The Fellowship Room

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Outline of the Bible Book of 3 John

3 John = Hospitality

[God Is Proficient]

- I. Embassy of Gaius 3 John 1-8
 - A. Total Prosperity 3 John 1-4
 - 1. Truth in love 1
 - 2. Correlation of body and soul
 - a) euchomai easily blessed 2a; I Corinthians 16:2
 - b) *pseuche* a moral being 2b; Hebrews 13:17; James 1:21; James 5:20; I Peter 1:9, 22; 2:11, 25
 - Good reported by brethren 3
 - 4. Highest pleasure of seed-sower 4; Luke 8:4-15; Galatians 4:19
 - B. *Total Joy 5-8*
 - 1. Gaius' completely loving 5-6a
 - 2. Gaius completely outfitting emissaries for Christ 6b
 - a) **propemsas** send forward, accompany, or escort
 - (1) as Corinthians did Paul or Timothy I Corinthians 16:6, 11
 - (2) as Ephesian elders did Paul Acts 20:38
 - (3) as Antioch church did Paul and Barnabas Acts 14:26; 15:3
 - (4) as Zenas and Apollos were by Titus Titus 3:13

- b) unsupported by "outsiders" 7 Cf Matthew 10:1-14;
 Luke 10:1-8; I Corinthians 9:18; 2 Corinthians 11:7-9
- 3. Gaius' completely fellowshipping the truth 8

II. Embargo of Diotrephes 3 John 9-10

A. Stopped Scriptures 3 John 9

- 1. Love's letter lost 9a
- 2. Loved 1st place for himself 9b
- 3. Love's Apostle rejected 9c

B. Scriptural Shutdown 10

- 1. **phluaron** "utter nonsense, talk idly, prate, make empty charges"
- 2. **epidechetai** "receive hospitably"
- koluei "to cut off, hinder, forbid" Acts 11:17; Luke 9:49-50;
 Romans 1:13; I Timothy 4:3

III.Embrace for Demetrius 3 John 11-12

A. Biblical Principle 3 John 11

- 1. Rule of "mimicry" (*mimeomai* "imitation") 11a
- 2. God is ONLY ON ONE SIDE OF THE MORALS QUESTION! 11b

B. Biblical "Prince" 12

- 1. good report from "all" 12a
- 2. good report from "the truth itself" 12b
- 3. good report from the Apostles 12c

IV. Embarkation of John 3 John 13-14

- A. A Limitation of "pen and ink" 3 John 13-14a Cf 2 John 12
- B. "Peace to you" makes up for its omission in the introduction 14b
- C. Add details to Apostle's greeting 14c

John's Journal:

- * A Gaius is named in:
 - a) of Macedonia, Acts 19:29
 - b) of Derbe, Acts 20:4
 - c) host of Paul in Corinth, Romans 16:23; I Corinthians 1:14;

It is uncertain which is referred, if at all 3 John 1

- * "Diotrephes" is only mentioned here and only **evil** is associated with his name. **9-10**
- * "Demetrius" is only mentioned here and only **good** is reported of him. 11