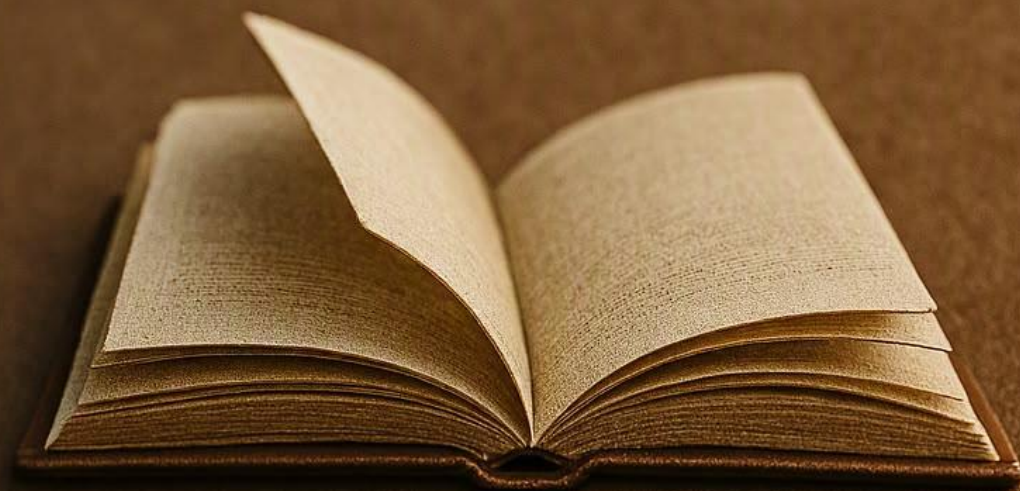
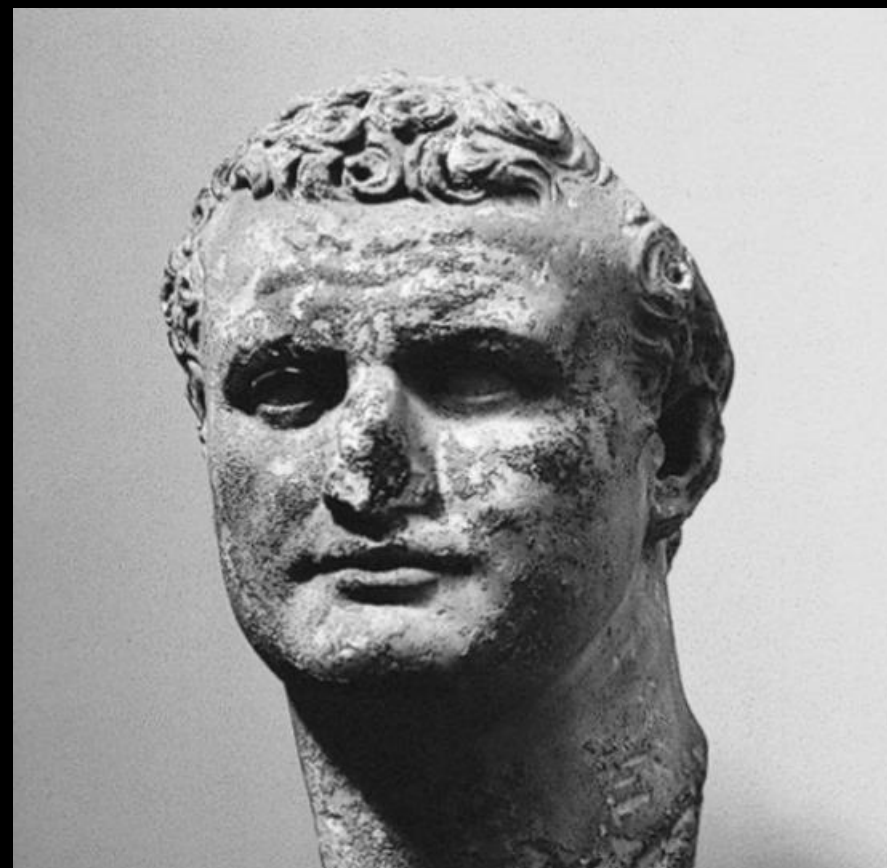
