1—6. 2 JOHN. 921   
   
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 Father, and from + Jesus Christ, + The tora   
 God the Father, and from   
 the Lord Jesus Christ, the the Son of the Father, ¢in truth ‘tc   
 Son of the Father, in truth and love. I rejoiced greatly, that Mat"   
 and love. ‘I rejoiced   
 greatly that I found of thy T have found of thy children ¢ walk- the Sinaitie   
 children walking in truth, ing in truth, according as we re- ¢sScuis   
 as we have received a com- eeived commandment from the Fa-   
 mandment from the Father. ther. 5 And now I beseech thee,   
 5 And now I beseech thee, lady, fnot as writing unto thee a ,gnni-78   
 lady, not as though I wrote new commandment, but that which 7   
 @ new commandment unto we had from the beginning, & that ¢ jhe 7-s+   
 thee, but that which we we love one another,   
 had from the beginning, is love, that we walk according to »Jim'   
 that we love one another. 6 And ™ this 1 Pes   
 6 And this is love, that we XV 10,   
 walk after his command- 1 John fi. 8 ¥.3,   
   
 Luke ii, 14; Rom. v. 1; x. 15; John of the truth of God in Christ: see above   
 xiv. 27; xvi. 33), from God the Father, on 1.—Again, there is no hint whatever   
 and from Jesus Christ, the Son of the given that the rest, or that others, of her   
 Father (from the Father, as their original children were not walking in truth, The   
 fountain, who of His great love hath de- Apostle apparently, as above, in some place   
 ind secured them for us : from Jesus. where he was, lit upon these children of   
 Christ the Son of the Father, this solemn the “Zady,” and sends her their good re-   
 title being used for the more complete port. Respecting the rest, he makes no   
 setting forth of the union of Jesus with mention nor insinuation), according as we   
 the Father in the essence of the Godhead), received commandment from the Father   
 in truth and love (truth and love are the (viz. to walk in the trath: not, as Liicke,   
 conditional element in which the grace, to love one another, making this clause a   
 merey, and peace are to be received and farther description of the manner in which   
 enjoyed). they were walking in truth). 5)   
 4—11.] Truth and love: These (sce ver. 1) And now (so coupling to what has gono   
 were the two ground-tones of the Epistle. before, 1 John ii. 28. It has also a force   
 And now the Apostle proceeds to deseribe iis of breaking off, and passing to that whieh   
 joy at finding the children of the elect lady is the main subject, or most in the Writer’s   
 walking in trath (ver. 4), and to enforee thoughts, whieh here is, that this walk-   
 the commandinent, to Jove one another ing in truth is a walking after God’s   
 (5, 6): and this in presence of the fact commandments in love) I entreat thee (seo   
 that many deceivers are in the world, who on entreating and asking, 1 John v.15,   
 would rob us of our Christian reward, and 16. Here the entreating carries a mild   
 of our share in God (7—9). These are admonition with it, and assumes that the   
 not to be treated as brethren, nor grected, writer had a right thus to entreat), lady,   
 lest we partake of their evil (10, 11). not as writing to thee a new command-   
 4.] I rejoiced greatly (at some ment, but (as writing to thee) that which   
 definite time perhaps: but it may also we had from the beginning (sce on this,   
 be the epistolary form of putting the verb, 1 John ii. 8), that (i.e. order tha   
 implying the present only: and this is not merely explanatory here) we Io   
 made more probable by the perfect tense, one another (the expression of the com-   
 “Ihave found,” which follows. See how- mandinent in the first person is a mark   
 ever 3 John 3), that I have found (the of gentleness and delicacy: a sign that   
 most obvious interpretation is, at some he who wrote it kept the commandment   
 place where the Apostle was, he came upon himself). 6.] And (the onward course   
 these who are presently mentioned: as in of thought here is highly of   
 Acts x 2, Paul came to Corinth: and St. John) this is love (love is uscd in its   
 finding a certain Jew, gc.) of thy chil- widest sense, as the sum and substance   
 dren (some) walking in-truth (i.e. only of all God’s commandinents: not only as   
 in honesty and uprightness, but in that love to God; nor only as love to the   
 truth which is derived from and is part Wrethren), that (the explicative “¢hat”