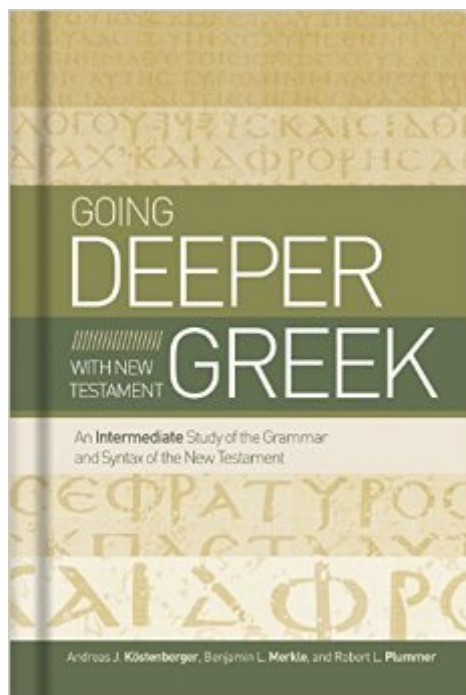


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Going Deeper With New Testament Greek: An Intermediate Study Of The Grammar And Syntax Of The New Testament



Synopsis

From their decades of combined teaching experience, Andreas J. Kästenberger, Benjamin L. Merkle, and Robert L. Plummer have produced an ideal resource enabling students to improve their skills so they may properly read, exegete, and apply the Greek New Testament. Designed for those with a basic knowledge of Greek, *Going Deeper with New Testament Greek* is a user-friendly textbook for intermediate Greek courses at the college or seminary level. In fifteen chapters, students learn Greek grammar and how to interpret the New Testament in a way that is accessible and even fun. Also included are chapters on the Greek language and textual criticism, verbal aspect, sentence diagramming and discourse analysis, word studies, and continuing with Greek. Unique features include: Practical examples illustrating how knowing the content of a given chapter can guide proper interpretation of Scripture. Practice sentences and vocabulary lists, including all the words that occur fifteen times or more in the New Testament. Selected texts from every New Testament author for students to translate along with detailed reading notes to guide interpretation of each text. Summary charts to help students review material, serving as a handy study guide and quick reference tool.

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Going Deeper with New Testament Greek is an excellent intermediate Greek grammar for many reasons:- The authors successfully walk the fine line between writing simply and writing simplistically, which is extremely important for a grammar aimed at amateurs. Many students of the language have probably read a grammar that seems to be twice as long as it needs to be or, on the

other hand, far too short to get a firm grasp on the concepts being explained. Going Deeper avoids both pitfalls.- Similarly, the writers clearly knew their audience. Many Greek grammars are written by scholars for scholars who probably don't need them in the first place. Going Deeper is written and structured for the student, using language and examples that amateur readers of Greek at all stages can understand.- Unlike some popular intermediate grammars, Going Deeper explains the examples it gives, helping the reader to develop his own competency in the language rather than simply trusting the Greek grammarian.- Even after a student has worked through multiple single sentence examples, they are still often intimidated when they finally lay their eyes on the large portions of discourse found in the GNT. Going Deeper's "Reading the New Testament" sections are perfect for helping with just such an issue, exposing the student to large portions of text with the guiding hand of a seasoned Greek scholar.- The summaries in the back of the chapters are an amazing quick reference tool for the reader who needs a simple refresher and doesn't want to thumb through an entire chapter.- Anecdotal stories at the beginning of the chapters help the reader immediately feel the importance of learning the Greek language. For example, does Titus 2:13 explicitly call Jesus God (ἰσχυροῦ θεοῦ)?

Going Deeper with New Testament Greek by Andreas J. Köstenberger, Benjamin L. Merkle, and Robert L. Plummer is a refreshing alternative to some of the more commonly used intermediate Greek grammars on the market. Köstenberger, Merkle, and Plummer have provided the reader with a unique collaborative effort that is both sensitive to the ongoing needs of the classroom and conscious of the impending deficiency within the developing genre of intermediate Greek grammars. This accomplishment has quickly situated Going Deeper with New Testament Greek as a preferred grammar for at least three reasons: (1) readability, (2) content, and (3) organization. Unlike most grammars on the market (especially intermediate grammars), Going Deeper with New Testament Greek is a Greek grammar that is enjoyable to read—even cover-to-cover. Sure this book will still function well as a reference work for future consulting. However, for those who will be assigned to read it for class or those who are doing so independently, Köstenberger, Merkle, and Plummer have crafted an experience that will enrich understanding without putting the reader in a coma. To be completely honest, it reads so well that it was difficult for me to put down. Those familiar with the landscape of Greek grammars will recognize the uniqueness of such characteristic and keep coming back for more. The content of most Greek grammars is identical. There may be different ways to explain a particular grammatical concept or construction, but minimal divergence is to be expected. What is truly unique about Going Deeper with New Testament Greek is that the scope of

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