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INTRODUCTION

Interest in the Greek Old Testament, commonly called the Septuagint, has been on the rise in recent decades. Those who study the Hebrew Bible, early Judaism and Christianity, Hellenistic Greek, and the New Testament are increasingly recognizing the central importance the Septuagint plays within each of these fields. In step with these developments has been the publication of two Septuagint-focused lexicons, a handful of important introductory books, numerous monographs, and a “reader’s edition” (see bibliography below). However, apart from a simple vocabulary guide in German¹ and a few Greek-Latin glossaries now centuries out of date, there have been no publications that aim to help students and scholars acquire competency in Septuagint-specific vocabulary. Yet, flashcards and other vocabulary aids abound for the Hebrew Bible and Greek New Testament. This volume aims to fill the void for the Greek Old Testament.

While the Greek Old Testament (including the Apocrypha/Deuterocanon) at first feels familiar to anyone who has studied Hellenistic Greek or the Greek New Testament, the diversity in literary style and expansive range of vocabulary across the corpus present major challenges to anyone seeking to acquire a broad but detailed familiarity. Our aim is not to replace full lexicons. Rather, we aim to provide a convenient way for students to obtain proficiency with both general and book-specific Septuagint vocabulary for their personal, scholarly, or ministry purposes.

Organization and Contents of the Book

As with the other *Book-by-Book* vocabulary guides published by Hendrickson, the core of this book consists of the twenty-eight chapters devoted to vocabulary for specific books or groups of related books (e.g., the twelve Minor Prophets, the Jeremiah corpus, and the Daniel corpus are treated in one chapter each).² Within these chapters, vocabulary words are arranged according to frequency, from highest

1. Friedrich Rehkopf, *Septuaginta-Vokabular* (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 1989).

2. We have departed from the ordering of the books in Rahlfs-Hanhart, which itself is often contentious among Septuagint scholars. Instead, the chapters are arranged according to categories we hope are useful to readers. Though the “Wisdom” label is debated at present, we retain it due to its common use in biblical studies.

to lowest, as found *in that given book/section of the Septuagint*. This allows the user to focus on the most important words (by frequency of appearance) in a given portion of the Septuagint.

These sorted lists in turn have been segmented into word lists consisting of fifteen words each (arranged alphabetically), which we judged to be the most manageable size for study and review. The header of each list provides the range of frequency covered by that list within the given book/section of the Septuagint: for instance, the first fifteen-word list in Genesis gives the range “81 to 25×.”

Importantly, we have also provided the following three general lists, which we strongly recommend that all users consult before using the book’s core twenty-eight chapters:

(1) *Greek New Testament Refresher* [pp. 9–18]

Most individuals who study the Septuagint also have at least some experience with the Greek New Testament and its vocabulary. Moreover, a substantial number of words are, of course, shared between the two corpora. It would have been tedious for the user—and would have substantially lengthened this volume—had we included all such shared words in the twenty-eight core chapters. Therefore, we have provided a “refresher” list consisting of approximately 300 words that appear $\geq 50\times$ in the Greek New Testament *and* that appear one or more times in the Septuagint. Note that none of these words appear in the remaining chapters of this book.

(2) *High-Frequency Septuagint Vocabulary* [pp. 19–22]

In addition to the words shared with the Greek New Testament that were mentioned immediately above in (1), there are approximately 120 words that occur with very high frequency in the Septuagint ($>100\times$) but with only moderate frequency in the Greek New Testament ($30\times - 49\times$) and that, hence, are not covered in the list described in (1) above. These words cumulatively appear over 32,000× in the Septuagint and are found in most, if not all, of the books. Thus, we have consolidated them into a single list that is the best place for any Septuagint student to begin vocabulary acquisition. Note that, as with the list described in (1), none of these words appear in the remaining chapters of this book.

