

# OTHER LETTERS

## FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

### Christians and the world

**2** <sup>12</sup>My dear children, I write this to you: you have already received the forgiveness of your sins through the Name of Jesus. <sup>13</sup>Fathers, I write this to you: you know him who is from the beginning. Young men, I write this to you: you have overcome the Evil One. My dear children, I write to you because you already know the Father.

<sup>14</sup>Fathers, I write to you because you know him who is from the beginning. Young men, I write to you because you are strong and the Word of God lives in you who have indeed overcome the Evil One.

<sup>15</sup>Do not love the world or what is in it. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

<sup>16</sup>For everything in the world  
—the craving of the flesh,  
the greed of eyes  
and people boasting of their superiority—  
all this belongs to the world, not to the Father.

<sup>17</sup>The world passes away with all its craving but those who do the will of God remain for ever.

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