upon it as conceived result. In support of the ecbatic tinge they quote Chrysostom to show that the ancients were aware of the ecbatic sense: *τὸ δὲ ἵνα ἐνταῦθα οὐκ αἰτιολογίας πάλιν ἀλλ' ἐκ βίαιεώς ἐστίν.*<sup>51</sup> Theodor Zahn<sup>52</sup> and the Expositor's Greek New Testament<sup>53</sup> call it divine purpose.

Another passage in question from Romans is in the section that treats of election, Rom. 11, 11: "Have they stumbled that they should fall? *μη̄ ἔπταισαν ἵνα πέσωσιν* . ." Calvinists find their doctrine of divine reprobation taught here. Shedd states that the Apostle here gives a reason for the reprobation of the Jews: viz., salvation of the heathen. He defends this theory by regarding *παραπτώματι* as occasional cause of their fall, since it is culpable and punishable. "Therefore, reprobation is consistent with the doctrine of personal responsibility and guilt."<sup>53a</sup> Headlam and Sanday say here also, "conceived result" following the British grammarians, Lightfoot, Ellicott, and Evans.<sup>54</sup> Robertson falls in line with them.<sup>55</sup> He does not grant that the opinion of some that where <sup>51</sup> *ἵνα* seems to express the consequence, divine purpose is meant, can be applied here. Stoeckhardt, Philippi, and Codet translate *τελικῶς* . The *μη̄ γένοιτο* strongly supports this explanation. Paul wishes to show that the purpose (i.e. with God)

50. International Critical Commentary, Vol. 32, p. 143.

51. Ibid.

52. Kommentar zum Neuen Testament, Vol. VI, p. 286 ff.

53. Vol. 2, p. 631.

53a. Commentary upon the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans, p. 335.

54. Op. cit., p. 321.

55. Loc. cit.

of their stumbling was not their fall. Says Calov:<sup>56</sup> "De intentione Dei loquitur, non de eventu. ——— Intentio autem Dei, nec ut cederent, fuit, nec ut in casu et ruina maneat: multo minus ut impingant."

Philippi warns:<sup>56a</sup> "The stone of offence at which they stumbled was not laid in their path by God for the end that ( $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$  - particle of intention) they should fall prostrate." Lange discusses this passage at length and says that the Jews surely fell, but the purpose of their fall was not that they should fall into ruin of ἀπωλεία. "The  $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$  denotes the final purpose of the Divine judicial government, and is not merely ἐκβατικῶς, as Chrysostom, Augustine and others would have it," and in a footnote on the same page:

"Although  $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$  is telic, ..... the emphasis does not rest upon it, as though only the purpose were denied, and the fact admitted. Taking οἱ λοιποὶ as representatives of the whole nation, the apostle admits the stumbling, and denies the final fall, intimating by his use of  $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$ , that another purpose was involved, viz., the salvation of the gentiles."<sup>56b</sup>

Taking this view, one avoids even the most remote possibility of allowing the doctrine of a reprobate election to slip into this passage.

It is not amiss to examine several other passages to establish the laxer use of  $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$ . Gal. 2, 9: "They (scil. James, Cephas, and John) gave me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship that ( $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$ ) we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision." Robertson<sup>57</sup> takes  $\epsilon\upsilon\alpha$  in the force of "on condition that", and Burton<sup>57</sup> explains the clause as giving the content of the agreement.<sup>57</sup>

<sup>56</sup>. Biblia Novi Testamenti Illustrata, vol. II, p. 185.

<sup>56a</sup>. Op. cit. II, p. 191.

<sup>56b</sup>. A Commentary on the Holy Scriptures, vol. V, (N.T.), p. 364.

<sup>57</sup>. Op. cit., p. 1000

<sup>58</sup>. Op. cit., p. 92

<sup>59</sup>. Op. cit. There is an ellipsis within the clause. Calov,

Similar is I Cor. 7, 5: "Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer, ἵνα εχολάβητε." The old interpretation is that it is a pure final clause: husband and wife agree upon abstinence for the sake of prayer. Bachmann says that it is strange (es befremdet sachlich) to Paul's position to take it as purpose.<sup>60</sup> He could easily have given other reasons for abstinence: viz., practice in self-control (Selbstbeherrschung), in making the somatic life serviceable (Dienstbarmachung des somatischen Lebens). Paul extols married life. Should he then consider it a hindrance to prayer-life?

The verb, εχολάβειν, is a hapaxlegomenon with Paul. Its meaning is not "to dedicate oneself to a thing in general", but "to have leisure-time for something". Compare Luther, "dass ihr ..... Musze habet". The clause cannot be the purpose of ἀποστερεῖτε since there would then be a certain illogicality in Paul's discussion of the marriage-question. Furthermore, bearing in mind the meaning of the verb one would accuse Paul of using the most unusual argument in the world: They abstain to have leisure-time for prayer. Zahn, who in his conclusion gives up the idea of purpose, summarizes thus: "Entweder spricht er dann den Inhalt der Verheerung unter den Ehegatten aus oder den Wunsch, von dessen Erfuellung fuer Paulus die Zustimmung zu jener Trennung abhaengig ist." Since "with

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(#59 concluded) op. cit., p. 546: "Est autem hic ἔλλειψις, quae optime supplebitur: Apostolatu fungemur, nampe ex illo ἀποστολήν, quod jam praecesserat."

