

Message Based Discussion

3 John

What did you like about this passage?

What did you find hard to accept or understand?

What does this passage teach about people?

What does this passage teach us about God? What does it teach about Jesus?

What will you do now? Based on this passage, how will your life change?

How specifically are you going to live out today's lesson?

Who will you tell? With whom will you have a conversation about this passage?

The Call to Christian Discipleship

This letter holds examples of two different people in the church. The first, a detractor. The second, a diligent disciple. Without beating yourself up, examine your life in the church. Does it look more like Diotrephes or Demetrius?

The Call to Missional Living

One interesting aspect to this letter is the commendation to how the church was hospitable to traveling missionaries. Missional living is one way to share the gospel, but supporting missionaries is another way to share in the spread of the gospel. What implications does that hold for you in your current situation?

Memorize: Verse of the month (Discipleship)

“We will not hide them from their children,
but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.”

—Psalm 78:4

Being Beloved

3 John

September 18, 2016

Reading: John 14:1-7

1. Close to the heart (v. 1-2)

- The Elder

- The Beloved

- The Prayer

2. Testifying to Truth (3-8)

Truth: devotion to Christ and His commands. The gospel.
Colossians 1:5

- Rejoicing at Truth

- Reputation of Truth

- Replicating Truth

3. Concerns, Commendations, & Closing (9-15)

- Diotrephes the Detractor

- Demetrius the Diligent

- Not just Facebook friends (John 10:3; 15:15)