

1 John 2:1-29 My **little children**, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an **advocate** with the Father, **Jesus Christ the righteous**: And **he** is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of the whole world*. And hereby we do **know** that we **know him**, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I **know him**, and keepeth not **his** commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth **his** word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby **know** we that we are in **him**. He that saith he abideth in **him** ought himself also so to walk, even as **he** walked. Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning. Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in **him** and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth. He that saith **he** is in the **light**, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. He that loveth his brother abideth in the **light**, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and **knoweth** not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes. I write unto you, **little children**, because your sins are forgiven you for **his** name's sake. I write unto you, **fathers**, because ye have **known him** *that is* from the beginning. I write unto you, **young men**, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, **little children**, because ye have **known** the Father. I have written unto you, **fathers**, because ye have **known him** *that is* from the beginning. I have written unto you, **young men**, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth

away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. **Little children**, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that **antichrist** shall come, even now are there many **antichrists**; whereby we **know** that it is the last time. **They** went out from us, but **they** were not of us; for if **they** had been of us, **they** would *no doubt* have continued with us: but **they** went out, that **they** might be made manifest that **they** were not all of us. But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye **know** all things. I have not written unto you because ye **know** not the truth, but because ye **know** it, and that no lie is of the truth. Who is a liar but **he** that denieth that **Jesus is the Christ**? **He** is **antichrist**, that denieth the Father and the **Son**. **Whosoever** denieth the **Son**, the same hath not the Father: (*but*) *he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also*. Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the **Son**, and in the Father. And this is the promise that he hath promised us, *even* eternal life. **These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you** But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in **him**. And now, **little children**, abide in **him**; that, when **he** shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before **him** at his coming. If ye **know** that **he** is righteous, ye **know** that every one that doeth righteousness is born of **him**. (KJV)

Christ Our Advocate

2 My **little children**, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an **advocate** with the Father, **Jesus Christ the righteous**. ²**He** is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. ³And by this we **know** that we have come to **know him**, if we keep **his** commandments. ⁴Whoever says “I **know him**” but does not keep **his** commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵but whoever keeps **his** word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may **know** that we are in **him**: ⁶whoever says he abides in **him** ought to walk in the same way in which **he** walked.

The New Commandment

⁷Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word that you have heard. ⁸At the same time, it is a new commandment that I am writing to you, which is true in **him** and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the **true light** is already shining. ⁹Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness. ¹⁰Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is no cause for stumbling. ¹¹But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not **know** where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

- ¹² I am writing to you, **little children**,
because your sins are forgiven for **his** name’s sake.
- ¹³ I am writing to you, **fathers**,
because you **know him** who is from the beginning.
I am writing to you, **young men**,
because you have overcome the evil one.
I write to you, **children**,
because you **know** the Father.
- ¹⁴ I write to you, **fathers**,
because you **know him** who is from the beginning.
I write to you, **young men**,
because you are strong,
and the word of God abides in you,
and you have overcome the evil one.

Do Not Love the World

¹⁵Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from

the Father but is from the world. ¹⁷And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Warning Concerning Antichrists

¹⁸**Children**, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that **antichrist** is coming, so now many **antichrists** have come. Therefore we **know** that it is the last hour. ¹⁹**They** went out from us, but **they** were not of us; for if **they** had been of us, **they** would have continued with us. But **they** went out, that it might become plain that **they** all are not of us. ²⁰But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. ²¹I write to you, not because you do not **know** the truth, but because you **know** it, and because no lie is of the truth. ²²Who is the liar but he who denies that **Jesus is the Christ**? This is the **antichrist**, **he** who denies the Father and the **Son**. ²³No one who denies the **Son** has the Father. Whoever confesses the **Son** has the Father also. ²⁴Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the **Son** and in the Father. ²⁵And this is the promise that **he** made to us—eternal life.

²⁶**I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you.**
²⁷But the **anointing** that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as his **anointing** teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie—just as it has taught you, abide in **him**.

Children of God

²⁸And now, **little children**, abide in **him**, so that when **he** appears we may have confidence and not shrink from **him** in shame at his coming. ²⁹If you **know** that **he** is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of **him**. (ESV)

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