First John 2:19-23

First John 2:19 – "They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us."

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- John presented these tests:
 - o Test of obedience obeying the Word, which is the Truth
 - Test of love loving those who are in the brotherhood obeying the Truth
 - Now, the Test of perseverance. Not leaving the Truth.
- John identifies the antichrists of 2:18 as those who have left the church/church teaching.
 - They were "members" at one time
 - Now they have started their own group and have more information, different doctrines and new revelation.
 - o They are making the true believers look ignorant, backwards and non-progressive.
 - They were had "run ahead" and were not continuing in the teaching of Christ (2 John 9) that they had been given in the beginning
- These are the false prophets of 1 John 4:1
- ex hemon, "from among us"/ "of us" is used two times in 2:19 describing both
 - o origins "from among us they went out"
 - o membership "not they were of us"
- ina ("that") and hoti ("that") in second half of the verse are
- God allowed this division, this confusion, this falling away so that a division could be made between those in the truth (good seed) and those not in the truth (the weeds). As in:
 - 1 Corinthians 11:19 "No doubt there have to be differences among you to show which
 of you have God's approval."

- Revelation 2:2 to the Ephesian church, "I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false."
- o Revelation 2:14-15 to Pergamum
- o Revelation 2:20 to Thyatira,
- Unity is a priority, but commitment to the truth is much more of an issue in the Bible
- The secessionists doctrine is being revealed in these verses:
 - They believed they had fellowship with God (1:5)
 - They do not believe they have a sin nature (1:8)
 - They believe they have not committed sins (1:10)
 - They believe they live in God (2:6)
 - They believe they are in the light (2:9)
 - Denied Jesus is the Christ (2:22) this phase here in 2:22 is the topic statement that includes many other false claims and beliefs about Jesus by these antichrists:
 - Deny Jesus is the Messiah
 - Deny that Jesus is God's Son
 - Deny that the Son of God came in the flesh
 - Deny that Jesus death was real
 - Deny that Jesus death was substitutionary for the sins of the world
 - They tried to lead the readers of this letter astray (2:26)

First John 2:20 - "But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge."

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- **kai hymeis**, "but you" is contrasting the faithful believers who have stayed in the church with the antichrist secessionist who have left.
- This verse is encouraging the believers NOT to be intimidated or bullied or impressed by the progressives who are the secessionist
- *chrio*, to anoint" is a key word in these verses beginning in 2:18 creating a series of puns. We see it in these places:
 - o chrisma, "anointing"
 - o antichristos, "antichrist"
 - o *Christos*, "Christ"
- There is the anti-anointed who has left, but John's readers are the anointed.
- In the OT the anointing separated a thing/person for God. It indicated the Spirit of God had come to do a work. (1 Sam. 16:13; Isaiah 61:1
- Jesus was anointed by the Spirit at his baptism (Acts 10:38; Luk 4:18)
- John had already written in John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13 about the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, being given by Jesus to teach the believers and lead them into all truth.
- **tou hagiou**, the Holy (One)" is most likely Jesus (it is definitely God, but probably the Son and not the Father) because:
 - Mark 1:24 ""What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are--the Holy One of God!"
 - John 6:69 "We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

- Acts 3:14 "You disowned the **Holy** and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you."
- Jesus is the giver of the Spirit Acts 2:33 "Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear."
- "And you know all things" is here *kai iodate pantes*.
 - o The word "truth" is supplied from 2:21.
 - Some texts have "all of you know"
 - o It seems the best text is written above "and you know all things".
 - This is referring to John's readers already knowing all the truth about the Gospel, Jesus Christ, the church, etc. The point being, John's readers do not need "more truth". They do not need to hear the new teaching and the progressive ideas of the secessionists, the antichrists.

First John 2:21 – "I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth."

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- John makes it clear he is not writing a group of people who do NOT know the truth.
- John is writing not to teach them something new, but to remind them that they already know the truth!
- The truth they have been given does NOT produce lies like the ones they are hearing from the secessionist.

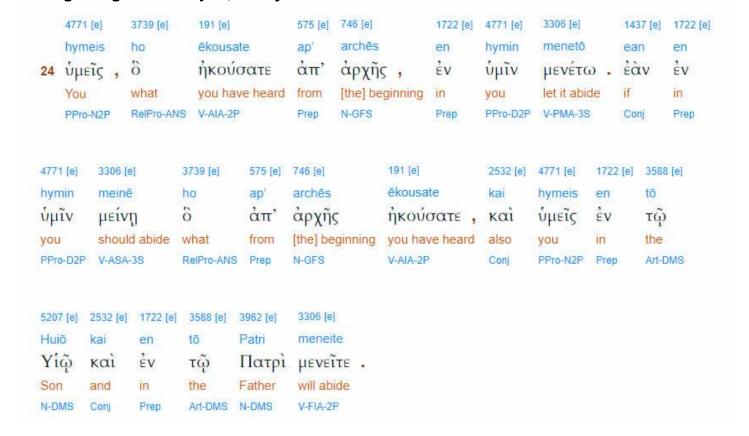
First John 2:22 – "Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son."

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First John 2:23 – "No one who denies the Son has the Father. Whoever confesses the Son has the Father also."

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First John 2:24 – "Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father."



First John 2:25 – "And this is the promise that he made to us — eternal life."

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First John 2:26 - "I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you."

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First John 2:27 – "But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie—just as it has taught you, abide in him."

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