

LESSON TWENTY-SEVEN

THIRD DECLENSION NOUNS

In this lesson we are going to study the final declension of nouns - the THIRD DECLENSION.

NOTE: You should review first declension nouns in Lesson 14 and second declension nouns in Lesson 12 before you continue with this lesson.

THIRD DECLENSION NOUN “ENDINGS”

	<u>SINGULAR</u>	<u>PLURAL</u>
NOMINATIVE CASE (subject)	ς or none	εις
GENITIVE CASE (possession)	ος	ων
DATIVE CASE (indirect object)	ι	οις
ACCUSATIVE CASE (direct object)	α	ας
VOCATIVE CASE (direct address)	ς or none	εις

THIRD DECLENSION NOUNS

- 1) The stem of third declension nouns is determined by dropping the **-ος** of the genitive singular.
- 2) The gender of third declension nouns must be learned for each noun individually.

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THE DECLENSION OF σάρξ

	<u>SINGULAR</u>	<u>PLURAL</u>		
NOMINATIVE CASE	<table border="1"><tr><td>σάρξ</td></tr></table> flesh	σάρξ	<table border="1"><tr><td>σάρκες</td></tr></table> flesh	σάρκες
σάρξ				
σάρκες				
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GENITIVE CASE	<table border="1"><tr><td>σαρκός</td></tr></table> of flesh	σαρκός	<table border="1"><tr><td>σαρκῶν</td></tr></table> of flesh	σαρκῶν
σαρκός				
σαρκῶν				
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DATIVE CASE	<table border="1"><tr><td>σαρκί</td></tr></table> to or for flesh	σαρκί	<table border="1"><tr><td>σαρξί</td></tr></table> to or for flesh	σαρξί
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ACCUSATIVE CASE	<table border="1"><tr><td>σάρκα</td></tr></table> flesh	σάρκα	<table border="1"><tr><td>σάρκας</td></tr></table> flesh	σάρκας
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VOCATIVE CASE	<table border="1"><tr><td>σάρξ</td></tr></table> flesh	σάρξ	<table border="1"><tr><td>σάρκες</td></tr></table> flesh	σάρκες
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There is a special class of nouns in the third declension called **-μα** NOUNS. These are nouns with stems that end in **-ματ**.

THIRD DECLENSION -μα NOUN “ENDINGS”

	<u>SINGULAR</u>	<u>PLURAL</u>
NOMINATIVE CASE (subject)	μα	α
GENITIVE CASE (possession)	ος	ων
DATIVE CASE (indirect object)	ι	σι
ACCUSATIVE CASE (direct object)	μα	α
VOCATIVE CASE (direct address)	μα	α

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THE DECLENSION OF ὄνομα

	<u>SINGULAR</u>	<u>PLURAL</u>
NOMINATIVE CASE	ὄνομα name	ὀνόματα names
GENITIVE CASE	ὀνόματος of name	ὀνομάτων of names
DATIVE CASE	ὀνόματι to or for name	ὀνόμασι(ν) to or for names
ACCUSATIVE CASE	ὄνομα name	ὀνόματα names
VOCATIVE CASE	ὄνομα name	ὀνόματα names

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VOCABULARY

The following vocabulary list is made up of some common third declension nouns found in the Greek New Testament.

1) ἀνὴρ, ἀνδρός, ὁ - - - - - man, male

2) πατήρ, πατρός, ὁ - - - - - father

3) σὰρξ, σαρκός, ἡ - - - - - flesh

4) τέκνον, τέκνου, τό - - - - - child

5) χάρις, χάριτος, ἡ - - - - - grace

6) φῶς, φωτός, τό - - - - - light

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7) αἷμα, αἵματος, τό - - - - - blood

8) θέλημα, θελήματος, τό - - - - - will, purpose

9) ὄνομα, ὀνόματος, τό - - - - - name

10) πλήρωμα, πληρώματος, τό - - - - - full, full in measure

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EXERCISE ONE

PRONUNCIATION EXERCISES

In this exercise we are going to read John 1:1-18 and study the **THIRD DECLENSION NOUNS** in the text. All of the material that we have studied in Lessons 11-26 is now underlined and **PARSED** in the text. It would be beneficial for you to take the charts on **THIRD DECLENSION NOUNS**, pages 39 and 40, out of the Charts Section Notebook for reference as we go through this exercise.

