



# LIFE GROUPS

## BIBLE SHORTS

### 3 John

#### Life Group Questions

#### GETTING STARTED

1. Which verse or verses in 3 John caught your attention the most?
2. John opens by expressing his deep love and his prayers for Gaius, a fellow believer in Christ. What reports about Gaius caused John to rejoice greatly (Verses 1-4)?

#### DIGGING DEEPER

1. John had also received reports about Gaius's acts of service to both those inside and outside the church. What are some of these acts that John notes (see verses 5-8)?
2. Unfortunately, not everyone in the church was as faithful and selfless as Gaius. John had written an earlier letter that apparently was destroyed by a church leader named Diotrephes. What other offenses had Diotrephes committed? (See verses 9-10)
3. Why was John planning to confront Diotrephes (see verses 9-10)
4. John writes that "he who does good is of God, but he who does evil has not seen God" (v. 11). Diotrephes was an example of a person who had done much evil. What does John say that Demetrius, another member of the church, had done (see verses 11-12)?
5. Read I Peter 4:7-11. Peter, refers to Jesus' return and the day of judgment. How does this add urgency to his request for believers to love one another?
6. Peter emphasizes not only showing hospitality but also having a good attitude when serving others. How does he instruct believers to use their God-given gifts (see I Peter 4:9-11)?

#### APPLYING THE MESSAGE

1. Read I Timothy 5:17-18. Why is it important to honor and support your spiritual leaders?

2. Do you pray for your pastor(s)? If not, will you begin today?

3. What part of the Sunday message spoke to you and how can you apply that to your daily life?