- 1:1 The elder to the beloved Gaius, whom I love in truth.
- 1:2 Beloved, I desire that in all things thou shouldest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospers.
- 1:3 For I rejoiced exceedingly when [the] brethren came and bore testimony to thy [holding fast the] truth, even as *thou* walkest in truth.
- 1:4 I have no greater joy than these things that I hear of my children walking in the truth.
- 1:5 Beloved, thou doest faithfully [in] whatever thou mayest have wrought towards the brethren and that strangers,
- 1:6 (who have witnessed of thy love before [the] assembly,) in setting forward whom on their journey worthily of God, thou wilt do well:
- 1:7 for for the name have they gone forth, taking nothing of those of the nations.
- 1:8 *We* therefore ought to receive such, that we may be fellow-workers with the truth.
- 1:9 I wrote something to the assembly; but Diotrephes, who loves to have the first place among them, receives us not.
- 1:10 For this reason, if I come, I will bring to remembrance his works which he does, babbling against us with wicked words; and not content with these, neither does he himself receive the brethren; and those who would he prevents, and casts [them] out of the assembly.
- 1:11 Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. He that does good is of God. He that does evil has not seen God.
- 1:12 Demetrius has witness borne to him by all, and by the truth itself; and *we* also bear witness, and thou knowest that our witness is true.
- 1:13 I had many things to write to thee, but I will not with ink and pen write to thee;
- 1:14 but I hope soon to see thee, and we will speak mouth to mouth. Peace [be] to thee. The friends greet thee. Greet the friends by name.