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REGENERATION OF THE BODY BY THE RESURRECTION OF THE MIND.

PROPHECY

"Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation."—2 Peter 1: 20.

This means that no prophet is wise enough to interpret his own message.

Here is my famous prophecy before the U. S. Court in Denver, on seventh of May, 1901. I did not even remember my words, but had to go to the *News* and get the stenographer's report. Here it is:

"I have possessed the gift of prophecy from birth, have given numerous well authenticated demonstrations of the power, and here before the most exalted court of the state will make a prediction which I call upon all to remember. Theodore Roosevelt will be the president of the United States in succession to William McKinley. He will serve two terms and be followed by a Republican. The Democrats have elected their last president. At the end of twenty years a party known as the Union Labor Party will absorb the remnants of the Democracy and its allies and labor will elect a president."—*Denver News, May 8, 1901.*

I won my case before the court!

I did not even see the assassination of McKinley which made vice-president Roosevelt president. I only saw Roosevelt looming large and the breaking up of one of the old parties. I thought it was the Democratic but it seems to have been the Republican. Taft may be the last Republican president; and the Progressive Party may be the Union Labor Party that will succeed in 1920. But no prophecy is of private interpretation. I don't know what it means but for twelve years it has hit the mark. Roosevelt elected Wilson. The combined vote of Taft and Roosevelt was more than one million more than Wilson's vote.

Here is another psychic prophecy that went wrong:

"THIS IS PROPHECY—Roosevelt will be the next president. I say it calmly, coldly, the morning after. I have inside information—information from the spirit within—that Armageddon will be pulled off November 5 and that the people are getting ready to speak with the voice of God for T. R. and Hiram Johnson of California."—*September Nautilus.*

Oh! Betsy! I had a hole to crawl out of, but you pulled the whole hole in after you!

FINANCIAL FELLOWSHIP

"Behold, the man is become as one of US."—I AM God.

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."—*Jesus Christ.*

I AM!

We have found the kingdom of God.

Now let US add "all these things" in a scientific way.

In money matters Christian Science is absolutely scientific.

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I. CHRISTIAN is one dollar a year, payable in advance. No matter how much money you pay for treatments you must send this one dollar to get on the subscription list. When your time is out you will be marked off the list. Single copies ten cents or one dollar a dozen.

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I AM,

T. J. SHELTON,
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ITEMS AND IDEAS.

*** Adjustment!

*** Keyword for the year.

*** It fits the lock all right.

*** Mental adaptation to the environment.

*** We have to adjust ourselves to circumstances.

*** This must take place in all progressive movement.

*** If you do not advance there is no need of adjustment.

*** Africans, in their native land, do not advance a single step.

*** They remain the same, generation after generation, with no more change than so many monkeys.

*** This is true of all institutional religions, and all stationary mentality, whether savage or civilized. Such thought is mechanical movement.

*** Christianity is not a religion, and it is not an animal instinct. It is an inspiration of the Spirit, and this means the perpetual illumination of an unfolding intellect.

*** Get away from all mechanical movement else you will go around and around in the same old rut. Spirit is alive and life is progressive. It is never the same movement for a single minute.

*** Adaptation has been the order of Spirit all along the route from the early Christians to the present metaphysical movement. Jesus Christ did not reveal a new book nor explain an old one.

*** He came into the world to save sinners, and sinners are people who are in the darkness of ignorance. To save a sinner you must give him sense. And sense means science. Turn on the light and you have lost darkness.

*** It used to be called truth, but Spirit has changed the name. You must adjust your thought to a new name, and that name is science. And science means truth made practical. It is no longer religion or even philosophy. It is practical science.

*** And you must adapt your actions to this new thought of practicing God. There you go! Shocked because I said practicing God. Well, shock or no shock, that is what you have got to do—practice God, for the real God is not a theory or an idol of the imagination.

*** Here comes a man who is practicing medicine, another who is practicing law, and still another, who is a preacher, practicing religion. They are called "the learned professions," and the practitioners charge prices for their services. This is the old thought, and we are not yet adjusted to the new thought of practicing God, and thus becoming your own healer, lawyer and priest.

*** But you have got to come to it—if you advance. And the strange thing about it is that when a man is all of the learned professions within himself, he eliminates medicine, law and religion. God is not sick and therefore does not need medicine. He is not under law, and has no use for religion. I practice God and live and move and have my being in the truth of being.

*** It is science, and this means modern methods of thinking and acting. It is a movement, for all mentality is movement. Any thought that does not move and keep right on moving is a mummy. It is only the corpse left behind after the thinker has gone on his way. For centuries we have been looking at moving pictures of the thoughts of the dead men. How can you raise the dead by looking at the pictures of past performances?

