

2 John 1-4

I. Salutation: (1-2)

A. From: The Elder (1a)

The elder = John

B. To: The Church (1b-2)

1. The Elect Lady and Her Children (1b)

The elect lady & children almost certainly = the church and her people

2. Whom I and all who know the truth love because of the truth (1c-2)

a Whom I and all who know the truth love (1c-e)

1) Whom I love in truth (1c)

2) I and all those who know the truth (1d-e)

a) Neg: And not I alone (1d)

b) Pos: But also all those who know the truth (1e)

True fellowship around a common object of love – the Truth Himself

b Reason: Because of the truth (2)

1) Because of the truth which is remaining in us (2a)

2) And it will be with us forever (2b)

II. Blessing: (3)

A. Blessing:

1. It will be/May it be

2. What will be:

a Grace

b Mercy

c Peace

B. Modifiers:

1. With you

2. From God the Father

3. And from Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father

4. In truth and love

Modifies either how these things will be with you

Or describes Jesus Christ

III. Thanksgiving: (4)

A. I rejoice greatly (4a)

B. Reason: I have found your children walking in truth like the Father commanded (4b-c)

1. Because I have found some of your children walking in truth (4b)

2. Just as we received a command from the Father (4c)

Notice that John rejoices in Discipleship which obediently lives out God's will