

First John 2:22-27

- 1) Question and answer about false believers—2:22-23
 - a) Question: ²² *Who is* [pres. act. ind. εἰμί] *the liar* [ψεύστης] *if not the one characterized by denying* [pres. dep. ptc. ἀρνέομαι] *that* [ὅτι] *Jesus is* [pres. act. ind. εἰμί] *the Christ* (perfect God & perfect man)?
 - b) Answer: *This one* [οὗτος] *is* [pres. act. ind. εἰμί] *the anti-Christ, the one characterized by denying* [pres. dep. ptc. ἀρνέομαι] *the* (full deity of both the) *Father and the Son.*
 - i) To reject the Son is to reject what the Father says about the Son.
 - ii) ²³ *Each one who is characterized by denying* [pres. dep. ptc. ἀρνέομαι] *the Son is not having* [pres. act. ind. ἔχω] *the Father.*
 - iii) CT and TR includes, “*He who acknowledges the Son has the Father also*”
- 2) True believers must focus on the Word—2:24
 - a) Command to focus: ²⁴ *Therefore, you^{pl} should keep on allowing to reside* [pres. act. impv. μένω] *in you^{pl} what you^{pl} heard* [aor. act. ind. ἀκούω] (emphatic, i.e. the truth (2:21)) *from the beginning.*
 - b) Encouragement: *If* [ἔάν, 3rd class condition] *what you^{pl} heard* [aor. act. ind. ἀκούω] *from the beginning* (emphatic) *resides* [aor. act. subj. μένω] *in you^{pl}, you^{pl}* (emphatic) *also will reside* fut. act. ind. μένω] *in the Son and in the Father.*
- 3) God’s promise through Jesus Christ—2:25
 - a) ²⁵ *And this is* [pres. act. ind. εἰμί] *the promise which He Himself* (emphatic; Jesus) *promised* [aor. dep. ind. ἐπαγγέλλω] *to us: life eternal* [ζωή αἰώνιος].
- 4) God’s means of protection against deception—2:26-27
 - a) John’s purpose in writing: ²⁶ *These things I have written* [aor. act. ind. γράφω] *to you^{pl} concerning those who are trying to deceive* [pres. act. ptc. πλανάω] *you^{pl}.*
 - b) God’s protection from deception:
 - i) God’s gift of the Spirit—²⁷ *But you^{pl}, the anointing* [χρῖσμα] *that you^{pl}* (emphatic) *received* [aor. act. ind. λαμβάνω] *from Him is residing* [pres. act. ind. μένω] *in you^{pl},*
 - ii) The adequacy of the Spirit’s illumination—and you^{pl} are having [pres. act. ind. ἔχω] *no need* [χρεία] *that anyone should be teaching* [pres. act. subj. διδάσκω] *you^{pl},* (i.e. teach you contrary to what you have already been taught)
 - (1) There are legitimate teachers from God—Romans 12:7; 1st Corinthians 12:28-29; Ephesians 4:11; 1st Timothy 4:11; Hebrews 5:12; James 3:1)
 - iii) God’s reality of God’s Spirit—but [ἀλλά] *as His* (emphatic) *anointing* [χρῖσμα] ...
 - (1) What the Spirit DOES: *is teaching* [pres. act. ind. διδάσκω] *you^{pl} concerning all things*
 - (2) What the Spirit IS: *and is* [pres. act. ind. εἰμί] *genuine* [ἀληθής] *and is* [pres. act. ind. εἰμί] *not a lie*, (cf. John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13; 1st John 4:6; 5:6;
 - iv) God’s promise—and just as it has taught [aor. act. ind. διδάσκω] *you^{pl}, you will reside* [fut. act. ind. μένω] *in Him.*