60. V. Zahn, op. cit. vol. VII, p. 256.

consent" comes in between, Zahn prefers the latter meaning. He refers to passages such as Gal. 2, 9 and Phil. 2, 2 where the classical distinction between  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$  and  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon$  is not observed as strictly as by Classical Writers.

Similarly II Cor. I, 17 furnishes evidence that  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$  has gone over to the ecbatic sense. "The Things that I purpose, do I purpose according to the flesh that with me there should be yea yea, and nay nay  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha \tilde{\eta} \kappa\tau\lambda$  ." Blaszc takes  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$  as expressing result.<sup>61</sup> Bachmann believes that here also  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$  has invaded the function of  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon$ .<sup>62</sup> We find the same explanation given by Plummer.<sup>63</sup> Moulton differs<sup>64</sup> with this view.

We found no difference in the 33  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$  - clauses of the Pastoral Epistles from the examples in Paul's other letters. They are all, with one exception, purely purpose-clauses. In Titus 2, 12: "Teaching us that ..... we should live soberly,"  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$  .....  $\xi\eta\sigma\theta\mu\epsilon\nu$ , the clause gives the purport rather than the purpose of the teaching ( $\pi\alpha\iota\delta\epsilon\upsilon\epsilon\iota\gamma$ ). We add this observation to show that the linguistic evidence, though never conclusive, favors the Pauline authorship of the Pastorals, a question that has often been discussed by critics.

61. Op. cit. p. 217

62. Zahn, op. cit., Vol. VIII, p. 61 f.

63. International Critical Commentary, vol. XXXIIIa, p. 33f.

64. Op. cit., p. 210.

What about the Epistle to the Hebrews? There are fifteen examples of <sup>61</sup>ὅτι, all strictly telic. Again, this fact proves nothing, either for or against the Pauline authorship of the Epistle to the Hebrews.

So, Robertson then, is justified in concluding that <sup>61</sup>ὅτι has final, subfinal, and consecutive meaning in the New Testament, <sup>65</sup> and that holds good for Pauline Literature.

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65. Op. cit., p. 999.

## II. CLAUSES WITH ὅπως

In the expansion of its uses ἕνδε largely invaded the territories belonging to the infinitive and to ὅπως, as already observed.<sup>66</sup> Many constructions of ὅπως have surrendered to ἕνδε. This conclusion is borne out by the fact that ὅπως is found only eight times with Paul, and three of these passages are quotations from the LXX.<sup>67</sup>

ὅπως is compounded from the neuter accusative relative ὅ and πως, the indefinite adverb. It occurs also in the sense of "how". As to the difference between ἕνδε and ὅπως, S. G. Green says, op. cit., p. 320, that with ἕνδε the emphasis is on the result aimed at and with ὅπως on the method.

The construction as to tense and mood is the same as with ἕνδε except that Paul never uses the present subjunctive in ὅπως clauses but only the aorist subjunctive. Once the future indicative occurs, *ἕνδε* in Rom. 3, 4. Even here the variant reading *ἕνδε* has led some scholars to find the aorist subjunctive.

It should be noted that the form occurs together with an aorist,

*δικαιωθήσῃς* and that the LXX reading in Ps. 51, 6, is *ἕνδε*.<sup>68</sup>

66. AtI. Robertson, op. cit., p. 992. Cf. also Blass - Debrunner, Neutestamentliche Grammatik, p. 204. (Fifth Edition)

67. Reb, 4; 9, 17 (bis); II Thess. 1, 12.

68. This may be the case of difference in orthography. In old Attic dialect *η* was not written, but *ε* was. *η* was written with iota subscript. *η* and *ε* were used interchangeably, e.g. *κλήω* = *κλείω*. The New Testament universally has *η*, except *βούλει* in Luke 22, 42. The Koine generally has *η*. Scholars are divided on this question. Winer - Schmiedel accept this vowel confusion as possible in several instances, also in R. 5, 40. V. Robertson, op. cit., p. 195 f.

This passage is interesting also for another reason. It is the only instance in which  $\acute{\alpha}\nu$  occurs in a final clause with Paul. The presence of this particle is due to the quotation from the LXX. The  $\acute{\alpha}\nu$  gives the clause a relative or conditional force.<sup>69</sup>

Where  $\acute{\sigma}\pi\omega\varsigma$  is not part of a quotation from the LXX, it is often used for the sake of variety. So in II Cor. 8, 14 and I Cor. 1, 28-29, where it occurs alongside of  $\acute{\iota}\nu\alpha$ . It stands alone in II Cor. 8, 11; Gal. 1, 4; and Philemon 6.

