

2. The Greek Article

We are just on a little detour at this point and following it will return to the noun. The reason is this...the nouns are in varied declensions and as I noted we cannot study them in any meaningful that way. But the article is always the same... that is, it is uniform through Greek and knowing the form of the article one often knows the form of the noun that goes with it. (The noun may appear without an article, of course) I think I have not said that well so...the article occurs in all the cases but the article will look the same no matter what the declension of the noun.

And we will try that later.

But here is the declension of the article and you are supposed to learn it!

	<u>SINGULAR</u>			<u>PLURAL</u>		
	<u>Masc.</u>	<u>Fem.</u>	<u>Neut.</u>	<u>Masc.</u>	<u>Fem.</u>	<u>Neut.</u>
Nominative	ὁ	ἡ	τό	οἱ	αἱ	τά
Genitive	τοῦ	τῆς	τοῦ	τῶν	τῶν	τῶν
Dative	τῷ	τῇ	τῷ	τοῖς	ταῖς	τοῖς
Accusative	τόν	τήν	τό	τούς	τάς	τά
Vocative	Ah, the article does not occur in the vocative. You can pick some of the form of it from our representative declensions in the appendix.					

Now look at the page of Greek below. Underline or highlight every article and identify article in terms of the above chart. If there seems to be a noun following that looks different from the article...good. The noun will be the same case as the article no matter what it looks like!

- Καί ὁ Ἰησοῦς λαλεῖ τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ· ὑμεῖς οὐκ ἀκούετε τοῦ
- πατρός μου. Ὁ πατήρ μου ἐστίν ὁ θεός τοῦ Ἰσραήλ, ὁ ποιῶν
- τούς οὐρανοὺς καὶ τὴν γῆν. Ἐγὼ εἰμι ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ποιούντος τοὺς
- οὐρανοὺς καὶ τὴν γῆν. Δίδοτε δόξαν τῷ ποιούντι τοὺς οὐρανοὺς
- καὶ τὴν γῆν. Γινώσκετε γὰρ τὸν ποιούντα τοὺς οὐρανοὺς καὶ
- τὴν γῆν. Καὶ ἔλεγεν· ὁ ἔχων ὠτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω.
- Καὶ ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγει αὐτοῖς· ἀκούετε καὶ πιστεύετε. Πᾶς ὁ
- πιστευῶν ἔρχεται πρὸς με, τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου, καὶ μαθητὴς
- μου ἔσται. Πᾶς μαθητὴς ὃς ἔρχεται πρὸς με ἔχει τὸ πνεῦμα τοῦ
- θεοῦ. Τὸ πνεῦμα λαλήσει πάντα ἃ ἀκούει παρὰ τοῦ θεοῦ. Καὶ
- ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἔλεγεν· ὃς ἔχει ὠτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω.
- Καὶ ὁ λόγος ἐγένετο ἀνθρώπος. Καὶ ὁ θεὸς εἶπεν ἐκείνω· υἱὸς μου
- εἶ σύ. Τοῦτον τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ ὁ θεὸς ἔδωκεν τοῖς ἀνθρώποις. Ὁ
- γὰρ πατήρ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν ἐστίν ὁ θεὸς τοῦ Ἰσραήλ ὃς ἐποίησεν
- τούς οὐρανοὺς καὶ τὴν γῆν.
- Καὶ ἔρχεται πρὸς τὸν Ἰησοῦν ἀνὴρ τις ἐκ τῆς πόλεως ἔχων
- δαιμόνια, καὶ λέγει τῷ Ἰησοῦ· τί ἐμοὶ καὶ σοί, Ἰησοῦ υἱὸς τοῦ
- θεοῦ; Λέγει δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· τί σοι ὄνομά ἐστιν; Ἀποκρίνεται