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SELF HELP AND ATTAINMENT

(For the Quarter)

Repeat daily, beginning Oct. 1, 1936.

- Thursday..... "He leadeth me,"—today beside 'Still waters', where I find quiet for mind and body, and peace for my soul, and "in paths of righteousness for His name's sake."
- Friday..... "Thou wilt show me the path of life," and 'I shall fear no evil for Thou art with me' in all my thoughts and deeds.
- Saturday..... "My cup runneth over", and goodness and mercy are following me and mine in all our days, and in all our ways.
- Sunday..... "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done" in me this day.
- Monday..... "He shall give His angels charge over thee (me), to keep thee (me) in all thy (my) ways", and they shall bear me up in their hands that I may not dash my foot against a stone.
- Tuesday..... "For me to live is Christ," daily and hourly, that all may see Him reflected in my pattern of Life.
- Wednesday..... "This is the way, walk ye in it." Give me the faith to walk the Christ path, and the courage to share His message with others.

"Think of us (the Spirit World) often; think of us in love; think of us as living; as real as you in the flesh are to each other. Help us thus to draw near to you, and to aid you. If you will but receive us, we shall be able to help you mold your life to conform to the Divine Pattern set up by the Creator for you, individually, and for all mankind."

—Spirit George L. Garmer, 9-6-36.—

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Wouldst shape a noble life?
Then cast no backward glances toward the past,
And though somewhat be lost and gone
Yet do thou act as one new born.
What each day needs, that shall thou ask;
Each day will set its proper task.

—Goethe.—

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There Are No Dead

By

Spirit George L. Garmer
Medium, Rev. Nettie Garmer Barker,

Amanuensis, Winifred Smith.

(Clairaudient sermon delivered in the Church of Jesus Christ,
Our Redeemer, Kansas City, Mo., May 31, 1936.)

Reverend Barker:

"My father will give the sermon this evening. He passed out of the mortal body almost thirty years ago, knowing little about Spiritualism, and having no faith in it. I am a Christian Spiritualist tonight because he brought me **absolute proof** of Life Eternal, and under proper conditions, spirit return. You can sense some of my great joy as he stands here at my side, and I hear his voice of old, and know I am to be the privileged instrument through whom he will talk to you. His subject is post-memorial, "There Is No Death". I hope his voice will be strong enough for you to hear it as clearly as I hear it. As he gives his message, word for word, I shall give it to you.

"All right, Father. I am ready".

Spirit George L. Garmer:

"Friends of earth and friends of my daughter, it gives me great happiness to be able to address you tonight.

I bring you the message of Eternal Life. There is no death! There are no dead! What seems so is but a small space between two worlds—the earth and the Spirit Realm; the crossing of the bar; the closing of one door, and the opening of another; the stepping out of an old condition of limitation into a new condition of realized hope and achievement. For whatsoever we have failed to accomplish on the earth plane, we may, if we so desire, finish in the Spirit Realm.

Death, like all spiritual phenomena, is as easy and as natural as a brief, peaceful sleep, but the awakening comes in another environment, where all is peace, and harmony, and love.

Yesterday, and every Memorial Day in the past, and we, from the Spirit Side of Life, are sorry to say, many Memorial Days in the future, hearts have been broken, and will continue to break, old wounds of grief reopened, and existence take on a despairing, hope-

less monotony, because you grief-stricken mortals know not, or doubt the truth that the beloved one lives and loves you still.

It is not the so-called dead whom you should pity and grieve over, but the uninformed living, who, unprepared, move blindly forward to their judgment—the hour of their passing out of the mortal body.

Man can be, and many men are, in direct touch with God and the Spirit World at all times, and God and the Spirit World can and do walk and talk with mortals every day and every hour if conditions are right.

There is no death! There are no dead! We, your Spirit loved ones, are here, at this very moment, to prove this truth to you individually.

The resurrection of Jesus, the Master, is proof of a future life, but it is more than that; it is proof that the personality of every mortal—the real man—the real self—survives the so-called death.

Jesus, the Master, says: "I am the Son of God, and I am in the Father, and ye are in Me". I am the Son of God, and what I am ye may become also. And what I do, you can do—rise from the so-called dead and materialize a body, and be seen by, and communicated with your loved ones still in the mortal.

Life—love—faith—these were the favorite words of the Master. Life—Eternal Life for all; love for your fellowmen; and faith—the degree of your belief in the Son, the Master, and in the Father, your Creator. According to your faith shall all things be yours.

