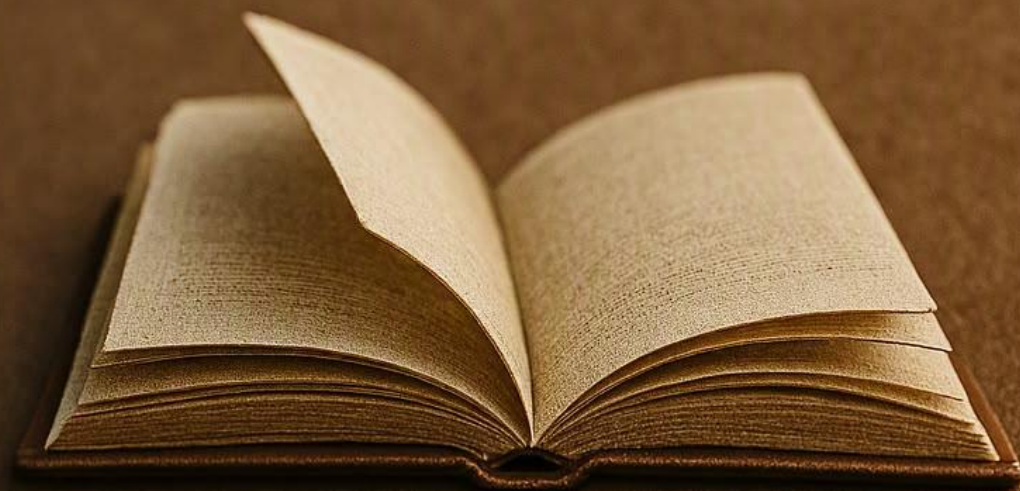
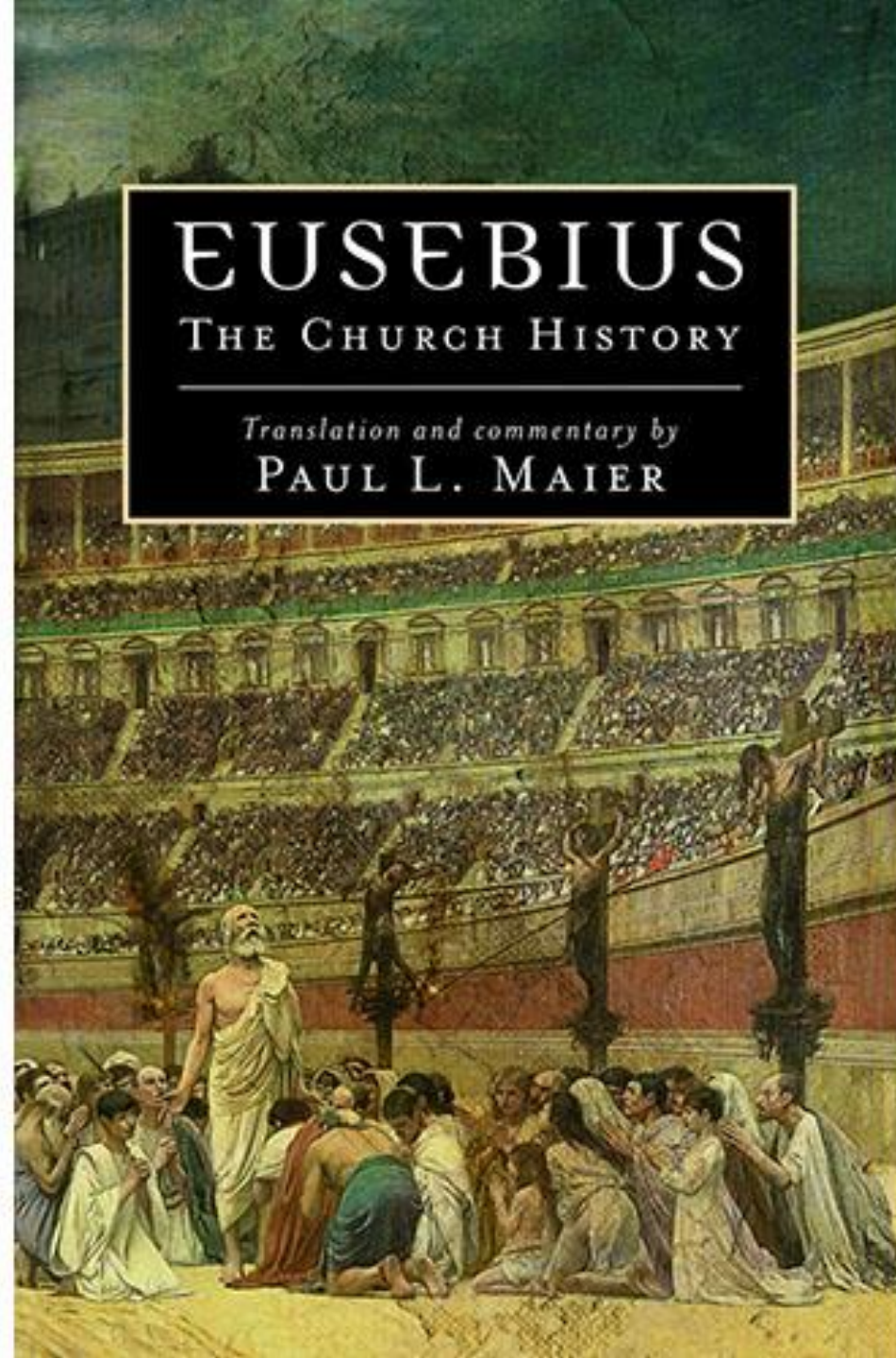




