

# Christian

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REGENERATION OF THE BODY BY THE RESURRECTION OF THE MIND.

## FREEDOM!

"Jerusalem which is above is free."—Galatians.

Freedom!  
Bondage is unnatural.  
It is unscientific.  
It belongs to the feeble.  
Strong men demand freedom.  
Liberty is a birthright.  
It belongs to the free spirit.  
Freedom from all kinds of law.  
Liberty to do as you please.  
This calls for power to will and to do.  
Men are reaching out for this liberty.  
It is called the liberty of the sons of God.  
It is just as natural as any other desire of  
the soul.  
It comes through a resurrection of the  
spiritual mind.  
There is a Holy City where all the inhab-  
itants are free.  
Its walls are jasper and its streets are  
paved with gold.

## ITEMS AND IDEAS

\*\*\* Christians!

\*\*\* Do you know who you are?

\*\*\* I don't exactly know who we are.

\*\*\* But I do know that we are a mighty people.

\*\*\* I do not know from whence we came or whither we are going.

\*\*\* I don't know how many there are of us, for we are uncovering new ones all the time.

\*\*\* It is a mental resurrection, and we are coming up from the past and taking our place in the present as individuals.

\*\*\* I don't know how I know it, but I know every one of us just as soon as I catch the vibration from reading a letter.

\*\*\* There are people coming in here who are not of us, and such people come and go; but all of us stick right close together.

\*\*\* It is a wonderful unfoldment, and the very thing that is needed in the world, for we have had enough of organization and the institution.

\*\*\* In our work we are as the disciples of Jesus Christ, and we go forth into our own individual kingdom as separate units in the kingdom of God.

\*\*\* I was very much surprised when I first found out that Christianity was not a religion and that it was not an institution governed in the objective.

\*\*\* It is a mental kingdom, and is governed from within by the unfolding mind. In other words, Christianity is a science, and we are ready for this modern word of truth.

\*\*\* Science is simply another name for Spirit, for any man who will read the gospel of John can see that Jesus was speaking about an unfolding science and not a fixed and unchangeable institution.

\*\*\* Science is practical knowledge. The science of a thing is the working knowledge of a thing. It is not only a working knowledge, but that knowledge is forever expanding, and each student adds to the knowledge of science.

\*\*\* Men looked at flowers and plants, and got a pretty fair idea of the different kinds; and then some man came along and put this knowledge into a system called botany. But the science of botany didn't stop there, and will never stop, for each botanist is free to go on investigating and adding to the science.

\*\*\* This is true of all science, and we are just in the kindergarten stage of scientific investigation. Religion has always stood with a club, ready to brain the scientist. Why? Because religion is a fixed and established system of worship. There is no possible progress in religion. How could there be? It has no more life in it than a marble monument.

\*\*\* There is absolutely nothing of the kind in the teaching of Christianity. Jesus said: "When the Spirit of truth is come, don't stop at me. Go ahead! Do everything that I am doing, and then do greater works than these, for this is only a beginning." He was talking science. He was telling them of the unfolding Spirit that would lead them into all of the truth.

\*\*\* Instead of following this unfolding Spirit into all the truth, they made a reli-

gion, and began to look backward. They have had their backs turned to the rising sun and have been looking with blurred vision at the man on the cross. They not only kept seeing the crucifixion, but they crucified any man who attempted to look the other way. They were looking at death, and so their bloody deeds were filled with death.

\*\*\* Disease, death and the devil are characteristics of religion. The light of truth has never yet fallen on the religionist. How can it, when dead hands are grasping him by the throat and dead words are rattling around in his brain? Jesus Christ said, go ahead; and religion said, stand still. All of the good men are dead, and so religion worships the past. Now, good men never die, and Christianity is the science of the resurrection.

\*\*\* Science does not worship anything or anybody. How could science stop in its onward march to establish an altar? Science deals in facts, while religion deals in fiction. Religion makes use of the bull roarer, and its knees tremble with fear. Science examines the bull roarer and analyzes the roar. There is nothing but truth in science. It is not only truth, but it is practical knowledge of the truth. It works. Religion rots.

\*\*\* Is Christianity a science? Christian Science has called our attention to the fact. It is up to us to prove it. If it is a science, it is practical. If Jesus opened the eyes of the blind, there is a science of vision. If he unstopped the ears of the deaf, there is a science of hearing. If he healed sickness, there is a science of health. All abnormal conditions are removed by science. This whole mortal world is satanic. Christianity comes from heaven.

\*\*\* Now, heaven is a place of rest. It is harmony. It is normal. It is everything that is right. Jesus came, setting everything right. When men couldn't see, he opened their eyes; deafness was a deformity, so he healed by opening the ears of the deaf. The woman who had spent all of her money trying to get relief from the physicians was bound by Satan. Jesus Christ recognized the satanic origin of her disease. He set her free. How could he set her free by religion?

\*\*\* You Christians are not afraid to listen to the words of truth. How could he stop this flowing and set the woman free by religion? She had not only gone to the priests and made her offerings, but had spent all of her living on the physicians. The doctors and the priests couldn't set her free. She was bound by Satan, and the doctors and the priests are servants of Satan. I say this in a scientific way, and not as criticism. The priest deals with material offerings and the doctors use drugs.

