

## 2 John

This letter was written in the 60's AD since the style is that of an older person (not only named as an Elder) and there is no mention of Jerusalem's destruction in 70 AD.

The writer is John, identified by his use of the Greek language as well as historical testimony.

It is addressed to either a church (feminine image) or more probably a sister who was married.

There are five natural divisions :

vs1-3 An introduction

vs4 Praise

vs5-6 A new old commandment

vs7-11 Warnings

vs12-13 Conclusion

The key words are truth (5x) and love (4x)

The message is in vs8

2Jn 1:8 Watch yourselves, that you do not lose what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward.

The application is : keep both truth AND gracious love (agape).