

## **LESSON SIXTEEN**

### **PREPOSITIONS**

In this lesson we are going to study PREPOSITIONS.

**A PREPOSITION expresses the relationship between two objects.**

EXAMPLE #1: The book is upon the desk.

In this sentence the word “upon” is a preposition. The word “upon” expresses the relationship between the “book” and the “desk.” The phrase “upon the desk” is called a prepositional phrase.

EXAMPLE #2: The book is in the desk.

In this sentence the word “in” is a preposition. The word “in” expresses the relationship between the “book” and the “desk.” The phrase “in the desk” is called a prepositional phrase.

EXAMPLE #3: The book is under the desk.

In this sentence the word “under” is a preposition. The word “under” expresses the relationship between the “book” and the “desk.” The phrase “under the desk” is called a prepositional phrase.

### **PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES**

In the examples above, we have presented prepositional phrases. The prepositional phrase is made up of a preposition and an object of the preposition.

EXAMPLE: The book is under the desk.

In this example, “under” is the preposition and “the desk” is the object of the preposition.

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In our lessons on the study of the NOUN, we studied that the structure of a sentence is expressed in CASES. The object of the preposition in a prepositional phrase is also in CASES. The CASE of the object of the preposition determines the meaning and translation of the preposition.

Some prepositions use only one case. The preposition **ἐν** always takes the dative case and means “in.”

EXAMPLE: **ἐν** **ἀρχῇ**  
in beginning

The preposition (**ἐν**) is translated “in” because the object of the preposition (**ἀρχῇ**) is in the dative case.

Other prepositions can use more than one case. In each use, the preposition is translated according to the case of the object of the preposition.

The preposition **διὰ** can use two cases.

- 1) **διὰ** - - - - - through  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE: **διὰ** **Ἰησοῦ** **Χριστοῦ**  
through Jesus Christ

The preposition (**διὰ**) is translated “through” because the object of the preposition (**Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ**) is in the genitive case.

- 2) **διὰ** - - - - - on account of  
preposition with the accusative case

EXAMPLE: **διὰ** **τὴν** **ἀλήθειαν**  
on account of the truth

The preposition (**διὰ**) is translated “on account of” because the object of the of the preposition (**τὴν ἀλήθειαν**) is in the accusative case.

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## VOCABULARY

The following are the ten prepositions found in John 1:1-18. The basic meanings of these prepositions are given.

- 1) **ἀντί** - - - - - against; instead of, in behalf of  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE:      **ἀντί**      **χάριτος**  
                  instead of      grace

The preposition (**ἀντί**) is translated “instead of” because the object of the preposition (**χάριτος**) is in the genitive case.

- 2) **διὰ** - - - - - through  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE:      **διὰ**      **Ἰησοῦ**      **Χριστοῦ**  
                  through      Jesus      Christ

The preposition (**διὰ**) is translated “through” because the object of the preposition (**Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ**) is in the genitive case.

**διὰ** - - - - - on account of  
preposition with the accusative case

EXAMPLE:      **διὰ**      **τὴν**      **ἀλήθειαν**  
                  on account of      the      truth

The preposition (**διὰ**) is translated “on account of” because the object of the preposition (**τὴν ἀλήθειαν**) is in the accusative case.

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### VOCABULARY (continued)

- 3) ἐν - - - - - in  
preposition with the dative case

EXAMPLE: ἐν ἀρχῇ  
in beginning

The preposition (ἐν) is translated “in” because the object of the preposition (ἀρχῇ) is in the dative case.

- 4) εἰς - - - - - into  
preposition with the accusative case

EXAMPLE: εἰς τὸν κόσμον  
into the world

The preposition (εἰς) is translated “into” because the object of the preposition (τὸν κόσμον) is in the accusative case.

- 5) ἐκ - - - - - out of  
preposition with the genitive case

(Before a vowel, ἐκ is written ἐξ)

EXAMPLES: 1) ἐκ Θεοῦ  
out of God  
2) ἐξ αἱμάτων  
out of bloods

The preposition (ἐκ) is translated “out of” because the objects of the preposition (Θεοῦ and αἱμάτων) are in the genitive case.

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### VOCABULARY (continued)

- 6) **ἔμπροσθεν** - - - - - in the presence of, in front, before  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE:    **ἔμπροσθεν**    **μου**  
                         before            me

The preposition (**ἔμπροσθεν**) is translated “in the presence of” because the object of the preposition (**μου**) is in the genitive case.

- 7) **παρά** - - - - - from  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE:    **παρά**    **Θεοῦ**  
                         from            God

The preposition (**παρά**) is translated “from” because the object of the preposition (**Θεοῦ**) is in the genitive case.