\*\*\* The dominion of Satan is in matter, and the doctors and the priests use material remedies. This is trying to cast out Satan with Satan. You send a devil in to run the devil out. Jesus was dealing with science. He had a radiant vision. He could see into the woman and beyond the body to the mental cause of her disease. He saw that she was bound by Satan, and Jesus was in command of the spiritual forces. There is no power that can resist vibrations of the Spirit, and, therefore, as soon as the woman

touched the hem of his garments she was set free from bondage.

\*\*\* Don't get away from science, for it is your salvation. Is there an unfolding God in the finite mind? Yes. For we are the children, the offspring, of God. As individuals we are subject to the everlasting unfoldment. This is the reason why Jesus said the Spirit of truth would go right on expanding to greater works. The disciples took Jesus out to show him the temple, and remarked that it had been over forty years in building. He said he would tear it down and rebuild it in three days. They thought he was crazy. The men of vision caught the spiritual meaning, and knew he was speaking about the body.

\*\*\* The material temple, built out of stones, was but a symbol of the human body. Jesus said that he could build the real temple of the Spirit in three days. There is no need of waiting forty years to build a temple of God. He could destroy the body and rebuild it with a new body in three days. It will help you in mental healing to study this statement. This man, who came to us from the place of order, from the place of harmony, taught us that God's kingdom was all right. When the Spirit of truth comes, you wake up and find yourself in a world of chance. You are surrounded by satanic vibrations. Just look around you and see the work of Satan.

\*\*\* How can we straighten things? It must come by science, for there is no other way. When the Spirit of truth couldn't get into the institution, it had to go outside and hunt up men who would preach the truth. The truth had to be preached to all the world, and, when the preachers kept our Man on the cross and left everything fixed and established in the dusty ages of the past, God had to go outside and hunt up preachers. He inspired men of science, and so he started the world forward in the mental movement. When one of God's men said the world moved around the sun, the priests put him in jail. They fastened him to a stake and set fire to his body. But that didn't keep the world from going around the sun.

\*\*\* Other men of science kept right on looking at the sun and the stars, until we have our glorious science of astronomy; but science never stops, and we are going right on adding to it every year. If you had turned the science of astronomy into a religion it never would have seen the movements of the planets. You know religion thought the world was flat and had four corners. There was only one world, and we were on it. The jumping off place was at the outer edges of our world. The first man who said that this was not true was roasted by religion. It was a real roast by literal fire. This is the kind of work that religion has been doing from the beginning up to the present hour. Just now the preachers are talking about psychotherapy. This also is of the devil, for the psychic atmosphere is the atmosphere that reaches around this world.

\*\*\* You must get higher than forty miles above the earth if you would reach the truth. The psychic atmosphere reaches just about forty miles, and this air is full of devils. All the old thoughts of hatred, lying, deceit, disease and death are in this atmosphere.

The drug doctors call them microbes, but you had just as well call them spirits, for thoughts are things. Thoughts are more than things, for they are individualized intelligences. Satan is fooling the preachers with psychotherapy. It belongs in the same class with the physicians that this poor woman had hired. Jesus turns her loose with the word and the vibration. The vibration healed her and the word assured her that it was by her own faith that she was made whole. Now faith is a substance and not a suggestion. The vibrations moved her own spirit and that was the faith that made her whole. Faith is a movement of your own divinity.

\*\*\* When God speaks to God there is something doing. The divinity in Jesus spoke to the divinity in the woman. You know your divinity is not diseased. Spirit is never blind, dumb, deaf or dead. This is not theory, but actual facts proven by scientific demonstrations. I see better with my eyes shut than I do with them open. There is a little circle of light in clairvoyance into which ten thousand head of living cattle may come before the vision. The whole expanse of the heavens may come into that little circle of light. Same is true of hearing and the vibrations of being. Therefore, the Spirit is always alive, and never in an abnormal condition. This satanic world of the flesh is where all the confusion exists. Jesus was given power over all flesh. This is pneumatic healing and has nothing to do with psychotherapy. The world of the psychic is the middle world between flesh and spirit.

\*\*\* We Christians are just getting a working knowledge of Christianity. It has taken us a long time to eliminate religion. When a thing is planted in the plastic mind of the child it takes a new birth to get rid of it. Christianity was taught as a practical science for three hundred years. Any Christian could heal the sick. They gave their whole time and attention to mental unfoldment, and there was no thought of embalming the Spirit and making a mummy out of Christianity. They didn't have any written words until the second century. Our New Testament is a product of the second century. The churches that Paul founded gathered up the oral teachings and put them into writings. This was the beginning of the institution. Then when politics got hold of it the Spirit of healing departed and the institution became a dead thing. It has dealt in disease and death for all these centuries. When the Spirit is revived as a science it will once more do away with the written word, for the letter killeth but the Spirit giveth life. There is always life and movement in science.

\*\*\* Spirit is always surprising us with something new. Old things are passing away and all things are being renewed by science. Electrical engineers are the apostles of progress. They never stop doing wonderful things. Things that were thought impossible yesterday are accomplished today, and to-morrow we will do greater works. Turn on the light! Darkness is not. It has no real existence. Darkness is simply

the absence of light. Sin and sickness and death are in the same category. They are abnormal and the abnormal is not real else God would be deformed. You can't think of an everlasting hunchback. God is never deformed, and therefore all of this abnormality is unreal. You turn on real health and all kinds of disease disappears. This is the science of Christianity coming into objective manifestation. It is simply a change of mind. The real or spiritual mind takes the place of the carnal or mortal mind. You have this experience in flashes every day of your life. When you come into the science your experience will be permanent and darkness will be no more. Eliminate religion from Christian Science and you will have the whole thing.

