

Jesus Winery

New Wine and a Wedding

What exactly are we celebrating?

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Questions to think about

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3. What possible meanings for **new wine and wineskins** are most meaningful to you?
4. How is the meaning of the patched garment wisdom connected to the meaning of the new wine and wineskins saying? In what ways are the wisdom of the garment saying the same as and different from the wine and wineskins wisdom?

First, let's
read our
texts



LUKE
5:33-39

JOHN 2:
1-12

Context: Jesus Mission Statement

Luke 4: 18- 19

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for
the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

Some notes on the text

Two Greek words: *neos, kainos*

Keeping wine

Alcohol and wine – then and now

The family at Cana

A few quotes/ comments

Wine as a biblical symbol

Torah – Dr. Rabbi Zev Farber ([2020](#))

Passover and Easter- Dave McIntyre ([2012](#)).

The Holy Spirit e.g., [Jack Hayford](#)

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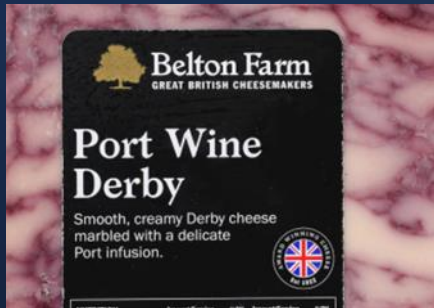
Possible
meanings of
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A Catholic thought (2020)

A progressive Christian
(2020, April)

And your ideas in just a sec

Your Thoughts? ...the questions again



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Footnotes-

1. The Texts. The new wine and wineskins wisdom can be found in Matthew 9:14-17, Mark 2:18-22, and Luke 5: 33-39. The Cana wedding story is unique to John (2: 1-11).
2. About the Greek words for *new*- see Natan Lawrence ([2016](#))
3. For Craig Keener's 2014 *IVP Bible Background Commentary* on Matthew 9:17, see page 69)
4. [Quora](#) note- wine is mentioned 231 times in the KJV
5. Alcohol Percentage: See Amanda Watts et al. ([2014](#)) & [winemag.com](#).
6. Some thoughts on [Alcohol and the Bible](#)
7. Family at the Cana wedding [See for example Tabor, 2021](#)).