Paul does not use  $\acute{\sigma}\pi\omega\varsigma$  in subfinal and consecutive clauses. The classical idiom of  $\acute{\sigma}\pi\omega\varsigma$  with the fut. indicative after verbs of striving et al. is not found with him; all eight instances are purely telic.

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69. Burton, op. cit., p. 85.



## III. NEGATIVE CLAUSES OF PURPOSE

The usual method of expressing a negative clause of purpose is by means of *ἵνα μή* or *ὅπως μή*. Besides, the simple *μή*, sometimes joined to *ποτέ* or *πως*, is so used. The construction is the same. One example will suffice: I Cor. 9, 27: "I keep under my body and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means ..... I myself should be a castaway, *μή πως* ..... *γένωμαι*."

In Gal. 2, 2 and I Thess. 3, 5 we have a very unusual phenomenon in Greek grammar ----- an indicative of a secondary tense after *μή πως*. "I ..... communicated unto them that gospel which I preach ..... lest by any chance I ..... had run in vain, *μή πως* ..... *ἔδοξαμολ*", and "I sent to know your faith lest ..... the tempter have tempted you, *μή πως* *ἐπειράθην*." The phenomenon has been variously explained. One explanation is that it is an indirect question. Robertson<sup>70</sup> regards this explanation as possible in the passage† from Galatians but not in I Thess. 3, 5. An ellipsis of a verb of inquiry must be adopted. Moulton suggests "an afterthought" in "had run" in Gal. 2, 2.<sup>71</sup> In reference to Gal. 2, 2 Glasz says<sup>72</sup>: "Ueblicher sind solche abhaengige Saetze mit *μή ποτε* (*μή πως*), die sich an irgendein Verbum anhaengen, um das begleitende und bestimmende Gefuehl der Besorgnis auszudruecken." He does not admit any telic force in either of the two passages. He designates I Thess. 3, 5 "befuerchtete Folge".<sup>73</sup>

70. *Op. cit.*, p. 988.

71. *Op. cit.*, p. 201.

72. *Op. cit.*, p. 205 f.

73. *Ibid.*

Following Goodwin, "Moods and Tenses", p. 120 f., Robertson concludes that both are purpose-clauses. There was an ancient idiom according to which an indicative of an historical tense was used if it was distinctly implied that the purpose was not attained. So it was in both passages. Paul did not run in vain, neither did the tempter succeed with the Thessalonians. In both passages the indicatives occur with parallel subjunctives.<sup>74</sup> Robertson's view is doubtlessly correct.<sup>75</sup>

The function of *ποτε* and *πως* in this connection, according to Radermacher (Neutestamentliche Grammatik, p. 158), is to distinguish dubitative from final *μη*. *ποτε* has lost the idea of time and expresses contingency, "lest perchance", in preference to "lest at any time."<sup>76</sup>

The particle *μη*, simple or compound, has a very narrow range of use in sub-final clauses, usually after verbs of "taking heed", "caring for", and "fearing". The subjunctive is used as a rule with the exception of Col. 2, 8 where we find the future *εβτα*. The indicative is employed after *φοβεσθαι*, if the object about which one fears is present or past, e.g., Gal. 4, 11: "I am afraid of you lest I have bestowed upon you labor in vain, *φοβοῦμαι μη*  
---*κεκοιτακα*."

74. *τρέχω* in Gal. 2, 2, and *γένηται* in I Thess. 3, 5.

75. Loc. cit.

76. Ibid.

## IV. RELATIVE CLAUSES OF PURPOSE

There is one instance of the classic relative clause with the future indicative to express purpose in Pauline Literature. I Cor. 4, 1 "For this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus ,..... who shall bring you into remembrance (ὅς ἀναμνήσει ) of my ways κτλ." Paul does not make use of the subjunctive in this capacity as do other New Testament writers. This subjunctive Blas<sup>77</sup> calls a result of "anlehnung an die gleichwertigen Sätze mit ἵνα ."

No example of the future participle with verbs of motion to express purpose is found with Paul.

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77. Op. cit., p. 210.

## V. THE INFINITIVE OF PURPOSE

Although <sup>ei</sup>ὄν has been taken over many of its functions, the infinitive of purpose is still quite frequent with Paul,<sup>78</sup> and in various constructions.

The infinitive of purpose is old. It was more frequent with Homer than with the Attic writers. The latter used it chiefly with verbs of "giving, ordaining, offering, and sending."<sup>79a</sup> In the New Testament it is frequent with verbs of motion. On the substitution of <sup>ei</sup>ὄν - clauses Blass remarks: "Fuer diesen Infinitiv (scil. des Zwecks) kann wieder <sup>ei</sup>ὄν eintreten, .....; besonders bei loser Verbindung und groeszerem Inhalt des Nebensatzes ist <sup>ei</sup>ὄν das Natuerliche, waehrend in besonders enger Verbindung bestimmter Redensarten der Infinitiv sich nicht verdraengen laeszt." Paul as well as Luke does not so readily substitute <sup>ei</sup>ὄν for the infinitive as, for instance, John.

