

Thee's and Thou's

T – one person or one group - Thee, thou, thine, thou

Y – 2 or more - Ye, you, your

This distinction is completely lost in the modern translations. Let me show you how this will enrich your Bible study.

1. KJV - Luke 22:31 And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have you*, that he may sift *you* as wheat:
32 But I have prayed for *thee*, that *thy* faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen *thy* brethren.

Satan desired to sift all of the disciples but Jesus prayed for Peter.

ESV – Luke 22:31 “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have *you*, that he might sift *you* like wheat,
32 but I have prayed for *you* that *your* faith may not fail. And when *you* have turned again, strengthen *your* brothers.”

2. KJV - John 3:7 Marvel not that I said unto *thee*, *Ye* must be born again.

The message was spoken to the individual Nicodemus (Thee) but Ye applies to all.

ESV – John 3:7 Do not marvel that I said to *you*, ‘*You* must be born again.’

3. KJV - Matthew 26:64 Jesus saith unto him, *Thou* hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall *ye* see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

Thou refers to the high priest but you/ye includes all of those with the high priest

ESV – Matthew 26:64 Jesus said to him, “*You* have said so. But I tell *you*, from now on *you* will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.”