

1 JOHN

AUTHOR:

1 John was written by the apostle John.

DATE:

This book was written probably between 85-90 AD from Ephesus.

RECIPIENTS:

This letter is untitled and was not addressed to any specific church. It was a letter that was sent to several Gentile congregations.

CONTEXT:

1 John was written late in the life of John. He might have been the last surviving apostle. He was an eyewitness when Christ was on the earth. John wrote this book before he was exiled to the island of Patmos, off the coast of Greece.

PURPOSE:

John wrote with authority to give assurance to the new generation of believers about God and their faith. John wanted these believers to be able to have a life that was real—which could only be found in the person of Jesus Christ. Only a life lived for Christ would be truly satisfying.

