

Diagram of Third John

Praescriptio:

¹ **The Elder**
To Gaius
the beloved,
whom I love in Truth.

Proem:

² Beloved,
1 regarding everything I pray for you
that you will be prosperous and healthy
to the degree that you are spiritually.

³ For
2 I was caused to rejoice
greatly
at the coming of the brothers and their giving witness about you
in the Truth
just as you are walking in the Truth.

3 ⁴ **I have no greater joy that this**
that I hear about my children
that they are walking in the Truth.

Body, pt. 1:

⁵ Beloved,
4 faithful you are doing
whenever you do actions
to the brothers,
and
this -----
to strangers,
⁶ who have given witness about you
in love
before the church
whom you have treated well
by having equipped them for their journey worthy of God;
⁷ for
in behalf of the name
5 they went out
taking nothing
from the Gentiles.

⁸ Therefore
6 we ought
to support such individuals
in order that we might be participants
in the Truth.

Body, pt. 2:

7 ⁹ **I wrote something to the church;**
but
8 the one loving to be first, Diotrephes, does not accept us.

¹⁰ Because of this
when I come
9 I will call to mind his deeds
which he did by evil words
in making charges against us,
and
not being content with these things
10 he would not also receive the brothers
and
11 those who wanted to he forbide
and
out of the church
12 he threw them.

Body, pt. 3:

¹¹ Beloved,
13 do not imitate what is evil,
rather
14 (imitate) what is good.

15 The one doing good is from God;
16 the one doing evil has never seen God.

17 ¹² **Demetrius has a good witness**
from all
and
from the Truth itself;
and
18 we give witness,
and
19 you know that our witness is truth.

Conclusio:

20 ¹³ **Many things I have to write to you**
but
with pen and ink
21 I do not wish...to write to you;
¹⁴ rather
22 I hope
quickly to see you,
and
mouth to mouth
23 we shall speak.

24 ¹⁵ **Peace to you.**

25 The friends send you greetings.

26 Greet the friends
by name.