

Questions for 2 John 1:1-13

1. Give a brief introduction to the Epistle of 2 John, including author, date, location written, and possible recipients.
2. What are the identities of the “elder”, the “elect lady”, her “children”, and the “elect sister” in verse 13? (Verses 1-3)
3. What does this verse say about the elect lady’s children that they were found to be walking in the truth? What does it say of John that he reported this of her children? (Verse 4)

4. What is the commandment that is given to the elect lady? Why might it sound familiar to us? Why did John want to remind the elect lady of these things? (Verses 5-8)

5. What does the “doctrine of Christ” consist of? What are we supposed to do if someone doesn’t bring this doctrine? **Additional:** Should Christians entertain every conversation with folks that are peddling false doctrine? At what point do we determine that enough is enough? (Verses 9-11)

6. Why is this epistle so brief? What does its brevity say about the importance and necessity of that which is written? Are some elements of Christianity better said and received face to face rather than in writing? (Verses 12-13)