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Exegetical Fallacies. 2nd ed.

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This is a great book! Everyone who studies the Bible should own a copy and consult it regularly. If John Schoenheit had a copy and consulted it regularly he could have avoided the comments he made concerning John 21:15 in his commentary in the REV (see pp. 109-12).<sup>1</sup> There were plenty of times when I found myself saying, "I've done that before, and that, and that too..." Thankfully I don't do too much of that stuff these days, but every once in a blue one of those embarrassing fallacies will rear its ugly head. The second chapter on "Grammatical Fallacies" was the most difficult reading since it dealt with fallacies that intermediate to advanced Greek students are more likely to make than a beginner such as myself, which means it also presupposes more familiarity with those particular issues than I have, but nonetheless I was able to follow along slowly. I found a couple of typos in that chapter:  $\delta ix o \sigma v \eta$  should have read  $\delta ix \alpha i \sigma \sigma v \eta$  on p. 62 and *constataive* should have read *constative* on p. 72. Overall Carson's book is extremely helpful. I'm definitely more interested in linguistics than I was before I read it. I'll definitely be keeping it close by when I'm studying or preparing to teach something. Oh, and the use of footnotes along with subject, author, and Scripture indices add to the overall appeal of this book for me. Well done!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.stfonline.org/pdf/rev/john\_commentary.pdf