

[3 John:] 3/16/2017: Brian MacFarlane

① The elder unto ~~the~~ wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love the truth. ② Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. ③ For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth. ④ I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth. ⑤ Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers; ⑥ which have borne witness of thy charity before the church, whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a goodly sort, thou shalt do well; ⑦ Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles. ~~Therefore~~ ⑧ We therefore ought to receive such, that we may be fellowhelpers to the truth. ⑨ I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not. ⑩ Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth them out of the church. ⑪ Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God. ⑫ Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself: yea, and we also bear record; and ye know that our record is true.

(3) I had many things to write, but I will not with
ink and pen write unto thee; (14) But I trust I
shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to
face. Peace be to thee. Our friends salute thee.
Greet the friends by name.