

# **The New Testament**

*(Transcript of YouTube Text, by Paul Welk)*

If I were to ask you 'What is **The New Testament**,' what would you say? I expect most people to give this wrong answer: 'The New Testament is the second part of the Bible.' **The New Testament** is not a book. **The New Testament** is the fulfillment, the consummation of The Old Covenant, which God previously had made with Abraham: By a descendant of Abraham, *all nations – the world shall be blessed*. I repeat: **The New Testament** is not a book. **The New Testament** is the restored covenant relationship between God and the world that was instituted by Jesus, the Christ, the promised descendant of Abraham, who made the ultimate sacrifice, who made atonement for the sin of the world, who died for you, who included all in His will, in **The New Testament**, in His love.

*"The night, when the Lord Jesus was betrayed, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:*

***This, my body, is in behalf of you.***

***Do this, in memory of me!***

*After eating, he also took the cup, saying:*

***'This cup, The New Testament, is by means of my blood.***

***Do this, whenever you may drink, in memory of me!'"***

This institution, **The New Testament** expresses what God, the Father, God, the Son of God wants everyone to experience and to participate in.

**The New Testament** is the will of God for the world, and every individual in it.

It secures our Eternal Destiny. It comprises Forgiveness of Sin and Reconciliation to God.

It places us into a perfect relationship with our Lord and God. It makes us co-heirs of Heaven.

**The name, The New Testament, has been perverted beyond recognition by the devil**, who deceived all of humanity, and who still succeeds in deceiving many into thinking that **The New Testament** is a book, when **The New Testament** is the Will of God and the Testament of Jesus, the Messiah, the Redeemer, the Christ.

**The devil's diversionary tactic, removes the focus from the core of The New Testament**, that is the atonement by Jesus Christ, and replaces the focus on The Covenant with diversionary human terms: Breaking of Bread, The Eucharist, The Great Thanksgiving, The Lord's Supper, The Sacrament, Holy Communion, "Das Abendmahl" The Evening Meal even The Mass, which are, without exception, humanly coined terms. As result, we inherited from ecclesiastical traditions differing, conflicting theologies and opinions, which was a problem from the very beginning, even within first generation Christians.

**To correct that problem the Apostle Paul wrote an Epistle** (1 Corinthians). By apostolic declaration, by divine inspiration, the Apostle Paul recorded the normative apostolic interpretation, which was virtually directly from the Lord. The Apostle Paul is telling us: What Jesus meant when He instituted **The New Testament**, how we are to understand it, what we should do, in short: How we may incorporate **The New Testament** covenant relationships with God into our daily lives. Paul writes:

***"I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you:***

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1 Corinthians 11: 23-25.

**To be faithful, We must abide by this apostolic interpretation of 1 Corinthians, Chapter 11.** The Apostle gives these instructions to ordinary Christians, the “Saints at Corinth.” On the basis of this original Greek text and grammar, we note:

1. **Jesus wants us to be, not mere believers, Jesus wants us to be doers of His word.** Jesus ordains this to be done, as we eat our daily bread, ***“Do this, in memory of Me!”***
2. **As with the bread, so with the cup, Jesus does not want us simply to talk about it.**
  - a. Jesus ordains, He emphatically says, ***“Do this, whenever you may drink!”***
  - b. The word *‘whenever’* we may drink presupposes that we do so, wherever we may drink, and with whatever we may drink – everywhere, at any time.
3. **The New Testament relationship with the Lord Jesus is a living daily thing – 24/7.**
4. **The New Testament is for the benefit of all people, and to be enjoyed by everyone,** whenever we may drink, with whatever we may drink, breakfast, coffee time, lunch time, at drinking fountains, in the company of others or in solitude, with singing or in silent.

**However, it is necessary that we do this critically, lest we miss, or misrepresent the intended benefit:**

1. **Concerning the Bread:** The text does not say, and we dare not wrongfully conclude that *“Bread is the body of Jesus,”* which is distributed by Pastors and is given to people in church.
  - a. For example, the Greek text, Greek grammar, particularly the Greek word *“ὄπιον,”* negates such thinking.
  - b. The body of Jesus Christ is not dissected and distributed ‘to’ us. The body of Jesus was offered *ὄπιον* – *in behalf us – for us*, for the whole world, *“in behalf of”* all people.
2. **Concerning the Cup:** The Greek text, Greek grammar, particularly the dative case of *“My blood”* negates the thinking that in the cup, is the blood of Jesus.
  - a. For example, in the original Greek text, *“My blood”* is not the object of the sentence.
  - b. There is a world of difference between saying, *‘This is my blood,’* and, as the dative case of Greek grammar dictates, ***“This cup, The New Testament, is by means of my blood.”*** (In other words: ***The New Testament*** exists, because *“My blood”* was shed *“for you.”*)
3. **Much more could and should be said.** But this YouTube presentation is not the time or place. For additional information, please follow the [link](#) to my home page, which is listed on the screen next to this YouTube video. Please note the relevant sections on my webpage Item No. 2: [Christian Jewel Box](#), Item No. 3: [The Eternal Gospel](#), and Item No. 4: [Transcript of this video](#).

**Certainly this institution, The New Testament, should be front and center,** the primary focus in every public worship service, for Jesus ordained it so to be. Jesus says, ***“Do this!”*** But **The New Testament** should be administered in churches in such a manner, so as to teach the public how **The New Testament** of the Lord, may be experienced in the daily lives of ordinary people, even children.

**So then, I urge you to do, as Jesus says; and do so every day** *“Whenever you may drink”* with whatever you may drink. Let me show you what I do at my kitchen table every day. It is that simple:

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Now I can say, as the Apostle Paul said:

***“I delivered to you, what I received from the Lord.”***

***May you do as Jesus says, and thus “... proclaim the Lord’s death, the Gospel, till He comes.”***