## A. WITH PREPOSITIONS

We begin with <sup>ei</sup>ἰς τοῖ and the infinitive, because it is especially frequent with Paul. He uses it most frequently in Romans, First and Second Corinthians, and in his First and Second Epistles to the Thessalonians; occasionally in the Epistle to the Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians; never in Colossians, the Pastoral Epistles, and in Philemon.<sup>79c</sup>

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78. Paul has 50 of the 72 examples in the New Testament, Robertson, op. cit., p. 1071, <sup>ei</sup>ὄν.

79a. Blass, op. cit., p. 216.

79b. Ibid.

79c. Just on the side, there are eight instances in Hebrews. This fact, again, is not proof for Pauline authorship.

*εἰς τό* is in this capacity, equal to the English "with a view to" in accordance with the original notion of "motion toward or into" expressed by *εἰς*. In his *Lexicon* Thayer<sup>80</sup> says ad rem: "*εἰς τό* followed by an infinitive ..... is like the Latin ad with gerundive." In this point he follows Harmsen in Zeitschrift fuer wissenschaftliche Theologie, 1874, (pp. 345 - 360). He distinguishes two kinds of infinitival expressions with *εἰς τό*. In the first type "*εἰς τό* combines with the verb on which it depends into a single sentence."<sup>81</sup> Examples are I Cor. 8, 10, "If any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols? οἰκοδομηθήσεται εἰς τὸ ἐβλίειν," or I Cor. 11, 22: "Have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? εἰς τὸ ἐβλίειν κ. πίπειν."<sup>82</sup>

The second genus is that which expresses a separate telic clause. Paul usually uses *εἰς τό* in this function as in Rom. 1, 11: "I long to see you ..... to the end ye may be established, εἰς τὸ ἐτηλεωθῆναι ὑμᾶς."<sup>83</sup> Notice how the translators have brought out the force of *εἰς τό* with "to the end". When the subject of the infinitive is the same as that of the leading clause, it is sometimes not repeated as in Gal. 3, 17: "The covenant ..... the law ..... cannot disannul that it should make the promise of none effect εἰς τὸ καταργῆσαι τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν." The subject is even omitted

80. Sub *εἰς τό*, p. 185

81. *Ibid.*

82. Other examples are I Thess. 2, 16; 4, 9; Phil. 1, 25.

83. Other purely final instances are Rom. 5, 26; 7, 4; 8, 29 *et al.*

occasionally when it is not the same as that of the principal clause and can be easily applied, e.g. in Rom. 6, 12, "Let not sin reign in your mortal body that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof, εἰς τὸ ὑπακούειν κτλ." Paul uses the present or the aorist infinitive, once the perfect, viz. in Eph. 1, 18: "The eyes of your understanding being enlightened that ye may know the hope of his calling εἰς τὸ εἰδέναι ὑμᾶς." Moulton<sup>84</sup> notes that the difference between ἵνα-clauses and clauses of εἰς τὸ cum infinitivo is that ἵνα indicates the immediate, εἰς τὸ the more remote result aimed at.

The functions of εἰς τὸ' with infinitive are summarized by Burton as expressing "tendency, measure of effect, or result, conceived or actual",<sup>85</sup> besides purpose, the most common. The distinction between these various tinges of meaning will best become clear through examining passages that come into consideration.

Rom. 1, 20: "The invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse, εἰς τὸ εἶναι αὐτοὺς ἀναπολογήτους." A little reflection will reveal that the correct syntactical explanation is important, as far as the meaning, yes doctrine, is concerned. If this passage is a clause of purpose, one might use it, as has been done,<sup>86</sup> in support of