*** In one of these moving pictures it is said that the letter killeth, but that the Spirit giveth life. This is true, as a word picture, but the practice of it means the actual quickening of the Spirit in your own life. It is a mental movement in your own mind, not a mental picture thrown from the films taken two thousand years ago. It is my thought right now, this minute, and repeated with a new movement the next minute. An eternal creating of new conditions by new thought. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. Not the same as an embalmed mummy, but the same as a Living Christ, forever healing and saving by a perpetual revelation of regeneration and the new life. It is a new movement that is always and forever alive. Adapt your thought to this movement and get away from damnation and death, for disease and death mean sterility.

*** Jesus Christ, who is Jehovah God, the I AM that I AM, does not create like men build houses, monuments, railroads, and other things that are formed out of things. He does not "save" the world like you make pickles, preserves, or cure hams. God did not make man out of mud and set him up against a fence to dry. The new life of Spirit must be renewed by new thought all the time like the heart beats to pump blood for every breath we take. You know this, and therefore there never will be a minute when you are not being "saved" by the only Savior—your own thought. This is being adjusted to new conditions all the time and everywhere. It is an everlasting movement, for we live and move with the music of the spheres, when we are in the Spirit of Science.

*** We don't want to reach a point where the atoms in us are sterile. What! Get to the place where every atom in you is old and dead without the power of regeneration! Never can carry a dead body around with you if new thought is forever flowing in your mind. Spirit quickens, sets in motion, and Spirit is the life of thought. Life is activity. God is eternal action, and even spiritual repose is activity, for the one is an eternal begetting and the other an eternal birth. All is alive. Look at us! There was once a movement of boats by galley slaves, and the vibration of thought remained in the movement of the oar-strokes. Then came sails, and the mental vibration kept pace with uncertain winds that shifted to different points of the compass. What a slow old world it was! And yet men did not want it changed!

*** Then came steam and the more certain movement by land and water. We had hardly adapted our thought to steamships and steamcars before electricity began to change the vibration. Get your ear to the

telephone! Ah, the man you wanted to see is sitting right at your desk, his ear is at your elbow, no matter if the physical man is a thousand miles away. The telephone has quickened our thoughts by bringing us in touch with each other. Get out of the way of the automobile! Adapt your thought to the movement of modern science or quit thinking. It is the automobile, the telephone, the moving picture that we are dealing with now, and to adapt yourself to this movement and adjust your thoughts to this vibration is to be alive and ready for the next movement. Is there a next? Can't you give us time to catch up?

*** No! Get a move on you, for the next movement is to get away from time itself. The old humbug is going to the hellbox. There is no time! We are in eternity. Didn't know we had got there, did you? WE HAVE ARRIVED! But keep your serenity, for eternity does not mean nirvana or annihilation. It is activity, and we are going faster after we arrive than when we were on the road. Get into the Silence and see how rapidly everything is moving around you while you are in repose. The airship will replace the automobile and telepathy will take the place of telegraphy. It is now an accomplished fact in thought. And, let me tell you, the aeroplane is too clumsy and slow for telepathy. We will have levitation and gravitation under control in our bodies by thought power, and then there will be natural movement.

*** This other so-called progress has been mechanical movement. The new apostles of thought, like Bergson, are calling us away from mechanism. They will not admit the old idea of an architect of the universe. The universe is a living being, and not an artificial mechanism. Goodness! we even made the Church of the Living God a mechanical contraption for the saving of sinners like you pen pigs or coop chickens! No wonder we lost inspiration and the power to heal! God had as well try to inspire a wooden Indian sign in front of a cigar store, or breathe the breath of life into a milliner's manikin. Get away from the mechanical conception of the universe! We have not only made God like mortal man, but we have formed a picture of the universe to conform to our artificial creations. It is an unnatural mentality. Get out of it!

*** There are manikins and models of the human form used in the study of anatomy, but no student of anatomy ever gets so crazy that he thinks these manikins are real human beings. But in the thought of religion we have set up a jumping Jesus and his apostles and prophets in a moving picture show, which we call on people to accept as the real thing. Now these mental manikins are no more real and have no more power or authority than the ones manufactured for the students of medicine. The preacher or priest has been in the habit of pulling the strings of these jumpingjacks while we bowed our heads and bent our knees in profound reverence. Modern science is running automobiles over the whole show, and we are getting away from mechanism into the reality of being.

*** The real Christ did not and does not teach any mechanical theory of the universe. He said, and still says and is now saying: "I AM God and so are you. God the Father is Eternal Life forever flowing in the universe, and you are an individual expression of that life. God has no more arbitrary authority over your movements than the air has over the bird, or the sea over the fish. As a spirit you live and move in Spirit. You are as eternal as the substance in which you live and move, for you are that substance. "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." We are one and the same in being, for there is no other being to be. The universe is alive. It is a living being. It is not a mechanism made out of moonshine by a two-legged God who sits on a throne. Then who are you? Certainly you are not a manikin, but a living being. You cannot call your physical body a mechanism, for it grew, and still grows. It was a fluid, and it is still a fluid. It flows. Fluidity characterizes every movement and condition of the human organism.

