2 John

¹ The elder, To the chosen lady and her children, whom I love in the truth—and not I alone, but also all who know the truth—

² because of the truth that abides in us and will

be with us forever:

- ³ Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, will be with us in truth and love.
- ⁴ I was overjoyed to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as the Father has commanded us.
- ⁵ And now I urge you, dear lady—not as a new commandment to you, but one we have had from the beginning—that we love one another.
- ⁶ And this is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the very commandment you have heard from the beginning, that you must walk in love.
- ⁷For many deceivers have entered into the world, refusing to confess the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh. Any such person is the deceiver and the antichrist.
- ⁸ Watch yourselves, so that you do not lose what we have worked for, but that you may be fully rewarded.
- ⁹ Anyone who transgresses without remaining in the teaching of Christ does not have God. Whoever remains in the teaching of Christ has both the Father and the Son.

- ¹⁰ If anyone comes to you but does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your home or even greet him.
- ¹¹ Whoever greets such a person shares in his evil deeds.
- ¹² I have many things to write to you, but I would prefer not to do so with paper and ink. Instead, I hope to come and speak with you face to face, so that our joy may be complete.
- 13 The children of your elect sister send you greetings. Amen.

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