\*\*\* I must repeat in order to emphasize the science. Edison has done more than any other one man for the science of electricity. He shows that he has the real scientific spirit, for he keeps right on at work. He does not drive a stake down and say thus far shalt thou go and no further. He does not claim to be the whole thing. Our colleges are turning out electrical engineers every year, and these young men are apostles of light. They are ordained by the Spirit of Science to go into all the world and preach the gospel. This is true of all science. It ought to be true of Christianity. And you may bet your life that Jesus didn't put any muzzles on his men. He turned them loose. He didn't give them any written instructions either. He went to work and picked up pieces of the written words of Moses and set the whole thing aside. He commissioned his disciples to go forth in the Spirit without any strings tied to their mentality. This is what they did, and the Spirit confirmed their words with signs following. They did the same kind of work that Jesus did and by the same power. Jesus was a prophet. Do you know what that means? Do you know what it has always meant? A prophet is one who speaks by the Spirit without any credentials or authority from the institution. The prophet is the medium of God. He will not bow to any other authority.

\*\*\* Now Jesus was a prophet, and you never heard of a prophet having anything to do with politics or religion. The people of Israel were under the prophets for a long time. And when, through suggestion from their neighbors, they called for a king it was the prophet Samuel who spoke for God. He told them they could have a king, but warned them that it was disloyalty to God, and they would have to stand the consequences. The evils of kingcraft were clearly pointed out by Samuel, but the people had to follow the fashion. The prophet went out and found them a king and then retired into the silence and left them to work out their own salvation. Jesus was not only a prophet but he instructed all of his disciples, without any exceptions, to go forth as prophets. "It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father that speaketh in you." This was to be true of each disciple, and there was no high and no low in the kingdom of God. There were no officials, for this was not an institution.

Each individual was under the direct government of the Spirit. I need not quote from the words of Jesus to prove this proposition. He never used the word "church," and in the one place where they put this word into his mouth he upsets the institution by declaring that the Rock on which he built was in the individual. The man who confesses the Christ is the Christ, and you can't make anything else out of the words of Jesus. Peter said: "Thou art the Christ, the son of the living God." Jesus said that flesh and blood had not revealed this truth to Peter, but it had come from the Father. On this Rock of individual inspiration I will build my congregation. This is the kind of fellowship that we Christians are now enjoying.

\*\*\* In spite of his Jewish religion, Paul caught a glimpse of this truth. He said there was neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free, male nor female in this fellowship, but that we were all one in the Christ. In other words, we were all Christ, for, when the Christ is in you, you are Christ or Christian. This breaks down all partition walls. Now, you know that religion has done nothing but erect walls. It has not only built walls, but kept right on building them higher and higher around each little sect. Religion has done more to divide the human family into factions and to cultivate hatred and division than any other one thing in the world. The science of Christianity comes to break down all of these middle walls and bring us into the fellowship of the Spirit. Science always does this kind of work. Can you think of sects in the science of electricity? Certainly not. It is practical. We go right on using it. Instead of praying to God and asking for gifts we just go to work and use God for practical purposes. We turn on the light and we turn on the power. If the electric light could have been slipped in by the priests they would have used it as a great mystery. They would have had the keys of this kingdom of light just as they claim to have the keys of spiritual light. They are satanic and Satan is keeping them in the darkness. They even wear the same kind of clothing they wore a thousand years ago. Let us go right on practicing this science and growing in this grace.

\*\*\* "Is rupture amenable to your treatments?"

I never mention any troubles by name, and, in fact, I do not treat diseases. All diseases and death itself is unreal and they come to us for want of intelligence on our part. I treat for the resurrection of the real mind, and that mind is able to throw off all abnormal conditions.

\*\*\* "Do you think that the eating of meat retards spiritual unfoldment?"

If you think the eating of meat will retard spiritual unfoldment it will retard, for as you think so you are. I don't think that my spiritual unfoldment comes through the stomach, therefore I eat what tastes good to me and ask no questions for conscience sake. Paul's advice still holds good: "Eat what is set before you and ask no questions for conscience sake." Peter was also shown in vision that there was noth-

ing common or unclean. Jesus also told us to take no thought about what we should eat or wherewith we should be clothed. People act the fool over their food and clothing more than any other things connected with mortal life.

\*\*\* "Just call me Jim. That is what you called me the first time you spoke to me in the silence several years ago. I wrote you and the same day, before you had time to get my letter, you spoke to me and called me Jim."

And this was years and years ago. There is something in this truth that holds men and women fast in the fellowship. I get letters from women who were young girls when I began the treatments, and they now have daughters who are grown women. Just the other day I received a letter from a woman whose baby I treated sixteen years ago, and the baby is sweet sixteen and still wants treatments. It is a great fellowship.

\*\*\* "Your statements of Satan puzzled me at first, but I read and studied over it until this interpretation came to me. Satan is the human thinking and doing, and as God made all and is all, he is the Satan which turned into the spiritual, absorbing the other in time."

