

Presession Greek - 1.210 Introduction

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RATIONALE

The New Testament was written in Koine Greek. As the way in which God's Living Word is spoken to us, it is imperative that we be able to hear and understand that word as clearly as possible. The variety of English translations of the New Testament demonstrate that every translation is also an interpretation. As leaders in the Church, the ability to translate knowing the interpretive issues involved is critical in the formation of faithful understanding in not only biblical studies but also throughout the LTSG seminary curriculum. For this reason, an introductory class in New Testament Greek is a prime course and an invaluable resource for anyone preparing for a leadership vocation in the Church.

OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the introductory Greek experience, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of Greek grammar and syntax
2. Utilize a core vocabulary of New Testament Greek word lists.
3. Translate sentences and short texts from the Greek New Testament.

STRATEGIES

To achieve these Objectives, the introductory Greek experience at LTSG has two components. First, a *Presession Greek* will be held over a two week period prior to the start of the fall semester of each year. This will be an intensive, twice a day Greek experience. Second, *1.210 Introduction to Greek* will meet as a normal three credit class throughout the fall semester (i.e., class sessions meeting twice weekly for 75 minutes per session).

Required Texts

- Croy, N. Clayton. *A Primer of Biblical Greek*. Grand Rapids, Eerdmans, 1999.

EVALUATIONS

The course evaluation will consist of the following:

- EXAMS – Two exams worth 100 points each 200 points \
- REGULAR QUIZZES – Nine quizzes 150 points > TOTAL: 500 pts.
- DAILY ASSIGNMENTS & PARTICIPATION 150 points /

350 points (70%) are needed to pass the presession course and be eligible for 1.210 in the fall semester.

COURSE SCHEDULE

1. Pre-session Greek Schedule

Week One: I Think I Can, I Think I Can, I Think I Can

Date	Morning Session	Afternoon Session
Fri, Aug 18	Welcome / Introduce Lesson 1	Quiz on 1 / Introduce Lessons 2-3
M-21	Quiz on 2-3 / Sharing our stories	Review Lesson 2-3 / Introduce 4
T-22	Review 4 / Introduce 5	Review 5 / Quiz on 4-5 / Introduce 6
W-23	Review 6 / Quiz on 5-6 / Introduce 7	Review 7 / Introduce 8
Θ-24	Review 8 / Quiz on 7-8	Review 1-8
F-25	EXAM 1 (8:30-10:00)	Class Meeting > Review Exam / Introduce 9

Week Two: What in the World Was I Thinking??!!!!?

M-28	Review 9 / Quiz on 9 / Introduce 10	Review 10/ Introduce 11
T-29	Review 11 / Quiz on 10-11 / Introduce 12	Review 12 / Introduce 13
W-30	Review 13 / Quiz on 12-13 / Introduce 14	Review 14 / Introduce 16
Θ-31	Review 16 / Quiz on 14,16	Review 1-16 (omitting 15)
F-Sept 1	EXAM 2 (8:30-10:00)	Review Exam / Introduce 15

2. 1.210 Introduction to Greek Schedule

You Mean We're Meeting Only Twice a Week? This Is a Piece of ἀρτος!

Friday, September 8 Review 15...

{Note: For the Fall semester, the class will be divided into two sections according to ability, learning comfort, etc. and the fall schedule will proceed at its own pace. }



Before you enter, you will need to conjugate λύω in all its forms.

or

Greek? No one speaks Greek here.
God speaks Hebrew.

or

5 points to the best caption!