

1. If you are a parent, how would you describe your deepest desires for your children?
2. Who is the elect lady and her children that John is writing to? Why use the phrase “elect lady?”
3. If John is writing about how to walk in the truth for a lifetime, why start with love?
4. It is easier to understand why feeling loved (receiving) might draw us or keep us in the church, but why would showing love (giving) do the same thing?
5. What do you think are the some of the biggest threats that tend to draw us away from God and his church?
6. John tells us not to invite the people who deny Christ into our homes, and this is his strategy for guarding the truth. Practically speaking, what can we do to help guard the truth in our lives?