**παρά** - - - - - in the presence of  
preposition with the dative case

EXAMPLE:                    **παρά**                    **ἀνθρώποις**  
   in the presence of                    men

The preposition (**παρά**) is translated “in the presence of” because the object of the preposition (**ἀνθρώποις**) is in the dative case.

**παρά** - - - - - alongside of  
preposition with the accusative case

EXAMPLE:                    **παρά**                    **τὴν**    **θάλασσαν**  
   alongside of                    the            sea

The preposition (**παρά**) is translated “alongside of” because the object of the preposition (**τὴν θάλασσαν**) is in the accusative case.

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### VOCABULARY (continued)

- 8) περί - - - - - concerning, about  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE:    **περὶ**        **τοῦ**        **φωτός**  
                  concerning    the        light

The preposition (**περὶ**) is translated “concerning” because the object of the preposition (**τοῦ φωτός**) is in the genitive case.

περί - - - - - around  
preposition with the accusative case

EXAMPLE:    **περὶ**        **αὐτόν**  
                  around        him

The preposition (**περί**) is translated “around” because the object of the preposition (**αὐτόν**) is in the accusative case.

- 9) πρός - - - - - to, towards  
preposition with the accusative case

EXAMPLE:    **πρὸς**        **τὸν**        **Θεόν**  
                  to            the        God

The preposition (**πρός**) is translated “to” or “towards” because the object of the preposition (**τὸν Θεόν**) is in the accusative case.

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### VOCABULARY (continued)

- 10) **χωρίς** - - - - - without; separately, apart from  
preposition with the genitive case

EXAMPLE: **χωρίς** **αὐτοῦ**  
without him

The preposition ( **χωρίς** ) is translated “without” because the object of the preposition ( **αὐτοῦ** ) is in the genitive case.

### PROCLITICS

Notice that **ἐν**, **εἰς**, and **ἐκ** are all proclitics.

You should go directly to the pronunciation exercise for this lesson.

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### EXERCISE ONE

#### PRONUNCIATION EXERCISES

In this exercise we are going to study the vocabulary words of Lesson 16 as well as the PREPOSITIONS and PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES that are in John 1:1-18. All of the material that we have studied in Lessons 11-15 is now underlined and PARSED in the text. It would be beneficial for you to take the chart on PREPOSITIONS, page 18, out of the Charts Section Notebook for reference as we go through this exercise.

Line 1:	(1)	<sup>PREP. W/DAT.(18)</sup> <u>Ἐν</u>	<sup>DAT.S.F. 1 DEC.N.(14)</sup> <u>ἀρχῆ</u>	ἦν	<sup>NOM.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> <u>ὁ</u>	<sup>NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> <u>λόγος,</u>	<sup>CONJ.</sup> <u>καὶ</u>
		In	beginning	was	the	word,	and
Line 2:		<sup>NOM.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> <u>ὁ</u>	<sup>NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> <u>Λόγος</u>	ἦν	<sup>PREP. W/ACC.(18)</sup> <u>πρὸς</u>	<sup>ACC.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> <u>τὸν</u>	<sup>ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> <u>Θεόν</u>
		the	Word	was	with	the	God,
Line 3:		<sup>CONJ.</sup> <u>καὶ</u>	<sup>NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> <u>Θεὸς</u>	ἦν	<sup>NOM.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> <u>ὁ</u>	<sup>NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> <u>λόγος.</u>	(2) <u>οὗτος</u>
		and	God	was	the	word.	this one
Line 4:		ἦν	<sup>PREP. W/DAT.(18)</sup> <u>ἐν</u>	<sup>DAT.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)</sup> <u>ἀρχῆ</u>	<sup>PREP. W/ACC.(18)</sup> <u>πρὸς</u>	<sup>ACC.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> <u>τὸν</u>	<sup>ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> <u>Θεόν.</u>
		was	in	beginning	with	the	God.
Line 5:	(3)	<u>πάντα</u>	<sup>PREP. W/GEN.(18)</sup> <u>δι’</u>	<u>αὐτοῦ</u>	<u>ἐγένετο,</u>	<sup>CONJ.</sup> <u>καὶ</u>	<sup>PREP. W/GEN.(18)</sup> <u>χωρὶς</u>
		all things	through	him	became,	and	without
Line 6:		<u>αὐτοῦ</u>	<u>ἐγένετο</u>	<u>οὐδὲ</u>	<u>ἐν</u>	<u>ὃ</u>	<u>γένεθεν.</u>
		him	became	not even	one thing	which	has become.