(3) *Common Septuagint Proper Nouns* [pp. 23–24]

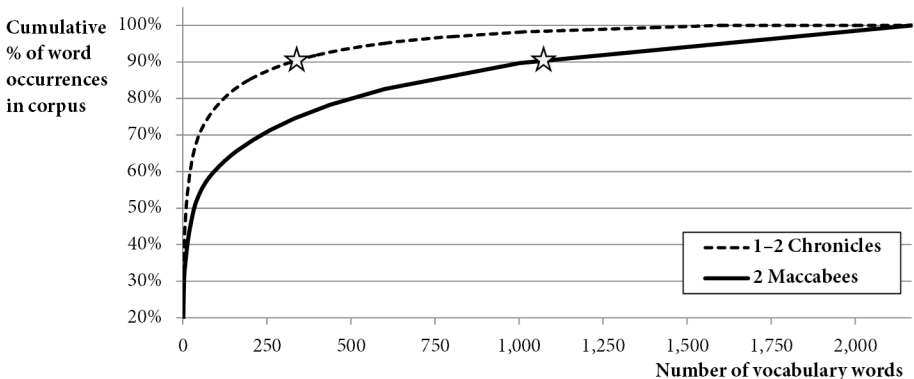
Names of people and places occur over 23,000× in the Septuagint, and some, like Ισραηλ , occur in practically every book. Thus, rather than

clutter the core chapters of our book with repetitive proper nouns, we have consolidated the most frequent 80 into a single list. The remainder are excluded altogether, as they are readily intelligible in nearly all cases (either as transliterations or as something that can be “sounded out”).

Design of the Individual Lists

Our goal is to enable users to obtain proficiency in the vocabulary of the Septuagint in a way that is both efficient (hence the emphasis on frequency) and targeted (hence the focus on books or groups of books). We did not, however, want to include all of the approximately 11,000 words in the vocabulary stock of the Septuagint (excluding proper nouns). Thus, for each chapter of the book we had to develop a cutoff point that made sense for that chapter. Our guiding question in designing each chapter was this: What words would the user need to know to “get up the curve” and reach reading competency for this particular Septuagint book?

In answering this question, we could not simply pick the same number of words (and thus the same quantity of fifteen-word lists) for each chapter. The books vary in length, and as any reader knows, the degree of variety of vocabulary also varies. Some writings use an immense range of vocabulary, while others have a more confined range (e.g., compare Hebrews to John in the Greek New Testament). In other words, obtaining a certain level of reading competency for one book may require mastering far more words than would be required for obtaining the same level of competency for another book. As it turns out, 1–2 Chronicles has the simplest vocabulary, while 2 Maccabees has the most varied. A brief comparison of the two helps illustrate the dynamics involved in “getting up the curve” for each:



Though 1–2 Chronicles is over three times the length of 2 Maccabees, the reader is required to memorize *over three times* the number of individual vocabulary words for 2 Maccabees in order to reach the same 90 percent level of cumulative word occurrences as for 1–2 Chronicles (as shown with the stars on the graph). Put differently, to enable the user to attain the same level of overall reading competency for each of these books/sections of the Septuagint, the vocabulary set for 2 Maccabees needs to be triple the size of that for 1–2 Chronicles, even though the simple word counts of each book are precisely the reverse.

We have taken all these considerations into account when establishing frequency thresholds individually for each book or group of books. Each chapter will—when used in conjunction with the consolidated lists for the entire Septuagint discussed above—enable the user to get to over 90 percent reading competency for each book. This means that some chapters in this vocabulary guide are longer than one might expect based simply on the length of the book they treat, but this is the result of that book's vocabulary complexity relative to the other books in the Septuagint.

Our textual base is the edition of Rahlfs-Hanhart, including the so-called “double texts” for Judges, the Daniel corpus, Tobit, and portions of Joshua.³ To determine word frequencies, we have used computer software as well as the standard lexicons that provide frequency counts. However, given that various editors or software developers do not always agree on morphology, lexical form, and so on, it is not uncommon for various sources to disagree on precise frequency counts for specific words. It is possible, then, that the reader may find that the frequency of a given word as presented in this volume differs from that found in, say, his or her preferred Bible software package. Perfect consistency across sources in this regard is impossible to achieve. We trust, however, that the overall experience of using this resource will not be impacted by such minor variations.

Guide to Using the Vocabulary Lists

Each list consists of fifteen vocabulary words that are sorted alphabetically. However, any word that is found frequently in the Greek New Testament—but that is not already provided in lists (1) and (2) mentioned above—is moved to the end of the list and italicized, allowing users to more easily skip words they may already be familiar with.

