

# 3 John



**T**HE elder to the wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

2 Beloved, I wish above all things that you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers.

3 For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in you, even as you walk in the truth.

4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

5 Beloved, you do faithfully whatsoever you do to the brethren, and to strangers;

6 Which have borne witness of your charity before the church: whom if you bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, you shall do well:

7 Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.

8 We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellow-helpers to the truth.

9 I wrote to the church: but Diotrophes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, receives us not.

10 Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words: and not

content therewith, neither does he himself receive the brethren, and forbids them that would, and casts them out of the church.

11 Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God: but he that does evil has not seen God.

12 Demetrius has good report of all men, and of the truth itself: yes, and we also bear record; and you know that our record is true.

Satan always hates Christian fellowship; it is his policy to keep Christians apart. Anything which can divide saints from one another he delights in.

**CHARLES SPURGEON**

13 I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write to you:

14 But I trust I shall shortly see you, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to you. Our friends salute you. Greet the friends by name.

9 Loving to have preeminence is not a fruit of godliness. Those who want it will manifest their unregenerate hearts with malicious words. They will divide the Body of Christ for their own ends, as did Diotrophes.

# Test Your I.Q.

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Read OUT LOUD the wording in the three triangles:



READ this sentence:

**FINISHED FILES ARE THE RE-  
SULTS OF YEARS OF SCIEN-  
TIFIC STUDY COMBINED WITH  
THE EXPERIENCE OF YEARS**

Now count aloud the F's in the box. Count them only ONCE; do not look back and count them again.

*Answers:* The words "the" and "a" are repeated. There are six F's.

## *Here is another I.Q. test:*

This one is more important. Answer Yes or No OUT LOUD:

- 1** Is there a God?
- 2** Does God care about right and wrong?
- 3** Are God's standards the same as ours?
- 4** Will God punish sin?
- 5** Is there a hell?
- 6** Can you avoid hell by living a good life?

*Answers:*

- 1** Yes. **2** Yes. **3** No. **4** Yes. **5** Yes. **6** No.