

Make sure you have your Bible open at "2 John".

The Holy Spirit wants to teach us about two really important things:

truth and love

First of all listen carefully to our Bible reading.

Who wrote this letter?

Verse 1:

"the _____"

- and we know that his name was _____

Who was he writing to?

Verse 2:

"the elect _____ and her _____"

This is a bit like a code! Who is John REALLY writing to?

To a _____

To start with John tells these Christians how he feels about them...

He loves them!!!

It's a bit like a love letter! In fact, who loves them? Not just John, but also...

"all who know the truth" love them.

But who knows the "Truth"?

Clue: remember what Jesus says in John 14:6,
"I am the way, the truth and the life."

So, the truth isn't just about knowing facts.
You know the truth if you know a person. Who?

If you know the Truth...

Then you will love other people who also know the Truth.

It's a bit like Christians are
joined together with invisible
glue.

Not super glue.
But truth-glue...
or Jesus-glue!



Can you draw a picture of some Christian people joined together with Jesus-glue?!

Then, John gives us a big command. You can see it at the end of verse 5...

Love one another!

The Bible tells us there are a few different ways that you can spot someone who is really a Christian.

This is one of the most important:

that we love one another.

Write down the names of 3 Christian people who the Lord wants you to love.

1.

2.

3.

Write down some ways in which you can *SHOW* that you love them.

1.

2.

3.

But that's not all. Because the truth is *SO IMPORTANT* we need also to...

Watch out for lies

Some people were teaching lies about Jesus. Read verse 10 carefully. Then *THINK*. And write down in your own words:

How serious is this?

What should a church do about this?