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### EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 7: (4) <sup>PREP.  
W/DAT.(18)</sup> **ἐν** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(14)</sup> **αὐτῷ** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(14)</sup> **ζωὴ** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(14)</sup> **ἦν,** <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
ART.(13)</sup> **ἡ**  
in him life was, and the

Line 8: <sup>NOM.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(14)</sup> **ζωὴ** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(14)</sup> **ἦν** <sup>NOM.S.N.  
ART.(13)</sup> **τὸ** <sup>GEN.PL.M.  
ART.(13)</sup> **φῶς** <sup>GEN.PL.M.  
ART.(13)</sup> **τῶν** <sup>GEN.PL.M.  
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> **ἀνθρώπων,**  
life was the light of the men,

Line 9: (5) <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** <sup>NOM.S.N.  
ART.(13)</sup> **τὸ** <sup>GEN.PL.M.  
ART.(13)</sup> **φῶς** <sup>PREP.  
W/DAT.(18)</sup> **ἐν** <sup>DAT.S.F.  
ART.(13)</sup> **τῇ** <sup>DAT.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(15)</sup> **σκοτίᾳ**  
and the light in the darkness

Line 10: <sup>3 PERS.SING.  
PRES.ACT.IND.(10)</sup> **φαίνει,** <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
ART.(13)</sup> **ἡ** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(15)</sup> **σκοτία** **αὐτὸ** **οὐ**  
shines, and the darkness it not

Line 11: **κατέλαβεν.** (6) <sup>NOM.S.M.  
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> **Ἐγένετο** **ἄνθρωπος** **ἀπεσταλμένος**  
overtake. Became man having been sent

Line 12: <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **παρὰ** <sup>GEN.S.M.  
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> **Θεοῦ,** **ὄνομα** **αὐτῷ** **Ἰωάννης.** (7) **οὗτος**  
from God, name to him John. this one

Line 13: **ἦλθεν** <sup>PREP.  
W/ACC.(18)</sup> **εἰς** <sup>ACC.S.F.  
1DEC.N.(15)</sup> **μαρτυρίαν,** **ἵνα** **μαρτυρήσῃ** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **περὶ**  
came for a testimony, that he might testify concerning

Line 14: <sup>GEN.S.N.  
ART.(13)</sup> **τοῦ** **φωτός,** **ἵνα** **πάντες** **πιστεύσωσι** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **δι’**  
the light, that all might believe through

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### EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 15:	<u>αὐτοῦ.</u>	(8)	οὐκ	ἦν	ἐκεῖνος	<sup>NOM.S.N. ART.(13)</sup> τὸ	φῶς,	
	him.		not	was	that one	the	light,	
Line 16:	ἀλλ' ἵνα	μαρτυρήσῃ	<sup>PREP. W/GEN.(18)</sup> περὶ	<sup>GEN.S.N. ART.(13)</sup> τοῦ	φωτός.			
	but that	he might testify	concerning	the	light.			
Line 17:	(9) Ἦν	<sup>NOM.S.N. ART.(13)</sup> τὸ	φῶς	<sup>NOM.S.N. ART.(13)</sup> τὸ	<sup>NOM.S.N. ADJ.(16)</sup> ἀληθινόν,	ὃ		
	He was	the	light	the	true,	which		
Line 18:	<sup>3 PERS. SING. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)</sup> φωτίζει	πάντα	<sup>ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> ἄνθρωπον	ἐρχόμενον	<sup>PREP. W/ACC.(18)</sup> εἰς			
	enlightens	every	man	coming	into			
Line 19:	<sup>ACC.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> τὸν	<sup>ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> κόσμον.	(10)	<sup>PREP. W/DAT.(18)</sup> ἐν	<sup>DAT.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> τῷ	<sup>DAT.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> κόσμῳ	ἦν,	<sup>CONJ.</sup> καὶ
	the	world.		in	the	world	he was,	and
Line 20:	<sup>NOM.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> ὁ	<sup>NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> κόσμος	<sup>PREP. W/GEN.(18)</sup> δι'	αὐτοῦ	ἐγένετο,	<sup>CONJ.</sup> καὶ		
	the	world	through	him	became,	and		
Line 21:	<sup>NOM.S.M. ART.(13)</sup> ὁ	<sup>NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)</sup> κόσμος	αὐτὸν	οὐκ	ἔγνω.	(11)	<sup>PREP. W/ACC.(18)</sup> εἰς	
	the	world	him	not	knew.		into	
Line 22:	<sup>ACC.PL.N. ART.(13)</sup> τὰ	<sup>ACC.PL.N. ADJ.(17)</sup> ἴδια	ἦλθε,	<sup>CONJ.</sup> καὶ	<sup>NOM.PL.M. ART.(13)</sup> οἱ	<sup>NOM.PL.M. ADJ.(17)</sup> ἴδιοι		
	the things	his own	he came,	and	the ones	his own		

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### EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 23: **αὐτόν** οὐ παρέλαβον. (12) ὅσοι δὲ ἔλαβον  
him not they received. as many as but received

Line 24: **αὐτόν,** ἔδωκεν αὐτοῖς **ἐξουσίαν** τέκνα **Θεοῦ**  
him, He gave to them authority children of God

