

In the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

New Testament Greek-1

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Lecture No 1

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“Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive his approval. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth.”

2-Timothy (2:15)

History of the Greek Language:

All languages change over time as they incorporate new influences or alter old forms. (You can clearly see by reading KJV of the Bible)

FORM OF LANGUAGE	DATES
Proto Indo-European	Prior to 1500 BC
Linear B or Mycenaean	1500 – 1000 BC
Dialects and Classic Greek	1000 – 300 BC
Koine Greek	300 BC – AD 330
Byzantine Greek	AD 330 – AD 1453
Modern Greek	AD 1453 - Present

Why Study New Testament Greek?

- 1- The language chosen to communicate GOD'S Word.**
- 2- Culture & meanings are embedded within a language.**
- 3- The Importance of Grammar (Important for Exegesis, Primary Source).**
- 4- All the translations of the Bible have merit but they also have weaknesses. Without access to the original language the student has no interpretive options available.**
- 5- The original language identifies the Author's emphasis.**
- 6- A degree of exposure to the original language at least gives some basis by which to evaluate any scholar's comments.**
- 7- Greek is one of the tools of trade that professionals need in dealing with the New Testament.**

Methods of Study:

Learning another language requires 2 things.

Commitment

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Nerve

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Study Habits:

Study must always be done in the face of obstacles, although there are several strategies for at least making such obstacles manageable

- 1- Regular Study: A little each day is much more affective than a lot at once.**
- 2- Peak Performance: Study is demanding activity. It is best done with the body at peak performance (Eat healthy, Sleep well).**
- 3- Priorities: People would rather do other things than learning languages.**
- 4- Repetition: One of the principles of memorization is repetition.**

Greek Alphabets

α

alpha

Phonetic Sound: a



β

beta

Phonetic Sound: b

Y

gamma

Phonetic Sound: g [get]

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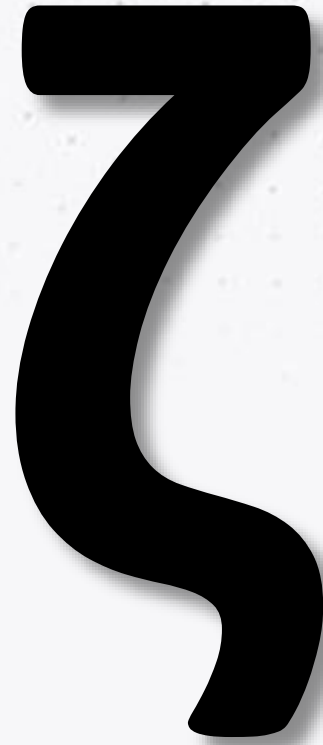
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Phonetic Sound: d

Ε

epsilon

Phonetic Sound: e [met]



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Phonetic Sound: z or dz

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Phonetic Sound: e [fete]

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theta

Phonetic Sound: th [thin]

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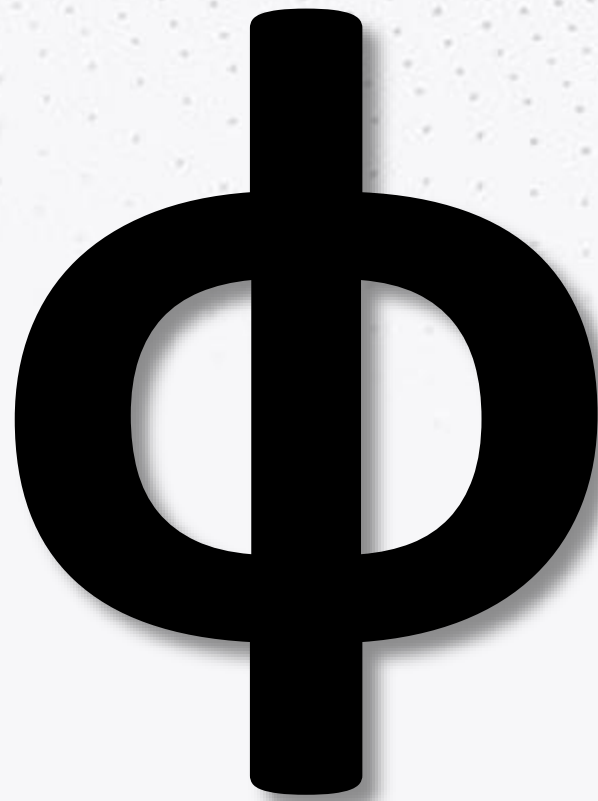
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Phonetic Sound: t

U

upsilon

Phonetic Sound: u



phi

Phonetic Sound: f

Χ

chi

Phonetic Sound: ch [loch]

Ψ

psi

Phonetic Sound: ps [lips]

ω

omega

Phonetic Sound: o [tone]

Any Question?