*** This is a flowing universe, and it forever flows by the motion of mentality. Then the mechanical movement of the orestroke, the flapping of the sails, the rattle of machinery, the snorting of steam, is too slow for Spirit. Look at us! We can't travel fast enough to suit us, and yet we have been going some since Christ quickened our thought by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, some two thousand years ago. It is not fast enough. It is not natural. It is mechanical. Jesus did not wait for an aeroplane and gasoline to ascend into the air. What he did we are to do. What he is we are. The only way to naturalize the movement and fit our thought, for it seems to be by machinery first, and so we have mechanical movement by inventions like the automobile and aeroplane. But nature is not a mechanism, and we will yet learn our own natures. The natural movement is by the power of mind over matter. Mind levitates as naturally as it gravitates, for mind is the law of being. There is no other law, for God is thought.

*** The fundamental principles of real Christianity are found in Christian Science and modern New Thought. In the teaching of truth we tell you that disease can be cured or healed because it is not real. If these abnormal conditions were in the reality of being, they would be incurable, for you can't change being. This is what Christian Science means by saying that matter is unreal. It is fluid and can be made to flow according to the will of mind. Jesus Christ is about the only natural man in human history. Our history is the history of the abnormal. It is the history of mechanics. Armies of men armed with weapons of warfare manufactured by men for the destruction of other men. The thought is insane. The action abnormal. The whole thing is a horrible nightmare of satanic mentality. Jesus Christ comes as a normal man in full possession of all of his mental faculties. Therefore he is lord of body and mind, reigning as a sovereign spirit of nature.

*** And now do you wonder at me steering clear of all attempts to organize New Thought? That is the rock on which Chris-

tian Science split, and so retarded its movement as mentality. Organization is an iceberg for the utter destruction of the Titanic, and you must keep your mental freedom in the fluidity of genuine new thought. This is why I have kept right on as a mental healer, knowing that there is absolutely nothing else in this movement. All of you who are in vibration with my thought are coming into realization of mental healing. It is not as if I were healing you, in a mechanical way, but that we are all coming into the healing vibration. We are healing each other. The mental fellowship means all for all. There is a universal Spirit, and we are coming into this consciousness. When one of us is healed all of us feel the vibrations and enter into the joy of living.

*** I'm not criticising the people who believe in organization. I simply tell you my position. I am seeking for the thing itself, and I want my own organism, and not an institution outside of myself. There are five senses of the Spirit, or rather three, seeing, hearing and smelling, and these three are one. The Spirit hearing with the mind, and sensation, which is called taste, touch, smelling, feeling. But all of these senses are to see, hear and smell, which is another name for taste. It is all consciousness of self, individualization of your intelligence. The resurrection is an awakening and quickening of your senses. It is very human and very natural. Jesus taught us this science of the senses. Your healing means mental control of all the senses. This is the kind of organism I am seeking for myself and you. Individual intelligence to command my own sense of being. Fluidity of mentality.

*** Where are the senses located? We have been in the habit of locating seeing in the eye, hearing in the ear, smelling in the nose, taste in the tongue, and feeling in the nerves. In other words, we locate the senses in the body, the flesh, the corporeal man. You will have to adjust yourself to a new thought. All sensation is in the Spirit. How far can your ears hear? Well, we now hear from Denver to New York by telephone, and by telepathy there is absolutely no space or distance. Animals sense things by smell for many miles, and we are just now coming into scientific demonstration of the omnipresence of the senses. There is no limit to the Spirit, and all the senses are functions of the Spirit. It is God in you, for in the Spirit you live, move, see, hear and have your being.

*** "There is absolutely no reason why a man should ever die," is Edison's view of human beings, and yet he declares there is no such thing as immortality. The reason is plain, for he locates man in the physical body, and while he can see no reason for the dissolution of the body, he cannot see how a man can survive the dissolution when it does come. A man is in the physical body as a spirit, but the body is not the man. The body is not even the senses of the man, for he can see, hear and have consciousness of all his senses while absent from the body. Therefore man should rebuild, renew, regenerate the body by the power of thought. "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death."

Man is immortal in his mentality, and he is going to regulate and control his physical environment. The last enemy is being destroyed by the telephone, the moving picture, and everything that expands our mental vision and hearing.

*** This whole movement of mechanism for the elimination of time and space has prepared the way for telepathy. Oratory is almost obsolete, and speech-making a lost art. The printing press prepares thoughts in better shape than by the word of mouth. We slang it out of existence by calling the mouth method "hot air." Telepathy is going to stop the spreading of printers' ink, and we will think our thoughts to each other. For twenty years or more I have conducted a worldwide correspondence by telepathy. Even ten years ago my correspondents wanted to write long letters to tell me things on paper. It is now an unusual thing for us to get a letter of more than a few words. We have learned a new and better method. And as I speak in the Silence the response comes in the same way. Our people do not have to use words on paper. They are getting away from bondage, and transmit their thoughts by thinking to this center of mental fellowship. The whole human family will come into telepathy, and thought will be omnipresent without the aid of wires or words.

