Introduction to Biblical Greek

Aspect, and Imperfect Indicative Active and Middle

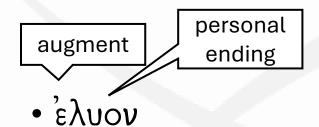
Voeltz Ch. 9

Devotion – Galatians 1:7b-8

εί μή τινές είσιν οἱ ταράσσοντες ὑμᾶς καὶ θέλοντες μεταστρέψαι τὸ εὐαγγέλιον τοῦ Χριστοῦ. ἀλλὰ καὶ ἐὰν ἡμεῖς ἢ ἄγγελος έξ οὐρανοῦ εὐαγγελίζηται [ὑμῖν] παρ' ὃ εὐηγγελισάμεθα ὑμῖν, ἀνάθεμα ἔστω.

Imperfect Tense

- Linear, never punctiliar
- Past time



- The augment indicates a past tense (AKA secondary tense)
- Same rules as a arist for handling augment with initial vowel
- For compound verb, augment the verb, place preposition at front, drop final vowel in preposition if present

Imperfect Translation

- λ υω = I am destroying
- ελυσα = I destroyed
- ἐλυον = I was destroying

Imperfect Active Indicative

	Singular	Plural
1 st Person	-ον	-ομεν
2 nd Person	-e <i>S</i>	-ετε
3 rd Person	-ε(ν)	-ον

Imperfect Middle Indicative

	Singular	Plural
1 st Person	-ομην	-ομεθα
2 nd Person	-ου	-εσθε
3 rd Person	-ETO	-οντο

Examples

• Pp58 – 59 in Voelz

Odds & Ends

Neuter plural subject might have a singular verb

- Some verbs take case other than accusative for direct object
- ακουω w/ gen. = hear without understanding (Acts 9:7)
- ακουω w/ acc. = hear with understanding (Acts 22:9)

Homework

Vocabulary

 Section E: Practice Sentences, both Greek to English & English to Greek

Section F: Bible Passages