84. Op. cit., p. 218.

85. Op. cit., p. 161.

86. V. Calov, op. cit., p. 52, for quotations from Calvinists.

Calvin's doctrine of double election. Grammarians and exegetes line up in this wise. Headlam and Sunday say, "secondary, conditional, purpose";<sup>87</sup> Zahn, "beabsichtigte Folge";<sup>88</sup> Meyer,<sup>89</sup> purpose; Stoeckhardt, "divino purpose".<sup>90</sup> Over against these literati others believe, it is a clause of result. Burton says, op. cit., p. 161: "This clause could be joined to an expression of purpose only by supposing an ellipsis of some such expression as  $\kappa\alpha\iota\ \omicron\upsilon\tau\omega\varsigma\ \epsilon\iota\varsigma\ \epsilon\iota\tilde{\nu}\alpha\iota$  and seems therefore to require that  $\epsilon\iota\varsigma\ \tau\omicron\ \epsilon\iota\tilde{\nu}\alpha\iota$  be interpreted as expressing result." He adds that the following causal clause forbids the final interpretation. Expositor's Greek New Testament believes that it is ecclastic.<sup>91</sup> So Philippi, I, p. 48 f. He adds, however, that the telic acceptation does not necessarily mean that an unconditional predestination is taught here. Robertson, op. cit., p. 1002, does not give a definite answer: "Divine purpose may be the idea, though result is the probable conception." Similarly Moulton.<sup>92</sup> Forceful is Calov's discussion.<sup>93</sup> "Illud autem  $\epsilon\iota\varsigma\ \tau\omicron\ \epsilon\iota\tilde{\nu}\alpha\iota$  hic accipiendum est non τελικῶς, sed ἐκβατικῶς." He follows this syntax against the Calvinists who believed that God gave the

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87. International Critical Commentary, vol. 32, p. 44.

88. Vol. VI, p. 91 f.

89. " $\epsilon\iota\varsigma\ \tau\omicron$ " mit dem artikulirten (sic) Infin. wird namentlich auch in Roemerbriefe an keiner einzigen Stelle anders also telisch gebraucht", IV, p. 85.

90. Op. cit., p. 54.

91. Vol. 2, p. 592

92. "This belongs to the category of passages dealing with divine action, in which contemplated and actual results, final and consecutive clauses, necessarily lose their difference."

93. Loc. cit.

heathen knowledge of Himself in order to deprive them of any pretext of excuse, ut postea nihil haberent, quod praetexerunt.<sup>94</sup> Calov shows that the purpose of giving them a natural knowledge of God was that there might be a "manu ductio (a leading by the hand) quaedam ad ulteriorem DEI agnitionem in verbo propositam et ecclesiae patefactam quae dicitur finis paedagogicus". That the heathen are rendered ἀναπολόγηται because they neglected to seek the "ulteriorem Dei cognitionem", did not happen "ex Dei ordinatione vel intentione" but "praeter eandem". Calov's conclusion ... "ideo εἰς τὸ εἶναι hoc loco est ὡς τε εἶναι" is correct.

The Fourth Chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans has four instances of εἰς τὸ cum infinitivo, showing the frequency with which Paul uses this mode of expression. All four, two in v. 11 and one each in vv. 16 and 18, express purpose. V. 11, "And he (scil. Abraham) received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith, which he had yet being uncircumcised: that he might be the father of all them that believe." This passage (εἰς τὸ εἶναι αὐτόν) is now quite universally regarded as telic.<sup>95</sup> Meyer says, it was God's purpose that Abraham receive circumcision as a seal of the righteousness of faith. He regards the telic acceptation as necessary when looking at it from the viewpoint of the Biblical outlook (anschauung) of

94. Ibid.

95. International Critical Commentary, vol. 32, p. 107; Expositor's II, p. 617; Philippi I, p. 178.



the matter and of its importance. Therefore the ecabatic explanation of making the clause equal to *καὶ οὕτως ἐγένετο πατὴρ* was rightly given up.<sup>96</sup>

A difference of opinion is held in regard to v. 18: "Who (scil. Abraham) against hope believed in hope that he might become the father of many nations, *εἰς τὸ γενέσθαι*." Headlam and Sanday say,<sup>97</sup> it is equivalent to *ὥστε γενέσθαι*. "His faith enabled him to become the father, but with the underlying idea that his faith in this was but carrying out the great Divine purpose which ordered all these events." Philippi says, it is parallel to v. 11, namely Divine intention. Some have thought that the infinitival clause was the object of his faith. Philippi rejects that view. The direct reflexive would then be used for *αὐτόν*. The verb *πιστεύειν* is not used with *εἰς* and the substantival infinitive as object. Furthermore, such a view would weaken the phrase "against hope in hope".<sup>98</sup>

Romans 6, 12: "Let not sin reign in your mortal body that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof, *εἰς τὸ ὑπακούειν* " is clearly the result. If they let sin rule over their body, the inevitable result is that they obey their lusts. This verse illustrates well what Burton means by "tendency, measure of effect, or result, conceived or actual". In Rom. 7, 4: "Ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ that (*εἰς τὸ*) ye should be married to another" is taken as purpose. The purpose of the abolition of the Law is that they should belong to Christ.<sup>99</sup>

96. *Op. cit.*, p. 211.

97. *Op. cit.*, p. 114.