You are quite right in your interpretation. God absorbs Satan and casts him into the bottomless pit just like knowledge absorbs ignorance. It is like the light annihilating the darkness. It is like the man absorbing the child and ceasing to think and act like a child. It is all in you. All of the devils and angels are in your own mind. The principle is mental, but the expression may be objective.

\*\*\* "I feel an improvement in my mental condition and a good deal less nervousness. I seem to be stronger in my faith and have more certainty of ultimate success. Regeneration is proving a slower process with me than I anticipated, but believe now that it is going to be all the more permanent on that account, because it is built on a solid foundation of truth."

Yes, when we first start out we think regeneration is something we can handle, but we soon find out that it is something that handles us. We have but very little more to do with regeneration than we had to do with generation. We do not know anything about the first birth or the process of generation except what we have learned since we were born. The same is true of regeneration, for we can only know the process by mental unfoldment. It is utterly impossible to know anything about it from the viewpoint of mortal mind. We are begotten by the Spirit and born of God by resurrection of the real mind. Just as soon as you are plunged into the psychic atmosphere you are nervous and restless and the fires of regeneration burn in your mind. These fires are burning up the chaff and rubbish of mortal mentality. When you get out of the psychic you are in repose and poise and peace brings you into a knowledge of reality. You are not in a hurry, for you know that you are he who was and is and is to be.

\*\*\* "What is the matter with me? I have been surrounded by thieves the last two months and run up against trouble everywhere."

You will have to examine your own mind and see, for it is all in there somewhere. Are you afraid of thieves? Are you full of fear lest you will lose something? Is your mind agitated in anticipation of troubles? As you think in your heart, so you are in your environment. You had better give your mind a thorough rubbing, as you are an osteopathic physician and know how to rub the body. Try a little osteopathy on your mentality. Drive out fear and declare in your own soul that you haven't anything for people to steal. Unload all of your things. You know, things are a great burden anyway, and especially if you carry them in your head and your heart. Many a woman has a big picture hat hung in her heart. Don't make a treasure chest out of your mind or a wardrobe of your soul. Make the affirmation that you haven't anything and let this include all of kinsonia. It will lift you on the wings of the wind and put you into your own kingdom.

\*\*\* "She says it seems such an effort for her to hold on to life."

So writes a daughter about her mother. The effort to hold on to life is the surest way to lose it. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." This statement of Jesus is scientific. Just as soon as I can get people to let go they begin to get well. When you quit holding on to life you will find life holding on to you. You are an individual and life is the universal. It is too big for you to hold, but it can hold you all right.

\*\*\* "Some of my friends say that it is only my faith in you that does me any good and that I could do just as well myself if I only thought I could; but I know I cannot, for I have tried it."

Your friends are very foolish, for this is my business and I have given my time and mind to this work for nearly twenty years. It is as sensible for you to come to me for mental treatments as it would be to go to a teacher to learn music or mathematics or anything else that you do not know and want to learn. You go to a lawyer when you want to know about law and to a doctor when you want to know about drugs, and to a mental healer when you want to know about mentality.

\*\*\* "I have had my horoscope cast, and I was told that the spring months of each year would be trying to my health, and also that the next two months would be poor ones for me financially, as evil planets were now against me. Now, can you do anything against this?"

You bet I can do things against this and all such rot. Mind controls matter and I am telling those planets to get out of your way. I AM just telling them to curl up and go on about their own business. There is no trouble about spanking a planet if you know how to do it. Say, if you stay in the Circle of Christians long enough you will get out of that horoscope foolishness. Of course, as long as you believe this stuff your belief will affect your mind. Your own thought will help to fulfill the direful predictions. They have made a forecast for you and you are following it. It is beneath the mind of a Christian and I advise you to stick that horoscope into the fire. We are

not in the psychic atmosphere to be ruled by it, but to rule it. Jesus is our teacher and he commanded everything in his environment. The winds and the waves and all of the elements had to obey his mind. He didn't care anything about planets or their influences.

\*\*\* "When I was in Helen Wilmans' class she told me that I lacked concentration. I now believe her. Will you treat me for that deficiency?"

It has been a long time since I was in Helen Wilmans' class, and that time is behind the times. Helen told you that you lacked concentration, just like the drug doctor looks at your tongue and feels of your pulse. She had to say something and that big word concentration came in handy. You don't lack anything and there is no deficiency in you. The sooner you say so and act accordingly, the better for you. What can you concentrate, anyway? There is no good in concentrating the mortal mind, and the mind of the Spirit does not need any concentrating. God is never in a hurry, and God never concentrates. The wisdom of God comes up spontaneously and you cannot coerce or concentrate the mind of the Free Spirit.

\*\*\* "Now, can she by thought hurt me or mine? I have paid this medium hundreds of dollars for sittings and through her advice I have lost hundreds."

Yes, she can hurt you and yours if you don't brace your mental backbone and stand in your own individuality. The less you have to do with moon mediums the better for you. I hope you people will take notice that people pay hundreds and hundreds of dollars to these moon mediums, and yet, when they send me one dollar for straight mentality they sometimes say I am out for the money. I can coin money by using my clairvoyant powers and answering foolish questions. I prefer the light of the sun. I knew Johnson would win, but I never gamble on God consciousness.

\*\*\* "Oh! for a man that can pass the mirror and lose himself in his work and not be blinded by the shadows. I have swallowed the universe. Did you hear the gulp, you sinners?"