SINGLE CHAPTER BOOKS



2 John 1:1-6

1. *The elder [of the church addresses this letter] to the elect (chosen) lady and her children, whom I love in truth—and not only I, but also all who know and understand the truth—*
2. *because of the truth which lives in our hearts and will be with us forever:*
3. *Grace, mercy, and peace (inner calm, a sense of spiritual well-being) will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, in truth and love.*
4. *I was greatly delighted to find some of your children walking in truth, just as we have been commanded by the Father.*
5. *Now I ask you, lady, not as if I were writing to you a new commandment, but [simply reminding you of] the one which we have had from the beginning, that we [b]love and unselfishly seek the best for one another.*
6. *And this is love: that we walk in accordance with His commandments and are guided continually by His precepts. This is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning, that you should [always] walk in love.*

2 John 1:7-13

7. *For many deceivers [heretics, posing as Christians] have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge and confess the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh (bodily form). This [person, the kind who does this] is the deceiver and the antichrist [that is, the antagonist of Christ].*
8. *Watch yourselves, so that you do not lose what we have accomplished together, but that you may receive a full and perfect reward [when He grants rewards to faithful believers].*
9. *Anyone who runs on ahead and does not remain in the doctrine of Christ [that is, one who is not content with what He taught], does not have God; but the one who continues to remain in the teaching [of Christ does have God], he has both the Father and the Son.*
10. *If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching [but diminishes or adds to the doctrine of Christ], do not receive or welcome him into your house, and do not give him a greeting or any encouragement;*
11. *for the one who gives him a greeting [who encourages him or wishes him success, unwittingly] participates in his evil deeds.*
12. *I have many things to write to you, but I prefer not to do so with paper (papyrus) and black (ink); but I hope to come to you and speak with you face to face, so that your joy may be complete.*
13. *The children of your elect (chosen) sister greet you.*

“There is no truth!”



Turn the Claim on Itself



“There is no truth!”



“Is that true?”

“There is no such thing as absolute truth!”



“Isn't that an absolute truth?”

“There isn’t THE truth, only MY truth!”



“Is that just YOUR truth or THE truth?”

“It’s true for you but not for me!”



