

3RD JOHN

¹ The elder *man* to Gaius, most dear *brother*, whom I love in truth.

² Most dear *brother*, of all things I make prayer, that thou enter, and fare wealfully, as thy soul doeth wealfully.

³ I joyed greatly, for brethren came, and bare witnessing to thy truth, as thou walkest in truth.

⁴ I have not more grace of these things, than that I hear that my sons walk in truth.

⁵ Most dear *brother*, thou doest faithfully, whatever thou workest in brethren, and that into pilgrims,

⁶ which yielded witnessing to thy charity, in the sight of the church; which thou ledest forth, and doest well-worthily to God.

⁷ For they went forth for his name, and took nothing of heathen men.

⁸ Therefore we owe to receive such, that we be even-workers of truth.

⁹ I had written peradventure to the church, but this Diotrephes, that loveth to bear primacy, [*or chief places*], in them, receiveth not us.

¹⁰ For this thing, if I shall come, I shall admonish his works, which he doeth, chiding [*or chattering*] against us with evil words. And as if these things suffice not to him, neither he receiveth brethren, and forbiddeth them that receive, and putteth out of the church.

¹¹ Most dear *brother*, do not thou pursue evil thing, but that that is good thing. He that doeth well, is of God; he that doeth evil, seeth not God.

¹² Witnessing is yielded to Deme-trius of all men, and of truth itself; but also we bear witnessing, and thou knowest, that our witnessing is true.

¹³ I had many things to write to thee, but I would not write to thee by ink and pen.

¹⁴ For I hope soon to see thee, and we shall speak mouth to mouth. Peace *be* to thee. Friends greet thee well. Greet thou well friends by name. *Amen.*

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