

NIV MEMORY VERSE: 2 John 6a

And this is love: that we walk in obedience
to his commands.

GOSPEL AND LETTERS OF JOHN 29-1

"BOLT THE DOOR/OPEN THE DOOR"

READ 2 John and 3 John

1. What impressed you from the lecture last week?

DAY 1 – READ 2 John 1-6

2. To whom was this letter written and what was said about them?
3. a. In order to know the truth, we must study God's Word. Share some practical suggestions that have helped you to study God's Word. (Do you use a notebook? Do you put memory verses on the refrigerator or mirror? etc.)

b. Share how God has given you each of the following:
grace

mercy

peace

truth

love
4. a. What gave John great joy?

b. Share a time when you watched or knew someone who held fast to their faith in tough times. How did it bless you?
5. a. What is love according to verse 6?

b. Remember 1 Peter 3:15. In witnessing the objection is made, "If Christianity is just a big list of 'do's' and 'don'ts,' I don't want any part of it." Your response?
6. What is characteristic of your Christian "walk"? (You may want to check with Galatians 6:2, 1 Corinthians 13, and/or comment on the "pace" of your walk.)

GOSPEL AND LETTERS OF JOHN 29-2

DAY 2 – READ 2 John 7-13

7. From today's verses, carefully describe deceivers.
8. In verses 9-11 what reasons are there to "bolt the door?"
9. Read verse 12. Think of someone who gave you joy and find a way to acknowledge them in your life – through prayer, a letter, or even a hug if you are lucky enough to see them "face to face."

DAY 3 – READ 3 John 1-8

10. a. Name attributes of Gaius found in these verses.

b. Name some attributes of those you "love in truth" who give you great joy.

c. Which of these attributes do you most need to incorporate into your life?
11. Share your thoughts on what things can be done "for the sake of the Name."
12. a. Why should we offer to "open the door" with hospitality and help true missionaries?

b. Do you think entertaining and hospitality are the same? Explain.

c. What do these Scriptures say about hospitality?
Luke 14:12-14

Romans 12:13

Hebrews 13:2

1 Peter 4:9

DAY 4 – READ 3 John 9-11

13. a. What evil had Diotrephes done in . . .
 . . . thought?

 . . . word?

 . . . deed?
- b. What do you think was the root sin of Diotrephes?

14. a. What was John's warning in verse 11?
- b. What do these Scriptures teach about doing good?
 Luke 6:35

Galatians 6:9,10

Hebrews 13:16

DAY 5 – READ 3 John 12-14

15. a. What was said of Demetrius?
- b. What do we learn in Proverbs 22:1?
- c. How does reputation enhance/hinder a Christian's witness to the world?
16. With whom would you most like to share face to face and why?
17. Write 3 John, verse 2. This is our prayer for you!
18. How did you do on your goals from Lesson 1?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: