

Intermediate Greek  
Western Reformed Seminary  
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## COURSE INFORMATION

### **Course goals**

In this course you will work through an intermediate level Greek grammar, reviewing and expanding the knowledge gained in Basic Greek. You will review and memorize the spelling and meaning of all the words occurring 50 times or more in the NT (293 words, of which 160 occur more than 100 times). You will study the science and practice of NT textual criticism, so as to profitably use the critical apparatus of the printed Greek NT. And you will translate and be familiar with the Greek text of two chapters of the NT. Successful completion of this course will enable you to take Advanced Greek in the next term.

### **Required readings and tests**

The following are the required texts for the course:

- Greek NT: either UBS 4<sup>th</sup> ed., or Nestle-Aland 27<sup>th</sup> ed.
- Daniel B. Wallace, *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics*
- Bruce M. Metzger, *The Text of the New Testament* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed. is best; 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> eds. OK)
- Bruce M. Metzger, *Lexical Aids for Students of New Testament Greek*

The following are strongly recommended as being obtained, if the student does not already have them:

- *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature* (BDAG), rev. and ed. by Frederick W. Danker, based on the sixth German ed. of Walter Bauer's lexicon, and on previous English editions by William F. Arndt and F. Wilbur Gingrich
- Bruce M. Metzger, *Textual Commentary on the Greek New Testament* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)

There will be tests over Metzger, *The Text of the NT*, and Wallace, *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics*. Study questions are provided for tests on these two books, and a summary of Wallace also

is provided. The tests will be due after the June session. Be sure to follow along with the study questions as you read through the two books.

### ***Vocabulary quizzes***

There will be a series of 14 quizzes on Greek vocabulary, arranged by frequency in Metzger, *Lexical Aids*. The quizzes will be English to Greek. The quizzes will review words previously learned, but will concentrate on the new words for that quiz. Here are the vocabulary sections for each quiz:

<u>Quiz</u>	<u>Vocabulary</u>
1	over 500
2	201 and over, through θέλω
3	201 and over
4	151 and over, through κόσμος
5	151 and over
6	121 and over
7	101 and over, through μένω
8	101 and over
9	91 and over
10	81 and over
11	71 and over
12	61 and over
13	56 and over
14	50 and over

### ***Translation***

The translation of two chapters from the NT (Mark 11 and John 9) is to be done in the standard classroom format (translation on the left, any Greek words looked up on the right). During the concentrated sessions you will be expected to be able to read the Greek and to translate orally the assigned portion, with minimum reference to his written translation. There will be a test on each of the two chapters after it has been translated.

### ***Grading***

Grading will be according to the following scale:

NT translations	25%
Reading assignments	20%
Vocabulary quizzes	15%
Mark 11 test	10%

John 9 test	10%
Grammar test	10%
Metzger test	10%

### ***Contacting the professor***

Feel free to contact Dr. Battle whenever you have a question or desire clarification about the course material or about your assignments.

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