98. Philippi, *op. cit.* I, p. 178.

99. Philippi, *op. cit.* I, p. 526 f.

In the very next verse we have a case of result being expressed by  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\sigma\tau\acute{o}$  . "When we were in the flesh, the notions of sins which were by the Law, did work in our members to ( $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\sigma\tau\acute{o}$ ) bring forth fruit unto death." It is parallel to  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon$  , as it is to be taken  $\epsilon\acute{\kappa}\beta\alpha\tau\iota\kappa\acute{\omega}\varsigma$  and not  $\tau\epsilon\lambda\iota\kappa\acute{\omega}\varsigma$  . The result of the working of the fleshly notions is that they bring forth fruit unto death.<sup>100</sup>

This construction occurs in the locus classicus and one of the important sedes doctrinae on election, Rom. 8, 29: "Whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son that ( $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\sigma\tau\acute{o}$ ) He might be the first-born among many brethren." The final aim of the  $\pi\rho\omicron\omicron\rho\epsilon\iota\sigma\mu\acute{o}\varsigma$  was to glorify His Son, the mediate purpose the salvation of man.<sup>101</sup>

Still in the section on election (Romans 11, 11) we find another example: "Through their (scil. Jews') fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to ( $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\sigma\tau\acute{o}$ ) provoke them to jealousy."<sup>102</sup> How is this clause to be understood? The first part of the verse has shown that God did not intend the fall of the Jews.<sup>103</sup> The meaning is well given by Calov.<sup>104</sup>

100. Philippi, op. cit., p. 550.

101. Philippi, op. cit., vol. II, p. 35 f.

102. Luther's translation "nacheifern" is not the equivalent of the original, which is "eifersüchtig machen."

103. V. p. 20 f.

104. Op. cit., p. 185

"Intelligenda haec sunt non  $\tau\epsilon\lambda\lambda\kappa\tilde{\omega}\varsigma$ , sed  $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa\beta\alpha\tau\kappa\tilde{\omega}\varsigma$ : nam hoc eventus et directionis divinae fuit, non quod voluerit DEUS, ut caderent Israelitae, sed, quia casuri erant propria culpa, hunc eorum casum in bonum direxerit, partim quoad gentiles in salutem eorum, partim quoad Israelitas, ut eos per aemulationem gentium exitio eriperet. Intentio itaque DEI fuit, ut ad aemulationem exhiberetur Judaeos per fidem et salutem gentium. Assumptio novi populi directa fuit ad veteris provocationem ad aemulationem: ut nempe Israelitae cernentes confertam gentilium ad Deum conversionem seria aemulatione irritati et ipsi doctrinae Evangelicæ animos suos submitterent."

The laxer use of this construction is further exemplified by this passage (Rom. 12, 3): "I say .... to every man ... to ( $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}'$ ) think soberly." Robertson (op. cit., p. 1072) lists this passage as expressing conceived result, "to think so that he thinks soberly".<sup>105</sup> He should think so of himself that the self-estimate is moderate. Cf. Stoeckhardt's translation, "bedacht sein auf eine besonnene Denkweise". In this usage we have a parallel in  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon$ , which is used for aim and result.<sup>106</sup>

We observe the same wider use in other of his epistles. II Cor. 8, 5 - 6: "And .... they ..... first gave their own selves to the Lord ..... inasmuch that ( $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}'$ ) we desired Titus."<sup>107</sup> Meyer, Hofmann, et al. insist on the "rein telische Fassung". He admits that the  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}'$  - clause was indeed a result of the matter in Macedonia, but it was a result intended by God. He finds proof in the phrase in v. 5, "by the will of God". Expositor's (II, p. 85),

105. Thayer, op. cit., p. 613.

106. Elasz, op. cit., p. 216: "Es wird aber mit  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon$  in Neuen Testament wie attisch keineswegs bloss die wirkliche oder die moegliche Folge eingefuehrt, sondern auch (was sogar das Aeltere ist) die beabsichtigte, so dass eine Grenze gegen die Absichtsaetze kaum mehr sichtbar ist."

107. "Damit wir den Titus ermahnten". Remember that Meyer says,  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}'$  is always "auf dass", never "so dass". (VII, p. 239)

I C C (XXXIIIa, p. 287), and Zahn (VIII, p. 312) take it in the ecbatic sense. The connecting thought is that he was so encouraged by the generosity of the Macedonians that he thought to send Titus.<sup>108</sup>

Again, this construction has broadened out so that it is used, like ἕνεκα -clauses, as objects of certain verbs. This use corresponds to the sub-final clause, as it is used after similar verbs: of commanding, of entreating, of asking for. Illustrations are to be found in I Thess. 2, 12; I Thess. 3, 10; and II Thess. 2, 2.<sup>109</sup>

Sometimes it is merely exegetic. For instance, it is merely explanatory in Phil. 1, 23, "I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to (εἰς τό) depart and to be with Christ." Also exegetic to a verbal adjective as in I Thess. 4, 9: "Ye are taught of God to (καθ' ἑαυτοὺς διδάκτοι εἰς τό) love one another."

