

~DEMETRIUS 2 (20)

(De-me'tri-us) [Of or Belonging to Demeter, the Greek goddess of agriculture]

- A Christian mentioned favorably by the apostle John in a letter to Gaius, about 98 C.E, **Demetrius** may have delivered the letter to Gaius. John's recommendation of **Demetrius** may have been to encourage hospitality on the part of Gaius, as it seems to have been a custom of the congregations to assist in providing food and lodging for the faithful brothers who traveled in behalf of the Good News.
- The older man to Gaius, the beloved, whom I truly love. (3 John 1:1)
- **Demetrius** has had witness borne to him by them all and by the truth itself. In fact, we, also, are bearing witness, and you know that the witness we give is true. (3 John 1:12)