

## The Chiasm of 1 Corinthians 16:22-24

A chiasm is a literary structure where vocabulary of the first section of a passage is repeated in the second. The center of the chiasm is typically the climax of the passage. In 1 Corinthians 16:22-24 the center and climax is "Maranatha," the Aramaic for "Come, Lord" (1 Cor 16:22b).

A If anyone does not love **the Lord**, he is to be accursed. (16:22a)

B Maranatha.(16:22b)

A' The grace **of the Lord** Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen. (16:23-24)