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108. Another instance of the Consecutive Infinitive is Gal. 3, 17. On II Cor. 1, 4: "Who comforteth us in all our tribulation that (εἰς τό) we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble," Bachmann says: "Solche Zusprache (comforteth) fñhrt aber Gottbñis dahin fort, dass die von ihm gewaehrte Troestung uebergeht auf die anderen in aehnlicher Lage befindlichen." He says it expresses result and purpose. Zahn, *op. cit.*, VIII, p. 28. On p. 294 he discusses II Cor. 7, 5: "I have said before that ye are in our hearts to (εἰς τό) die and live with you." " bezeichnet die Wirkung, an deren Intensitaet man die Energie des εἰς καρδίᾳ εἶναι abzumessen vermag.

109. After μαρτυρεῖν, δεῖναι, and ἐρωτᾶν respectively.

Very similar is *πρός τό* cum infinitive. It has the force of "looking to" "with a view to". Of the twelve examples in the New Testament Paul has four - II Cor. 3, 15; Eph. 6, 11; I Thess. 2, 9; and in II Thess. 3, 8. In Eph. 6, 11, he has the present and in other passages the aorist infinitive. All four express "the subjective purpose"<sup>110</sup> as in II Cor. 3, 15, "And not as Moses, which put a veil over his face, that (*πρός τό*) the children of Israel could not steadfastly look (*μη ἀτενίσαι*) to the end which is abolished."

#### B. THE ARTICULAR INFINITIVE

A construction belonging to the higher stratum of Koine Greek, especially with Luke and Paul,<sup>111</sup> is the infinitive after the genitive article *τοῦ*. Luke has it oftener than Paul. In its development it started as a purely adnominal genitive.<sup>112</sup> Moulton maintains that it is generally incidental that *τοῦ* corresponds to the ordinary genitive. It retains its genitive force after nouns and verbs which otherwise also govern the genitive.<sup>113</sup> In the extension of its uses, however, it retains its genitive force as little as the genitive absolute. Developed by Thucydides, it came to express purpose.<sup>114</sup> In fact, it

110. Robertson, op. cit., p. 1075.

111. Blass, op. cit., p. 226. Five-sixths of the examples with Luke and Paul.

112. It still is in I Cor. 16, 4: "If it be meet that I go also (*τοῦ καί με πρὸς εὐεχέαις*), they shall go with me."

113. E.g. after verbs of lacking, depriving, et al.

114. "In Beziehung auf ganze Sätze, um die Absicht auszudrücken, wo die ältern Philologen ἐνεκα oder ἕνεκα supplied", Winer, op. cit., p. 304. Also Blass, loc. cit.

developed beyond the telic meaning over into the ecbatic. "The general blurring of the expressions, which were once appropriated for purpose, has infected two varieties of the articular infinitive."<sup>115</sup> So also Blaszyk, "Starke Lockerung der Verbindung mit dem Substantiv und Uebergang zu konsekutivem Sinn zeigen Stellen wie I Cor. 10, 13."

Moulton counts thirteen examples with Paul, and these are in Romans, Galatians, I and II Corinthians, and Philippians. Of these purpose is never unmistakable.<sup>116</sup> In fact, Robertson doubts whether Paul ever uses *toû* cum infinitivo for purpose. In this respect Paul's use differs from that of Luke, viz., in the absence of telic force.

Two probable cases are Rom. 6, 6, and Phil. 3, 10. Rom. 6, 6: "Our old man is crucified with him that (*τῶ*) the body of sin might be destroyed, that (*τοῦ*) henceforth we should not serve sin." On this passage Moulton remarks that the infinitival clause expounds the purpose contained in the *τῶ*-clause<sup>117</sup>. Very similar is Phil. 3, 8 - 10: "I count all things but loss .... that (*τῶ*) I may win Christ and be found in Him ..... that (*τοῦ*) I may know Him."

This construction is generally expegetical with Paul. Rom. 1, 24: "God gave them (scil. the heathen) up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to (*τοῦ*) dishonor their own bodies." Yet, some

115. Moulton, op. cit., p. 216; also Blaszyk, loc. cit.

116. V. Moulton, loc. cit.

117. Moulton, op. cit., p. 218.

take this infinitive as one of purpose. So Philippi ( I, p. 54.). In proof he refers to  $\pi\acute{\alpha}\nu\eta \acute{\alpha}\tau\epsilon\mu\acute{\iota}\alpha\varsigma$  in v. 26, which resumes the thought of  $\acute{\alpha}\tau\epsilon \mu\acute{\alpha}\lambda\epsilon\sigma\eta\delta\epsilon$ . Stoeckhardt also takes it as a purpose clause and finds the voluntas Dei consequens expressed here.<sup>118</sup>

The grammarians, however, are of a different opinion. Blaszc says, "Uebergang zu konsekutiven Sinn."<sup>119</sup> Robertson (op. cit., p. 1002) says that  $\tau\omicron\upsilon$  with infinitive is usually equivalent to "so as to" in Pauline Literature and so here. Shedd,<sup>120</sup> Burton,<sup>121</sup> Winer,<sup>122</sup> all take it as epexegetic. "Der Genitiv sagt an, worin jene  $\acute{\alpha}\kappa\alpha\lambda\alpha\sigma\epsilon\iota\delta$  bestanden habe."<sup>123</sup> Warding off any possible Calvinistic teaching, Calov, (op. cit., p. 34) concludes: "Traditi ergo a Deo sunt non affective, quasi Deus autor sit illius impuritatis, ut Calviniani blasphemant; nec solum permissive ac tantum  $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa\beta\alpha\tau\epsilon\kappa\omega\varsigma$  sed  $\delta\iota\kappa\alpha\beta\tau\epsilon\kappa\omega\varsigma$  et judicialiter."

