

Joyfully Loving in Truth

2 John

We have the advantage today of reading an entire letter to see its context and connections. In the Apostle John's letters and in his gospel we find the recurring themes of love, truth and joy. Even more, we are drawn to their inseparable and beautiful connection to one another. John's message is both simple and profound.

Love

Jesus gave this command (*John 15:12*)

Our deepest need is fulfilled

Greatest evidence and witness to the truth of the gospel

Truth

Walking according to God's commandments is love

Sound doctrine of Christ is foundational and essential

Abiding in truth is internal and ongoing

Joy

True joy arises from truth

Joy is found in seeing others walking in the truth

Joy is completed through relationship (love)