

- Testimony **marturion**
- This Greek word is not the more common word **marturia**
- Our word *marturion* is **neuter**;
- While *marturia* is the **feminine**

- James 5:3 Your gold & your silver have rusted; & their rust will be a witness against you & will consume your flesh like fire. It is in the last days that you have stored up your treasure!
- Mark 6: 11 & any place that does not receive you or listen to you, as you go out from there, shake off the dust from the soles of your feet for a testimony against them." Luke 9:5
- Mark 13: 9 But be on your guard; for they will deliver you to the courts & you will be flogged in the synagogues, & you will stand before governors & kings for My sake, as a testimony to them. (KJ remains consistent)—against them

- Whittaker Chambers in book *Witness* (must read pg 1-22)
- “a man is not primarily a witness against something. That is only incidental to /fact that he is a witness for something.”
- “A witness in the sense that I am using the word, is a man whose life & faith are so completely one that when the challenge comes to step out & testify for his faith, he does so, disregarding all risks, accepting all consequences.”

- Zodiates:
- “Is your life bearing such a strong witness to your faith in Christ that it will some day be used as a testimony against those who refuse to believe in Him?”

- “But a man may also be an involuntary witness.
- I do not know any way to explain why God’s grace touches a man who seems unworthy of it. But neither do I know any other way to explain how a man, like myself—tarnished by life, unprepossessing, not brave—could prevail so far against the powers of the world arrayed almost solidly against him, to destroy him and defeat his truth. In this sense, I am an involuntary witness to God’s grace and to the fortifying power of faith.”

- Jesus Christ is the testimony for God, Jesus Christ is the witness that God is
- & that God is Perfect Righteousness, & that God is love!
- In this sense Jesus Christ is a testimony for God, & at the same time, He is a testimony against all those who are unrighteous, & against all who refuse to believe in Jesus Christ.
- These are the reasons the world hates Him!
- & if you are a witness for Christ, the world will hate you also

- 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift,
- I thank my God-- for the grace given to you
- I thank my God -- that in everything you were enriched
- Because or so that, or this is proof that the witness (by our preaching of the gospel) concerning Christ was confirmation of your Salvation in you
- so that or therefore or with the result that you are not lacking in any gift

