

Mastering NT Greek

5. Nouns: First Declension

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Warm-ups

PAI Verb Paradigm Rap

■ λύω

λύομεν

■ λύεις

λύετε

■ λύει

λύουσι(ν)

Second Declension Chant

- λόγος
- λόγου
- λόγω
- λόγον
- λόγοι
- λόγων
- λόγοις
- λόγους

- ἱερόν
- ἱεροῦ
- ἱερῶ
- ἱερόν
- ἱερά
- ἱερῶν
- ἱεροῖς
- ἱερά

Memory Verse -- Jn 1:1

- Ἐν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος,
- **in the beginning was the word**
- καὶ ὁ λόγος ἦν πρὸς τὸν θεόν,
- **and the word was with God**
- καὶ θεὸς ἦν ὁ λόγος.
- **and the word was God**

First Declension Nouns

- First declension nouns are usually feminine with η or α endings as opposed to the second declension which has “o” endings.
- Their cases are translated in the same way as the second declension
 - nominative=subject;
 - genitive=of;
 - dative = to/by/for/at/with;
 - accusative= object.

Meanings and translations

■ η-based	Singular	Plural
Nom./Voc.	γραφή a writing	γραφαί writings
Gen.	γραφῆς of a writing	γραφῶν of writings
Dat.	γραφῇ to/by/for a writing	γραφαῖς to/by/for writings
Acc.	γραφὴν a writing	γραφάς writings

First Declension - Eta ending

■ First declension forms to chant.

■ γραφή, -ῆς, ἡ writing, Scripture

■ Feminine	Singular	Plural
■ Nom/Voc	γραφή	γραφαί
Gen.	γραφῆς	γραφῶν
Dat.	γραφῇ	γραφαῖς
Acc.	γραφὴν	γραφάς

Meaning and translations

■ α-based	Singular	Plural
Nom./Voc.	ὥρα hour	ὥραι hours
■ Gen.	ὥρας of an hour	ὥρων of hours
■ Dat.	ὥρᾳ to/by/for an hour	ὥραις to/by/for hours
■ Acc.	ὥραν hour	ὥρας hours

First Declension - Alpha ending

■ ὥρα, -ας, ἡ hour

	Singular	Plural
■ Nom./Voc.	ὥρα	ὥραι
Gen.	ὥρας	ὥρων
Dat.	ὥρᾳ	ὥραις
Acc.	ὥραν	ὥρας

■ Note the Gen. sg. = Acc. Pl.

First Declension – Dancing Alpha ending

■ δόξα, -ης, ἡ glory

	Singular	Plural
■ Nom./Voc.	δόξα	δόξαι
Gen.	δόξης	δοξων
Dat.	δόξει	δόξαις
Acc.	δόξα	δόξας

■ Note the Gen. sg. \neq Acc. Pl.

First Declension - Masculine

- Just be able to recognize the masculine. Gen. Sg. is basic difference – ου

- προφήτης, -οῦ, ὁ prophet

■ Feminine	Singular	Plural
■ Nom	προφήτης	προφῆται
■ Gen.	προφήτου	προφητῶν
■ Dat.	προφήτῃ	προφήταις
■ Acc.	προφῆτην	προφήτας

Four Hints on the Noun Declensions

- 1) Second declension both masculine and neuter have same case endings in the genitive and dative – Always!
- 2) Dative singular – iota subscript lengthening vowel, iota subscript at end of word think dative
- 3) Genitive plural is always – ων
- 4) ας can be either genitive sg or acc pl have to look at the definite article (τῆς / τάς)

2-1-2 Paradigms - Chant this

■ 2	1	2
■ λόγος	γραφή	ιερόν
■ λόγου	γραφῆς	ιεροῦ
■ λόγῳ	γραφῇ	ιερῶ
■ λόγον	γραφῆν	ιερόν
■ λόγοι	γραφαί	ιερά
■ λόγων	γραφῶν	ιερῶν
■ λόγοις	γραφαῖς	ιεροῖς
■ λόγους	γραφάς	ιερά

Article

- λόγος "word" or "a word" (Nom Sg Masc)
- ὁ λόγος "the word"
- λόγον "word" or "a word" (Acc Sg Masc)
- τὸν λόγον "the word"
- The Art. matches in gender, number, case

Article ("the") forms

	Singular		
	2	1	2
	Masc.	Fem.	
Neut.			
Nom./Voc.	ὁ	ἡ	τό
Gen.	τοῦ	τῆς	τοῦ
Dat.	τῷ	τῇ	τῷ
Acc.	τόν	τήν	τό

