

# Bible Study Guide for II & III John

## Day 1 – Overview

1. **II and III John** differ from **I John** in that they are personal letters to individuals. They do not introduce new truths but re-emphasize the truths and attitudes already established in **I John**. There is some question as to whom the “*chosen lady*” refers. Some believe that she is a cryptic designation for a church and its members. Others feel that she was a very special woman in the early church, who, along with her children, were devoted to Christ. She had probably been a blessing and help to John in his work. Read all of **II and III John** looking for themes and repeated words. Record your observations.
2. John used the word “*truth*” four times in his greeting. If we are abiding in truth, what else will be ours according to **vs. 3**?
3. What do each of these words mean to you? Use a Scripture verse if possible.
  - a. Grace
  - b. Mercy
  - c. Peace

## Day 2 – II John 1-6

1. What two words dominate John’s thinking in **vs. 1-6**?
2. John wrote, “*whom I love in truth*”. Consider the following ideas and write your thoughts on each one.
  - a. Truth without love
  - b. Love without truth