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Chapter 1

¹The elder, to the chosen lady and her children, whom I love in the truth—and not only I, but also all who have known the truth— ²because of the truth that remains in us and will be with us to eternity. ³Grace, mercy, {and} peace will be with us from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

⁴I rejoiced greatly that I found some of your children walking in the truth, just as we have received a commandment from the Father. ⁵And now I ask you, lady—not as writing a new commandment to you, but what we have had from the beginning—that we should love one another. ⁶And this is love, that we should walk according to his commandments. This is the commandment, just as you heard from the beginning, that you should walk in it. ⁷For many deceivers have gone out into the world, who do not confess Jesus Christ coming in flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist. ⁸Watch yourselves, that you do not lose what we have worked for, but may receive a full reward. ⁹Everyone who goes beyond and does not remain in the teaching of Christ does not have God. The one who remains in the teaching, this one has both the Father and the Son. ¹⁰If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house and do not say to him, “Greetings.” ¹¹For the one who says to him, “Greetings,” shares in his evil deeds.

¹²Having many things to write to you, I did not want with paper and ink. However, I hope to come to you and to speak mouth to mouth, so that your joy might be made complete. ¹³The children of your chosen sister greet you.

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