Article ("the") forms

	Plural		
	2	1	2
	Masc.	Fem.	Neut.
Nom./Voc.	οἱ	αἱ	τά
Gen.	τῶν	τῶν	τῶν
Dat.	τοῖς	ταῖς	τοῖς
Acc.	τούς	τάς	τά

Article



Singular

	M	F	N
N.	ὁ	ἡ	τό
G.	τοῦ	τῆς	του
D.	τῷ	τῇ	τῷ
A.	τόν	τήν	τό

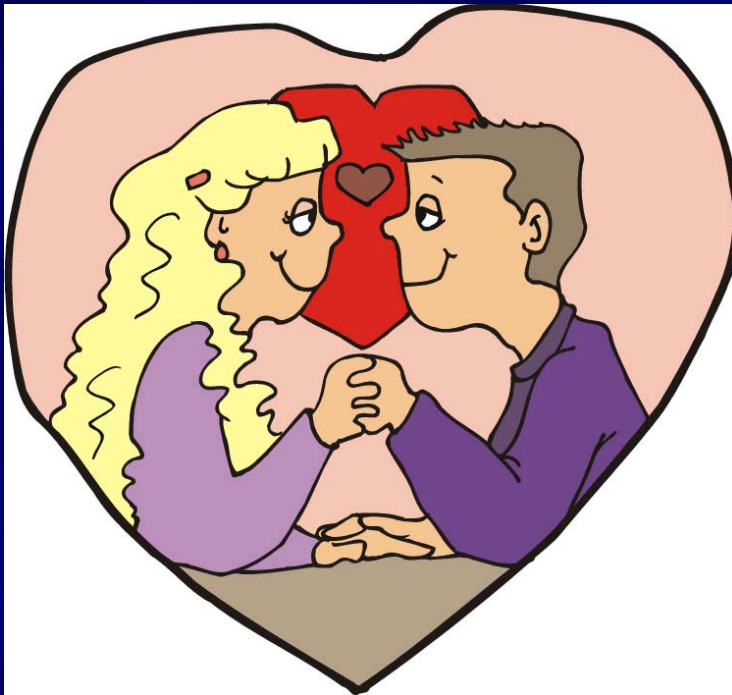
Plural

	M	F	N
N.	οἱ	αἱ	τά
G.	τῶν	τῶν	τῶν
D.	τοῖς	ταῖς	τοῖς
A.	τούς	τάς	τα

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ἀγάπη, -ης, ἡ

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love

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ἀλήθεια, -ας, ἡ

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truth

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ἄμαρτία, -ας, ἡ

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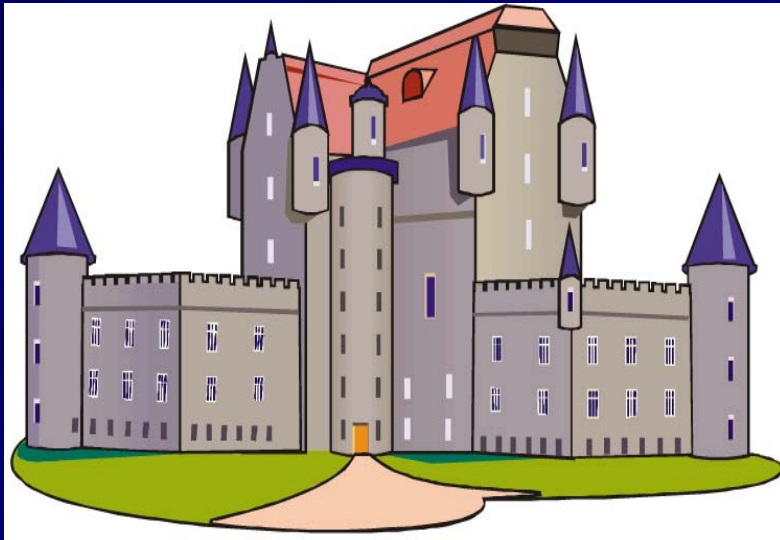