Christian Spiritualism is the key to the future life—to eternal happiness. It teaches you to pattern your life after the Divine Life while you are still in the body of flesh. It teaches the Golden Rule—the perfect, the ideal law that governs the earthlife and the Life Beyond the Vale.

The Golden Rule—Jesus', the Master's second greatest commandment—is the way to Eternal Life. 'Love ye one another as I have loved you'. "Love thy neighbor as thyself." "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

You build, while in your mortal body, your mansion in your Father's house, your home over there in the Life Beyond. We, in

Spirit, who love you and guide you, are your helpers in that building, our tools being loving thoughts and loving deeds. Build for your selves, as we endeavor to build for you, a life of harmony—be at peace with your neighbor, with your God, and with yourself—always in harmony and in unity with all creation and with your Creator.

If you would find the path of “doing unto others” easy, there are some things you should keep in your heart. Keep charity in a pure heart, and by charity I mean the desire to see your neighbor’s viewpoint under all conditions. Keep a good conscience, a clear conscience that you and yours have worked no ill toward your neighbor. And have faith in us Beyond The Vale, for our Spirit Realm adjoins the earth, and we are your neighbor no less than he who lives in the body. When we would return to comfort, and guide, and instruct you, receive us. If you were in Spirit, and you returned, you would wish to be received. “Do unto others as you would they should do to you.”

We, on the Spirit Side of Life, learn many beautiful truths we would share with you, and we come to save you disappointments and pitfalls. Two things keep out of your heart—the word “avenge”, and bear no grudge toward any man. Leave vengeance to God Almighty, and a grudge is only evil in the heart of you that harms no one but your elf. Root them out of your heart, and in their place put love and forgiveness for your neighbor. Love and forgiveness! Magical words that swing wide open the door between “the here and the hereafter”! The door is always ajar, but you, in your spiritual blindness cannot see it.

Friends of earth, learn the truth, prepare yourselves for your return to Spirit Land, your return back to your Heavenly Father. Make this work the goal—the sum total of your whole earth progression,—the most important task of your mortal life.

God bless you, every one. I will come again sometime, and if you love one another, know you have fulfilled the Law of the Master. Goodnight.”

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TEMPER

When I have lost my temper I have lost my reason, too.
I'm never proud of anything which I angrily do.
When I have talked in anger and my cheeks were flaming red,
I have always uttered something which I wish I hadn't said.
In anger I have never done a kindly deed or wise,
But many things for which I felt I should apologize.
In looking back across my life, and all I've lost or made,
I can't recall a single time when fury ever paid.
So I struggle to be patient, for I've reached a wiser age;
I do not want to do a thing or speak a word in rage.
I have learned by sad experience that when my temper flies
I never do a worthy thing, a decent deed or wise.

—Anon—

Forget your strife;
Forget your pain;
The victory you long to gain
Is yours through faith and prayer alone.
We are near, your loved ones, your own.

If you in frequent prayer kneel,
Heavenly forms will reveal
Your loved ones from Spirit Land,
And your own Celestial Land.

Coming from Spirit Land,
Beloved immortals
Place within your own hand
Keys to Divine Portals.

—Ellen, 5-31-36.

The Astro-Chart

of
Rev. Nettie Garmer Barker

By
Koren Mahree

Lest it be said personal contact has something to do with this article, I want to explain the only relationship I have had with Rev. Barker has been one of business, and that through the mail only. In reading this chart, I am copying from the "Simple Lessons in Astrology", a work that I sell for \$1.00—a work easily understood, and from which anyone can do as well as I have done here. Those who have read Rev. Barker's booklet, "Why I Am a Spiritualist" will see how very clearly this reading bears out all she says in her story of how she came into her labors as a Minister of Spiritualism. It will show further than she does herself how well her stars have endowed her to take the lead in this field. I would suggest that everyone read her book to appreciate more the great work she can do for those desiring her ministry—and so to the chart.

There are 12 houses in every chart, but they are not all filled. In this case, ALL the planets are in the East side of the chart, with the exception of the Moon, which is in Sagittarius. Neptune and Saturn are in Taurus. Jupiter (the money planet) is in Gemini—her 12th house. Mercury is in Cancer, her Sun Sign. In her 3rd house, which is Virgo, we have Mars, Uranus, and Venus. And now to interpret from the "Lessons".

Cancer, Sun Sign—the "Lessons" say in part as follows: A feminine watery sign. Ruling planet is the Moon. A Sensitive disposition. Versatile in many ways. Fertile imagination. Many abilities worth developing. Fond of travel, music, flowers, books and art. Too generous for own good. Much attached to home and family. Somewhat easily influenced by other people, and worried some as to what others think. Dramatic gifts. Now this broad portion gives us something to start on, and so to the planets.

