

THE THIRD EPISTLE OF JÖHN

THE elder unto the wellbeloved
Gāi'ūs, 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 Ġēn'tileš.

8 We therefore ought to receive such,
that we might be fellowhelpers to
the truth.

9 I wrote unto the church: but
Dī-ōt'rē-phēs, 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.

12 Dē-mē'trī-ūs 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.