All entries consist of the lexical form of the word followed by at least one (though usually more than one) English gloss, which we have developed by consulting

3. Alfred Rahlfs and Robert Hanhart, *Septuaginta: Editio Altera* (Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2006).

a variety of lexicons. These glosses are only generalized English translation equivalents and not full definitions or descriptions of a word's entire semantic range. We have attempted to be as precise and comprehensive as possible, but the reader is encouraged to consult the main lexicons for fuller treatment of each word. Though in general we have aimed for consistency in the glosses we provide for a given word that appears in multiple chapters of this book, we have also tailored the glosses at points to reflect the meaning a word has in a given book/section of the Septuagint if this differs from what the word means elsewhere.

Verbs are provided in the first-person singular, but our glosses take the form of "to _____" rather than "I _____," which we found to be a more elegant presentation.

Nouns are accompanied by genitive endings and the article corresponding to the noun's grammatical gender. Adjectives are accompanied by feminine and neuter endings.

Other supplemental information is provided using the following conventions:

;	partitions the gloss list according to distinct functions or uses
()	provides contextual variations in meaning, or disambiguates the sense of the gloss provided
[]	encloses noteworthy Greek phrases in which a given vocabulary word commonly appears, such as "[ἀνά μέσον] among, between"
+ <i>gen</i> , + <i>dat</i> , or + <i>acc</i>	specifies the contextual meaning of a word (e.g., preposition) when followed by another word in the specified case
<i>adv</i>	adverb
<i>conj</i>	conjunction
<i>fem</i>	feminine
<i>Heb</i>	Hebrew
<i>inf</i>	infinitive
<i>interj</i>	interjection
<i>mid</i> or <i>pas</i>	specifies a particular meaning of a verb in these voices, if relevant
<i>perf</i> or <i>plpf</i>	perfect or pluperfect (respectively)

<i>prep</i>	preposition
<i>sg</i> or <i>pl</i>	singular or plural (respectively)
+ <i>subj</i>	indicates that the word in question is followed by a verb in the subjunctive mood
<i>subst</i>	specifies a common substantival use of an adjective
<i>trans</i> or <i>intrans</i>	transitive or intransitive (respectively)
<i>translit</i>	transliteration
×	number of times

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GREEK NEW TESTAMENT REFRESHER

▷ LIST 1

88,461 TO 4,907 × IN LXX

αὐτός, -ή, -όν	he, she, it
δέ	and, now, then
ἐγώ	I; [<i>pl</i> ἡμεῖς] we
εἰμί	to be, become, exist
εἰς	(+acc) into, toward, until, with regard to
ἐν	(+dat) in, on, among, with, when, at
ἐπί	(+gen) upon, near, in the time of; (+dat) on, owing to, during; (+acc) over, toward, against
καί	and, also, then, so, even
κύριος, -ου, ὁ	master, sir, lord, (Lord)
ὁ, ἡ, τό	the, this (one), that (one)
ὅς, ἡ, ὃ	who, that, which
οὐ, οὐκ, οὐχ	no, not
πᾶς, πᾶσα, πᾶν, (<i>gen</i> παντός, πάσης, παντός)	each, every, all
σύ	you; [<i>pl</i> ὑμῖν] you (all)
υἱός, -οῦ, ὁ	son, descendant, community member

▷ LIST 2

4,419 TO 2,145 × IN LXX

ἀπό	(+gen) from, out of, after, because of
βασιλεύς, -έως, ὁ	king, ruler
γῆ, -ῆς, ἡ	earth, ground, region
γίνομαι	to be, become, come about, happen
ἐκ, ἐξ	(+gen) out of, from, due to, after
ἡμέρα, -ας, ἡ	day, period (of time)
θεός, -οῦ, ὁ	God, god, deity
κατά	(+gen) down (from), against, toward; (+acc) at, facing, according to, concerning
λέγω	to say, speak, tell
μετά	(+gen) with, by, among; (+acc) behind, following, after
μή	not, lest
ὅτι	that, so that, because, since
οὗτος, αὕτη, τοῦτο	this (one), (<i>pl</i>) these (ones)
ποιέω	to do, act, make, produce
πρός	(+gen) in the interest of; (+dat) at, near, in addition to; (+acc) to, toward, in order to, against, concerning

