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τί γάρ ἐστινplugin-autotooltip default plugin-autotooltip bigεἰμί

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εἰμί is the first person singular verb for "to be" (εἶναι [the infinitive form] = "to be").

It an irregular verb, and, like English, changes significantly between person and tense. For example εἰμί is the word for am and ἦν is the word for was, e.g. δplugin-autotooltip default plugin-autotooltip bigὄς, ἤ, ὄ

greek

Meaning:

* Who * Which * What

The relative pronoun that connects a relative clause to a main clause, referring back to a noun or pronoun (called the antecedent).

It is distinct from ὅτι ("that," introducing indirect speech) and from ὅς as an interrogative in older Greek (meaning ἡσσώθητε ὑπὲρ τὰςplugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigò, ἡ, τό

greek

Meaning:

* The

The definite article.

Forms

Singular Case Masculine Feminine Neuter Nominative ὁ ἡ τό Genitive τοῦ τῆς τοῦ Dative τῷ τῆ λοιπὰς ἐκκλησίας, εἰ μὴ ὅτι αὐτὸςplugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigαὐτός

Greek

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Meaning

* He, she, it * Himself, herself, itself * Same

Personal pronoun (reflexive). Occurs more than 5,000 times in the New Testament.

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Meaning:

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greek

Meaning:

* These or this * This one, this person, this thing * They or he or she or it

Demonstrative pronoun.

οὖτος usually refers to something close to the speaker — "this" as opposed to ἐκεῖνος (John 9:161 John 5:111 Corinthians 15:501 John 4:9John 5:1Matthew 3:17John 7:26Luke 22:19 Last update: 2025/10/23 00:28

ESV	For in what were you less favored than the rest of the churches, except that I myself did not burden you? Forgive me this wrong!
NIV	How were you inferior to the other churches, except that I was never a burden to you? Forgive me this wrong!
NLT	The only thing I failed to do, which I do in the other churches, was to become a financial burden to you. Please forgive me for this wrong!
KJV	For what is it wherein ye were inferior to other churches, except it be that I myself was not burdensome to you? forgive me this wrong.

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