Yes, we heard the gulp and we are glad that the universe didn't choke you. You knew the size of your own throat. You are also one of us, and, therefore, you knew that the whole universe was in you, else you could not be in the universe. You are it, all right, and by the way let me tell the other sinners and fellow goats that the writer of the above is the father of Toodles, and you must also know that Toodles is the first and only child of the couple. I don't blame him for swallowing the universe. He will digest it. It will do him good. Dad is the biggest word in his vocabulary at the present time.

\*\*\* "Christian is fine. You are right. We Christians must keep out of the noise and confusion of mortal mind, and I am usually able to do so. Help me to go on my way in power, and in peace and charity with all things and people. And yet I would be forever untamed and unafraid."

This is the sentiment of all who are really seeking the truth. The whole mortal world is a land of dead things. If we would

enter into life we must hear the voice of science and get out of the noise.

\*\*\* "I am especially struck; yes, that's the word, struck with your paragraph about us taking ourselves by the throat with one hand and pounding our life out with the other. I have quit it. And that other paragraph about us rescuing our Man and taking him down from the cross. Many of us are, and have been thinking, but not daring to say these things as you say them for us. I am so thankful that I have sense enough to be a Christian."

It does take sense to be a Christian, for Christianity is scientific and science means sense. The only way that we can get out of the woods and come into the truth is to separate ourselves from mortality. This is not a physical but a mental act. It is your resurrection from the dead. Nothing has ever so thrilled the readers of Christian as that off-hand statement about taking our Man down from the cross. He is our friend. The institution has never been his friend. He belongs to us. He is one of us. He didn't stay on that cross but a few hours, and yet religion has had him nailed to that tree for two thousand years. It is time we took him down. He is on the throne of being and the symbol of the cross is an insult. It has kept all of us in the vibrations of death. It is time we entered into the resurrection. I shall have more to say on this subject, for it is the deepest truth we have yet found in mentality.

\*\*\* "Truly, now would you still say you saw God in everybody if a man with a battered, bloody face, drunk with whiskey, was brought into his home at two-thirty a. m.? I became so enraged with tugging and pulling that I grabbed a chair to knock his head off, but it missed the mark and fell to pieces near him on the floor. Was God there?"

God was surely there in the form of the devil. When this wife took up a chair to brain her drunken husband it was Satan trying to cast out Satan. There is a better way, but until you learn the better way the devil will keep pounding you in the wrong way. There is no doubt about God being everywhere, and you will never get away from God. You had better agree with your adversary while you are in the way with him lest he deliver you to judgment.

\*\*\* "Your preaching, your determination to preach, suits me. The world is wide open for the preaching of Scientific Christianity. Such audiences could be gathered as were never seen upon earth before. I am so sure of my ground and the Spirit is dictating that I will financially back the movement. If after due deliberation you think you can accept, let me hear from you."

This is not the first financial backing that has been offered to me, and it is very tempting from a satanic standpoint. I have always believed that I would go back on the platform and preach the gospel, as an independent preacher, without any connection with the institution. The last sermon I preached was about eighteen years ago in a theater, and I said then I would never go back to the platform until I was in my own person the very thing that I preached. I have had many temptations, but never broke my word. I will go when the Spirit takes the glasses off my nose and in a

word changes the whole body from the tips of the fingers to the tips of the toes. I have no doubt in my mind but that the Spirit can do all of this and much more. I go forward all the time and am much in advance of what I was even last year. Spirit will also have to confirm the Word with signs following, for I must be an apostle and prophet in reality. We have had too much of mortal mind preaching, too much chewing the rag of what has been in the past. If there is anything in the past that is real, then let it manifest itself now. And as for financial backing, Spirit has always taken care to provide for its own. Jesus said the servant was worthy of his hire and was sure to get it. The man who can do the work will not need any financial backing, for the whole world would smother him in gold. I started Christian with not enough money to pay the cent-a-pound for the first issue, and it only weighed one hundred and fifty pounds. I stepped out into the streets and asked the first man I met for a dollar and a half, and he handed me two dollars. Christian has been self-supporting from that day until this without being subsidized by the postoffice department. God doesn't need any backing. Money is a very small matter. I am only waiting for wisdom and spiritual intelligence enough to put off the old man and put on the new. I will get it. I have already got it, but I need patience for its manifestation. I will keep on cultivating repose and building up poise. All the same I thank all of you men and women who want to back me in preaching the gospel.

\*\*\* "Your treatments never seem to reach me, and now I am a total wreck; and, yet, I have had such a strong desire, a yearning to manifest life in the flesh. I guess I might as well give it up and pass out when the time comes."