▷ LIST 3

2,130 TO 1,357 × IN LXX

άνήρ, άνδρός, ό	man, person, husband
άνθρωπος, -ου, ό	man, husband, person, humanity
γάρ	for, since, as
διά	(+gen) through, after, by means of; (+acc) because of
δίδωμι	to give, grant, provide
έάν	if, perhaps, when(ever)
έως	until, as long as, up to, while
λαός, -οϋ, ό	people, nation, humankind
οϊκος, -ου, ό	house, possessions, kin, descendants
όράω	to see, notice, look; (<i>pas</i>) to appear
πατήρ, πατρός, ό	father, parent, ancestor
πόλις, -εως, ή	city, town
τίς, τίς, τί, (<i>gen</i> τίνος)	who?, which (one)?, what (sort)?
χείρ, χειρός, ή	hand, possession, power, control
ώς	like, when, so that; (<i>interj</i>) how!; [<i>ώς adv</i>] so, thus

▷ LIST 4

1,336 TO 950 × IN LXX

άκούω	to hear, listen (to), obey, understand
γυνή, γυναικός, ή	woman, wife
έθνος, -ους, τό	people (group), nation, (<i>pl</i>) non-Israelites
είς, μία, έν, (<i>gen</i> ένός, μιās, ένός)	one, a/an, someone
έρχομαι	to go, come (to), arrive (at)
ή	or, (rather) than, as
ιδού	see!, look!, watch!
καρδιά, -ας, ή	heart, (spiritual) center, (seat of) emotion
λαλέω	to speak, tell
λαμβάνω	to take, grasp, acquire, catch
λόγος, -ου, ό	word, matter, statement
όνομα, -ατος, τό	name, reputation
πορεύομαι	to go, come, proceed, walk
πρόσωπον, -ου, τό	face, front (side), surface, appearance
ψυχή, -ής, ή	soul, life, person

▷ LIST 5

926 TO 747 × IN LXX

ἅγιος, -α, -ον	holy, sacred, pure
ἀδελφός, -οῦ, ὁ	brother, fellow person
αἰών, -ῶνος, ὁ	age, eternity
γιν(γ)νῶσκω	to know, realize, understand
εἰ	if, perhaps, whether
ἐκεῖ	there, in that place
ἐκεῖνος, -η, -ον	that (person <i>or</i> thing)
ἵστημι	to set, situate, position; (<i>intr</i>) to stop, hold out, present oneself
μέγας, μεγάλη, μέγα	large, great
μέσος, -η, -ον	middle; (<i>prep +gen</i>) among, within, between
ὁδός, -οῦ, ἡ	way, road, journey, conduct
οὕτως	so, thus
παρά	(+ <i>gen</i>) from; (+ <i>dat</i>) beside, in the presence of; (+ <i>acc</i>) alongside of, for the reason that, more than, contrary to
περί	(+ <i>gen</i>) about, concerning, with regard to; (+ <i>acc</i>) around, near, with
πολύς, πολλή, πολύ, (<i>gen</i> πολλοῦ, πολλῆς, πολλοῦ)	much, many

▷ LIST 6

743 TO 633 × IN LXX

ἀγαθός, -ή, -όν	good, upright, beneficial
ἄν	(<i>particle of contingency</i>)
ἀναβαίνω	to go up, rise up, ascend
ἀποστέλλω	to send (out), dispatch
δύο	two
ἑαυτοῦ, -ῆς, -οῦ	himself, herself, itself
εἰσέρχομαι	to enter, go in(to)
ἐξέρχομαι	to exit, depart, come out
ἐσθίω	to eat, consume
νῦν <i>or</i> νυνί	now, at present
ὄρος, -ους, τό	hill, mountain
οὐρανός, -οῦ, ὁ	sky, heaven(s)
ὀφθαλμός, -οῦ, ὁ	eye
ὕδωρ, ὕδατος, τό	water
φωνή, -ῆς, ἡ	sound, noise, voice

▷ LIST 7

621 TO 543 × IN LXX

ἀλλά	but, rather, nevertheless
ἁμαρτία, -ας, ἡ	sin (offering)
ἀποθνήσκω	to die
δύναμις, -εως, ἡ	power, ability, authority, army
ἐνώπιον	(+gen) in front of, in the presence of
ἔργον, -ου, τό	work, task, action, product
ἔτι	yet, still, even
εὕρισκω	to find (out), discover, obtain
ζάω	to live, be alive
ἵνα	(+subj) that, in order that, so that
ὅσος, -η, -ον	as great as, as much as, as many as
οὐδέ	and not, nor, neither
ῥῆμα, -ατος, τό	expression, statement, matter, thing
τίθημι	to set, place, establish
τόπος, -ου, ό	place, region, position