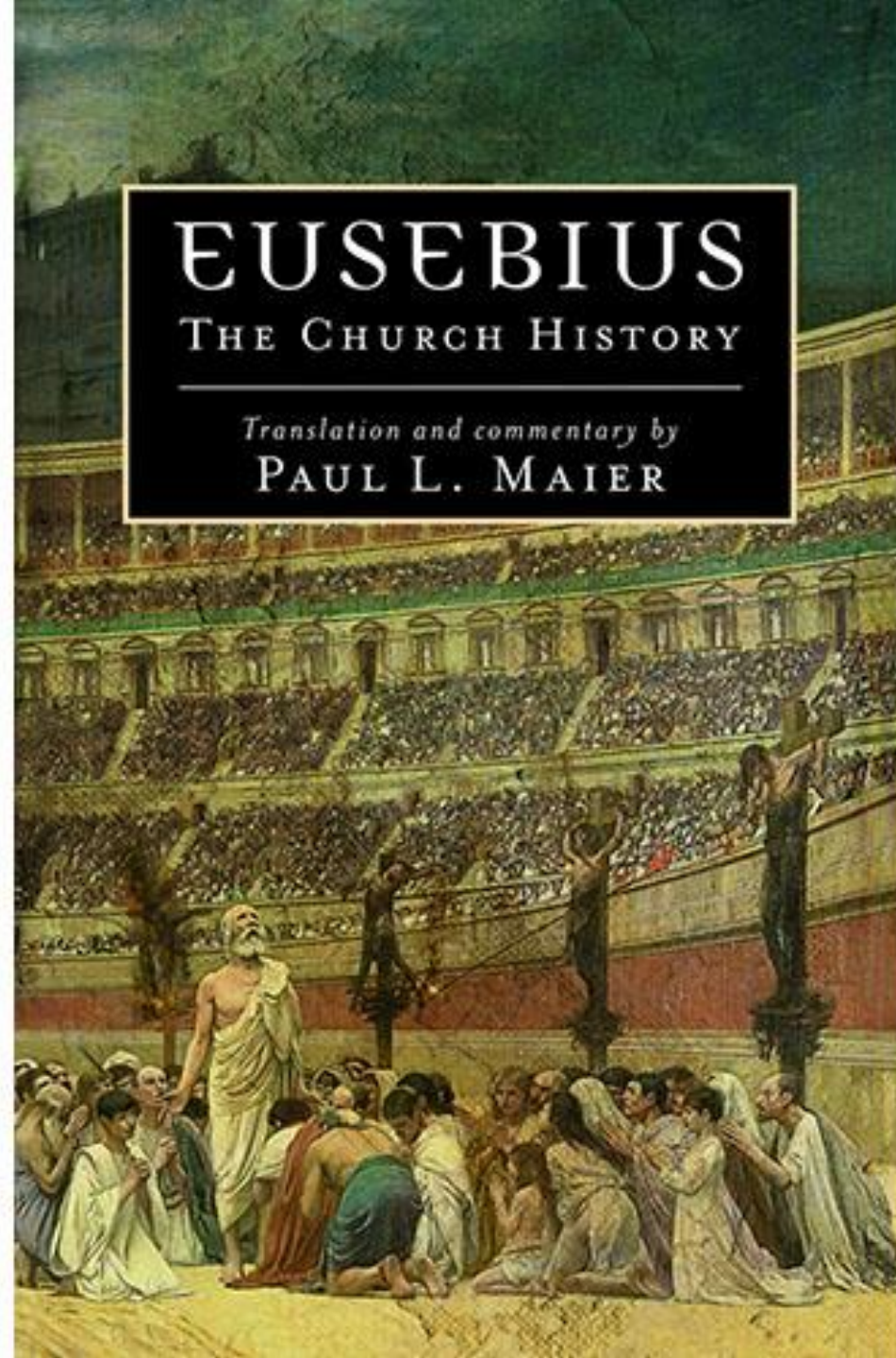




