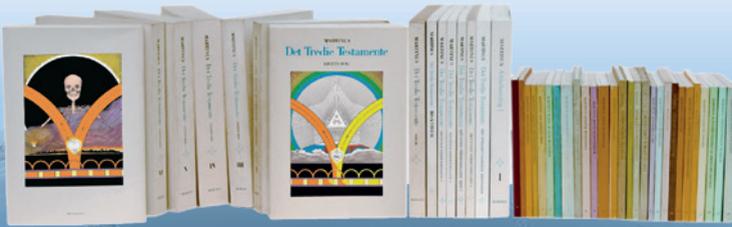


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# The Third Testament

Intellectualised Christianity



An introduction to  
The Science of Universal Love

## **From belief to knowledge**

The purpose of The Third Testament is to raise the great questions about life out of the hazy area of belief into personal experience and wellfounded knowledge. The basic premise of the work is that the mystery of life can be explained scientifically.

## **Spiritual science describes the world of thought**

This is no traditionally scientific explanation of the mystery of life. What is analysed is above all the consciousness that invisibly governs everything. The world of thought plays a much more significant role in our lives than we normally imagine.

## **An inner journey of discovery**

A study of The Third Testament offers an enormous journey of discovery into our inner world. By means of logical chains of thought, we are guided out of the transitory world of matter into the innermost wellspring of life. Here we discover that we are all immortal and that our innermost self is eternal and infinite. We discover that we all share the same vital core. We discover that everything around us is living, whether “down” in microcosmos or “up” in macrocosmos. Before our eyes we watch in amazement as the universe is transformed from a mass of dead matter, governed by pure chance, into something that we can sense as an all-embracing, living, thinking organism, which has existed in all eternity. We discover that all of us in all eternity live, move and have our being within this organism. We discover the laws of love that guarantee this living, conscious organism’s eternal life. We begin to be able to see our short life on Earth in the perspective of eternity.

## **The eternal questions about life**

The title: “The Third Testament” can of course cause surprise. What are the two other testaments of which The Third Testament is a continuation? Once this has become clear we can see straight away what topics are under discussion. A continuation of The Old and The New Testaments will naturally deal with the eternal questions, Who am I?, Where have I come from? and Where am I going to?. It should provide an explanation of the periods of suffering in life and thereby clarify the road to harmony and happiness.

– But who can with justification be called upon to write a continuation of the Bible? It can only be someone who like Christ has firsthand knowledge of the eternal questions.

## **Livets Bog**

The main work in The Third Testament is called Livets Bog (The Book of Life) and the danish title is used in all languages). The universe can be likened to a book. The universe is the “book of books”, the source of all knowledge. Everyone is reading it, Christians, Hindus, Muslims, Jews and Buddhists, scientists as well as writers and artists, yes, even plants and animals. We all interact with all the forces that surround us.

The purpose of “Livets Bog” is to help us read directly in the real book – Nature. We are all born into this, there are no admission ceremonies. The Third Testament does not create a new religion, it teaches us to understand the speech of life itself, life’s own religion.

The aim of The Third Testament is to show how loving our neighbour and God is the highest science in life. God being understood as an all-embracing living being, synonymous with the universe. The question of eternity is placed under the magnifying glass and analysed in the bright light of intuition. As mankind is increasingly moving away from the stage of blind belief, verifiable facts are needed – also regarding life’s spiritual questions.

## **The Third Testament is the fulfilment of Christ’s prophecies**

That this knowledge should come to mankind has been predicted. In The New Testament we can read: “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.” (John 16:12) “The Counsellor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.” (John 14:25-26) “...and I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you forever - the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him.” (John 14:16-17)

## **What is needed in order to be able to experience spiritual realities**

In order to gain knowledge in the spiritual area it is not enough to have a well-developed intelligence or analytical ability, a humane disposition is also needed. Only when both the intellect and the humaneness have reached a state of maturity does the psychic transformation come about that makes it possible for us to experience spiritual realities. It is this mental balance that gave Martinus, the author of The Third Testament, an absolutely certain knowledge of those areas of life that are normally completely unknown.

## **A state of inspiration that expands the consciousness**

This balanced mental state is in the process of developing in everyone. In moments of light and harmony a state of inspiration can come about in, for example, authors, scientists, musicians and composers etc. New ideas can flood into their consciousness, enabling them to envisage the whole literary work, musical composition or scientific discovery in its finished form.

When humane human beings least of all expect it, they can also have momentary glimpses of the spiritual dimension and of eternal realities. In an instant the solution to a spiritual problem can fall into place or the person can have an experience of God. Such experiences of course have the effect of being extremely vitalising and motivating. The wise beings of the past, for example, Moses, Jesus, Buddha and Mohammed were all to a greater or lesser extent consciously in contact with this state of inspiration, and it formed the basis of their immortal words and observations. The same source of inspiration forms the basis of the spiritual science that we are able to study in The Third Testament.

## **Cosmic consciousness or “the Holy Spirit”**

We are all proceeding towards the goal of cosmic consciousness. Through glimpses of intuitive experiences a completely limitless horizon of the consciousness will gradually open up. This state is described in biblical contexts as “the Holy Spirit”. “Holy” is another word for true. “Spirit” means thoughts and ideas. “Holy Spirit” quite simply means true thoughts and ideas about the very highest things: an explanation about the mystery of life, in other words, an understanding of our relationship to God and our neighbour.

Does The Third Testament really contain such thoughts? Well, that is a question for the student to answer for him or herself.

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