*** How far can the ear hear? Nobody knows. If a wire can carry the thought—aye, the very voice of the thinker—for thousands of miles, and the wireless waves can send thought through storms over the ocean, there is certainly no limit to our thought. I know that healing vibrations can cross the ocean and heal the sick. I know that thought transference brings us into omnipresence and makes us one with the universal consciousness. It is my daily work to practice God in healing the sick and quickening the thought of the downhearted. It is not my business merely, but my joy and life in the unfolding mentality of humanity. God is in US to will and to do, and we are now actually in the regeneration and mental resurrection. Say, we are going at a rapid rate of vibration, and you must get aboard the lightning express for Kingdom Come. All aboard for the aerial age! Get out of the water into the air.

*** In view of this modern mental movement what nonsense is all of this talk of eugenics, race suicide, divorce, etc., etc. We are in a resurrection from the dead and absolute deliverance from the dominion of mortal mind. Death, death, get this thought, DEATH is to be destroyed. There are no births where there are no deaths. Death is the reverse side of birth. We are going out of mortality into the glorious vibrations of mentality. The mind will renew the body by the very ecstasy of existence. This life is a slow death and often a death by torture. The real life is the perpetual joy of living. It is not in the sweet bye and bye, but in the actual now of this vibrant age of new thinking. And this new thought is a resurrection. The morning stars have always been singing together, and all the sons of God shouting for joy. We are coming into this cosmic consciousness.

“What Would You Do?”

MRS. T. J. SHELTON.

“I get up in the morning at six o'clock, and I work hard all day. I keep my house as clean as a pin, and do everything I can to make my children and my husband comfortable. But my children will not mind me, and are rude and impudent. My husband is so unkind to me, and spends most of his evenings out of the house. I am tired out when I go to bed, and I am tired out when I get up in the morning, and I never have any time to rest. I am always doing for my family, and they never do anything for me. Is it any wonder I am cross and irritable? What would you do if you were in my place?”

What would I do? I would scrape together all of my pennies, and I would pack my trunk and I would make a visit. To friends, if I had any to visit. If not, to some quiet place; and I would turn my entire attention to getting a hold on myself. I would rest and keep quiet and calm, and write the most cheerful letters home that I knew how to write, with never a word of homesickness or admonition. The children would not learn any more mischief in a week than they already know, and it would do them and their father good to keep house for a while.

On my return I would not work myself to death trying to get the house in order. I would requisition the entire family to help. When I found myself falling into the old habit of complaining, I would take a vacation, if only for a few minutes, until I again felt calm. My husband could go out every night if he felt like it, without any question from me. If there is any necessity for questioning, he is not worth it. And if there is no reason for doubting, it is insulting to him. I would leave him a free agent, to come and go as he pleases.

If half of the energy now devoted to complaining were devoted to real work there would be less failures in the world, less houses divided against themselves. As we stop to remember that others have frequent occasions to bear with us, we cultivate a spirit of forbearance under every real and imaginary grievance.

What do we mean by being rich? To possess everything that is worth while, not only mentally and spiritually, but also in the physical world. That is the plane we are striving to attain. And it is the power of real good, of the free operation of the Spirit of Truth.

How can we attain this ideal? By avoiding unnecessary misery and wretchedness; to cultivate on all occasions a spirit of hopefulness, until it becomes a characteristic—a habit. To cultivate tenacity and courage and a hopeful spirit, and this thought will dominate our lives.

Man wields the sword of truth to overcome all that is false, but God gives him the strength to grasp it. All the real battles of the earth are the battles of spirit. The most important is the struggle with self, with the hard, obdurate nature we each possess.

We have to fight its selfishness, its cruelty, its little meanness, its fiery tempers and its assertive animalisms. Self-conquest! That is the conquest of God in the soul. The conquest of truth in the enthronement of everlasting reason within, the reason responding to the slightest touch of the I AM within you, for the I AM is always reasonable.

It is the divine beauty that pours out its effulgence upon the kindly sanctified affections. It is the divine will that guides and governs the thought of the deed.

If you fight against the leadings of the small Voice within; if you try to build your own lives on the shifting sands of mortality, what battles, what sieges, what stormings of the man-soul will follow! At the finale we have to meet ourselves in the death struggle. And, until we do, we find no rest.

In the hands of our better selves is the sword bathed in heaven. “The mighty God in our behalf comes down.”

Many people in this new thought claim there is no sin. Perhaps not. But there is something bearing close enough resemblance to sin to answer all purposes. The world is full of this something—struggling, organized; it is found in every form. Now it is found in the dark; now it comes forth in the open field; now as a sapper and underminer; now with the blare of trumpets and the flying of battle flags and the shouts of men.