SINGLE CHAPTER BOOKS



3 John 1:1-5

1. *The elder [of the church addresses this letter] to the beloved and esteemed Gaius, whom I love in truth.*
2. *Beloved, I pray that in every way you may succeed and prosper and be in good health [physically], just as [I know] your soul prospers [spiritually].*
3. *For I was greatly pleased when [some of the] brothers came [from time to time] and testified to your [faithfulness to the] truth [of the gospel message], that is, how you are walking in truth.*
4. *I have no greater joy than this, to hear that my [spiritual] children are living [their lives] in the truth.*
5. *Beloved, you are acting faithfully in what you are providing for the brothers, and especially when they are strangers;*

3 John 1:6-10

6. *and they have testified before the church of your love and friendship. You will do well to [assist them and] send them on their way in a manner worthy of God.*
7. *For these [traveling missionaries] went out for the sake of the Name [of Christ], accepting nothing [in the way of assistance] from the Gentiles.*
8. *So we ought to support such people [welcoming them as guests and providing for them], so that we may be fellow workers for the truth [that is, for the gospel message of salvation].*
9. *I wrote something to the church; but Diotrephes, who loves to put himself first, does not accept what we say and refuses to recognize my authority.*
10. *For this reason, if I come, I will call attention to what he is doing, unjustly accusing us with wicked words and unjustified charges. And not satisfied with this, he refuses to receive the [missionary] brothers himself, and also forbids those who want to [welcome them] and puts them out of the church.*

3 John 1:11-15

11. *Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but [imitate] what is good. The one who practices good [exhibiting godly character, moral courage and personal integrity] is of God; the one who practices [or permits or tolerates] evil has not seen God [he has no personal experience with Him and does not know Him at all].*
12. *Demetrius has received a good testimony and commendation from everyone—and from the truth [the standard of God's word] itself; and we add our testimony and speak well of him, and you know that our testimony is true.*
13. *I had many things [to say when I began] to write to you, but I prefer not to put it down with pen (reed) and black (ink);*
14. *but I hope to see you soon, and we will speak face to face.*
15. *Peace be to you. The friends [here] greet you. Greet the friends [personally] by name.*

Gaius' in the Bible

- **Acts 19:29**
 - Seized by the crowd, Paul's companion in Ephesus.
- **Acts 20:4**
 - Followed Paul to Asia, of Derbe.
- **1 Corinthians 1:14**
 - Baptized by Paul in Corinth.
- **Romans 16:23**
 - Paul's host in Corinth, sends greetings to Rome.
- **3 John 1:1**
 - Recipient of John's third epistle, beloved friend.



Matthew 10:40–41

“He who receives and welcomes you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me. He who receives and welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and he who receives a righteous (honorable) man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man’s reward.”

1 Samuel 30:21–25

“David came to the two hundred men who were so exhausted that they could not follow him and had been left at the brook Besor [with the provisions]. They went out to meet David and the people with him, and when he approached the people, he greeted them. Then all the wicked and worthless men among those who went with David said, “Because they did not go with us, we will give them none of the spoil that we have recovered, except that each man may take his wife and children away and leave.” David said, “You must not do so, my brothers, with what the Lord has given us. He has kept us safe and has handed over to us the band [of Amalekites] that came against us. And who will listen to you in regard to this matter? For as is the share of him who goes down into the battle, so shall his share be who stays by the provisions and supplies; they shall share alike.” So, from that day forward he made it a statute and an ordinance for Israel to this day.”

The Six Sins and Behaviors of Diotrophes



1. HE LOVED TO BE FIRST.



2. HE DID NOT ACCEPT AND REFUSED THE AUTHORITY GIVEN BY GOD TO THE APOSTLES.



3. HE SPREAD MALICIOUS GOSSIP AND UNJUST ACCUSATIONS.



4. HE WITHHELD HOSPITALITY.



his bad example.



5. HE DEMANDED OTHERS FOLLOW HIS BAD EXAMPLE.



6. HE EXCOMMUNICATED ANYONE WHO CROSSED HIM.

BE NOT FOLLOWERS OF THAT WHICH IS EVIL.



COFFEE & CONTEMPLATION



SCRIPTURAL EXAMPLES

- MATTHEW 18:15-17
- ROMANS 16:17-18
- GALATIANS 2:11-14
- 1 TIMOTHY 1:19-20
- 1 TIMOTHY 5:20
- 2 TIMOTHY 2:16-18
- 2 TIMOTHY 4:14-15
- TITUS 1:9-11
- TITUS 1:13
- TITUS 3:10

— 3 John 11 —

 FOLLOW THAT WHICH IS GOOD. 

Hebrews 5:14

“But solid food is for the [spiritually] mature, whose senses are trained by practice to distinguish between what is morally good and what is evil.”

 WHICH ONE OF THESE IS YOU? 



GAIUS

BELOVED HOST
& SERVANT



DEMETRIUS

GOOD REPORT
& CHARACTER



DIOTREPHE

LOVES THE
PREEMINENCE

Dost thou follow that which is good?



— 3 JOHN 11: —
FOLLOW THAT WHICH IS GOOD.

