

#27.) **Αγαπητοι** in Yehuda 1:3 is a plural noun and is in the

vocative case (review the Greek case endings at A. and paragraph #7). Almost as if to

soften the blow of all his necessarily strident words about

Gehinnom, Yehuda uses the vocative case

and calls his addressees "Beloved" no less than

three times (see also verses 17 and 20). He does not want to

throw in doubt their assurance of salvation even while he exhorts

them in order to put the fear of G-d into them.