

An Outline of 1, 2, & 3 John

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1 John

**Prologue (1:1–4)*

- I. The nature of walking in light (1:5–2:28)
 - A. Avoid the darkness (1:5–2:2)
 - B. Obey God’s commands (2:3–11)
 - C. Avoid the darkness (2:12–28)
 - 1. Of the world (12–17)
 - 2. Of antichrists (18–28)
 - 3. Of sinning and lawlessness (3:1–10)
- II. The nature of walking in love (3:11–5:12)
 - A. Love extended by God’s children (3:11–18)
 - B. Love extended through the Spirit (3:19–4:6)
 - C. Love extended for our confidence (4:7–21)
 - D. Love extended through God’s Son (5:1–12)

**Conclusion (5:13–21)*

2 John

**Intro (1–3)*

- I. Stay committed to love (4–6)
- II. Don’t tolerate false teachers (7–11)

**Conclusion (12–13)*

3 John

**Intro (1–4)*

- I. A good example of hospitality (5–8)
- II. A bad example of hospitality (9–12)

**Conclusion (13–15)*