▷ LIST 8

541 TO 428 × IN LXX

ἀνίστημι	to raise (up), set up, restore
βασιλεία, -ας, ἡ	kingdom, dominion, reign
δίκαιος, -α, -ον	just, righteous
δόξα, -ης, ἡ	glory, majesty, reputation
ἔχω	to have, possess, hold
θάλασσα, -ης, ἡ	sea
καιρός, -οῦ, ό	time, period, opportunity
καλέω	to call, invite, summon
κεφαλή, -ῆς, ἡ	head, top, leader
νόμος, -ου, ό	law, regulation, rule
πῦρ, -ός, τό	fire
στόμα, -ατος, τό	mouth, opening, entrance
ὑπέρ	(+gen) for (the sake of), on behalf of, concerning; (+acc) beyond, more than, over
ὑπό	(+gen) by; (+acc) below, under, during
φοβέω	to fear, become frightened

▷ LIST 9

423 TO 351 × IN LXX

ἄγγελος, -ου, ὁ	angel, messenger
αἷμα, -ατος, τό	blood
ἀπόλλυμι	to destroy, conceal; (<i>mid</i>) to perish, vanish
δοῦλος, -η, -ον	enslaved; (<i>subst</i>) servant, slave
ἕκαστος, -η, -ον	each, every
ἑπτά	seven
θάνατος, -ου, ὁ	death
κακός, -ή, -όν	bad, evil, harmful
καταβαίνω	to go down, come down, descend
πίπτω	to fall, collapse, perish
πνεῦμα, -ατος, τό	wind, spirit, soul
πονηρός, -ά, -όν	evil, bad, harmful
συνάγω	to bring together, assemble, invite
σώζω	to save, rescue; (<i>pas</i>) to escape
τρεις, -εῖς, -ία	three

▷ LIST 10

350 TO 295 × IN LXX

ἄρτος, -ου, ὁ	bread, food
γράφω	to write (down), record
δικαιοσύνη, -ης, ἡ	righteousness, uprightness, justice
δύναμαι	to be able, be capable
εἰρήνη, -ης, ἡ	peace, well-being
ζητέω	to seek, look for, inquire about
ζωή, -ῆς, ἡ	life, existence
λίθος, -ου, ὁ	stone
μήτηρ, μητρός, ἡ	mother
νύξ, νυκτός, ἡ	night
πούς, ποδός, ὁ	foot, step, track
προφήτης, -ου, ὁ	prophet
τέκνον, -ου, τό	child, son, offspring
τις	someone, something, anyone, anything, (a) certain one
τότε	then, next, at that point

▷ LIST 11

294 TO 262 × IN LXX

ἀγαπάω	to love, delight in, enjoy
ἄγω	to bring, lead, take
αἶρω	to lift, take up, remove
ἀποκρίνομαι	to answer, reply
ἕτερος, -α, -ον	other, another, different
καθώς	as, just as
κρίνω	to consider, judge, decide, condemn
οἶδα	to know (about), understand, be(come) aware
οἰκία, -ας, ἡ	house, household, family
ὅλος, -η, -ον	whole, entire, complete
ὅπως	(+subj) (in order) that
παραδίδωμι	to give up, hand over, deliver
πίνω	to drink
τε	and
φέρω	to carry, bear, endure

▷ LIST 12

259 TO 223 × IN LXX

ἀπέρχομαι	to go away, depart, leave
ἀποκτείνω	to kill, destroy
ἀρχή, -ῆς, ἡ	origin, beginning, ruler
γεννάω	to father, give birth to, produce
δεξιός, -ά, -όν	right (side)
ἐντολή, -ῆς, ἡ	commandment, order, precept
ἱμάτιον, -ου, τό	clothing, garment
καλός, -ή, -όν	good, beautiful, useful
μέν	yet, now, rather
οὖν	so, thus, consequently, therefore
προσκυνέω	to worship, bow before in reverence
πρῶτος, -η, -ον	first, earlier, former
σοφία, -ας, ἡ	wisdom, skill, shrewdness
σύν	(+dat) with, in addition to
συναγωγή, -ῆς, ἡ	congregation, assembly, gathering place

