

Lesson 6

A Declension of $\tilde{\alpha}$ -Steps (Concluded) – Masculines in ης and ας

οὐκ ἔστιν μαθητῆς ὑπὲρ διδάσκαλον
A disciple is not above a teacher. Matthew 10:24

39. First Declension Stems. There are five variations in the singular declension of the α -stems:

- (1) Stems in $-η$ (φωνή, ἡς, ἡ);
- (2) Stems in $-α$ preceded by ϵ, ι, ρ (ἡμέρα, ας, ἡ);
- (3) Stems in $-α$ preceded by any other letter (γλῶσσα, ης, ἡ);
- (4) Stems in $-ης$ (μαθητής, οὔ, disciple);
- (5) Stems in $-ας$ (νεανίας, ου, ó, youth).

The first three of these have already been given and should be reviewed. They are all feminine in gender. Those in $-ης$ and $-ας$ are always masculine.

These variations occur only in the singular. All first declension nouns are alike in the plural.

40. The Masculine Article. Masculine nouns are identified in all declensions in the Vocabularies by the masculine article, $\acute{\omicron}$; e.g., προφήτης, ου, $\acute{\omicron}$. In composition the masculine article is used just as the feminine article (η) already learned.

κριτής, judge, a judge; $\acute{\omicron}$ κριτής, the judge.

The declension is as follows:

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nom.	$\acute{\omicron}$ <u>the</u>	οί
Gen.	τοῦ <u>of the</u>	τῶν
Abl.	τοῦ <u>from the</u>	τῶν
Dat.	τῷ <u>to the</u>	τοῖς
Ins.	τῷ <u>with the</u>	τοῖς
Loc.	τῷ <u>in the</u>	τοῖς
Acc.	τόν <u>the</u>	τούς

41. Declension of $\acute{\omicron}$ μαθητής, the disciple, and $\acute{\omicron}$ νεανίας, the young man

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nom.	$\acute{\omicron}$ μαθητής	οί μαθηταί	$\acute{\omicron}$ νεανίας	οί νεανίαι
Gen.	τοῦ μαθητοῦ	τῶν μαθητῶν	τοῦ νεανίου	τῶν νεανιῶν
Abl.	τοῦ μαθητοῦ	τῶν μαθητῶν	τοῦ νεανίου	τῶν νεανιῶν
Dat.	τῷ μαθητῇ	τοῖς μαθηταῖς	τῷ νεανία	τοῖς νεανίαις
Ins.	τῷ μαθητῇ	τοῖς μαθηταῖς	τῷ νεανία	τοῖς νεανίαις
Loc.	τῷ μαθητῇ	τοῖς μαθηταῖς	τῷ νεανία	τοῖς νεανίαις
Acc.	τόν μαθητήν	τούς μαθητάς	τόν νεανίαν	τούς νεανίας
Voc.	μαθητά	μαθηταί	νεανία	νεανίαι

All first declension nouns with nominatives in ης and ας are declined like this.

42. Vocabulary Aid. Nouns in –της are mostly agent nouns built from verbs of action and signify the one who does the action denoted by the verb root, compare κρίνω, I judge and κριτής, a judge; μαθάνω, I learn and μαθητής, a learner (disciple); βαπτίζω, I baptize and βαπτιστής, baptist, one who baptizes. Compare A. T. Robertson, Historical Grammar, p. 153.

43. Vocabulary.

ἀποστέλλω,	<u>I send out</u>	μαθητής, οὔ, ὁ,	<u>disciple</u>
ἄδης, ου, ὁ,	<u>Hades</u>	νεανίας, ου, ὁ,	<u>young man, youth</u>
ἀπαγγέλλω,	<u>announce, report</u>	πολίτης, ου, ὁ,	<u>citizen</u>
βαπτιστής,	<u>Baptist (Baptizer), one who baptizes</u>	προφήτης, ου, ὁ,	<u>prophet</u>
Ἰωάννης, ου, ὁ,	<u>John</u>	σοφία, ς, ἡ,	<u>wisdom</u>
κριτής, οὔ, ὁ,	<u>judge</u>	στρατιώτης, ου, ὁ,	<u>soldier</u>
κεφαλή,	<u>head</u>	ψεύστης, ου, ὁ,	<u>liar</u>
κρατέω,	<u>I seize</u>	τελώνης, ου, ὁ	<u>tax gatherer, publican</u>

44. Exercises.

I. Text A.

Ἰωάννης¹ ὁ βαπτιστής ἐστίν⁴ προφήτης. διδάσκει περὶ τῆς βασιλείας. Ἡρώδης¹ ὁ τετράρχης² κρατεῖ τὸν Ἰωάννην διὰ Ἡρωδιάδα. Ἡρώδης ποιεῖ δεῖπνον³ τοῖς πολίταις. αἰτοῦσι τὴν κεφαλὴν τοῦ βαπτιστοῦ. Ἡρώδης ἀποστέλλει στρατιώτην ἄγειν τὴν κεφαλὴν. Οἱ μαθηταὶ ἀκούσουσι καὶ ἀπαγγέλλουσι τῷ Ἰησοῦ.

¹Proper name. ²tetrarch (ruler of 4th part) ³supper ⁴ἐστίν (he) is

II. Text B.

1. ὁ βαπτιστής, Ἰωάννης ὁ βαπτιστής. αἰτεῖ τὴν κεφαλὴν Ἰωάννου τοῦ βαπτιστοῦ.
2. ἡ ὥρα, τῆς ὥρας· ἡ σοφία, τῆς σοφίας· ἡ δόξα, τῆς δόξης, ὁ ψεύστης, τοῦ ψεύστου.
3. ὁ στρατιώτης αἰτεῖ τὴν μάχαιραν τῆς ἀλήθειας.
4. οἱ μαθηταὶ ἔχουσι τὴν σοφίαν καὶ χαρὰν ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις.
5. οἱ προφήται ἀπαγγέλλουσι τὰς ἐπαγγελίας τοῖς πολίταις.
6. ὁ κριτής ἀποστέλλει τὸν νεανίαν εἰς ἄδην.
7. ὁ τελώνης μετανοεῖ ὥστε λαμβάνειν τὰς ἐπαγγελίας.

III. Translate

1. We ask for the head of John the Baptist (Baptizer).
2. The judge receives the promise of the young man.
3. The soldier seizes the liar.
4. The prophet announces wisdom to the publican and the liar.
5. The judge sends away so that the soldier (acc.) brings the head of the disciple.