

## Grammatical Exegesis

Grammatical exegesis pays very strict attention to the context of a passage. It has been well said that the context of every text is the canon. There is also the context of the Old or New Testament, the context of the book, the context of the chapter, and the context of the paragraph. Paul uses the word law (*nomos*) so flexibly that its particular meaning can be settled only by appeal to the context.

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