

3 John

CHAPTER 1

- 1** The elder unto the well beloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.
- 2** Beloved, I wish above all things that you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers.
- 3** For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in you, even as you walk in the truth.
- 4** I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.
- 5** Beloved, you do faithfully whatsoever you do to the brethren, and to strangers;
- 6** Which have borne witness of your love before the church: whom if you bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, you shall do well:
- 7** Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.
- 8** We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellow helpers to the truth.
- 9** I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, receives us not.
- 10** Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither does he himself receive the brethren, and forbids them that would, and casts *them* out of the church.
- 11** Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God: but he that does evil has not seen God.
- 12** Demetrius has good report of all *men*, and of the truth itself: yea, and we *also* bear record; and you know that our record is true.
- 13** I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto you:
- 14** But I trust I shall shortly see you, and we shall speak face to face. Peace *be* to you. *Our* friends salute you. Greet the friends by name.