



Textus Receptus is the name given to a series of Byzantine based Greek texts of the New Testament printed between 1500 and 1900.

The name Textus Receptus was first used, to refer to editions of the Greek New Testament published by the Elzevir Brothers in 1633. The name has been retrospectively applied to all the printed Greek texts of the same Byzantine text-type. The Byzantine text-type represents over 95% of the 5,800+ Greek manuscripts of the New Testament still in existence today.

Textus Receptus contains the translation base for the first Greek translation of the New Testament into English by William Tyndale and is the textual base for the Bishops Bible, the Geneva Bible and the King James Bible.

- Textus Receptus was published by Desiderius Erasmus in his 1516 edition of the Greek New Testament: *Novum Instrumentum omne*
- Textus Receptus was refined by Robert Estienne [Stephanus] in 1550
- Textus Receptus was further refined by Theodore Beza in 1598
- Textus Receptus was again edited by F.H.A. Scrivener in 1881

Textus Receptus strongly upholds the Christian faith

- Textus Receptus is not corrupted by the deletions, additions and amendments of the Minority Text.
- Textus Receptus agrees with the earliest versions of the Bible: Peshitta (AD150) Old Latin Vulgate (AD157), the Italic Bible (AD157) etc.
- Textus Receptus agrees with the vast majority of the citations from scripture by the early church fathers. It has now been calculated that there are more than one million quotations of the New Testament by the fathers. These fathers come from as early as the late first century and the middle ages.
- Textus Receptus is untainted with Egyptian philosophy, heresies and unbelief

Erasmus did not invent the Textus Receptus, but simply collated a collection of what was already the vast majority of New Testament Manuscripts in the Byzantine tradition. The first Greek New Testament to be collated was the Complutensian

Polyglot in (1514), but it was not published until eight years later, Erasmus' was the second Greek New Testament collated and was published and printed in (1516).

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