It is not sin, you say, but perverted activity. True, that is a sweeter name; but, nevertheless, call it what we may, the thing is a factor to be reckoned with. It is entrenched in individual selfishness, in natural selfishness, in class selfishness and in greed and falsehood.

Men are robbed, women degraded, children pinched and suffering, and the unfortunate ground to dust. It is time for courage, for faith in man. Do not flatter the wrong. Do not fear the wrong. Do not flee from meeting the wrong. For you have at hand a powerful spiritual weapon. New ideas, new principles, must contend with the old; and a flood of light must penetrate, and will penetrate, the darkest recesses.

Have faith in your fellow-men. The battlefields are the realms of thought. They do not want to hear your voice. They hear enough of the clamor of mortal life. They need your thought. Ideals will conquer and right wrongs, and justice will prevail.

The world is waking up to the fact that talk, mere legislation, will not bring about reformation. If the spark of faith is kindled, it will burst into a flame of strength and power, and you will rise up and possess the land. We all know that courage is contagious. So is cowardice. One chicken-hearted soldier may stampede a regiment. Also may one man swing the world around his pivot of power. Elijah did it at Carmel. Then why is it that each one of you has so much trouble in just swinging yourself around into the place where you belong?

Because you do not know where you belong? You lack faith in yourself. You lack courage, and are looking about you for the easiest way. You are like children—go wherever the interest of the moment leads you. Blind in your ignorance, you choose the hardest and the most crooked paths and the blind-alleys.

Temper is a quality. Thus, we speak of a sunny temper, a cheerful temper or a gloomy temper. Ill-temper is a bad quality. It is that inner property of being by which the edge of character remains true or becomes quickly turned and dulled.

But to return to the quotation at the head of this article:

What would I do with an indifferent husband? I would let him go his way, and wish him Godspeed; and when he became tired and wished to return, I would forget about the has-beens, and bid him welcome.

The Financial Fellowship

Your response to our proposition on the last page has been all that we could ask. I knew that you would understand the condition and help us to make a scientific subscription list. We have never asked you for anything that we did not receive. You have sent us thousands and thousands of free names, and we put them on the list. We put these names in type. It was not your fault, but mine, and so we will keep our promises.

But we want to unload, and eliminate all who are not interested in our work, so that we will not have to carry "dead" names. This will give us a list of paid-up subscribers; and to this list we propose to give treatments (collectively) every Sunday during the year. I want to get the outsiders interested in the Fellowship, so that they will come in with all of US. CHRISTIAN will then pay for itself, and not be a dead weight on the Fellowship. You will know from this number of CHRISTIAN—and, in fact, from the last half of this year—that we have ARRIVED. We are delivering the goods. I think this number of CHRISTIAN is worth a thousand dollars.

I will give you one or two sample letters, just to show you how big business men feel about my proposition:

"Here's your dollar for CHRISTIAN for the year 1913. I will be very much disappointed and mistaken if MOST all of US do not respond Amen! with calathumpian enthusiasm to the business principles adopted. We have no right to expect you to give us a free publication. Why should we?"

"When I bought a new home not long since, the price and the home were perfectly satisfactory. Did the seller come along and furnish that home at his own expense? The very thought of such a thing sounds ridiculous; but you have no more right to furnish CHRISTIAN free with treatments than this man to furnish my home."

This is the way that men talk who have been sending ten dollars a month regularly year after year. All of this class have been supporting CHRISTIAN, and there was not a bit of sense in it. The one-hundred-and-twenty-dollar ones will make it one hundred and twenty-one. The sixty-dollar-a-year man will make it sixty-one. The twenty-four will make it twenty-five, and the twelve will make it thirteen.

That is easy. You have been doing this for nineteen years. But what we want to do is to cut out the indifferent ones, who receive the paper year after year, and never even pay the postage.

But here is another quotation from a rousing letter:

"Now YOU are talking, and I am glad that you are back on the TRACK—and going to STAY! altho I don't think you've got off it very far at any time! This 'Financial Fellowship' is great stuff, and its inauguration is a sure prophecy of its success! One day I shall have something to say about the matter of the so-called 'Almighty' dollar that is going to make some of US sit up more or less erectly! I am not ready yet, but I AM coming with it! Have sensed it, more or less clearly, ever since childhood! There is no need of 'poverty!' There is no need of any desirable wish of humanity remaining unsatisfied! The Substance of the shadow is not affected by 'times or seasons,' but always and forever undiminished and undiminshable *Opulence!* All hail to the Fellowship of Christians in the Financial Supply!"

This is the way to talk; for, when we get together in the same thought, financial success will flow to each of us. We are going to make it a Fellowship in money matters as well as in health and happiness. CHRISTIAN has always been big

and stood upon its own feet. It has been independent and individualistic. We are still in the same vibration, with a larger and broader outlook into the universe. Just read the second and third, with closing items on seventh, pages of this number of CHRISTIAN, and get into this vibration. We both wrote it. In fact, there were three of us writing it. Spirit dictated the statements, and they have simply lifted me into levitation. I see things clearer than ever before. I saw everything much clearer in reading the last proof, for you must go over and over the words of the Spirit to get into the vibration. I tell you, we are here! There is something more going on in this world besides the roaring of cannons and the smoke of powder. There is a mental action that is stirring up and setting fire to old things.