Line 1: (1) ^{PREP. W/DAT.(18)} Ἐν ^{DAT.S.F. 1 DEC.N.(14)} ἀρχῇ ^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν ^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} ὁ ^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} λόγος, ^{CONJ.} καὶ
In beginning was the word, and

Line 2: ^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} ὁ ^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} Λόγος ^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν ^{PREP. W/ACC.(18)} πρὸς ^{ACC.S.M. ART.(13)} τὸν ^{ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} Θεόν
the Word was with the God,

Line 3: ^{CONJ.} καὶ ^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} Θεὸς ^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν ^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} ὁ ^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} λόγος. (2) ^{NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(21)} οὗτος
and God was the word. this one

Line 4: ^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν ^{PREP. W/DAT.(18)} ἐν ^{DAT.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)} ἀρχῇ ^{PREP. W/ACC.(18)} πρὸς ^{ACC.S.M. ART.(13)} τὸν ^{ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} Θεόν.
was in beginning with the God.

Line 5: (3) πάντα ^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} δι’ ^{GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτοῦ ^{3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)} ἐγένετο, ^{CONJ.} καὶ ^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} χωρὶς
all things through him became, and without

Line 6: ^{GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτοῦ ^{3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)} ἐγένετο οὐδὲ ἐν ὃ γένονεν.
him became not even one thing which has become.

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EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 7: (4) ^{PREP. W/DAT.(18)} ἐν ^{DAT.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτῷ ^{NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)} ζῶῃ ^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν, ^{CONJ.} καὶ ^{NOM.S.F. ART.(13)} ἡ ^{NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(14)} ζῶῃ
in him life was, and the life

Line 8: ^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν ^{NOM.S.N. ART.(13)} τὸ ^{NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)} φῶς ^{GEN.PL.M. ART.(13)} τῶν ^{GEN.PL.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} ἀνθρώπων,
was the light of the men,

Line 9: (5) ^{CONJ.} καὶ ^{NOM.S.N. ART.(13)} τὸ ^{NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)} φῶς ^{PREP. W/DAT.(18)} ἐν ^{DAT.S.F. ART.(13)} τῇ ^{DAT.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)} σκοτίᾳ
and the light in the darkness

Line 10: ^{3 PERS.SING. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)} φαίνει, ^{CONJ.} καὶ ^{NOM.S.F. ART.(13)} ἡ ^{NOM.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)} σκοτία ^{ACC.S.N. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτὸ ^{PARTICLE} οὐ
shines, and the darkness it not

Line 11: ^{3PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)} κατέλαβεν. (6) ^{3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)} Ἐγένετο ^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} ἄνθρωπος ἄπεσταλμένος
overtake. Became man having been sent

Line 12: ^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} παρὰ ^{GEN.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} Θεοῦ, ^{NOM.S.N. 3DEC.N.(40)} ὄνομα ^{DAT.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτῷ ^{NOM.S.M. 1DEC.N.(30)} Ἰωάννης. (7) ^{NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(21)} οὗτος
from God, name to him John. this one

Line 13: ^{3PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)} ἦλθεν ^{PREP. W/ACC.(18)} εἰς ^{ACC.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)} μαρτυρίαν, ἵνα μαρτυρήσῃ ^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} περὶ
came for a testimony, that he might testify concerning

Line 14: ^{GEN.S.N. ART.(13)} τοῦ ^{GEN.S.N. 3DEC.N.(39)} φωτός, ἵνα πάντες πιστεύσωσι ^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} δι’
the light, that all might believe through

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EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 15: <sup>GEN.SING.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτοῦ. (8) ^{PARTICLE} οὐκ <sup>3PERS.SING.
IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)</sup> ἦν <sup>NOM.S.M.
DEM.PRO.(22)</sup> ἐκεῖνος <sup>NOM.S.N.
ART.(13)</sup> τὸ <sup>NOM.S.N.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> 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 <sup>GEN.S.N.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> φωτός.
but that he might testify concerning the light.

