THE SECOND EPISTLE of JOHN

1 The elder *man*, to the chosen lady [The elder *man* to the lady Electa], and to her children, which I love in truth; and not I alone, but also all men that know truth [but and all men that knew truth];

2 for the truth that dwelleth in you, and with you shall be without end. [for the truth that dwelleth in you, and with you shall be into without end].

3 Grace be with you, mercy, and peace of God the Father, and of Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and charity.

4 I joyed full much, for I found of thy sons going in truth, as we received commandment of the Father.

5 And now I pray thee, lady, not as writing a new commandment to thee, but that that we had from the beginning, that we love each other.

6 And this is charity, that we walk after his commandments. For this is the commandment, that as ye heard at the beginning, walk ye in him.

7 For many deceivers went out into the world, which acknowledge not that Jesus Christ hath come in flesh; this is a deceiver and antichrist.

8 See ye yourselves, lest ye lose the things that ye have wrought, [but] that ye receive full meed;

9 witting that each man that goeth before [witting that each man that goeth away], and dwelleth not in the teaching of Christ, hath not God. He that dwelleth in the teaching [of Christ], hath both the Son and the Father.

10 If any man cometh to you, and bringeth not this teaching, do not ye receive him into *your* house, neither say to him, Hail.

11 For he that saith to him, Hail, communeth with his evil works. Lo! I beforesaid to you, that ye be not confounded in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 12 I have more things to write to you, and I would not by parchment and ink [I having more things to write to you, would not by parchment and ink]; for I hope that I shall come to you, and speak mouth to mouth, that our joy be full.

13 The sons of thy chosen sister greet thee well [The sons of thy sister Electa greet thee well]. The grace of God *be* with thee. Amen.