

5. Biblical Greek (I)

1. Introduction to Koine Greek

1) Course Objectives

- (1) To learn the basics of Koine Greek, the language of the New Testament, and develop the ability to understand the original text.
- (2) To become familiar with the Greek alphabet, pronunciation, and basic grammar and vocabulary.
- (3) To understand the basic sentence structure and interpret common expressions in the biblical text.

2. Course Outline

1) Introduction to Greek and the Alphabet

- (1) Overview of the history of Greek: Differences between Classical and Koine Greek.
- (2) The Greek alphabet and pronunciation practice.
- (3) Uppercase and lowercase letters and writing techniques.

2) Basic Pronunciation and Accentuation

- (1) Combination of vowels and consonants.
- (2) Rules of accentuation and pronunciation.
- (3) Diphthongs and special pronunciation cases.

3) Nouns and Articles

- (1) Gender of nouns (Masculine, Feminine, Neuter).
- (2) Greek noun cases (Nominative, Genitive, Dative, Accusative).
- (3) Definite and indefinite articles in Greek.

4) Introduction to Greek Verbs

- (1) Present tense verb conjugation.
- (2) Verb stems and endings.
- (3) Personal endings and basic usage of Greek verbs.

5) Prepositions and Basic Sentence Structure

- (1) Common Greek prepositions used in the New Testament.
- (2) How prepositions affect noun cases.
- (3) Basic sentence translation exercises from biblical texts.

6) Summary of Basic Greek Grammar and Exercises

- (1) Review of nouns, verbs, and adjectives in basic Greek grammar.
- (2) Reading and interpreting simple New Testament passages.
- (3) Practice exercises and basic translation drills.

3. Learning Methods & Assessment

- 1) Weekly sentence translation and pronunciation practice.
- 2) Copying Bible verses in Greek to develop familiarity with the text.
- 3) Quizzes and exercises after each lesson.

This course provides a solid foundation for studying the New Testament in its original language.