

GAIUS: THE MAN WHO HELPED GOD'S WORK

III JOHN 1-8

I. IT IS NECESSARY TO COMPARE AND CONTRAST THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN II & III JOHN

- A. The Respective Recipients Of Each Letter
- B. The Two Sides Of Love

II. IT IS NECESSARY TO PUT THE SPOTLIGHT ON GAIUS

- A. This Gaius Is One Of Several Men In The New Testament To Bear The Name 'Gaius'
- B. This Gaius Prompts The Addition Of A Third Key Word Within The Johannine Epistles: "*Martureo*" (*Witness*)
- C. This Gaius Is The Owner of Several Salient Characteristics That Contributed Greatly To The Furtherance Of The Gospel
 - 1. Gaius Was Spiritually Healthy (Verse 2)
 - 2. Gaius Was Openly Hospitable (Verse 5)
 - 3. Gaius Was Determinedly Generous (Verse 6-8)
 - a. Because It Honored God (Verses 6-7)
 - b. Because It Was A Testimony To The Lost (Verse 7b)
 - c. Because It Equaled Obedience To God's Word (Verse 8a)
 - d. Because It Accelerated World Evangelization (Verse 8b)