

1, 2 & 3 John – Epistles of John

Target read by date **2nd June 2011**

Background

Size: 5+1+1 chapters

Who wrote it? It is believed that the disciple John is the author. John was the brother of the apostle James (the two referred to as sons of thunder); he was also the son of Zebedee (a fisherman of Galilee). His mother's name was Salome who was closely connected to Mary the mother of Jesus. John was also the Apostle to care for Mary after Jesus' death.

When did he write it? John died peacefully in Ephesus (at an advanced age, around the year 100 AD) and probably wrote these letters after the Gospel around AD85.

Other works linked to the author: The Gospel according to John and Revelation