

2 John 1:9-11 (Henry Allan Ironside) 203134

Daily Sacrifice, November 9 (1:9-11)

“Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds” —§ John 9:11.

CHRIST is the great touchstone of our Christian fellowship. If the heart is rightly disposed toward Him, and we confess the truth as to His Person, there will always be real fellowship. We are to receive all whom He has received, to the glory of God (Rom. 15:7). On the other hand, we are called to separation from evil doctrine, as well as sinful and worldly behavior. To fellowship with those who deny the truth as to Christ is to be unfaithful to Him (Eph. 5:11). It is a false and unsafe principle to insist on, that we should extend our confidence and lend our influence to men and systems that are antagonistic to the revelation given in the Holy Scriptures. To do this is to become partakers of their evil deeds.

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