You say you have been with me ten or twelve years, and if you had made the last resolution at the beginning, you would now be in command of yourself. You have made up your mind that you will give up striving, and pass out when the time comes. I taught you the same thing in my first book, published many years ago. I was in the same condition, of what is called consumption, and my father, mother and sisters had all died of this disease. Twenty years ago surgeons of Uncle Sam passed the death verdict on me, and gave me a pension for disease of the heart, spine and lungs. I still draw the pension, and expect to keep on drawing it for the next forty years or more, if I don't change my mind. I am keeping that pension as a kind of relic of dead things. Did I have a strong desire and yearning to manifest life in the flesh? Not a bit of it! I didn't care a damn whether school kept or not. I told the consumption to go on consuming, and the spine to go on spining, and the heart to go on fluttering. When I let go of life there was a reaction, and life took hold of me. I AM trying to get you people to see that Jesus Christ is scientific when he tells you to let go of everything in order that everything may take hold of you. Your very striving and yearning has worn your nerves to a frazzle and brought on dissolution. Disease is an effort of the mortal mind, the

moon mind, to act for God. It hasn't sense enough to act for anything. Mortal mind is filled full of vanity. It swells up with pride when a woman looks into the mirror at her dimples, and sinks in terror when the dimples turn to wrinkles. She is just about as big a fool over her dimples as she is over her wrinkles. Mortal mind in a man is such a fool that he burns the candle at both ends, and then he is surprised at the wreck. He doesn't know how in the world it comes that he is full of disease. Oh, you will never be anything more than what you are until you are more intelligent. There is a great calm within your own mind, where storms never come and all is peace and harmony. You will have to get in out of the noise. The whole mortal mind and body is a delusion and a deception.

\*\*\* "How can you obtain in the silence sufficient information and minute directions for us to follow and obtain these things? This lady is not at all well off, and asks if you will consent to give her these necessary directions, and, if she succeeds, she will send you your fee, and, if she doesn't, she need not disburse. If you feel confident you can and will restore those belongings to her, I see no reason why you should not accept her terms. As she is Greek, and knows nothing but that language, it is I that undertook the correspondence for her. I enclose a little earth taken from the neighborhood of this church, which will assist you."

The writer is an American, writing from Athens, after being in the Circle of Christians for about a month. It concerns the theft of silver plate and money many years ago. Both thieves are dead, but one confessed, and said the things were buried near a certain church. The idea in the mind of the writer is that I am a kind of a fortune teller, and can take this dirt, all the way from Athens, and go into the silence and tell all about this stolen silver. Now, the Spirit does not care anything about the dirt or the silver, and you will not hear such things in the Silence. You are very much mistaken about the silence if you think it is the place where the fortune tellers go to hunt fortunes. If these material things could creep into the silence it would no longer be the silence, but a very noisy place. You would hear the jingle of money and the rattle of all kinds of things, but you never hear anything of the kind. It is the place of stillness, where the money changers never come, and even those who sell doves have long since been driven out of this place. When I said I was a prophet, some few people got the same idea about my work. Jesus was a prophet, and you never heard of him telling anybody's fortune or hunting for hidden treasures. I rejoice that the silence is one place where the noise of mortality never enters. Don't ask me to go into that place to hunt for your things. If any one steals your things, maybe it is because they need the things more than you do. No one on earth owns anything, anyway. The thought of personal property is unscientific. "Sell all that thou hast and give to the poor and follow Me." This commandment must be obeyed mentally before you can enter into the Silence of the free Spirit. And you must go further than these material things, for the only way you can find your life is to lose it.

## SATANIC SCIENCE

### THE FREEDOM.

"And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
Because he hath anointed me  
To preach the gospel to the poor;  
He hath sent me  
To heal the broken hearted,  
To preach deliverance to the captives,  
And recovering of sight to the blind,  
To set at liberty them that are bruised,  
To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them: This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?"—*Luke*.

"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."—*John*.

"Jerusalem, which is above, is free."—*Galatians*.

"Stand fast, therefore, in the liberty where with Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage."—*Galatians*.

"Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech: and not as Moses, which put a veil over his face, that the children of Israel could not steadfastly look to the end of that which is abolished: but their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same veil untaken away in the reading of the Old Testament; which veil is done away in Christ. But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the veil is upon their hearts. Nevertheless, when it shall turn to the Lord, the veil shall be taken away.

Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."—*II. Corinthians*.

Freedom!

The sun men seek freedom. Liberty is more than life to the men who are born in the vibrations of the sun. The earth men seem to like slavery. They are contented in bondage. The earth men make good soldiers, good servants. They are ready to obey orders. They do not seem to flourish in freedom, for they lack individuality. But just as soon as a man is born of the Spirit he seeks liberty. The men of vision ask for a wide horizon. They are miserable in a cramped condition.

We know all about the bondage. How much do we know about freedom? About all we know about freedom is the spirit of freedom vibrating in us. There is very little chance for the exercise of freedom except in our dreams. In our dreams we are free

from all kinds of limitations. The spirit of man soars away in the freedom of space. When we come to obstacles in our way we rise above them by electrical vibrations. There is no trouble about crossing mountains and even oceans in our dreams.

Bondage then seems to be of the body, for the mind is free. At least the mind of the sun man is free. They are rid of fears and forebodings and other mental limitations. Body holds us in bondage. We are constantly devoured by living creatures. The change of names does not help the matter. If you call the devils of the New Testament macrophages, the new name will not change their voracious appetites. They infest the whole body. The bowels, the stomach, the liver, the lungs, and even the brain is being eaten by these devils of disease. We eat and are being eaten all the time. There is no rest for us in this body of flesh.

Let us take a look at mortality. Do you think that a perfect God created the people that you see on the streets? Stand on a busy street corner for fifteen minutes and think while you look. The people who are passing you are your own. They belong to you. It is your mortal mankind and woman-kind. It will take you more than fifteen minutes to pick out a good looking woman or a handsome man. But you can see the lopsided and deformed every minute. There are the long ones and the short ones, the fat ones and the lean ones, the halt, the blind, all kinds and conditions of humanity. Who made the outfit? If you could look into their minds you would see just as much variety and deformity. There goes a burglar, and behind him is a murderer. These minds passing you are filled full of all kinds of so-called evil. Can you blame them? I really think that mortality is doing a good work under the circumstances. I wonder that more than half of them are not lunatics. That one-half of us are partially sane is a credit mark in our favor.

