

In Christ 08 (“In Christ” 02, Characteristics of The Age)

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In {ἐν}<1722>

John 14:20 (NKJV) 20 At {ἐν}<1722> that day you will know that I am in {ἐν}<1722> My Father, and you in {ἐν}<1722> Me, and I in {ἐν}<1722> you.

Strong’s Greek Dictionary of the NT: “in” <1722>

1722. ἐν en, en; a primary preposition denoting (fixed) position (in place, time or state), and (by implication) instrumentality (medially or constructively), i.e. a relation of rest (intermediate between 1519 and 1537); “in,” at, (up-)on, by, etc.: — about, after, against, + almost, x altogether, among, x as, at, before, between, (here-)by (+ all means), for (... sake of), + give self wholly to, (here-)in(-to, -wardly), x mightily, (because) of, (up-)on, (open-)ly, x outwardly, one, x quickly, x shortly, (speedi-)ly, x that, x there(-in, -on), through(-out), (un-)to(-ward), under, when, where(-with), while, with(-in). Often used in compounds, with substantially the same import; rarely with verbs of motion, and then not to indicate direction, except (elliptically) by a separate (and different) preposition.

1519. εἰς eis, ice; a primary preposition; to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time, or (figuratively) purpose (result, etc.); also in adverbial phrases: — (abundant-)ly, against, among, as, at, (back-)ward, before, by, concerning, + continual, + far more exceeding, for (intent, purpose), fore, + forth, in (among, at, unto, -so much that, -to), to the intent that, + of one mind, + never, of, (up-)on, + perish, + set at one again, (so) that, therefore(-unto), throughout, til, to (be, the end, -ward), (here-)until(-to), ...ward, (where-)fore, with. Often used in composition with the same general import, but only with verbs (etc.) expressing motion (literally or figuratively).

1537. ἐκ ek, ek; or

ἐξ ex, ex; a primary preposition denoting origin (the point whence action or motion proceeds), from, out (of place, time, or cause; literal or figurative; direct or remote): — after, among, x are, at, betwixt(-yond), by (the means of), exceedingly, (+ abundantly above), for(- th), from (among, forth, up), + grudgingly, + heartily, x heavenly, x hereby, + very highly, in, ...ly, (because, by reason) of, off (from), on, out among (from, of), over, since, x thenceforth, through, x unto, x vehemently, with(-out). Often used in composition, with the same general import; often of completion.

In {ἐν}<1722> **Christ** {Χριστῶ / Χριστός}<5547> [KEY G1722] [KEY G5547]
in Christ {ἐν Χριστῶ}<1722> <5547>

children {τέκνα}<5043>
Noun, neuter, plural, nominative case

sons {υἱοίς}<5207>
Noun, masculine, plural, dative case

Ephesians 2:1-10 (NKJV) 1 And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, 2 in which {ἐν}<1722> you once<4218> walked according to<2596> the course<165> of this world, according to<2596> the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in {ἐν}<1722> the sons {υἱοίς}<5207> of disobedience, 3 among {ἐν}<1722> whom also we all once conducted ourselves in {ἐν}<1722> the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature {φύσει}<5449> children {τέκνα}<5043> of wrath, just as the others. 4 But God, who is rich in {ἐν}<1722> mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ {ἐν Χριστῶ}<1722> <5547> Jesus, 7 that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ {ἐν Χριστῶ}<1722> <5547> Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ {ἐν Χριστῶ}<1722> <5547> Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in {ἐν}<1722> them.

Online Bible Greek Lexicon: “once” <4218>

4218 ποτέ *pote* pot-eh’

from the base of 4225 and 5037; particle;

AV—in time past 5, at any time 3, in times past 3, sometimes 3, sometime 3, once 2, not tr 1, misc 9; 29

1) once i.e. formerly, aforesaid, at some time

Online Bible Greek Lexicon: “according to” <2596>

2596 κατά *kata* kat-ah’

a primary particle; prep;

AV—according to 107, after 61, against 58, in 36, by 27, daily + 2250 15, as 11, misc 165; 480

1) down from, through out

2) according to, toward, along

(CWSD-NT) The Complete Word Study Dictionary NT (Spiros Zodhiates): “course” <165>

165. αἰών *aiōn*; gen. *aiōnos*, masc. noun. Age, referring to an age or time in contrast to *kósmos* (2889), referring to people or space. Denotes duration or continuance of time, but with great variety.

Vine’s Complete Expository Dictionary of NT Words: “course” <165>

Age, A. Nouns.

1. *aiōn* (G165), "an age, era" (to be connected with *aei*, "ever," rather than with *ao*, "to breathe"), signifies a period of indefinite duration, or time viewed in relation to what takes place in the period.

The force attaching to the word is not so much that of the actual length of a period, but that of a period marked by spiritual or moral characteristics. This is illustrated in the use of the adjective [see Note (1) below] in the phrase "life eternal," in Joh 17:3, in respect of the increasing knowledge of God.

The phrases containing this word should not be rendered literally, but consistently with its sense of indefinite duration. Thus *eis ton aiōna* does not mean "unto the age" but "for ever" (see, e.g., Heb 5:6). The Greeks contrasted that which came to an end with that which was expressed by this phrase, which shows that they conceived of it as expressing interminable duration.

The word occurs most frequently in the Gospel of John, the Hebrews and Revelation. It is sometimes wrongly rendered "world." see COURSE, ETERNAL, WORLD. It is a characteristic word of John's gospel.

Notes: (1) *Aionios*, the adjective corresponding, denoting "eternal," is set in contrast with *proskairos*, lit., "for a season," 2Co 4:18. It is used of that which in nature is endless, as, e.g., of God, Rom 16:26, His power, 1Ti 6:16, His glory, 1Pe 5:10, the Holy Spirit, Heb 9:14, redemption, Heb 9:12, salvation, Heb 5:9, life in Christ, Joh 3:16, the resurrection body, 2Co 5:1, the future rule of Christ, 2Pe 1:11, which is declared to be without end, Luk 1:33, of sin that never has forgiveness, Mar 3:29, the judgment of God, Heb 6:2, and of fire, one of its instruments, Mat 18:8; Mat 25:41; Jud 1:7. See ETERNAL, EVERLASTING.