The Almighty Anarchist is at work in the world!

We own the earth. I have plenty of money. Don't get the idea that I want anything in this universe. All is mine! There is not a single atom or angel, devil or diamond in this cosmos that can escape me. I have been walking in the wilderness with God. Our conquest of the earth began when Spirit came to US in that upper room in Jerusalem. How does this read with your morning paper?

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing, mighty wind; and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

"And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now, when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, in Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God."

Did you think our little New Testament was an old book of ancient records? It is modern, and the New Spirit which came to earth on the day of Pentecost is the Spirit Christ. The Cross and the Crescent are fighting to a finish on the same old land, by the same old rivers, under the same old sun, and many of the same identical men are doing the fighting. The four kings of Greece, Servia, Montenegro and Bulgaria are four apostles of Jesus Christ. "Think not that I AM come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace but a sword." And the war will go on and on, for it is Gog and Magog. The battle of the vibrations between good and evil. And this mental and material battle of men will cause earthquakes, pestilence, famine, hail and other disturbances in nature.

But this time the victory is to the Cross of Christ. It is literal. Greek, Roman, Protestant will forget sect, and the Lord Christ will appear on the scene and unite all Christians in the Spirit of Truth. All of US in the resurrection and regeneration of the race! Spirit has founded our Fellowship on the principles that will govern all of US forever in the truth of being. Did you think the New Testament was a dead letter? We are now in the very last chapters. Amen!

"HOME, SWEET HOME."

By Mrs. T. J. Shelton.

"Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home."

It is universally conceded that the home is the most important unit of civilized life. We think of ourselves as units, and many individuals sufficiently realize their individual importance; but neither the men alone or the women alone could keep the world going.

The true human unit is the family. Man or woman alone is half of a pair of balances. The home is the true unit of human active force in civilization.

When travellers have returned from hither-to unknown regions on the earth and have told of the natives of the lands where they have visited, their appearances, their customs, their language, their clothing, or lack of it, the most important, the one of the greatest interest, is their method of living, their habitation. Were they fixed and made comfortable, or were they nomads? Upon the answer of that question depended the esteem in which they were held.

In ancient life we are told of the patriarch, which is the exact equivalent of the grandfather of the family, who held the position of authority by right of the experience his years had brought.

In these days of rush and quickly changing events we often lose sight of the home life, but only for a time. The wanderlust will leave us and we begin to look around for the home, the place of rest, of upbuilding. Its voice is the call of peace and of righteousness. It is a school of morals, of inspiration, of promoting a love for the best and the most beautiful things in the character.

You may not realize it, but the lessons you learn in your childhood home unconsciously follow you through life, and are an active force in shaping your character.

I have a conviction that a man or a woman of pure heart, or rather one who really knows what is wanted, would ask of Spirit first of all for a home, a home for themselves and for the ones they love.

Sing your little individual note in accord with the divine harmonies as nearly as you can, and let that be your prayer, and have no fear but that it will be answered.

Leave discord out of your heart and it will be banished from your house and the home vibration will enter.

We have been accused of having to leave home in order to mingle with people and brush the cobwebs away and burnish up our rusty minds.

Not at all. We take a trip now and then the same as we go to the theatre, as a means of recreation. The change brings relaxation from our work. It is true we take our work with us. We can never get away from that. Nor do we wish to get away from it. We enjoy our very busy lives. We took a trip to New York because I used to live there and wanted to visit the old haunts.

But that does not mean that home life was not sweet by contrast. Mr. Shelton said that if we had it to do over again we would not have a home. Well, we would, and he would be the first one to want it and I would

follow a very close second. We give part of our day to the public—but not all of it, and our home is our castle.

Build up a home, no matter how small or how humble, just so it is home. I do not mean a house, a pile of bricks or stones and mortar. I mean a living, loving home. For real happiness does not endure outside its walls.

What can we expect from little children reared in a different environment? For there must be children in an ideal home. I cannot understand how a home can exist without the presence of a little child. It may be a stopping place, but no home.

If I did not have a child of my own I should adopt some other woman's child, some poor little motherless waif, and give it all the love and sunshine I was capable of giving.

Have you not paused to consider that in training and educating a child you are educating yourself. And I often think that frequently the child is by far the better teacher.

What can we expect from a child who sees falsehood daily acted out before its eyes?

Can you expect gentleness and sweetness of temper from your child when its father or mother gives vent to impatience or rage? If we want our children to develop into noble manhood and womanhood, we must teach them by example, not by precept. We must curb our own tongues, and control our own tempers, and change our own habits, and I warrant there is not a single one of us but would find that a most difficult task. We fail often, but our very failures are incentives to rise and to try again. Our love for the child strengthens us and sustains us, and helps us on our way.

