THE THIRD LETTER OF JOHN

¹ The elder to the beloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

² Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, even as your soul prospers. ³ For I was overjoyed when the brothers came and testified about your faithfulness to the truth and how you walk in the truth. ⁴ I have no greater *joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

⁵ Beloved, you are acting faithfully in whatever you do for the [†]brothers and for those who are strangers to you. ⁶ They have testified of your love before the church, and you will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God. ⁷ For they went out for the sake of [‡]the Name, receiving nothing from the Gentiles. ⁸ Therefore we ought to §receive men like them, so that we may be fellow workers for the truth.

⁹ I *wrote to the church, but Diotrephes, who loves to put himself first, does not acknowledge us. ¹⁰ So if I come, I will call attention to what he is doing and the evil accusations of nonsense that he is making against us. And he is not satisfied

^{* 1:4} joy | grace WH
† 1:5 brothers and for those who 89.8%
| brothers, even though they CT 7.6%
‡ 1:7 the Name | his name SCR
§ 1:8 receive 91.4% | support CT 7.6%
* 1:9 wrote | wrote something CT

with that! He not only refuses to receive the brothers, but also stops those who want to do so and throws them out of the church.

¹¹ Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. Whoever does good is of God; whoever does evil has not seen God. ¹² Demetrius is well spoken of by everyone, and by the truth itself. We also speak well of him, and [†]you know that our testimony is true.

¹³ I have much to [‡]write, but I do not want to write to yoυ with pen and ink. ¹⁴ I hope to see yoυ soon, and we will speak face to face.

Peace be with you. The friends greet you. Greet the friends by name.

[†] **1:12** you 61.2% | we PCK 23.2% | yoυ CT 15% ‡ **1:13** write | write to yoυ CT

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