

Who am I in Christ?

According to [2 Corinthians 5:17 \(NASB\)](#), “Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come!*” There are two Greek words which are translated “new” in the Bible. The first, *neos*, refers to something that has just been made, but there are already many others in existence just like it. The word translated “new” in this verse is the word *kainos*, which means “something just made which is unlike anything else in existence.”

[2 Corinthians 5:17 \(NASB\)](#)

¹⁷ Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have **come**.*

[2 Corinthians 5:17 \(NKJV\)](#)

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have **become** new.*

[Ephesians 4:22-24 \(NASB\)](#)

²² that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit,
²³ and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind,
²⁴ and put on the new self, which in *the likeness of God* has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

The transformation that is brought about by the new birth is not only an instantaneous miracle but also a lifelong process of sanctification. For those so transformed, everything changes; the old things have passed away. All things “become” new. The word “become” is in the perfect tense indicating a past act with continuing results. God is continually working in our lives. When we are gripped by a great God, old values, ideas, plans, loves, desires, and beliefs vanish, replaced by the new things that accompany salvation. So what is new in our life?

New Things for Christians

1. A New Birth

[John 3:3 \(NASB\)](#)

³ “Jesus answered and said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is **born again** he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

We have been spiritually changed.

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2. A New Heart & Spirit

Ezekiel 36:26 (NASB)

²⁶ “Moreover, I will give you a **new heart** and put a **new spirit** within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.”

3. A New Man

Ephesians 4:24 (NASB)

²⁴ “**And put on the new self**, which in *the likeness of God* has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.”

4. A New Song

Psalms 40:3 (NASB)

³ “He put a **new song** in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; Many will see and fear And will trust in the LORD.”

5. A New Name

Isaiah 62:2 (NASB)

² “The nations will see your righteousness, And all kings your glory; And you will be called by a **new name** Which the mouth of the LORD will designate”.

Revelation 2:17 (NASB)

¹⁷ “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give *some* of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a **new name** written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it”.

6. A New Home

John 14:1-2 (NASB)

¹ “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.”

² “In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for **I go to prepare a place for you.**”

The word “prepare” is from the Greek word *hetoimazo* {het-oy-mad'-zo} which means “to make ready, to prepare.” It is drawn from the oriental custom of sending on before kings on their journeys persons to level the roads and make them passable. The Lord is preparing our homes for us.

7. A New Body

2 Corinthians 5:1 (NASB)

¹ “For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, **we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.**”