Preaching and Practicing the Truth

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

2 John

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What is truth?

“the content of Christianity as the ultimate truth”

1) Jesus (Eph. 4:21; John 14:6)
2) Holy Spirit (1 John 5:7)
3) Gospel (Col. 1:5)
4) Our responsibility to the truth (1 Pet. 1:22)
5) Truth expresses itself in Godly virtues (Eph. 4:24)
OUTLINE OF 2 JOHN

I. Introduction (1-3)
II. Body (4-11)
III. Conclusion (12-13)
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   A. Author (1a)
      ✤ The Apostle John
   B. Audience (1b-2)
      ✤ A literal woman and her children
The main point of 2 John...

• Truth controls how we love.

Ephesians 4:15 but *speaking the truth in love*, we are to grow up in all *aspects* into Him who is the head, *even* Christ,

• Many people want to minimize truth to promote love.

• Love never compromises the truth.
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   C. Greeting (3)
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II. Body (4-11)
   A. Practice the truth (4-6)
      • Love one another (5)
      • Obey His commandments (6)
   B. Protect the truth (7-11)

I think this passage deals with hospitality not evangelism.
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The significance of the truth

31 So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, “If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine;

32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”

John 8:31-32