

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
BGR 611 Inductive St in the Greek New Testament I

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COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION

An inductive study of the various portions of the Greek New Testament to extend the student's knowledge of grammar, syntax, vocabulary, and translation skills. Prereq: BGRX 531 or equivalent.

In this course we will move from the more basic level of recognizing/memorizing forms and parsing to the next level of language where meaning will be the goal, and meaning comes from the context. While discovering and knowing the various cases and verbal elements are essential, knowing how words within larger semantical units function is very important. Once we catch on, it also is easier and more meaningful.

OBJECTIVES

At the end of this course the student will be able to:

1. demonstrate a greater efficiency in translating the Greek New Testament because of
 - a larger Greek vocabulary;
 - a greater knowledge of Greek grammar and syntax; and
 - an acquired skill through translating a variety of New Testament writing styles;
2. engage the New Testament exegetically;
3. use the various tools of NT exegesis, including Bible software programs;
4. prepare better expository sermons; and
5. write exegesis papers.

TEXTBOOKS

Required

Wallace, Daniel B. *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Pub., 1996.

Scott, Dean, et al. *Reading New Testament Greek*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 1993.

Recommended:

Bible Works 6.0 or some similar program (available in the book store)

Louw, J. P., and E. A. Nida, eds. *Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament Based on Semantic Domains*. 2 vols. New York: United Bible Society, 1988. (Available in various Bible software programs.)

MacDonald, W. G. *Greek Enchiridion*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 1986.
Nestle, Eberhard, et al. (Nestle-Aland). *Novum Testamentum Graece*. 25th and 26th editions.
London & Stuttgart: United Bible Society, 1975, 1979. (Available in various Bible
software programs.)

BASIC OUTLINE

September 1:

- Review English/Greek grammar.
- Review Greek verbs.
- Review Greek nouns.
- Convocation in Chapel 9:00-10:15.

September 8:

- **Quiz** over Indicative and Subjunctive moods verbs (using 1uw).
- Translate 1 John 4:1-6.
- Parse verbs and nouns (you may be able to do so without much effort or writing the info down—be sure you know the form); focus on function of cases.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying case-function of **nouns**.

September 15:

- **Quiz** over Impv., Inf., and Part. moods (using 1uw).
- Vocabulary **quiz** over list of words occurring more than 663 times (*Reading New Testament Greek*).
- Translate 1 John 4:7-12.
- Parse verbs and nouns.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying case-function of **nouns**.

September 22:

- Translate 1 John 4:13-5:21.
- **Quiz** on word list 646-296.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying case-function of **nouns**.

September 29:

- **Test** over:
 - Vocabulary words 663-296.
 - John 4-5.

October 6:

- Translate 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10.
- **Quiz** on word list 274-180.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying case-function of **nouns**.

October 13:

- **Quiz** on word list 178-144 times.
- Translate 1 Thessalonians 2:1-20.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying the various elements of **verbs**.

October 20:

- **Quiz** on word list 143-115 times.
- Translate 1 Thessalonians 3:1-10.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying the various elements of **verbs**.

October 24-28 Fall Study Week

November 3:

- **Quiz** on word list 114-99.
- Translate 1 Thessalonians 3:11-4:8.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying the various elements of **verbs**.

November 10:

- **Quiz** over word list 97-83.
- Translate 1 Thessalonians 4:9-18
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying the various elements of **verbs**.

November 17:

- **Quiz** on word list 82-73.
- Translate 1 Thessalonians 5:1-28.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying the various elements of **verbs**.

December 1:

- **Quiz** on word list 71-61.
- **Quiz** on word list 60-53.
- Translate Revelation 1.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* for identifying the various elements of **clauses**.

December 8

- Translate John 2.
- Parse, focusing on function.
- Consult *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics* regarding the function of **clauses**.

December 15:

- **Final exam:**
 - Translate select portions from 1 Thess; Rev 1; and John 2.
 - Be prepared to identify function of verbs, nouns, and clauses as discussed in class.
- **Notebooks** are also due.

METHODOLOGY

- A. Compilation of a notebook.
- B. Major tests on the Biblical portions which have been translated.
- C. Weekly quizzes on word lists from *Reading New Testament Greek*.
- D. Reading the relevant portions of *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics*.
- E. Translation of the Greek text for the day. Students will be called upon to translate in class.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Keeping a notebook on the translation. It will be well to divide the page in half: the top contains a record of the Greek and the translation; the bottom, grammatical, lexical, syntactical and other notes.
- B. Attending class regularly and punctually.
- C. Passing exams and quizzes.
- D. Using the main textbook and translating the required portions of the New Testament.
- E. Participating in class.

GRADING PROCEDURE

The points from quizzes and exams will be totaled and averaged by the total number possible from the semester's work. One quiz can be dropped from consideration (in the case someone has a bad day). The notebook will be worth a possible 100 points, to be averaged in with the total number of quiz and exam points. The following scale will determine the final grade.

Publishable= A+	77-79%=C+
94-100%=A	74-76%=C
90- 93%=A-	70-73%=C-
87- 89%=B+	67-69%=D+
84- 86%=B	64-66%=D
80- 83%=B-	60-63%=D-

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SPECIFIC DATA

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