

The Second Epistle of John

{1:1} The elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth; {1:2} For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever. {1:3} Grace be with you, mercy, [and] peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

{1:4} I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father. {1:5} And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another. {1:6} And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it. {1:7} For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. {1:8} Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. {1:9} Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. {1:10} If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into [your] house, neither bid him God speed: {1:11} For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

{1:12} Having many things to write unto you, I would not [write] with paper and ink: but I trust to come unto you, and speak face to face, that our joy may be full. {1:13} The children of thy elect sister greet thee. Amen.