sin

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ βασιλεία, -ας, ἡ

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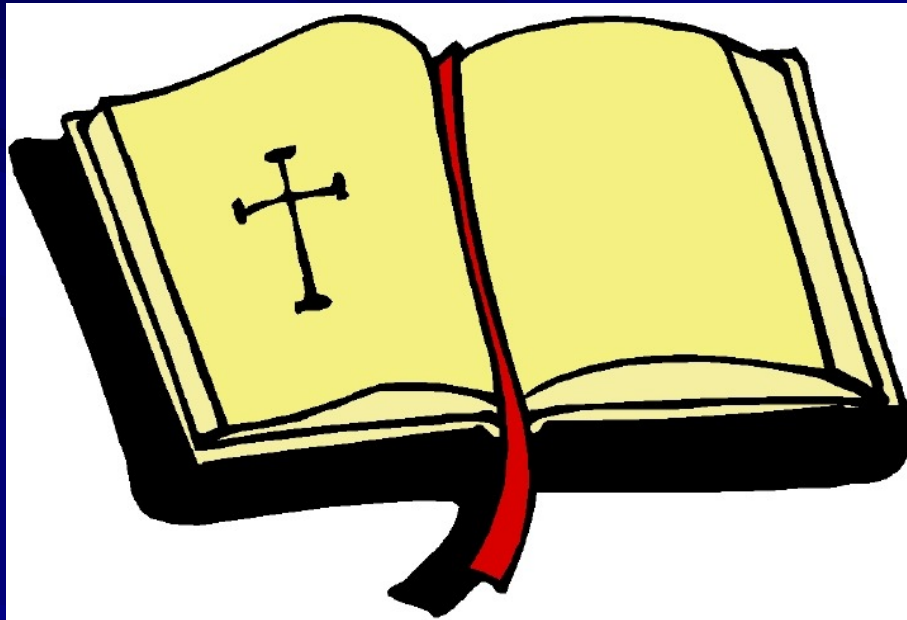


kingdom

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ γραφή, -ῆς, ἡ

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writing,
Scripture

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ἐγείρω

—

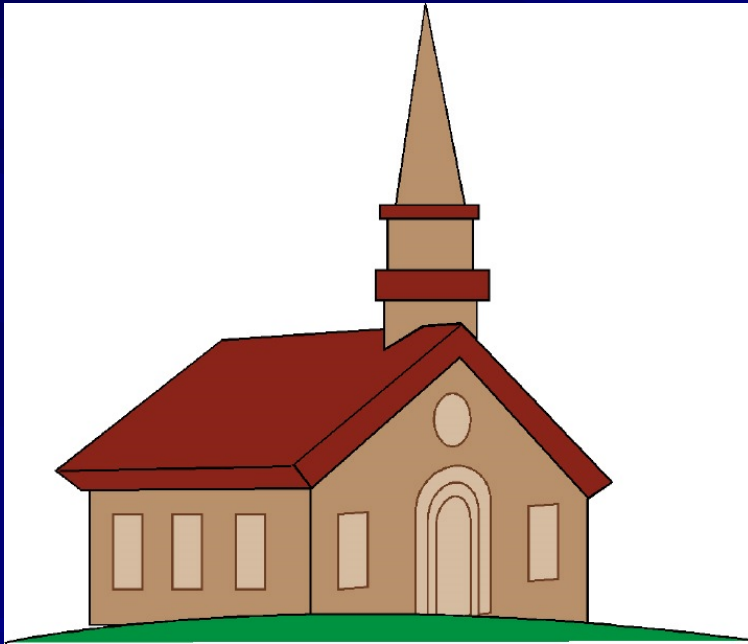


I raise up

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ἐκκλησία, -ας, ἡ

—



assembly,
church

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ἔργον, -ου, τό

—



work

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ μαθητής, -οῦ, ὁ

—



disciple

Chapter 5 Vocabulary

■ ώρα, -ας, ή

—



hour

Vocabulary Review

Vocabulary Review Chapter 1

- angel
- truly
- humankind
- ἐγώ
- God

Vocabulary Review Chapter 1

- and
- heart
- λέγω
- προφήτης, -ου, ὁ
- Christ

Vocabulary Review Chapter 2

- brother
- I hear
- δόξα, -ης, ή
- ἔχω
- world

Vocabulary Review Chapter 2

- Lord, sir
- word
- Πέτρος, -ου, ὁ
- son
- Φαρισαῖος, -ου, ὁ

Vocabulary Chapter 3

- αλλά
- απόστολος, -ου, ό
- I see
- γάρ
- I know

Vocabulary Chapter 3

- Ἰησοῦς, -οῦ, ὁ
- λαμβάνω
- λύω
- **heaven**
- πιστεύω

Ch. 4 -- Vocabulary

- I love
- γράφω
- δέ
- servant
- εὕρισκω

Ch. 4 -- Vocabulary

- ἱερόν, -οῦ, τό
- λαός, -οῦ, ὁ
- law
- οἶκος, -ου, ὁ
- ὡς