

STUDY GUIDE: “Imitating Who?”

3 John

Discussion Starters

1. Do you prefer to communicate with someone through and email, text, letter, phone, or in person?

2. How is a church leader supposed to confront a problematic person in the church?

Study

To complete the next section of the study guide, you will need to use a Bible Concordance. Strong’s Concordance is a good tool and Blueletterbible.org is a good tool to use for online study. I have also included Strong’s Reference numbers to assist you. The letter before the reference pertains to the original language (H-Hebrew, G-Greek).

If you have any questions about how to use these tools, contact your group leader or one of the pastoral staff.

3. Define the following words or terms. Note for each of them how understanding the meaning and background of that word better helped you understand this passage.

--“truth” (3 John 4 Strong’s Reference # g225)—

--“faithfully” (3 John 5 Strong’s Reference # g4103)—

--“testified” (3 John 6 Strong’s Reference # g3140)—

--“support” (3 John 8 Strong’s Reference # g5274)—

--“fellow workers” (3 John 8 Strong’s Reference # g4904)—

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4. How do we become “fellow workers” when we support missionaries?

5. What are the problems listed with Diotrephenes? Why is that type of person a problem for the church?

6. Why does John refer to the church as his children?

Taking It Home

7. What can you do this week to actively be more like Demetrius?

8. What can you do this week to support a missionary?