

*In the English
Bible of the
year 1579.*

Let the Christian Reader note the corruption and impudent boldnes of our Aduerfaries, that vpon a false private perfuasion of their owne, that S. Paul was not the Authour of this Epistle, leaue out his name in the title of the same, contrarie to the authentical copies both Greeke and Latin. In old time there was some doubt who should be the writer of it, but then when it was no lesse doubted whether it were Canonical Scripture at all. Afterward the whole Church (by which only we know the true Scriptures from other writings) held it and deliuered it, as now she doth, to the faithful for Canonical, and for S. Pauls Epistle. Notwithstanding the Aduerfaries would haue refused the Epistle, as well as they doe the Authour, but that they falsely imagin certaine places thereof to make against the Sacrifice of the Masse.

Heretical corruption.

The Epistle to the Hebrewes is S. Pauls.