The influence in a home of harmony, sympathy and understanding creates the state of happiness necessary for the physical and spiritual development.

The Niagara river, after its plunge of 160 feet flows for a short distance in comparative calm, and then suddenly begins to boil and whirl. Only a child would question the explanation.

The whirlpool rapids are the direct product of the plunge of the river. This is as certain as it would be were the calm intervening waters removed and the racing nether waters laid bare until they slowly came again to the surface.

At other points in the physical world, and at many points in the moral world, the relation of antecedent and consequent are not so obvious, but are just as real and certain. Spirit does not arbitrarily punish or bless. Our punishment and our blessings are the outcome of transgression or obedience to the law of truth.

This vibration not only affects the individual most concerned, but affects those with whom he comes in contact, unless the second individual is so perfectly attuned, so evenly poised he can control his environment and only absorb what is needful for his own upbuilding.

Without this hope of spiritual achievement, the human race is an universal poverty society without the inspirations which give color and meaning to life and perennial cheer to the

heart. Without this hope the motives of life are sordid and of necessity without color.

With this hope one comes in the morning of life to that enlargement of vision which enables him to put his motives as high as the throne of God.

The hope of everlasting life in its noblest form comes through revelation and is not susceptible to logical proof.

The hope is so forcible, so outstanding in the best thought of the most advanced souls in all history, that we must declare it to be most reasonable.

Man's belief in his immortality is universal. In some form it has dignified and ennobled the race in every age.

If a man did not believe in his own survival value he would commit suicide when disaster overwhelmed him. It is admittedly so that only the mentally diseased go to such cowardly lengths. The number of suicides is practically a negligible quantity.

We know that the body passes through a change, a renewal, and yet the personality never changes.

There is always present with us an inner vision. We see as through an obscure glass, the things the outer eye cannot see nor hear, but which Spirit has revealed unto us. Although we feel that they are; nevertheless it is all more or less indistinct to us.

Because we cannot weigh nor appreciate the possibilities of this steady development, difficulties constantly beset us. It is difficult to overlook the blemishes in the flesh of our fellows, as it is difficult for them to overlook blemishes in our own physical makeup.

As we come into a greater understanding of ourselves, our at-one-ness with Spirit, all of the imperfection and weakness will be gone. Our body will become the objective manifestation of the motor force within. As it becomes perfectly adjusted the organic parts of the physical will be fitted to withstand the running jar and wear of passing time.

To help in this adjustment we need communication with our kind, and a healthy exchange of ideas.

We have to also keep our minds occupied with the affairs of our home life, and of the business world as well. No, we do not want to become absorbed in commercialism, but we want to understand the A B C of business for self-protection.

"No man liveth unto himself."

Whenever he tries to live alone he becomes a savage and cannot long endure. The race is one large family.

Each unit is dependent upon the rest of the hive to a certain extent. Human collectivism is essential to the highest development of mankind.

The necessities as well as the luxuries of life are widely scattered throughout the world. What were luxuries yesterday are necessities today.

Human beings must not only live in social fellowship, but there must be a constant interchange of commodities between people dwelling in the different countries of the world.

International commerce and trade are thus forced on us. We must do business with

each other and be brought together for mutual profit and helpfulness in material things.

Business is absolutely necessary because it is the outgrowth of our social nature and the widely scattered necessities of life.

It would be better if woman would be more interested in the business of her husband. Not to the extent of interference, but to the extent of understanding. Then instead of worrying over the little things she would be better fitted to help him keep the family bark from the shoals.

It would be far wiser if the husband would take his wife into his confidence. He would find that if she were given half a chance she would prove a very apt pupil. If she understood the exact state of the family strong box, had her equal share in the handling of the family funds, there would be more homes and more healthy bank accounts.

If a woman is not capable of understanding her husband's business she has no right to be the mother of his children, nor sustain the dignity of being his wife. For marriage is a partnership.

A married woman's province is her home. A man's realm is his business. But it takes the proceeds of the business to run the home, and the woman should have the handling of half of the partnership profits, and without question. Do you men ever stop to think how you would feel were you to account to your wife for every penny spent?

There are many false notions about business, and it is assumed that business is a selfish affair. Some men think that successful business implies that the other party loses by the transaction. The man who holds such a view is not to be trusted. He is essentially dishonest. It is usually such a man who keeps his wife in total ignorance of his business. Then if he is taken away from her, she finds there is nothing with which to take care of herself and their children.

Unprepared, uneducated along that line, she is inspired with the wisdom of necessity, and takes her place in the business world, keeps her children together and their home intact.

You who grumble over the inroads women are making in the business world, who complain that women are usurping the place of men, and taking their positions away from them, do you ever consider that a woman has to live? In her heart there is an overwhelming desire for a home and protection and companionship of a manly man.

