## "Zealous For The Truth Series" Lesson Nine – "Contrasting Leaders"

III John

Conquerors Bible Class – Sunday, October 11, 2020

Today's Lesson thought can be summed up by asking this simple question... "Am I A Godly Leader In The Eyes Of Those Around Me?"

Today's Lesson Theme Verse is found in this passage of Scripture...

"Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God:

but he that doeth evil hath not seen God."

III John verse 11

## Lesson: "Contrasting Leaders"

I : The Hospitality of Gaius

A: John's Salutation

o III John verse 1

B: Walking In Truth

o III John verse 2, Proverbs 17:22, II Corinthians 12:7-10, III John 3-4

C: Supporting True Missionaries

o III John verses 5-8,

II : Censure of Diotrephes

A: Loving Preeminence

o III John verse 9

**B**: Disciplinary Action

o III John verse 10

III : Recommendation of Demetrius

A: Follow The Good

o III John verse 11, James 1:13-16

B: Good Report

o III John 1:12

IV : John's Closing Words

A: Other Things

o III John verse 13, Proverbs 2:10-15

## B: John's Final Greetings O III John verse 14

## **CONCLUSION**...

You know folks, there is great joy in the hearts and lives of those who love the Lord and who desire to lead others in the righteous truth if the Word of God!

And even as God set a difference in the book of Genesis between darkness and light, even so hath our Lord set a difference—a contrast between godly leaders and ungodly leaders within the church body of believers itself!

Oh, how I want to be a good and godly leader with our church, don't you?!?

Let's choose to walk in the Lord even as we read in Colossians 2:6-9 where the Bible says, "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily."

Our lesson theme verse today from III John verse 11 says, "Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God."

Oh, may you and I, as truly born again children of God, decide whether our leadership within our church or our family or with those around us, will be rooted in the love of God or in the love of self!

Child of God, it gets down to this simple thought, 'Only two choices on the shelf; serving God or serving self?'

Which will you choose today?

Child of God, which type of leader will you choose t be in your church family today?

And then perhaps you are in this class today and you don't know Jesus as your own personal Saviour, we want you to know that we love you today, and we want you to know that God loves you today!

God's desire is for you to be saved...how will you respond to God's desire today??

If you are not certain of your salvation, you can be today! Why not repent of your sin and be saved today??