Just think of opening your eyes in such a world! You come into it by the will of some other person. Your environment is not of your own choosing. Your body may be filled with all kinds of diseases, and your mind with a devilish disposition right at the start. You are here, but you do not know from whence you came, or whither you are going. You not only do not know whither you are going, but you do not know when you are going. You may leave any minute. You may drag out a miserable life of many years. You never know anything about it. You may be resting in peace and happiness to-day and to-morrow plunged in misery. The whole thing is a humbug. Mortality is a fraud. It is a cheat. It is an imposition. Be honest with yourself. I am not speaking in a pessimistic frame of mind. I don't care anything about it. I tell this story as it is written in the book of nature and unfolded in the Bible. You know and I know that mortality is hell.

In view of these conditions men come forward and talk about morality. I would like to know where you can find anybody in this universe who has authority to erect a standard of morals for men who are on their

way to dust and ashes. You hang a man for killing another man, and yet God goes right on killing us by all kinds of deaths every minute. Did I say God? I meant to say Satan, but you know that the devil works under orders from God. It is said that death passed upon all men because all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. There is no doubt about us being sinners. And we are undoubtedly short of the glory of God. There isn't very much glory in us. We talk about innocent children. Men lift up their hands in holy horror and speak of innocent infants being damned. How do you know there are any innocent infants? What do you know about it anyway? The infant in your arms may be a great sinner. He may have arrived here for punishment. This planet may be the penitentiary of our solar system. There is sin in all of us. It is the one thing that we are certain to see. Just as soon as the innocent infant begins to open his eyes and look around he shows symptoms of sin. One of the prophets said that we are all born in sin. There is no doubt about it.

How do I explain it?

The explanation is in satanic science. When you gather up all the data and put it into a system, you have a science of sin. This mortal life is satanic. It is not a divine life. It is a life of sin. What is sin? It is missing the mark. The origin of sin is ignorance. There is no cure for ignorance except intelligence. Knowledge is power. The right kind of knowledge is purity. Jesus said that he had cleansed his disciples by the Word spoken. He spoke words into their minds. This is what we call enlightenment. It is another name for the healing of sin. Darkness is in the room when we turn on the light. Darkness has no real existence. It is the absence of light. Light is a positive power. It is existence. It is being. Then this whole matter is explained by generation and regeneration. There is a satanic existence in ignorance. It is part of the process of unfoldment. It is absolutely essential to intelligence. You must be born in order to be an individual. You must be born on the lowest plane of being. This means mortality. You can't get any lower down than you are now.

Jesus Christ is your only hope. You have heard that before. This has been spoken in your ears for two thousand years. Yes, but you got it in the wrong way. You are going to have the prophet Jesus shed his blood for the salvation of your soul. This prophet said that he would go away. He is gone. He will never return. He told us in plain words that it was absolutely essential for him to go away, else the Spirit would not come. He said Spirit would come and guide us into all truth. Now, there is just where your freedom is found. It is to be found in the Spirit. Turn back and read that quotation facing this chapter. "Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." Suppose we translate: Now Yahveh is that Spirit: and where the spirit of Yahveh is, there is liberty. Yahveh is free. Where can you find Yahveh? In yourself.

I have been talking about Yahveh from Genesis all the way through the unfoldment

of Adam. You remember that Adam was to be made into the image and likeness of Yahveh? This means all of Adam. How much of Adam is there in the universe? I don't know about other planets. But all of Adam on this planet is all of us. It means the whole race of Adam. Jesus Christ is one of us. He is one of us by virtue of being the head of us. He is unfolded from Adam into Yahveh. He is the Spirit. He returns to his disciples as the Spirit. He has been here ever since as the Spirit. As the old Adam is the mortal man, so the new Adam is the spiritual man. Adam, of the red clay, became the father of mortals. The New Adam, risen from the dead, is the father of the immortals. In other words, regeneration comes through Christ as generation came through Adam. "As we have borne the image of the earthly, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly." And all of this is one man unfolding into the image and likeness of Yahveh.

Look into yourself.

The old Adam is in all of us. This we are ready to acknowledge. The new Adam is in all of us. Why do you deny it? Why do you look backwards to the prophet Jesus for salvation? The kingdom of God is within you. The king is never absent from his kingdom. Then the king of the kingdom of God must be in you. The king must be in you if the kingdom is in you. It is all a mental unfoldment. You have been looking for a resurrection from the grave. It is a mental resurrection. Generation is by the serpent. Regeneration is by the Christ. It is the Christ in you. Your own spirit. Your own divinity. There can be no other kind of a resurrection. Just what Yahveh did in Adam must be done in you. You see the new Adam in the person of Jesus Christ. Then you see yourself.

Where are your limitations? Your eyes grow dim and your ears are dull of hearing. Your body is heavy and sluggish. You move by lifting one foot before the other. What a clumsy thing you are! How slowly you move over the earth! You feel this limitation at every step. The sun men are trying to overcome it by mechanical inventions. They fixed up a boat that would sail with the winds. This was too slow. They invented the steam engine. They made the steamship. They are all the time improving this ship. They put down rails and made a house that would carry them over the earth at the rate of a mile a minute. The sun men have invented the automobile. They are working on the airship. This is not swift enough for us. What do we want?

