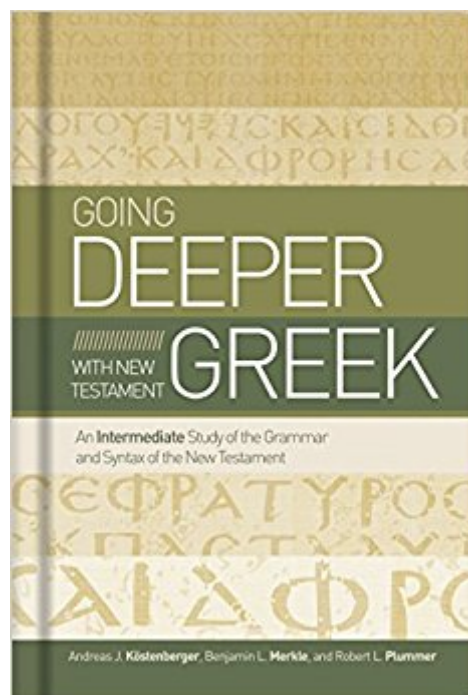


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# Going Deeper With New Testament Greek: An Intermediate Study Of The Grammar And Syntax Of The New Testament



## Synopsis

From their decades of combined teaching experience, Andreas J. Köstenberger, 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 certain to become a standard among intermediate Greek grammars. Not only is this grammar readable and grounded in exegesis, but it includes a number of features not normally seen in this category, such as a built-in Greek reader, vocabulary lists, exercises, summary tables, and guides for discourse analysis, textual criticism, and

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This is an excellent intermediate grammar. When I received this book I immediately turned to the last three chapters. These chapters go beyond basic grammar and syntax. These chapters make the volume worth purchasing even if you have Wallace. In addition to strict grammatical material, this volume includes helpful introductions to sentence diagramming, discourse analysis, and textual criticism. It concludes with practical advice for using and keeping the knowledge and skills that Greek students work so hard to acquire. My only issue is that the physical quality of the book seems questionable. The paper is low quality, yellowish and easy to tear. I have had the book only for a week, it is possible that it may hold up. Buy it for the content, but handle it with kid gloves.

After completing a year of introductory Greek, students need additional help to bridge the gap in order to read Greek texts. Kostenberger, Merkle, and Plummer have contributed a wonderful book that helps to meet this need. Rather than a student purchasing a reader and a grammar, the authors coalesce these often separate types of text into a single volume, making Greek acquisition cheaper. Each chapter concludes with guided reading, in which the authors explain confusing syntax, parse perplexing forms, and provide guidance with interpretation. The book covers the major aspects of intermediate Greek. Thus, if a student works through this book, he or she will have the necessary syntactical foundation in order to comfortably read the GNT. A benefit of this text, in contrast to Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics, is its student-friendliness. Wallace's text is very detailed and thorough, almost to the expense of usefulness to the lower-intermediate student. Whereas, Going Deeper with the Greek New Testament covers the same ground, for the most part, without the corresponding trouble of remembering scores of categories. The book includes a chapter on diagramming, one on verbal aspect, and another, for encouragement, on maintaining one's Greek skills. Finally, this book was a joy to read! If you're considering the best next step after introductory Greek, choose this text. If you work through it, you will benefit mightily.

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