

# Welcome to a New

Welcome to a new beginning, where possibilities are endless and the journey is yours to create.

2Co 5:17 (NASB) 17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, this person is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

καινός kainós; fem. kainē, neut. kainón, adj. New. Qualitatively new, as contrasted with néos ([G3501](#)), temporally new. Contextual meanings: **(I)** Newly made, not impaired by time or use

Meaning the newness of this new creation does not wear off, wear out or tarnish.

That's GRACE!

But before we dig into vs 17 we must look at vs 16 and really even vs 14 & 15 which is foundational to understanding vs 17

2Co 5:14-15 (AMPC) 14 **For the love of Christ controls and urges and impels us**, because we are of the opinion and conviction that [if] One died for all, then all died; 15 And He died for all, so that all those who live might live no longer to and for themselves, but to and for Him Who died and was raised again for their sake..

Until Love paints the portrait of Christ we will have a poor image of Christ

Until Love paints the portrait of others and even of ourselves we will have poor images and poor self images.

But when love becomes the foundation of our understanding, the prism that form our perspective then everything appears new.

2Co 5:16 (NASB) 16 Therefore [because we know have the love view] from now on we recognize [identify] no one by the flesh; even though we have known Christ by the flesh, yet now we know Him in this way no longer.

2Co 5:16 (NLT) 16 So we have stopped evaluating others from a human point of view....

2Co 5:16 (AMPC) 16 Consequently, from now on we estimate and regard no one from a [purely] human point of view [in terms of natural standards of value]. [No] even though we once did estimate Christ from a human viewpoint and as a man,

yet now [we have such knowledge of Him that] we know Him no longer [in terms of the flesh].

In view of the fact that the Lord Jesus died for all people, and rose again. The effect of that has been to change all our feelings, and to give us entirely new views of people, of ourselves, and of the Messiah,

## New view...

- Of people
- Of ourselves
- Of Messiah

what we see in others reveals secret information about who we are ourselves.

**“We see the world not as it is, but as we are.”**

Tit 1:15 (NASB) 15 To the pure, all things are pure; but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure, but both their mind and their conscience are defiled.

What we see in others is a reflection of our self image.

Liars think everyone lies

The con thinks everything is a con

The haters sees only hate, the racist sees racism everywhere.

This called the law of mirroring

**\* The Law Of Mirroring Explains Why You Keep Attracting The Same People, Places And Problems**

When you begin see others as valuable, special, loved people you will begin to see you whole life as valuable, special and filled with love.

Everything becomes NEW!

But if you can only see what flesh sees you will miss the special moments and the spiritual people

Mat 13:55 (TPT) 55 Isn't he just the wood-worker's son? Isn't his mother named Mary, and his four brothers Jacob, Joseph, Simon, and Judah?

They could not see beyond the flesh. Can you?

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The phrase to “be in Christ,” means to be united to Christ by faith; or to be in him as the branch is in the vine - that is, so united to the vine, or so in it, as to derive all its nourishment and support from it, and to be sustained entirely by it.

John 15:2

Albert Barnes says, implies that all our support is from him. All our strength is derived from him; and denotes further that we shall partake of his fullness, and share in his felicity and glory, as the branch partakes of the strength and vigor of the parent vine.

Felicity = intense happiness

You see that it is our union with HIM that makes everything new and special.

We see as He sees

We love as He loves

Col 3:10 (NASB) 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created it—

As I told you before - its a choice.

Col 3:10 (TPT) For you have acquired new creation life which is continually being renewed **into the likeness of the One who created you**; giving you the full revelation of God.

Col 3:11 (TPT) In this new creation life, your nationality makes no difference, or your ethnicity, education, or economic status—they matter nothing. For it is Christ that means everything as he lives in every one of us!

1. ethnicity
2. education
3. economic status

All of these are human point of views.

The New life is the Christ life and Christ makes everything new.