Here belongs a passage like Rom. 7, 3, "If her husband be dead, she is free from that law, so that ( $\tau\omicron\upsilon$ ) she is no adulteress."

Moulton calls it epexegetic, while Philippi (I, p. 325), Robertson (op. cit., p. 1002), and Burton label it a clause of result.

Philippi is without a doubt correct in equating  $\tau\omicron\upsilon \mu\acute{\eta}$  with  $\acute{\omega}\sigma\tau\epsilon \mu\acute{\eta}$ .

Summing up, Moulton lists the thirteen examples as follows:

118. Op. cit., p. 61.

119. Loc. cit.

120. Op. cit., p. 26.

121. Op. cit., p. 158.

122. Op. cit., p. 305f.

123. Ibid.

three are either final or consecutive (Rom. 6, 6; 7, 3; Phil. 3, 10), two are ablative (Rom. 15, 22; II Cor. 1, 8), five occur with substantives (Rom. 15, 23; I Cor. 9, 10; 16, 4; II Cor. 8, 11; Phil. 3, 21), four are epexegetic (Rom. 1, 24; 7, 3; 8, 12; I Cor. 10, 13).<sup>124</sup>

### C. WITH $\acute{\omega}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$

What about  $\acute{\omega}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$  with the infinitive? Reference was made to this construction in note 106. It is usually used for result as in the Classical<sup>125</sup>, e.g. II Cor. 1, 8: "We would not have you ignorant of our trouble ..... that we were pressed out of measure, above strength inasmuch that ( $\acute{\omega}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$ ) we despaired even of life." Another example is II Thess. II, 4: "Who (scil. that man of sin) opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that ( $\acute{\omega}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$ ) he as God sitteth in the temple of God" etc. These examples express, according to Burton,<sup>126</sup> "tendency, by implication realized in actual result".

Slightly different is the construction in I Cor. 13, 2: "Though I have all faith so that ( $\acute{\omega}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$ ) I could remove mountains and have not charity, I am nothing." This case denotes "tendency or conceived result thought of as such".<sup>127</sup> This shade of meaning is better illustrated by Luther's translation: "also dass ich Berge versetzte." Compare also II Cor. 2, 7. Robertson further observes that the idea of pure purpose is rare with the N.T. writers when they employ  $\acute{\omega}\epsilon\tau\epsilon$  cum infinitivo. Only probable examples should be claimed<sup>128</sup>.

124. There are really 14. Moulton apparently overlooked Gal, 3, 10, where it occurs after a noun.

125. Blass, op. cit., p. 216.



## VI. DOUBLE PURPOSE-CLAUSES

Paul expresses double purpose-clauses in various ways. We glean a few illustrations from his Epistle to the Romans which show his linguistic resourcefulness in this respect. Sometimes he introduces both with the same particle e.g. Rom. 7, 13: "But sin that (  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  ) it might appear sin, working death in us by that which is good; that (  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  ) sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful."<sup>129</sup> Or, he begins the second clause with  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}$ ' as in Rom. 4, 13: "It is of faith that (  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  ) it might be by grace; to the end (  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}$ ' ) the promise might be sure to all the seed." Or vice versa as in Rom. 7, 4: "Ye are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that (  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}$ ' ) ye should be married to another ..... that (  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  ) we should bring forth fruit unto God." In Rom. 6, 6, the order is  $\acute{\epsilon}\nu\delta$  .....  $\tau\acute{o}\tilde{\upsilon}$  cum infinitive. A double purpose-clause is usually placed in a long period.<sup>130</sup>

126. Op. cit., p. 149 f.

127. Ibid.

128. Op. cit., p. 990, p. 1099.

129. For double  $\epsilon\acute{\iota}\varsigma\ \tau\acute{o}$ ' see Rom. 4, 11; double  $\acute{\omicron}\pi\omega\varsigma$  Rom. 9, 17.

130. "Gewöhnlich an entscheidender Stelle, an Satzende oder so, dass sie eine ganze Periode bestimmen," Zeitschrift fuer die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft und die Kunde der älteren Kirche, XXXIII, Heft I, p. 57.

$\tau\acute{o}\ \tau\acute{\epsilon}\lambda\omicron\varsigma$

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