



“Holy Hospitality”

Doing Good
III John 1:1-14(15)

It happens through:

I. Involvement - “The well beloved Gaius” (vs. 1-6)

It’s about living:

- A. **Spiritually** - “even as thy soul prospereth”
- B. **Scripturally** - “as thou walketh in the truth”
- C. **Strategically** - “thou do faithfully...to brethren...strangers”

II. Intention - “thou bring forward on their journey” (vs. 7-8)

It’s about His:

- A. **Glory** - “for His name’s sake”
- B. **Grace** - “taking nothing of the Gentiles”
- C. **Goals** - “that we might be fellowhelpers to the truth”

III. Imitation - “Diotrephes, who loves the preeminence” (vs. 9-14)

It’s about who we:

- A. **Inspire** - “prating against us with malicious words”
- B. **Invite** - “neither does he...receive the brethren”
- C. **Influence** - “forbids them that would...casts them out”

Sentence Sermon:

“Holy hospitality is simply God’s servants serving His servants.”

Additional Verses

- *II Thessalonians 3:7, 9*
- *John 15:13-15*
- *Psalms 146:9*
- *Hebrews 13:2, 7*
- *Job 31:32*
- *Romans 12:13*
- *I Peter 4:9*
- *I Timothy 3:2; 5:10*
- *II John 1:4*
- *Titus 3:13*
- *II John 1:10-11*
- *Matthew 10:41*
- *Matthew 23:13*

Pride – It causes us to:

- *Sin – Proverbs 21:4*
- *Forget God – Deuteronomy 8:14*
- *Be Unfaithful – II Chronicles 26:16*
- *Become an Abomination – Proverbs 16:5*

Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words in this passage?
2. Who is the central character of the passage?
3. How would you describe the tone of the first 8 verses?
4. How would you describe the tone of verse 9 through 11?
5. What can we learn from the brethren testifying of the truth in Gaius?
6. What should be a part of exemplar hospitality of a local church?
7. How much of an impact has the hospitality of a church helped you?
8. What principles concerning money can be drawn from verse 7?
9. How does someone demonstrate they love “to have preeminence?”
10. Why would a church allow someone to do what Diotrephes does?
11. Why does John mention Demetrius in this short letter?
12. What stands out to you about the conclusion in verse 14? Why?