

**New Testament Books**  
**After the Paul and the Book of Acts**  
(Hebrews, James, 1,2 Peter, 1,2,3 John, Jude, Revelation)

**This Week:**

**Lesson:** Introduction to 2, 3 John

**Scripture:** 1 John, 2 John

**Written By:** John; Jesus' disciple, son of Zebedee (d. A.D. 64-66)

**When:**

Gospel of John A.D. 60-90

I, II, III John A.D. 85-90

Revelation A.D. 86-96 (last canonical Book written)

**Next Week:**

**Homework Scripture Read:** Jude

**II John:**

**II John 1:1, 13**      Lady? Sister?  
**II John 1:5-6**      Love one another  
**II John 1:7-11**     False teachers

**III John:**

**III John 1:1**      Written to Gaius – an individual  
**III John 1:1-4, 5-9**    The successful ministry of Gaius  
**III John 1:10-11**     Against Diotrephes  
**III John 1:12-14**     For Demetrius

**Discussion:**

- **Discuss** the address of “the chosen lady” what does this imply?
  - Probably ambiguous because of persecution
  - spy speak, “lady” = “church”
  - Or, a Matriarch representing each of two (Ephesian?) churches
- **Note:** The similarities of 1 & 2 John
  - Addressed to pseudonym – children, lady
  - Emphasis to love one another
  - Emphasis against false teachers
- **Note:** The generalities in 1 & 2 John represent the specifics of 3 John
  - Specific address
  - Specific love of Gaius and Demetrius
  - Specific opposition to Diotrephes