▷ LIST 13

223 TO 173 × IN LXX

ἀλήθεια, -ας, ἡ	truth, truthfulness
ἀνοίγω	to open
ἄρχω	(+gen) to rule, administer; (<i>mid</i>) to begin
κάθημαι	to sit, stay, reside
μόνος, -η, -ον	only, alone
ὅταν	when, whenever
ὅτε	when, while
οὐδεὶς, οὐδεμία, οὐδέν	no one, none, nothing
οὐχί	no, surely not
πείθω	to persuade; (<i>pas</i>) to obey; (<i>perf/plpf</i>) to trust, feel confidence
πρεσβύτερος, -α, -ον	older; (<i>subst</i>) elder, official
σάρξ, σαρκός, ἡ	flesh, meat, body, humanity
τρίτος, -η, -ον	third
φῶς, φωτός, τό	light
ὥστε	so that, in order that, for the purpose of

▷ LIST 14

169 TO 133 × IN LXX

αἰώνιος, -ος, -ον	eternal, without end
ἀφίημι	to forgive, release, permit, leave (behind)
βλέπω	to see, look at, watch
γλῶσσα, -ης, ἡ	tongue, language, bar (of metal)
δοξάζω	to extol, magnify, hold in honor
ἔσχατος, -η, -ον	last, final, remotest
θέλω	to be willing, want
θρόνος, -ου, ὁ	throne, seat (of power)
μηδέ	and not, nor, not even
παιδίον, -ου, τό	young child
παρακαλέω	to comfort, exhort, encourage, summon
σῶμα, -ατος, τό	body, slave, person
ὑπάρχω	to exist, be (present), belong to
χάρις, -ιτος, ἡ	grace, favor, kindness; (<i>prep +gen</i>) on account of
χρόνος, -ου, ὁ	time, duration, period

▷ LIST 15

133 TO 107 × IN LXX

ἄλλος, -η, -ον	other, another
διδάσκω	to teach, instruct; (<i>pas</i>) to learn
ἐλπίς, -ίδος, ἡ	hope, expectation
ἔξω	outside; (<i>prep + gen</i>) out from, outside of
καρπός, -οῦ, ὁ	fruit, (offspring)
κράζω	to cry out, scream, call
λοιπός, -ή, -όν	remaining; (<i>subst</i>) rest, remainder
ὅστις, ἧτις, ὃ τι	whoever, whichever, whatever
οὔτε	and not, neither, nor
πληρόω	to fill (up), complete, bring to an end
προσεύχομαι	to go to, approach, arrive
προσεύχομαι	to pray
πῶς	how, in what way
σάββατον, -ου, τό	sabbath, week
σημεῖον, -ου, τό	sign, signal, identifying mark

▷ LIST 16

105 TO 79 × IN LXX

αἰτέω	to ask (for), request
γραμματεὺς, -έως, ὁ	scribe, secretary
δώδεκα	twelve
ἐγείρω	to raise up, rouse
ἐκβάλλω	to throw out, move out, sever a relationship with
ἐκκλησία, -ας, ἡ	assembly, gathering, (social) organization
ἐμός, -ή, -όν	my, mine
ἐξουσία, -ας, ἡ	authority, control, power
μένω	to remain, wait for
νεκρός, -ά, -όν	dead; (<i>subst</i>) dead person
πάλιν	again, once more
πιστεύω	to trust, believe in
τοιούτος, -αύτη, -οὔτο(ν)	of such a kind, like this
χαίρω	to rejoice, be glad
ᾧδε	here

▷ LIST 17

79 TO 62 × IN LXX

δέχομαι	to receive, accept
δοκέω	to think, suppose; (<i>intr</i>) to seem
ἐπερωτάω	to question, consult, ask
ἐρωτάω	to ask, consult, question
εὐθύς, -εῖα, -ύ	straight, direct, immediate
ἤδη	now, at this time, already
θεωρέω	to see, look at, watch
ἴδιος, -α, -ον	own, one's own
ἱερόν, -οῦ, τό	temple
κόσμος, -ου, ὁ	ordered world, ornamentation, accessories
μακάριος, -α, -ον	blessed, happy
μηδείς, μηδεμία, μηδέν (<i>or μηθείς etc.</i>)	no, nobody, nothing
πιστός, -ή, -όν	faithful, trustworthy
φημί	to say, assert
ώρα, -ας, ἡ	hour