Unfortunately all men are not manly. And every woman has not been fortunate enough to have her longings realized. Like a man, she needs food and clothing and a roof to shelter her. Like a man, she may have a dependent family to care for, so she is compelled to do a man's work for a woman's pay.

But the time is rapidly advancing when she will receive adequate pay for the work performed, whether it is as housekeeper or business woman.

It is a sign of a higher standard of morality and evidence of a more sensitive public conscience that women are beginning to be

recognized as an important factor in the business world.

For one who has been kept in obscurity for hundreds of years she is doing very well.

Women of today have more liberty than they have had for several centuries. But liberty is also responsibility. And responsibility helps to round and develop the character and makes her better fitted to train her children and care for her family when she gets one.

Each and everyone of you who cultivates self-reliance, who recognizes your affinity with Spirit, gains the victory over nature, over circumstances, over yourself.

You can meet fearlessly any form of trouble, poverty or labor, knowing that everything is working together for ultimate Good.

You may not get the things you think you want. But you will get the things you need, the things that are necessary for your real happiness and to bring you into the real understanding and realization of life.

You may think these things you need for happiness, for contentment, are wealth, freedom to travel, the means to purchase fine raiment, and in other words, to have no ties, to be a free and independent being. But such freedom would make you the worst kind of a prisoner. You could not get away from yourself. You would become self-centered, egotistical, selfish and miserable.

Moral simplicity, trust, affectionateness without overweening worldly ambition or lust of power, and spontaneity, these are the characteristics and charm of childhood, and these are the marks of the genuine seeker of the truth, of the one who wants to get at the gist of living, the experience that will free his soul and get him out of bondage to himself.

The laying aside of all intellectual pride, the breaking down of all selfish schemes and plans, and the responding to the vibration of Right, of mutual benefit, and the law of universal love—these are the conditions of entering into the full realization of Truth and the why of Being.

This does not mean that you are to be penned up in a limited horizon, to have your mind centered on your own immediate environment. It means the progression of a never ending flow of understanding, of knowing how to deal with the loves and hates, with good and evil, and molding and shaping them to a more harmonious end.

God setteth the solitary in families. The foundations of the home were laid according to Scripture. Grace and glory and peace should flourish in every home sanctuary. And it is not a home, but a mere abiding place, unless this vibration does flourish. Perish every attempt to tear down its walls!

Here the soul is first to receive its sanctifying impression for Good. Here life is to take its shapings and course, that eventful stream with its sinuous windings, soon to flow into oceans of misery or into the sea of truest happiness.

The training at home can be given nowhere else. Its duties cannot be postponed nor neglected.

No school, however complete its appliances, no teacher, however superior in sagacity and skill, can take the place of the Spirit-appointed instructors, for you see the element of love and not mere intellect prevails.

It is for this reason we have tried to preserve the sanctity of our home, to eliminate the commercial vibration and preserve it from being a mere business office.

We received a letter the other day saying the writer had heard, from good authority, that we employed at least a dozen stenographers. We do not. There is but one machine in this house, and I am the one who usually runs it. We have not employed a stenographer for two years or over. Every bit of clerical work is done under contract down town by one of the largest printing firms in the West.

The only thing done in this home is to write copy, for our readers, to attend to their mental wants, to write letters to them, and to help them the same as we help our children, and we send forth this help in the same spirit.

Our house is not a business place, but a home, a mental haven of rest, not only for the members of our personal family, but for those members of the mental fellowship who turn to this center for Peace and Comfort, while they are gathering strength and wisdom to found a home of their own, a place for the expression of their own soul-desire.

And now, in the closing year let us come into genuine mental fellowship, for the glory of God and the Peace of the World.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of US.

*** If your sense is spirit, why not control or even create new organs of sense? We can if we have sense enough, see? The mind can see anywhere and everywhere, for mind is omnipresent. The whole body should be full of light, and no part of it in darkness. This is not only true and practical, but we are practicing it in this mental fellowship. What is the use of anything less than the whole? I do not treat your eyes for vision or your ears for hearing. I treat you for the illumination of the intellect so that you can see and hear and be in every atom of your body. The new heaven and the new earth means a new mind in a brand new body, created out of new nerves and new blood every instant of your existence. This is the science of sense, and you can sense it in the consciousness of your real being. It is practical and all else is mortal moonshine.

*** I can't put these thoughts on paper, but will give them to you by telepathy. I am practicing God, and you are going to get such an uplift next year that you will know that I know. The time is at hand. You need not figure on any future for mortal mind. An angel picked up a millstone and cast it into the midst of the sea, saying, thus shall Babylon be destroyed. Suddenly, as the Titanic sank into the sea, will mortality pass from our mortal horizon. Men are now on earth who will witness the cremation of carnality.

FINANCIAL FELLOWSHIP

"Behold, the man is become as one of US."—I AM God.
"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."—Jesus Christ.

I AM!

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Now let US add "all these things" in a scientific way.

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