

II JOHN

Book note for 2 John

No book note, yet.

Chapter note for 2 John 1

1 He exhorteth a certain honourable matron, and her children, to persevere in Christian love and belief, 8 lest they lose the reward of their former profession: 10 and to have nothing to do with those seducers that bring not the true doctrine of Christ Jesus.

2 Jn 1:1

“Elect lady” can’t be the church universal for then she could not have a sister (v. 13) or children (v. 4).

2 Jn 1:2

Truth = the Word expressed in print, namely, the word, which dwells in us. The implication is that truth dwells only in believers.

2 Jn 1:4

Written to a physical lady with children and a sister (v. 13). The church is a virgin so has no children.

2 Jn 1:6

1 Jn. 2:7-8; 5:3.

True love delights to obey.

“From the beginning ...,” the scriptures as written, not as revised.

2 Jn 1:7

“Is come...” present tense (1 Jn. 4:2-3; 5:20). First mention of antichrist is 1 Jn. 2:18. God as an amorphous concept is acceptable to the world. When he is expressed as the Lord Jesus Christ, it’s an offence.

2 Jn 1:8

2:19. Abide in the truth, that is, keep his doctrine.

2 Jn 1:9

Abide in doctrine. To obey this, the Lord must preserve his words, even in translations.

2 Jn 1:10

Rom. 16:17; 2 Thes. 3:6. Agree in doctrine.

2 Jn 1:11

Neither support false doctrine nor endorse it (“God speed”).

2 Jn 1:13

Is the “elect sister” dead? Sol. 8:8.