▷ LIST 18

62 TO 44 × IN LXX

ἀλλήλων, -οις, -ους	of each other, of one another
ἄρα	so, then
ἀρχιερέυς, -έως, ὁ	high priest
βάλλω	to throw, put
γραφή, -ῆς, ἡ	writing, document, scripture
δεῖ	to be necessary
θέλημα, -ατος, τό	will, desire
μᾶλλον	rather, more
μέλλω	to be about to (do something)
ὄχλος, -ου, ὁ	crowd, army
παραβολή, -ῆς, ἡ	proverbial saying, illustration, taunt
πίστις, -εως, ἡ	faith, faithfulness, loyalty
σπείρω	to sow, scatter (seed)
χαρά, -ᾶς, ἡ	joy, cause for delight
χριστός, -ή, -όν	anointed

▷ LIST 19

42 TO 13 × IN LXX

ἀγάπη, -ης, ἡ	love
ἀγαπητός, -ή, -όν	beloved
ἀκολουθέω	to follow, go after
ἀπολύω	to dismiss, release, acquit; (<i>mid</i>) to depart
δαμόνιον, -ου, τό	demon
διό	therefore, for this reason
εὐαγγελίζω	to convey good news, announce
κηρύσσω	to proclaim, declare
μαρτυρέω	to witness, testify
ὅπου	where, whereas, wherever
πέμπω	to send
περιπατέω	to walk around, traverse, conduct oneself
πλοῖον, -ου, τό	boat, ship
τηρέω	to guard, keep, watch over
τυφλός, -ή, -όν	blind

▷ LIST 20

12 × OR FEWER IN LXX

ἀμήν	amen (<i>Heb</i> truly)
ἀσπάζομαι	to greet
βαπτίζω	to baptize, wash, dip
διδάσκαλος, -ου, ό	teacher
εἴτε	or, either/or, even if
ἐπαγγελία, -ας, ἡ	promise
εὐαγγέλιον, -ου, τό	good news
ὑπάγω	to go away, draw off

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▷ LIST 1

904 TO 438 × IN LXX

ἀποστρέφω	to turn away, remove, reject
ἄρχων, -οντος, ὁ	ruler, commander, governor
ἐναντίον	(+gen) before, in the presence of
ἐπιστρέφω	to turn, return, bring back
ἔτος, -ους, τό	year
εὐλογέω	to bless, confer favor, praise
ἐχθρός, -ά, -όν	hostile; (<i>subst</i>) enemy
θυγάτηρ, -τρός, ἡ	daughter
ἱερεύς, -έως, ὁ	priest
κατοικέω	to reside, inhabit, settle
ὅδε, ἧδε, τόδε	this (one), here
οἰκοδομέω	to build, construct
παῖς, παιδός, ὁ	child, boy, servant
φυλάσσω	to guard, watch (over), defend
φυλή, -ῆς, ἡ	people, group, tribe

▷ LIST 2

437 TO 359 × IN LXX

ἀνά	(+acc) up; [ἀνὰ μέσον] among, between
ἀντί	(+gen) instead of, in place of
ἄργύριον, -ου, τό	silver, money
βασιλεύω	to be king, rule, install as king
ἐντέλλομαι	to command, order, instruct
ἔρημος, -ος/η, -ον	desolate; (<i>subst</i>) desert, wilderness
θυσία, -ας, ἡ	sacrifice, offering
θυσιαστήριον, -ου, τό	altar
ἰσχύς, -ύος, ἡ	power, strength, capability
ὀπίσω	behind; (<i>prep</i> +gen) after
πατάσσω	to hit, strike (down), afflict
πόλεμος, -ου, ὁ	war, battle, fight
πύλη, -ης, ἡ	gate, door, entrance
σκηνή, -ῆς, ἡ	tent, tabernacle, booth
σφόδρα	very much, extremely

▷ LIST 3

358 TO 303 × IN LXX

ἀλλόφυλος, -ος, -ον	foreign, Philistine
δέκα	ten
δή	now, then, indeed, surely
διαθήκη, -ης, ἡ	covenant, treaty, testament
διότι	for, since, so
ἔλεος, -ου, τό	mercy, compassion, pity
θυμός, -οῦ, ὁ	anger, wrath, rage
μήν, μηνός, ὁ	month, moon
ξύλον, -ου, τό	wood, timber, tree
ὀργή, -ῆς, ἡ	anger, wrath, indignation
ὄριον, -ου, τό	border, region
παρεμβολή, -ῆς, ἡ	army, encampment, company
προστίθημι	to add to, increase; (+ <i>inf</i>) to continue
σκεῦος, -ους, τό	object, item, stuff
χιλιάς, -άδος, ἡ	one thousand

