

## The Third Epistle of John

<sup>1</sup> The elder to the beloved Gaius, whom I love in truth. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, I desire that in all things thou shouldest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospers. <sup>3</sup> For I rejoiced exceedingly when [the] brethren came and bore testimony to thy [holding fast the] truth, even as **thou** walkest in truth. <sup>4</sup> I have no greater joy than these things that I hear of my children walking in the truth. <sup>5</sup> Beloved, thou doest faithfully [in] whatever thou mayest have wrought towards the brethren and that strangers, <sup>6</sup> (who have witnessed of thy love before [the] assembly,) in setting forward whom on their journey worthily of °God, thou wilt do well; <sup>7</sup> for for the name have they gone forth, taking nothing of those of the nations. <sup>8</sup> **We** therefore ought to receive such, that we may be fellow-workers with the truth. <sup>9</sup> I wrote something to the assembly; but Diotrephes, who loves to have the first place among them, receives us not. <sup>10</sup> For this reason, if I come, I will bring to remembrance his works which he does, babbling against us with wicked words; and not content with these, neither does he himself receive the brethren; and those who would he prevents, and casts [them] out of the assembly. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. He that does good is of °God. He that does evil has not seen °God. <sup>12</sup> Demetrius

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has witness borne to him by all, and by the truth itself; and **we** also bear witness, and thou knowest that our witness is true. <sup>13</sup> I had many things to write to thee, but I will not with ink and pen write to thee; <sup>14</sup> but I hope soon to see thee, and we will speak mouth to mouth. Peace [be] to thee. The friends greet thee. Greet the friends by name.

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