

ΙΩΑΝΝΟΥ Γ

1 Ὁ πρεσβύτερος Γαῖω τῷ ἀγαπητῷ, δὸν ἐγὼ ἀγαπῶ ἐν ἀληθείᾳ.

2 Ἀγαπητέ, περὶ πάντων εὔχομαί σε εὐόδοῦσθαι καὶ ὑγιαίνειν, καθὼς εὐόδοῦται σου ἡ ψυχή.

3 ἔχάρην γὰρ λίαν ἐρχομένων ἀδελφῶν καὶ μαρτυρούντων σου τῇ ἀληθείᾳ, καθὼς σὺ ἐν ἀληθείᾳ περιπατεῖς.

4 μειζοτέραν τούτων οὐκ ἔχω χαράν* ἵνα ἀκούω τὰ ἐμὰ τέκνα ἐν τῇ† ἀληθείᾳ περιπατοῦντα.

5 Ἀγαπητέ, πιστὸν ποιεῖς ὁ ἐὰν ἐργάσῃ εἰς τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς καὶ τοῦτο‡ξένους,

6 οἵ ἐμαρτύρησάν σου τῇ ἀγάπῃ ἐνώπιον ἐκκλησίας, οὓς καλῶς ποιήσεις προπέμψας ἀξίως τοῦ θεοῦ.

7 ὑπὲρ γὰρ τοῦ ὀνόματος ἐξῆλθον μηδὲν λαμβάνοντες ἀπὸ τῶν ἐθνικῶν§

8 ἡμεῖς οὖν ὁφείλομεν ὑπολαμβάνειν* τοὺς τοιούτους, ἵνα συνεργοὶ γινώμεθα τῇ ἀληθείᾳ.

9 Ἔγραψά τι†τῇ ἐκκλησίᾳ· ἀλλ’ ὁ φιλοπρωτεύων αὐτῶν Διοτρέφης οὐκ ἐπιδέχεται ἡμᾶς.

10 διὰ τοῦτο, ἐὰν ἔλθω, ὑπομνήσω αὐτοῦ τὰ ἔργα ἃ ποιεῖ, λόγοις πονηροῖς φλυαρῶν ἡμᾶς, καὶ μὴ ἀρκούμενος ἐπὶ τούτοις οὕτε αὐτὸς ἐπιδέχεται τοὺς ἀδελφούς καὶ τοὺς βουλομένους κωλύει καὶ ἐκ τῆς ἐκκλησίας ἐκβάλλει.

* **1:4** χαράν Treg NA28 RP] χάριν WH † **1:4** τῇ WH Treg NA27] – NA28 RP ‡ **1:5** τοῦτο WH Treg NA28] εἰς τοὺς RP § **1:7** ἐθνικῶν WH Treg NA28] ἐθνῶν RP * **1:8** ὑπολαμβάνειν WH Treg NA28] ἀπολαμβάνειν RP † **1:9** τι WH Treg NA28] – RP

11 Ἀγαπητέ, μὴ μιμοῦ τὸ κακὸν ἀλλὰ τὸ ἀγαθόν. ὁ ἀγαθοποιῶν ἐκ τοῦ θεοῦ ἔστιν· ὁ κακοποιῶν οὐχ ἔώρακεν τὸν θεόν.

12 Δημητρίῳ μεμαρτύρηται ὑπὸ πάντων καὶ ὑπὸ αὐτῆς τῆς ἀληθείας· καὶ ἡμεῖς δὲ μαρτυροῦμεν, καὶ ὅιδας[‡] δέ τι ἡ μαρτυρία ἡμῶν ἀληθής ἔστιν.

13 Πολλὰ εἶχον ‘γράψαι σοι’[§], ἀλλ’ οὐ θέλω διὰ μέλανος καὶ καλάμου σοι γράφειν^{*}

14 ἐλπίζω δὲ εὐθέως ‘σε ἵδεῖν[†], καὶ στόμα πρὸς στόμα λαλήσομεν.

15 Εἰρήνη σοι. ἀσπάζονται σε οἱ φίλοι. ἀσπάζου τοὺς φίλους κατ’ ὄνομα. ‘p /’ /book’

[‡] **1:12** οἶδας WH Treg NA28] οἴδατε RP § **1:13** γράψαι σοι WH Treg NA28] γράφειν RP * **1:13** γράφειν WH Treg NA28] γράψαι RP † **1:14** σε ἵδεῖν WH Treg NA28] ἵδεῖν σε RP

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