▷ LIST 4

300 TO 245 × IN LXX

ἀγρός, -οῦ, ὁ	field, land, countryside
ἁμαρτάνω	to sin, do wrong
ἀπαγγέλλω	to proclaim, declare, inform
ἐπιτίθημι	to lay on, place upon, impose
κρίσις, -εως, ἡ	(legal) case, sentence, judgment
οἶνος, -ου, ὁ	wine
πέντε	five
πλῆθος, -ους, τό	quantity, multitude, crowd
πλήν	rather, nevertheless, but; (+ <i>gen</i>) except
πρό	(+ <i>gen</i>) ahead of, before, prior to
πρόβατον, -ου, τό	sheep
σήμερον	today
σπέρμα, -ατος, τό	seed, children, descendants
τέσσαρες, -ες, -α	four
ὥσπερ	(just) as, like

▷ LIST 5

240 TO 178 × IN LXX

ἁμαρτωλός, -ός, -όν	sinful; (<i>subst</i>) sinner
ἀποδίδωμι	to give back, repay; (<i>mid</i>) to sell
βιβλίον, -ου, τό	document, scroll, letter
γενεά, -ᾶς, ἡ	generation, family group, birthplace
δεύτερος, -α, -ον	second
δυνατός, -ή, -όν	strong, powerful, capable
ἐπικαλέω	to call, (give a) name; (<i>mid</i>) to call upon
ἥλιος, -ου, ὁ	sun, sunshine
θύρα, -ας, ἡ	door, entrance
καθίζω	to sit down, settle, reside
μισέω	to hate, detest, disdain
οὖς, ὠτός, τό	ear
παραγίνομαι	to arrive, be present, present oneself
σεαυτοῦ, -ῆς, -οῦ	yourself
φόβος, -ου, ὁ	fear, dread, reverence

▷ LIST 6

176 TO 149 × IN LXX

ἀκάθαρος, -ος, -ον	impure, unclean
διέρχομαι	to go through(out), pass (through)
ἐγγίζω	to bring near, come near, approach
ἐκεῖθεν	from there, from that point
ἐκπορεύομαι	to go out, emerge, leave
ἔμπροσθεν	(+gen) before, in front of, prior to
ἐπιγινώσκω	to recognize, realize, notice
ἐτοιμάζω	to prepare
θηρίον, -ου, τό	wild animal
κλαίω	to cry, weep, lament
κρατέω	to grasp, take control (of), gain strength
μικρός, -ά, -όν	small, little, insignificant
προσφέρω	to bring to, offer, present
σωτηρία, -ας, ἡ	salvation, deliverance
τέλος, -ους, τό	end, conclusion, goal

▷ LIST 7

148 TO 120 × IN LXX

ἄπτομαι	(+gen) to touch, grasp, affect, reach
βούλομαι	to desire, be willing, consent to
δείκνυμι	to point out, show, make known
ἐκλέγω	to select, choose, elect
ἐλεέω	to have pity (on), show mercy (to)
ἐργάζομαι	to work, labor; (<i>trans</i>) to accomplish
θλίψις, -εως, ἡ	distress, suffering, oppression
καθαρίζω	to purify, cleanse
λογίζομαι	to devise, regard as, consider, notice
μέρος, -ους, τό	part, piece, section
πλανάω	to lead astray, deceive; (<i>mid</i>) to wander (away)
ποῦ	where?, at which place?
πτωχός, -ή, -όν	poor, oppressed, needy
σκότος, -ους, τό	darkness
φυλακή, -ῆς, ἡ	watch, guard, prison

▷ LIST 8

119 TO 100 × IN LXX

διώκω	to pursue, chase
ἐλπίζω	to hope (for), expect
ναός, -οῦ (<i>or</i> νεώς, -ώ), ὁ	temple
ὀλίγος, -η, -ον	little, small, few
οὐκέτι	no more, no longer, not again
προσευχή, -ῆς, ἡ	prayer