Line 17: (9) <sup>3PERS.SING.
IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)</sup> Ἦν <sup>NOM.S.N.
ART.(13)</sup> τὸ <sup>NOM.S.N.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> φῶς <sup>NOM.S.N.
ART.(13)</sup> τὸ ἀληθινόν, ὃ
He was the light the true, which

Line 18: <sup>3 PERS. SING.
PRES.ACT.IND.(10)</sup> φωτίζει πάντα ἄνθρωπον έρχόμενον <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 <sup>3PERS.SING.
IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)</sup> ἦν, ^{CONJ.} 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' <sup>GEN.SING.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτοῦ <sup>3PERS.SING.
2AOR.MID.IND.(36)</sup> ἐγένετο, ^{CONJ.} 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 <sup>ACC.SING.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτὸν ^{PARTICLE} οὐκ <sup>3PERS.SING.
2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)</sup> 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 <sup>3PERS.SING.
2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)</sup> ἦλθε, ^{CONJ.} 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: <sup>ACC.SING.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτὸν ^{PARTICLE} οὐ <sup>3PERS.PL.
2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)</sup> παρέλαβον. (12) ^{CONJ.} ὅσοι <sup>3PERS.PL.
2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)</sup> δὲ ἔλαβον
him not they received. as many as but received

Line 24: <sup>ACC.SING.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτόν, <sup>DAT.PL.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> ἔδωκεν <sup>DAT.PL.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτοῖς <sup>ACC.S.F.
1DEC.N.(15)</sup> ἐξουσίαν <sup>NOM.PL.N.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> τέκνα <sup>GEN.S.M.
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> Θεοῦ
him, He gave to them authority children of God

Line 25: <sup>DAT.PL.M.
ART.(13)</sup> γενέσθαι, <sup>3 PERS.PL.
PRES.ACT.IND.(10)</sup> τοῖς πιστεύουσιν <sup>PREP.
W/ACC.(18)</sup> εἰς <sup>ACC.S.N.
ART.(13)</sup> τὸ <sup>ACC.S.N.
3DEC.N.(40)</sup> ὄνομα
to become, to the ones believing into the name

Line 26: <sup>GEN.SING.M.
3P.PER.PRO.(20)</sup> αὐτοῦ· (13) ^{PARTICLE} οἱ ^{PARTICLE} οὐκ <sup>PREP.
W/GEN.(18)</sup> ἐξ <sup>GEN.PL.N.
3DEC.N.(40)</sup> αἱμάτων, οὐδὲ
of him; who not out of bloods, neither

Line 27: <sup>PREP.
W/GEN.(18)</sup> ἐκ <sup>GEN.SING.N.
3DEC.N.(40)</sup> θελήματος <sup>GEN.S.F.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> σαρκός, οὐδὲ <sup>PREP.
W/GEN.(18)</sup> ἐκ <sup>GEN.SING.N.
3DEC.N.(40)</sup> θελήματος
out of will of flesh, nor out of will

Line 28: <sup>GEN.S.M.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> ἀνδρός <sup>PREP.
W/GEN.(18)</sup> ἀλλ' <sup>GEN.S.M.
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> ἐκ Θεοῦ <sup>3PERS.PL.
AOR.PASS.IND.(37)</sup> ἐγεννήθησαν. (14) ^{CONJ.} Καὶ
of man, but out of God were born. And

Line 29: <sup>NOM.S.M.
ART.(13)</sup> ὁ <sup>NOM.S.M.
2DEC.N.(12)</sup> λόγος <sup>NOM.S.N.
3DEC.N.(39)</sup> σὰρξ <sup>3PERS.SING.
2AOR.MID.IND.(36)</sup> ἐγένετο, ^{CONJ.} καὶ <sup>3PERS.SING.
AOR.ACT.IND.(33)</sup> ἐσκήνωσεν
the word flesh became, and tabernacled

