

THE GENITIVE WITH THE NOUN OF ACTION

There are two ways in which the following phrase can be translated.

ἡ ἀγάπη τοῦ θεοῦ

1. The Subjective Genitive with the noun of action:

The word in the Genitive case (GOD)
produces the action implied by the
noun of action (LOVE).

Translated: THE LOVE OF GOD

2. The Objective Genitive with the noun of action:

The word in the Genitive case (GOD)
receives the action implied by the
noun of action (LOVE).

Translated: THE LOVE FOR GOD