# Definitions of terms 1 John 2:3-11

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#### to abide μένω menô

**1** remain, stay ... in transferred sense, of someone who does not leave a certain realm or sphere: remain, continue, abide. In Johannine usage ... the possession is shown to be permanent by the expression ἔχειν τι μένον ἐν ἑαυτῷ have something continually, permanently 1J.

#### beloved ἀγαπητός agapétos

1 one who is in a very special relationship with another ...
2 one who is dearly loved, dear, beloved, prized, valued ... 1J 2:7; 3:2, 21; 4:1, 7, 11.

### **beginning** ἀρχή *arché*

**1** the commencement of something as an action, process, or state of being, beginning, i.e. a point of time at the beginning of a duration. To be proclaimed at first ...With a preposition:  $\dot{\alpha}\pi'\dot{\alpha}\rho\chi\eta\varsigma$  from the beginning ... 1J 2:7, 24; 3:11.

### brother ἀδελφός adelphos

**2** a person viewed as a brother in terms of a close affinity, brother, fellow member, member, associate... Hence used by Christians in their relations with each other. Membership in the Christian community.

### **commandment** ἐντολή *entolé*

1 an order authorizing a specific action, writ, warrant ...2 a mandate or ordinance, command ...

### **to go** ὑπάγω hupagô

2 to be on the move, especially in a certain direction, go.b used especially of Christ and his going to the Father, characteristically of J. ... 1J 2:11.

### **to hate** μισέω *miseô*

The English term 'hate' generally suggests affective connotations that do not always do justice especially to some Semitic shame-honor oriented use of  $\mu\iota\sigma\epsilon\omega = \psi$  (e.g. Dt 21:15, 16) in the sense 'hold in disfavor, be disinclined to, have relatively little regard for'.

**1** to have a strong aversion to, hate, detest.

2 to be disinclined to, disfavor, disregard in contrast to preferential treatment.

### **to know** γινώσκω ginôskô (see to know οἶδα)

This verb is variously nuanced in contexts relating to familiarity acquired through experience or association with persons or things.

to know οἶδα oida (see to know γινώσκω)

.+) really the perferfect of the stem είδ- (Lat. video [see]), but used as a present. 1 to have information about, know ... 1J

## to keep τηρέω téreô

1 to retain in custody, keep watch over, guard someone or something.

**2** to cause a state, condition, or activity to continue, keep, hold, reserve, preserve someone or something.

**3** to persist in obedience, keep, observe, fulfill, pay attention to, especially of law and teaching (LXX) τì something ... 1J 2:3f; 3:22, 24; 5:3.

## to love ἀγάπη agapé

1 the quality of warm regard for and interest in another, esteem, affection, regard, love (without limitation to very intimate relationships, and very seldom in general Greek of sexual attraction). ...  $\dot{\alpha}$ .  $\tau$ oũ θεοῦ love toward God (but in many cases the gen. may be subjective).

### to pass away παράγω paragô

to move along and so leave a position, go away παρῆγεν οὕτως so he went away.
 to bring in something of a type foreign to the present condition or circumstance, bring in, introduce

3 to go past a reference point, pass by

4 to go out of existence, pass away, disappear, in imagery ... 1J 2:8, 17.

### **to perfect** τελειόω *teleioô*

**1** to complete an activity, complete, bring to an end, finish, accomplish ... faith was perfected in good deeds Js 2:22. Of love 1J 2:5; 4:12, 17.

### stumbling σκάνδαλον skandalon

**1** a device for catching something alive, trap.

**2** an action or circumstance that leads one to act contrary to a proper course of action or set of beliefs, temptation to sin, enticement to apostasy, false belief, etc.

**3** that which causes offense or revulsion and results in opposition, disapproval, or hostility, fault, stain etc. ... 1J 2:10.

### true ἀληθινός aléthinos

1 being in accord with what is true, truthful, trustworthy.2 being in accordance with fact, true ... 1J 2:8.

**3** being real, genuine, authentic, real.

walk περιπατέω peripateô

1 to go here and there in walking, go about, walk around.d in imagery, and far on the way toward the non-literal use of the word ... 1J 2:11.

word λόγος logos

**1** a communication whereby the mind finds expression, word ... Of the divine revelation through Christ and his messengers ... δέδωκα αὐτοῖς τὸν λ. σου J 17:14; comparer 1J.