Line 30: <sup>PREP.
W/DAT.(18)</sup> ἐν <sup>DAT.PL.
1P.PER.PRO.(19)</sup> ἡμῖν, ^{CONJ.} καὶ <sup>1PERS.PL.
AOR.MID.IND.(34)</sup> ἐθεασάμεθα <sup>ACC.S.F.
ART.(13)</sup> τὴν <sup>ACC.S.F.
1DEC.N.(15)</sup> δόξαν
among us, and we beheld the glory

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EXERCISE ONE (continued)

Line 31:	^{GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτοῦ, of him,	^{ACC.S.F. 1DEC.N.(15)} δόξαν	ὡς	μονογενοῦς	^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} παρά	^{GEN.S.M. 3DEC.N.(39)} Πατρός, father,
Line 32:	πλήρης full	^{GEN.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)} χάριτος of grace	^{CONJ.} καὶ	^{GEN.SING.F. 1DEC.N.(15)} ἀληθείας. (15)	^{NOM.S.M. 1DEC.N.(30)} Ἰωάννης John	
Line 33:	^{3 PERS.SING. PRES.ACT.IND.(10)} μαρτυρεῖ testifies	^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} περὶ	^{GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτοῦ,	^{CONJ.} καὶ	κέκραγε	λέγων, saying,
Line 34:	^{NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(21)} Οὗτος This One	^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν was	ὃν whom	^{1PERS.SING. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)} εἶπον, I said,	^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} Ὁ	^{GEN.SING. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)} ὀπίσω μου after of me
Line 35:	ἐρχόμενος coming	^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} ἔμπροσθέν	^{GEN.SING. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)} μου me	γέγονεν·	ὅτι because	
Line 36:	^{NOM.S.M. ADJ.(16)} πρῶτός first	^{GEN.SING. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)} μου of me	^{3PERS.SING. IMPERF.ACT.IND.(26)} ἦν. he was.	(16) καὶ	^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} ἐκ	^{GEN.S.N. ART.(13)} τοῦ the
Line 37:	^{GEN.SING.N. 3DEC.N.(40)} πληρώματος fullness	^{GEN.SING.M. 3P.PER.PRO.(20)} αὐτοῦ of him	^{NOM.PL. 1P.PER.PRO.(19)} ἡμεῖς ourselves	πάντες all	^{1PERS.PL. 2AOR.ACT.IND.(35)} ἐλάβομεν, we received,	
Line 38:	^{CONJ.} καὶ and	^{ACC.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)} χάριν grace	^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} ἀντὶ	^{GEN.SING.F. 3DEC.NOUN.(39)} χάριτος.	(17) ὅτι because	^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} ὁ the
Line 39:	^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} νόμος law	^{PREP. W/GEN.(18)} διὰ	Μωσέως Moses	ἐδόθη, was given,	^{NOM.S.F. ART.(13)} ἡ	^{NOM.S.F. 3DEC.N.(39)} χάρις grace

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EXERCISE ONE (continued)

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

Line 41: ^{3PERS.SING. 2AOR.MID.IND.(36)} ἐγένετο. (18) ^{ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} Θεὸν οὐδείς έώρακε πώποτε·
became. God no one has seen at any time;

Line 42: ^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} ὁ μονογενῆς ^{NOM.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} υἱός, ^{NOM.S.M. ART.(13)} ὁ ὢν ^{PREP. W/ACC.(18)} εἰς ^{ACC.S.M. ART.(13)} τὸν
the only begotten son, the one being into the

Line 43: ^{ACC.S.M. 2DEC.N.(12)} κόλπον ^{GEN.S.M. ART.(13)} τοῦ Πατρός, ^{NOM.S.M. DEM.PRO.(22)} ἐκεῖνος ^{3PERS.SING. AOR.MID.IND.(34)} έξηγήσατο.
bosom of the Father, that one declared (Him).

You should review this exercise while going on to Lesson 28 and the study of PRESENT PARTICIPLES.