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1st Timothy Lesson

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- 1. Last week I taught in part 1Ti 6:9 and when the clock tolled noon we were exegeting the phrase εισ ολεθροσ και απωλεια translated *in destruction and perdition*.
- 2. Before returning to our exegesis, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.
- 3. I want to review some of that learned last week but first an expanded translation of 1Ti 6:3-8.

Expanded Translation

1Ti 6:3 Since there will be false teachers who will disregard the words of the Lord Jesus Christ, even His categorical teachings which foster godliness; 1Ti 6:4 this person is arrogant and knows little to nothing about the Word of God but likes to argue about religion; such arguments often lead to envy, strife, outspoken blasphemies and wicked suppositions.

1Ti 6:5 These false teachers will create constant friction within the body of Christ, for they are men of corrupt minds having purposefully deprived themselves of divine viewpoint; as a result, they think that their work for the Lord is a means to financial gain.

1Ti 6:6 But real godliness results in not just contentment but a special comfort and sense of destiny.

1Ti 6:7 For we brought nothing into the world, and obviously we cannot take anything out of the world;

1Ti 6:8 but if we have food and clothing for our bodies we should be content.

- 4. So far, we have exegeted that portion of the verse translated in the KJV "<u>But they that</u> <u>will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts,</u> <u>which drown men</u>" noting it might better be rendered "All, and that includes pastor-teachers, who have an inordinate desire for wealth, they will invariably fall into temptation and a trap which drown men …"
- 5. The entire verse has been translated in the KJV:

KJV-New Sentence

1Ti 6:9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

6. Now for new material and the phrase "in destruction and perdition."

in destruction and perdition. εισ ολεθροσ και απωλεια.

- 1. **Eis Olethros Kai Apoleia** is better translated "in destruction and damnable perdition ..."
- 2. **Eis** is a preposition followed by the noun **Olethros** declined as an accusative singular. Next follows the conjunction **Kai** used as a simple connective followed by the noun **Apoleia** declined as an accusative singular.
- 3. **Olethros** appears four times in Scripture where it is translated in the KJV "destruction." Examples:
- 1Co 5:5 To deliver such an one unto Satan for the **destruction** of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.
- 1Co 5:6 Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?
- 1Co 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:
- 1Co 5:8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
- 1Th 5:3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden **destruction** cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.
- 1Th 5:4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
- 1Th 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
- 1Th 5:6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.
- 1Th 5:7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.
- 1Th 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.
- 1Th 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 1Th 5:10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.
- 2Th 1:6 Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;
- 2Th 1:7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,
- 2Th 1:8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

2Th 1:9 Who shall be punished with everlasting **destruction** from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

2Th 1:10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

2Th 1:11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:

2Th 1:12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

4. **Apoleia** appears 20 times in Scripture where it is translated in the KJV as "waste, perdition, die, damnation, damnable" or "pernicious ways." Examples:

Mat 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to **destruction**, and many there be which go in thereat: Mat 7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Joh 17:12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the **son of perdition**; that the scripture (*Psa 41:8-9*) might be fulfilled.

Phi 1:27 Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel Phi 1:28 without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be **destroyed**, but that you will be saved -- and that by God. Phi 1:29 For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for him,

Phi 1:30 since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

2Th 2:3 Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to **destruction**.

2Th 2:4 He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God. 2Th 2:5 Don't you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things? 2Th 2:6 And now you know what is holding him back, so that he may be revealed at the proper time.

2Pe 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves **swift destruction**.

2Pe 2:2 And many shall follow their **pernicious** ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

2Pe 2:3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their **damnation** slumbereth not.

5. Now let's see how the entire verse looks by way of an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

1Ti 6:9 All, and that includes pastor-teachers, who have an inordinate desire for wealth will invariably fall into temptation and become entrapped into many foolish and harmful desires. Such desires will plunge them into ruin and destruction.

KJV-New Sentence

1Ti 6:10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

NIV

1Ti 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

for the love of money is Γαρ ο φιλαργυρια ειμι

- 1. **Gar Ho Philarguria Eimi** is better translated "For you see the love of money is and keeps on being ..."
- 2. **Gar** is an explanatory particle followed by the noun **Philarguria** declined as a nominative singular and the verb **Eimi** parsed as a 3^{rd} person singular, present active indicative.
- 3. **Gar** is an explicative thus it is used to explain further that which has just been taught.
- 4. **Philarguria** is a noun and a hapax legomenon used to describe the kind of love where the object is pleasing and thus attracts the attention of the subject. Therefore, we find what is often explained as "a **Phileo** kind of love" different from an **Agapao** kind of love where the subject produces the action of the verb.
- 5. There is little need to explain the meaning of **Eimi** since we have on numerous occasions examined this verb "to be."

The root of all evil: $\rho \iota \zeta \alpha$ $\pi \alpha \sigma$ o $\kappa \alpha \kappa \circ \sigma$

1. **Riza Pas Ho Kakos** is better translated "a root of all kinds of evil ..."

- 2. **Riza** is a noun declined as an emphatic nominative singular followed by the adjective **Pas** declined as a genitive plural and the monadic noun **Kakos** declined as a monadic genitive plural.
- 2.1 With regard to the NIV "a root of all kinds of evil" vis-à-vis "the root of all evil" found in the KJV I deem it appropriate to explain.
- 2.2 Some would object to changing "a root of all evil" to "the root of all kinds of evil." This change, however, is a product of a well-known rule respecting, article, subject and predicate. The latter is correct. Of 24 translations consulted only six translated "root of all evil;" instead we find 18 translators opted for "all kinds of evil." This because of the emphatic position of the emphatic of **Riza** and the placement of the definite article before **Kakos**.
- 3. **Riza** is often translated "root, cause, origin, trunk" or "source." This noun appears 16 times in Scripture. Examples:

Rom 11:16 For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the **root** be holy, so are the branches.

Rom 11:17 And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert graffed in among them, and with them partakest of the **roo**t and fatness of the olive tree;

Rom 11:18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the **root**, but the **root** thee.

Rom 11:19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be graffed in. Rom 11:20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear:

Rom 11:21 For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.

Heb 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any **root** of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

Heb 12:16 Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.

Heb 12:17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

Rev 22:16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the **root** and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

Rev 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

4. **Pas** appears more than 1000 times in Scripture where it is variously translated "many, whatsoever, whosoever, all, always" or "everyone." Example:

Rev 21:4 And God shall wipe away **all** tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Rev 21:5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Rev 21:6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

Rev 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Rev 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Rev 21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

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