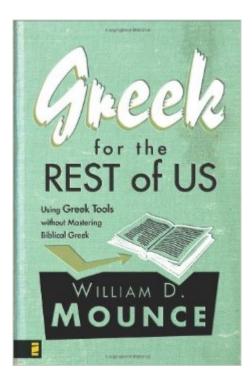
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# Greek For The Rest Of Us: Using Greek Tools Without Mastering Biblical Greek





## Synopsis

You donâ <sup>™</sup>t have to be a Greek student to understand biblical Greek. If youâ <sup>™</sup>d love to learn Greek so you can study your Bible better, but you canâ <sup>™</sup>t spare two years for college or seminary courses, then Greek for the Rest of Us is for you. Developed by renowned Greek teacher William Mounce, this revolutionary crash-course on â œbaby Greekâ • will acquaint you with the essentials of the language and deepen your understanding of Godâ <sup>™</sup>s Word. Youâ <sup>™</sup>II gain a sound knowledge of basic Greek, and youâ <sup>™</sup>II learn how to use tools that will add muscle to your Bible studies. In six sections, Greek for the Rest of Us will help you: â ¢ Recite the Greek alphabet â ¢ Read and pronounce Greek words â ¢ Learn the Greek noun and verbal system â ¢ Conduct Greek word studies â ¢ Decipher why translations are different â ¢ Read better commentaries Greek for the Rest of Us broadens your knowledge still further with an appendix on biblical Hebrew.

### **Book Information**

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I have taken three years of Koine Greek and recently taught a six week course at a local church with this book. Overall, I think it is a great resource. I think many Christians are interested in a deeper study of the Bible, but without a decent amount of time on your hands to learn and practice Greek vocab and paradigms, it's difficult to take the next step. This book allows you to understand how the Greek language works without actually learning it. Pairing this book with the Interlinear for the Rest of Us could really open up one's Bible study. I have a few criticisms to consider, however. Mounce is coming from a fairly conservative, Protestant viewpoint. This really colors his work (although he points that out several times, which I really appreciate.) If you are not a conservative

Protestant, you will just want to be aware of that going in, but I think it is still very useful for other less conservative branches of Christianity. There was, unfortunately, no index or summaries at the end of the book for easy reference. This is a big disadvantage for using Greek for the Rest of Us as a resource. If I were to teach the class again, I would try to make one in advance to give out to the students. The most disappointing part about the book to me is that the exercises are not keyed to an interlinear, and they don't even use interlinear verses at all (from what I can recall). Most of the exercises do not include any Greek whatsoever. Instead, they show different English translations, which, working backwards, the readers are expected to guess at what the Greek behind it is. I think this would be a difficult and potentially perilous exercise, and I also think it would be disappointing to someone interested in getting acquainted with "Baby Greek," as he calls it.

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