2 John

1 The elder, to the chosen lady and her
children, whom I love in truth, and not I alone
but also all who have come to know the truth,
2 because of the truth that remains in us and
will be with us forever.
3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us from
God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Son of
the Father, in truth and love.
4 I rejoiced greatly to find some of your
children walking in truth, just as we received a
commandment from the Father.
5 And now I ask you, lady, not as though
writing you a new commandment, 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 commandment,
just as you heard from the beginning, that you
walk in it.
7 For many deceivers have gone out into the
world, those who do not confess Jesus Christ as
coming in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the
antichrist.
8 Watch yourselves, so that you do not lose
what we have accomplished, but receive a full
reward.
9 Everyone who goes ahead and does not
remain in the teaching of Christ does not have
God. Whoever remains in the teaching has both
the Father and the Son.

10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring
this teaching, do not receive him into your
house or welcome him,
11 for whoever welcomes him shares in his
evil deeds.
12 Though I have many things to write to you, I
did not want to do so with paper and ink.
Instead I hope to be with you and speak face to
face, so that your joy may be complete.
13 The children of your chosen sister greet you.

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