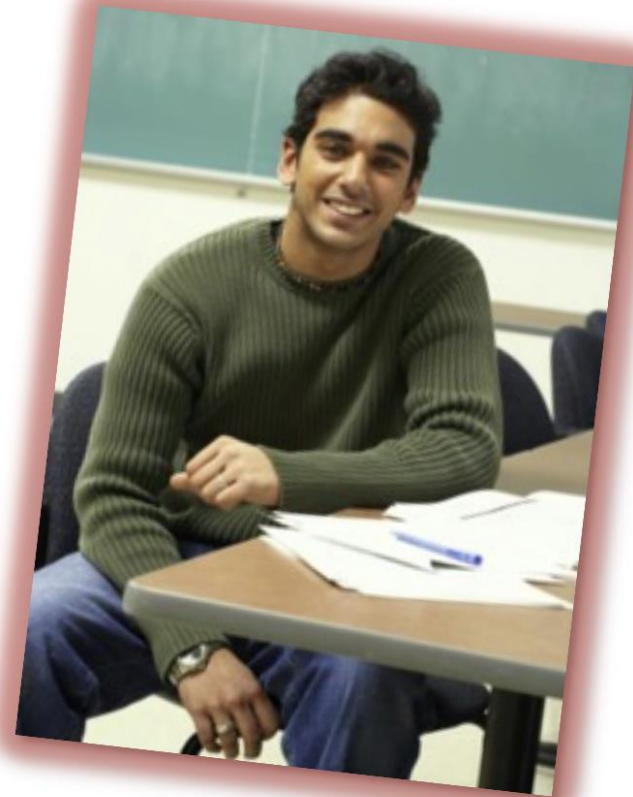
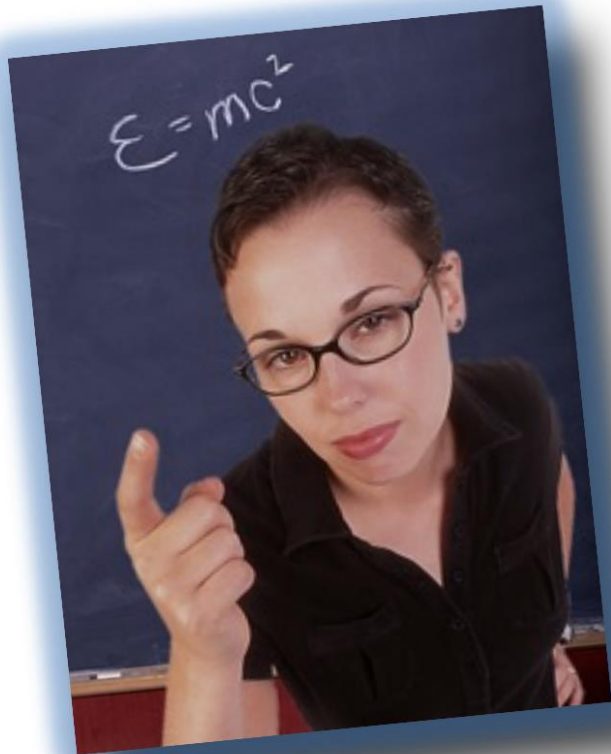
“Is that true for everybody?”

"All truth is relative."



"Is that a relative truth?"

“There is no truth in anything but science.”



“Is that a scientific truth?”

LOVE IS OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S COMMANDS

And what is
God's command?

The more
we obey,
the more
we love.

The more
we love,
the more
we obey.

The command and the obedience
feed into each other in
a glorious cycle.

TO WALK IN LOVE.



"There is a true progress in the Christian life, but it is progress based upon a deeper knowledge of the historical, biblical Christ. Progress on any other ground may be called progress, but it is a progress that leaves God behind and is, therefore, not progress at all."

- Boice

Practical Application & Final Reflection

1. Truth and Love Must Never Be Separated.
2. Know Your Bible So You Can Spot Counterfeits.
3. Love is Obedience, Not Just a Feeling.
4. Guard Your Spiritual Investments.
5. Pursue Face-to-Face Christian Fellowship.