

Two thousand years ago Jesus Christ, God-in-human-flesh, made this incredibly bold claim, "I am the Truth" (John 14:6). Just a few days later Pontius Pilate, the Roman Governor of Judea, scoffed at our Lord and countered what Christ had said with these words of his own, "What is truth?" (John 18:38). Though phrased as a question, in reality, it was a cynical statement revealing what Pilate actually believed about truth. Jesus taught that absolute truth was objective and could be found in Him alone. Pilate proclaimed that absolute truth is an illusion and is nowhere to be found. Ever since, the Church has been in conflict with the world regarding the nature and origin of truth. Today, our postmodern culture teaches our children and grandchildren that there is no such thing as objective truth. In other words, that truth is, at best, completely subjective and relative, if it even exists at all. 2 John was written, out of love for fallen humanity, to save us from our own foolishness by letting us know that eternal truth is knowable and that it is definitely discoverable in Jesus. And the blessing is this: Discovering the truth of God is the way everyone can also experience the love of God. In fact, it is the only way. This "Postcard From Paradise," written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, shows you and me how we can have both God's truth and God's love guiding, inspiring and transforming our lives.

INTRODUCTION TO 2 JOHN

WHO WROTE IT?

TO WHOM WAS IT WRITTEN?

WHEN WAS IT WRITTEN?

WHY WAS IT WRITTEN?

GOD'S LOVE & GOD'S TRUTH ...

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TODAY'S TAKEAWAYS

Let God's love and truth transform your ...