WALKING IN TRUTH OR WALKING IN SELF?

3 Letters From John – August 10, 2025

KEY SCRIPTURE

- 3 John 1–15
- Matthew 10:40–42
- Proverbs 3:27
- 2 Corinthians 12:20
- Philippians 2:3–4

KEY POINTS

- **Gaius** – Walked in truth, was faithful, hospitable toward missionaries, and had a great testimony.
- **Diotrephes** – Put himself first, rejected authority, gossiped, refused hospitality, stopped others from serving, and removed people from the church who opposed him.
- **Demetrius** – Had a good testimony from everyone and from the truth itself.
- Walking in truth means living out what you believe—truth is not just known, but practiced.
- Hospitality begins with humility—putting others before self for the sake of God's glory.
- Supporting God's workers makes us fellow workers in the truth.
- Self-centeredness poisons the body of Christ; humility and service build it up.

DISCUSSION

- Which of the three men in 3 John do you most relate to in this season of life—Gaius, Diotrephes, or Demetrius? Why?
- How can we practically "walk in the truth" in daily life?
- What does hospitality look like for you—both in your home and in the church?
- Have you ever been tempted to put yourself first in ministry or relationships? How did you handle it?
- In what ways can you actively support God's workers—locally and globally—this month?