Line 25: **γενέσθαι,** **τοῖς** **πιστεύουσιν** **εἰς τὸ ὄνομα**  
to become, to the ones believing into the name

Line 26: **αὐτοῦ·** (13) οἱ οὐκ **ἐξ αἱμάτων,** οὐδὲ  
of him; who not out of bloods, neither

Line 27: **ἐκ θελήματος** σαρκός, οὐδὲ **ἐκ θελήματος**  
out of will of flesh, nor out of will

Line 28: **άνδρός** ἀλλ' **ἐκ Θεοῦ** ἐγεννήθησαν. (14) **Καὶ**  
of man, but out of God were born. And

Line 29: **ὁ** **λόγος** **σὰρξ** ἐγένετο, **καὶ** ἐσκήνωσεν  
the word flesh became, and tabernacled

Line 30: **ἐν** **ἡμῖν,** **καὶ** ἐθεασάμεθα **τὴν** **δόξαν**  
among us, and we beheld the glory

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### EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 31: **αὐτοῦ,** <sup>ACC.S.F.  
IDEC.N.(15)</sup> **δόξαν** **ὡς** **μονογενοῦς** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **παρὰ** **Πατρός,**  
of him, glory as of an only begotten from father,

Line 32: **πλήρης** **χάριτος** <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** <sup>GEN.SING.F.  
IDEC.N.(15)</sup> **ἀληθείας.** (15) **Ἰωάννης**  
full of grace and truth. John

Line 33: <sup>3 PERS.SING.  
PRES.ACT.IND.(10)</sup> **μαρτυρεῖ** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **περὶ** **αὐτοῦ,** <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** **κέκραγε** **λέγων,**  
testifies concerning him, and has cried saying,

Line 34: **Οὗτος** **ἦν** **ὃν** **εἶπον,** <sup>NOM.S..M.  
ART.(13)</sup> **ὁ** **ὀπίσω** **μου**  
This One was whom I said, the One after of me

Line 35: **ἐρχόμενος** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **ἔμπροσθέν** **μου** **γέγονεν·** **ὅτι**  
coming before me has become; because

Line 36: <sup>NOM.S.M.  
ADJ.(16)</sup> **πρῶτός** **μου** **ἦν.** (16) <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **ἐκ** **τοῦ**  
first of me he was. and out of the

Line 37: **πληρώματος** **αὐτοῦ** **ἡμεῖς** **πάντες** **ἐλάβομεν,**  
fullness of him ourselves all we received,

Line 38: <sup>CONJ.</sup> **καὶ** **χάριν** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **ἀντὶ** **χάριτος.** (17) **ὅτι** <sup>NOM.S.M.  
ART.(13)</sup> **ὁ**  
and grace succeeding grace. because the

Line 39: <sup>NOM.S.M.  
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> **νόμος** <sup>PREP.  
W/GEN.(18)</sup> **διὰ** **Μωσέως** **ἐδόθη,** <sup>NOM.S.F.  
ART.(13)</sup> **ἡ** **χάρις**  
law through Moses was given, the grace

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### EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 40:                <sup>CONJ.</sup>                <sup>NOM.S.F.</sup>                <sup>NOM.S.F.</sup>                <sup>PREP.</sup>  
                            <sup>ART.(13)</sup>                <sup>1DEC.N.(15)</sup>                <sup>W/GEN.(18)</sup>  
                            **καὶ**                **ἡ**                **ἀλήθεια**                **διὰ**                **Ἰησοῦ**                **Χριστοῦ**  
                            and                the                truth                through                Jesus                Christ

Line 41:                **ἐγένετο.**                (18)                <sup>ACC.S.M.</sup>                **οὐδείς**                **έώρακε**                **πώποτε·**  
                            became.                               <sup>2DEC.N.(12)</sup>                God                no one                has seen                at any time;

Line 42:                <sup>NOM.S.M.</sup>                                              <sup>NOM.S.M.</sup>                <sup>NOM.S.M.</sup>                <sup>PREP.</sup>                <sup>ACC.S.M.</sup>  
                            <sup>ART.(13)</sup>                **μονογενῆς**                <sup>2DEC.N.(12)</sup>                **υἱός,**                <sup>ART.(13)</sup>                **ὦν**                **εἰς**                **τὸν**  
                            the                only begotten                son,                the one                being                into                the

Line 43:                <sup>ACC.S.M.</sup>                               <sup>GEN.S.M.</sup>                **Πατρός,**                **ἐκεῖνος**                **έξηγήσατο.**  
                            <sup>2DEC.N.(12)</sup>                **κόλπον**                <sup>ART.(13)</sup>                of the                Father,                that one                declared (him).  
                            bosom                of the

You should review this exercise while going on to Lesson 17 and the study of PERSONAL PRONOUNS.