

Second John

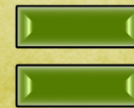
2 Jn. 1:5-8



Sonship



Fellowship



Fruitfulness

2 Jn. 1:5 And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.

6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.



I. A WORD OF COMMENDATION, 1:1-4

A. The lady as a person, 1:1a

B. The lady as a partner, 1:1b-3

1. In the truth of the gospel, 1:1b

2. In the triumph of the gospel, 1:2-3

C. The lady as a parent, 1:4



II. A WORD OF COMMAND, 1:5-6

A. Love demanded, 1:5

2 Jn. 1:5 And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.

Original Word: ἐρωτάω

Transliteration: erótaó

Definition: (a) I ask (a question), question, (b) I request, make a request to, pray.

erótaō (from *eromai*, "ask") – make an earnest request, especially by someone on "special footing," i.e. in "*preferred position*."

erótaō ("to ask on *special footing*, intimacy") requests from a "preferred position" (E. Abbot, *Johannine Grammar*, 467,8). **Such requesting receives *special consideration* because of the special relationship involved.**

- To love one another is the implementation of a reciprocal relationship that pleases God.

B. Love defined, 1:6

2 Jn. 1:6 And **this is love**, that **we walk after his commandments**. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

Original Word: περιπατέω

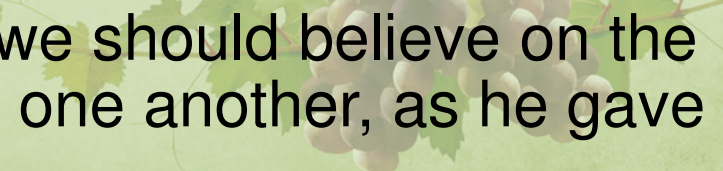
Transliteration: peripateó

Definition: I walk, hence Hebraistically (in an ethical sense): I conduct my life, live.

<http://biblehub.com/greek/4043.htm>

1 Jn. 3:22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

23 And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.



III. A WORD OF CAUTION, 1:7-11

A. The danger from the deceiver, 1:7-8

2 Jn. 1:7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but **that we receive a full reward**.

Original Word: πλάνος

Transliteration: planos

Definition: adj: misleading, deceiving, wandering; as subst: a deceiver, imposter.

plános (a substantival adjective, derived from *planáō*, "wander") – **a deceiver, trying to get others to also veer off God's course (path of safety)**. <http://biblehub.com/greek/4108.htm>

(1:8) 2 Jn. 1:8 Look to yourselves, that **we lose not** those things which **we have wrought**, but **that we receive a full reward**.

Original Word: βλέπω

Transliteration: blepó

Definition: (primarily physical), I look, see, perceive, discern

(Imperative in 2 Jn. 1:8)

blépō – properly, to see, be *observant* (watchful). (*blépō*) suggests "to see something physical, with spiritual results (perception)."

That is, it carries *what is seen* into the non-physical (immaterial) realm so a person can take the needed action (respond, beware, be alert). <http://biblehub.com/greek/991.htm>



WROUGHT

1. Worked; formed by work or labor; as *wrought* iron.

2. Effected; performed.

She hath *wrought* a good work upon me. **Matthew 26:10.**

3. Effected; produced. He *wrought* the public safety. A great change was *wrought* in his mind.

This *wrought* the greatest confusion in the unbelieving Jews.

4. Used in labor.

The elders of that city shall take a heifer that hath not been *wrought* with. **Deuteronomy 21:3.**

<http://webstersdictionary1828.com/Dictionary/wrought>

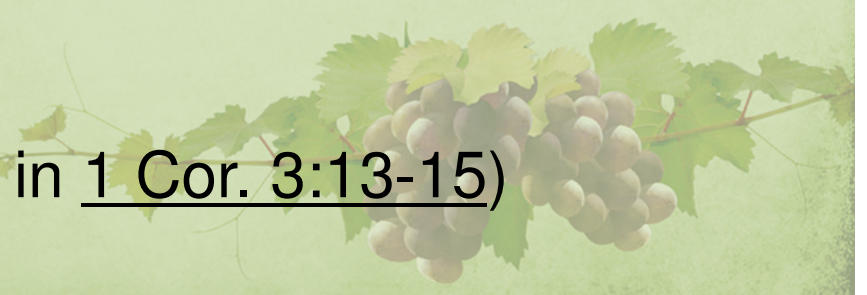
Original Word: ἐργάζομαι

Transliteration: ergazomai

Definition: I work, trade, perform, do, practice, commit, acquire by labor.

ergázomai (from *érgon*, "work" found in 1 Cor. 3:13-15)

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1 Cor. 3:9 For **we are labourers together with God**: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man **take heed how he buildeth** thereupon.

11 For **other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ**.

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and **the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is**.

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a **reward**.

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.



Things a believer can lose:

1. A believer can lose his *testimony* (Lot)
2. A believer can lose his *health* (1 Cor. 11)
3. A believer can lose his *rewards* (1 Cor. 3:15)
4. A believer can lose his *inheritance* (Col. 3:24-25)
5. A believer can lose his *joy* (Psa. 51:12)
6. A believer can lose his *assurance* (1 Jn. 3:20-22)
7. A believer can lose his *LIFE* (1 Cor. 10:10-11)



Original Word: μισθός

Transliteration: misthos

Definition: (a) pay, wages, salary, (b) reward, recompense, punishment.

misthós – a reward (recompense) that appropriately compensates a particular decision (action).

<http://biblehub.com/greek/3408.htm>

1 Cor. 3:8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own **reward** according to his own labour. ...

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a **reward**.

Rev. 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my **reward** is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.





Conclusion

Mt. 25:21 His lord said unto him, **Well done, thou good and faithful servant:** thou hast been **faithful over a few things**, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

2 Tim. 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.