

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

BGR 531 Greek I B (3 Credits)

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COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION

A study of the essentials of Greek morphology and syntax designed to prepare the student for translation and exegesis of the New Testament.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Define the basic elements of Greek grammar and syntax.
2. Identify and translate the assigned vocabulary words without the use of lexical aids.
3. Demonstrate a proficiency in reading Greek using the Erasmusian inflection system.
4. Demonstrate a proficiency in using Greek grammars, lexicons, and other New Testament study aids.
5. Appreciate the value of studying the New Testament in its original language.

TEXTBOOKS [Need to get your books? \(www link to AGTS bookstore\)](#)

Required:

Aland, Kurt, Barbara Aland, Johannes Karavidopoulos, Carlo M. Martini, and Bruce M. Metzger, eds. The Greek New Testament. 4th rev. ed. (with dictionary) United Bible Societies, 1993.

Robinson, Thomas A. Mastering Greek Vocabulary. Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, 1990.

Summers, Ray. Essentials of New Testament Greek. Revised by Thomas Sawyer. Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1995.

Recommended:

Cox, Steven L. Essentials of New Testament Greek: A Student's Guide. Revised Edition.
Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1995.

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BASIC OUTLINE

The course will closely follow the material in Essentials of New Testament Greek, Rev. ed. At *least* one chapter per week will be covered.

METHODOLOGY

1. Classroom lecture.
2. Classroom discussion.
3. Recitation of workbook assignments.
4. Reading assignments in Greek grammars, lexicons, and other study aids.
5. Group projects.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Attendance at all class sessions is necessary. Planned absences should be communicated in advance to the instructor. Absences due to illness or other "unavoidable" circumstances should be communicated to the Faculty Secretary prior to the class session, if possible. The attendance policy as defined by the AGTS catalog will be the guideline for handling excessive absences.
2. Complete all assignments. Workbook assignments will be due each week unless otherwise noted by the instructor. Reading assignments should be verified by a signed affidavit on the due dates. A signed affidavit indicating the completion of all textbook reading should be noted on the final exam.
3. Appropriately prepare for and successfully complete the weekly quizzes and major exams. **The final exam will be from 10:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. on April 26, 2002.**

GRADING PROCEDURES

1. Weekly quizzes and major exams will be given cumulative point values based upon the number correct in relation to the number possible on a descending scale as follows:

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100% - 90% = A

89% - 80% = B

79% - 70% = C

69% - 60% = D

59% under = F

2. **There will be no late quizzes or exams given unless a student has made the proper absence notification as indicated above under Course Requirements, Section 1.**

3. The following data gives the weight that each portion of the course requirements carry:

Class Participation:	30%
(Includes Attendance/10%, Reading/5%, Workbook/10%, and Group assignment/5%)	
Weekly Quizzes:	30%
Major Exams:	20%
Final Exam:	20%

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Black, David A. Linguistics for Students of New Testament Greek. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1988.

Dana, H.F. and J.R. Mantey. A Manual Grammar of the Greek New Testament. New York: The Macmillan Company, 1955.

Efird, James M. A Grammar for New Testament Greek. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1990.

Gingrich, F. Wilbur. Shorter Lexicon of the Greek New Testament. Rev. ed. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1965.

Hewett, J.A. New Testament Greek: A Beginning and Intermediate Grammar. Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, 1986.

Kaufman, Paul K. An Introductory Grammar of New Testament Greek. Palm Springs, CA: Ronald N. Haynes Publishers, Inc., 1982.

Kohlenberger, John, III, Edward W. Goodrick, and James Swanson. The Exhaustive

Concordance to the Greek New Testament. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1995.

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MacDonald, W.G. Greek Enchiridion: A Concise Handbook of Grammar for Translation and Exegesis. Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, 1986.

Machen, J.G. New Testament Greek for Beginners. New York: The Macmillan Company, 1923.

Mounce, William D. Basics of Biblical Greek. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1993.

Stevens, Gerald L. New Testament Greek. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, Inc., 1997.

SPECIFIC DATA

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