We want the dynamic body.

This we will get through the new mind. When we are ready for the new body it will be made in the likeness of the glorious body of a son of God. Jesus, the prophet, gave us hints. He did not give us the full revelation. He called food out of the atmosphere. We are just getting up to that point. He walked on the water and ascended into the air. Just now we are talking about it. Jesus cast out the unclean thoughts. We are beginning to try the same experiment. He made a man every whit whole by speaking words. He unstopped deaf ears by casting

out the spirit of deafness. He regulated the speech of the dumb and opened the eyes of the blind. For many centuries we have been looking at all of this as the work of God. It was supernatural. This mental movement is bringing us into the place where we see that it is perfectly natural.

The unnatural part is the blindness and deafness and dumbness. Disease is satanic. It is unnatural. It is a discord. It is inharmony. You know in your own soul that old age, disease and death are satanic. You know they don't belong to you in your natural right. The most beautiful thing on earth is the body of a perfect woman. All art has glorified the form of woman. The painter and the sculptor have reached their highest achievements in trying to reproduce the form of a perfect woman. The armless Venus of Milo still calls for our highest admiration. It comes so near being the body of a perfect woman in marble. It is natural for woman to be perfect. Every man should be an Adonis and every woman a Venus. It is the imperfect that is unnatural.

Your eyes should be electric lights. Your body should be an electric battery. When the eyes grow dim and the ears dull, when the limbs are weak and wrinkles form in the face, you are getting into an unnatural condition. Ask your own soul if you are not looking for perfection. We are ready to fall down and almost worship a beautiful body whether of a man or a woman. Jesus Christ gave us the word of truth on this subject. Here comes a man blind crying out for light. Jesus hears the cry and sets the man right. How does he set him right? He does not say anything to him about morals. There is no lecture on sin. The man is not calling him for moral perfection. He is blind! He is asking for sight. He wants the eyes that can see. Jesus sets him right by opening his eyes. He is casting out Satan. He is doing away with this work of judgment. There is light shining from the eyes of the man who is blind. Electric vibrations are in the bones and marrow and nerves of the paralytic. This is freedom. Freedom to see. Freedom to hear. Freedom to be. You are asking for dynamic bodies. You are asking for the vibrations of a spirit that will regulate the microphags and the macrophags. You want a current of life to run through you powerful enough to cast out devils. What you want Jesus furnished. What you are seeking Jesus found. He found it by mental unfoldment. He came up from the earth into the light of the sun. He came the very way you are coming. There is no other way.

God is no respecter of persons. He couldn't be and be God. In bringing many sons unto glory he made the captain of their salvation perfect through suffering. It was the way to perfection. He is making you in the same way. Every man is to be a Christ. You know where you began, for every one of us is acquainted with the old Adam. Now, if you want to know where you are to finish your unfoldment, look at Jesus Christ. What was shown in him is

to be made permanent in you. I said that the prophet Jesus would not return. This is true. The coming one is the Christ. He does not look anything like the meek and lowly Jesus. Take a glance at him from the vision of John and you will see that he is a dynamic body. His eyes are as a flame of fire. The same kind of eyes that you are to have when you come into your own. His face shines as the sun. The same way your face is to shine when you see the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Freedom, my brothers, freedom! No plodding along on the earth pulling one foot before the other. You rise from the earth and move through the air. You have no need of an airship. Your own body is the airship. Your eyes are as a flame of fire. This means that you carry your own light and your own motor in you. You are not dependent upon any outside or objective power. You go where you please by your own mind in motion. You have a dynamic body. This means that you are above the influences of the earth. You call your food out of the atmosphere. You are lord of the earth and its environment. Your ears can hear at any distance. Your eyes can see through what is called solid matter. Satanic Science is proving the truthfulness of the words: "Your eyes shall be opened and ye shall be as gods knowing good and evil." Your real eyes are open so that you see in two worlds, the objective and the subjective. Why, man, all of this you can read in the newspapers and the magazines. This mental movement is showing us the naked truth. It is a regeneration of the body by the resurrection of the mind.

A century ago a man was middle aged at 35 and an old man at 50, while as for a woman she was on the shelf, either as an old maid or as a matron, at 26. But nowadays we are in the period of perpetual youth, when men are boys at 50 and women in their prime are grandmothers, says the London Globe. The obituary columns show at what advanced ages we die, for within the last week the deaths of two women over 100 years of age have been recorded, while three persons only just failed to reach the century by a year or two, and a comparatively small number of the other deaths were of persons under 70 years of age. It is not so very many years ago that some men of science argued that no one had ever reached the age of 100, and that the stories of Old Parr were all rubbish. Nowadays no one thinks of questioning the age of centenarians, for the registers attest it only too clearly, and it is no longer necessary to write a book to prove that mankind can live to 100, even without the aid of the Bulgarian bacillus. The reason for the increasing number of centenarians is to be found in the great advance of hygiene and sanitation, and perhaps even more to the fact that we do not eat and drink ourselves into our graves. Moderation in eating and drinking is with the vast majority the feature of modern life. The vast eaters and drinkers of 70 or 80 years ago were old men at 50 and seldom lived beyond 60.



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