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King James 1769 Version

Chapter 1

- (1) The elder unto the wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.
- (2) Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.
- (3) For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth
- (4) I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.
- (5) Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers;
- (6) Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, thou shalt 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 fellowhelpers to the truth.
- (9) I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.
- (10) Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth them out of the church.
- (11) Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.

King James Paraphrase

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- (1) The elder to the well beloved Gaius,^a 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) Because I rejoiced greatly, when the brothers 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 whatever you do to the brothers and to strangers;
- (6) Who have borne witness of your charity before the church: whom if you bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, you will do well:
- (7) Because for His Name's sake they went forth, taking nothing from the Gentiles {non-Jews}.
- (8) We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellow helpers to the truth.
- (9) I wrote to the church: but Diotrephes, who loves to have first place among them, does not receive us.
- (10) Therefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he does, speaking against us with malicious words: and not content to do just that, he himself does not even receive the brothers, and forbids those who would receive them, and casts them out of the church.
- (11) Beloved, do not follow that which is evil, but that which is good. He who does good is of God: but he who does evil has not seen God.

1:1a - Gaius - Acts 19:29; 20:4; Rom. 16:23; I Cor. 1:14

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(12) Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself: yea, and we also bear record; and ye know that our record is true. (13) I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee: (14) But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to thee. Our friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.	(12) Demetrius ^b has a good report of all men, and of the truth itself: yes, and we also bear witness; and you know that our witness is true. (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.
1:12b – Demetrius – Acts 19:38	