

2 and 3 John Review Questions Answers

1. What is the theme of 2 John?

Answer: The necessity of standing in the truth and separating from error.

2. What is the Greek word for “elder”?

Answer: Presbuteros

3. What are the two ways this word is used in the New Testament?

Answer: As to age and as to position

4. What are four reasons we believe the “elect lady” was a woman and not a church?

Answer: (1) This is the most literal and natural interpretation. (2) John said that he expected to see the lady face to face. (3) The Greek word translated “lady” is *kuría*, which means lady. (4) John mentions the lady’s “house.”

5. What do we learn about the elect lady’s children?

Answer: They walked in the truth.

6. What was the elect lady’s dangerous situation?

Answer: She was in danger of being led astray by false teachers.

7. How many times does John mention “truth” in his epistles?

Answer: 21

8. John’s love was grounded in and defined by what?

Answer: Truth

9. In what verse did Jesus say, “As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent”?

Answer: Revelation 3:19

10. What verse says the love of God is to keep His commandments?

Answer: 1 John 5:3

11. What verse says the soul is purified in obeying the truth?

Answer: 1 Peter 1:22

12. What is the meaning of “walking in truth”?

Answer: Living according to God’s Word

13. The elect lady was greeted by God the Father and the Son with what greeting?

Answer: Grace be with you, mercy, and peace

14. What is “grace”?

Answer: Undeserved favor

15. What is “mercy”?

Answer: Compassion, kindness, forgiveness

16. What is “peace”?

Answer: Reconciliation with God

17. Why does “grace” always come before “mercy” and “peace”?
Answer: Apart from God’s free grace in Jesus Christ on the basis of His atonement, the sinner has no standing before God.
18. What is the significance of the fact that Jesus Christ is mentioned with God the Father as the source of grace, mercy, and peace?
Answer: Jesus is God.
19. Why does John say that grace, mercy, and peace are “in truth”?
Answer: He is warning of false gospels.
20. What is the meaning of “Jesus Christ is come in the flesh”?
Answer: Jesus is Christ and fulfills everything the Scripture says about Christ.
21. What are seven errors that are encompassed in denying that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh?
Answer: Denying the Trinity; denying Jesus’ virgin birth; denying that Jesus is fully God; denying Jesus’ eternal Sonship; denying Jesus as the Creator; denying Jesus’ eternal manhood; denying Jesus’ sinlessness, miracles, substitutionary atonement, and bodily resurrection
22. What does it mean to “confess” that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh?
Answer: To confess this with full heart confession
23. What are three things that John stated about those who do not confess that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh?
Answer: (1) Deceivers (2) Antichrist (3) Hath not God
24. Wherever the true Christ is not confessed, the spirit of _____ is operating.
Answer: Antichrist
25. What is the meaning of “transgress”?
Answer: To go beyond, to violate
26. How does John describe the vigilance that is required for protection from false doctrine?
Answer: Look to yourselves
27. What is the warning that John gives for those who do not separate from false doctrine about Christ?
Answer: That we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward
28. How does John emphasize the importance of “doctrine” in his 2nd epistle?
Answer: He mentions it three times
29. How does John emphasize the necessity of abiding in the doctrine of Christ?
Answer: He says those who do not abide in the doctrine of Christ have not God.
30. When John says not to receive someone into your house, he is talking about when that individual is doing what?
Answer: Teaching false doctrine
31. To bid Godspeed to a false teacher is to be _____.
Answer: Partaker of his evil deeds

32. What is the theme of 3 John?
Answer: The support of preachers and the abuse of pastoral authority
33. To whom is 3 John addressed?
Answer: Gaius
34. What was John's greatest joy?
Answer: That his children walk in truth
35. What kind of preachers did John commend for support?
Answer: Those who went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles
36. What does it mean to "bring forward on their journey"?
Answer: To meet their needs
37. What does it mean to support "after a godly sort"?
Answer: The way God takes care of His own
38. John said that those who support Christ's ministers are _____ to the truth.
Answer: Fellow helpers
39. What is the name of the pastor who was abusing his authority?
Answer: Diotrephes
40. What are five characteristics of this man?
Answer: (1) Proud (2) Abusive (3) Self-willed and controlling (4) Treated the church as his own possession (5) Had not seen God
41. What is "prating"?
Answer: Talking falsely
42. What is "malicious"?
Answer: Evil, hurtful
43. What verse says the pastor must not be "self-willed"?
Answer: Titus 1:7
44. How did John describe this pastor's spiritual condition?
Answer: He was not of God.