About Mercury in cancer, the "Lessons" say in part: Discreet, tactful able to debate and argue well; reasons sensibly. Venus in

Virgo, in part, says: Much correspondence and travel. Mars in Virgo: Gain through Societies. Power to Resist disease. Jupiter in Gemini: Many prophetic dreams. Profit through obscure pursuits. Saturn in Taurus: Gain through thrifty methods. Sorrow or loss by relatives. Uranus in Virgo: Interest in metaphysics. Neptune in Taurus: Odd occupation. Must engage in some mystical study. Fortunate marriage. Note how this supports Jupiter above. Those are the single planet readings under the house sign they were in at time of birth. Only partial reading is given for each of those above. And now on to the aspects between planets which will likewise be but partially given.

Moon is good in Mars, Uranus, and Venus. Successful occupation. Is popular with intellectual people. Gain in money from mother. Great activity. Accomplishment through sheer will power. Interest in occult. Mysteries of nature. Gain in health from mesmeric or magnetic sources. Will travel extensively.

Moon bad to Jupiter. Be careful in or on water. Mercury good to Mars, Uranus, and Venus. Success in writing and speaking. Clear judgment. Strength of will to overcome. Gain through publishing. Witty and good sense of humor. Mercury good to Neptune: Possesses UNUSUAL psychic power, VISIONS, prophetic dreams; MANY INTUITIONS. Will be attracted to psychic centers and people so inclined.

And so the reader finds in this short space, which is but half of what I should use to do this one chart justice, that should he or she never meet Rev. Barker, but have her birth data only, it would be possible to determine exactly wherein she would be most successful. And all this from "Simple Lessons in Astrology", sent postpaid to any address in U. S. for \$1.00. We see here Rev. Barker just as she is—a seer of great ability, a good writer and speaker, and a success in her field.

Wonderful Phychic Mothers of The Bible

By

Reverend Nettie Garmer Barker

(Sermon delivered in the Church of Jesus Christ, Our Redeemer,
Mother's Day, May 10, 1936.)

There are more than one hundred and fifty women whose names are mentioned in the Bible. The records are brief, and we must read between the lines to form an ideas of their character, their achievements, and their spirituality.

Eve, the Mother of Mankind, and the most interesting woman in the world because she was the first woman, is representative of the womanhood of every century. "She is alluring and persuasive; she is curious and ambitious for knowledge and possession. She is guided by intuition, not by reason. She is paid the price of her impulses as the repentent wife, the burden-bearing Mother of All Living. She paid the price of her venturesome defiance of fixed laws just as her modern daughters, in real life, fiction, and drama, have suffered the penalties of disobedience to accepted standards."

But today—Mother's Day—we are not thinking of Eve as the representative woman—rather as the mother, the representative of all motherhood.

Exceedingly great was her joy over her first-born. Her child was strong, lusty, bringing with him every prospect of gladness and happiness to her mother-heart. How like a modern mother, who lives anew the experience of the first mother, and her joy in her first-born.

Then came Eve's second-born, a frail child. She called him Abel, meaning a breath, a zephyr, a vapour. This time her laughter is stilled, her mother-heart having only a sigh and tears for this frail little one. Again, how like a modern mother, who weeps over her feeble babe.

Then as time passed, like millions of other mothers, there was a reversal of her first judgment. "She was suffering all the sorrows and

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Christian Spirit Healing

SPECIAL absent healing by the Rev. Nettie Garmer Barker and Spirit Healers will be given you. You cannot pay for the healing—that is from God—but you do donate \$3.00 per month to the Rev. Barker for her time. To receive Life's richest blessings, you must do something for someone else. Begin by sending in \$3.00 to the Rev. Barker, and a name, (someone besides your self) to whom you wish your gift of a yearly subscription to the Christian Spiritualist Quarterly sent. For yourself, you will be given a daily spiritual treatment for your own needs for a month. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for reply, and address Rev. Nettie Garmer Barker, 3540 Wabash Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

TESTIMONIALS

It is with great joy and gratitude that I give this testimony. Since sitting in the Prayer Help Circle, Sunday evenings, in the Church of Jesus Christ, Our Redeemer, I have been healed of a mental attitude that was making me nervous, and unhappy, and unable to meet life's problems. With the healing came more prosperity and a happy state of mind.—L. H.

I have had instant healing, in the church, for rheumatism of the arm. Prayer has, also, healed my husband of a lack of interest in religion, and a desire to drink heavily.—D. J.

A spirit was obsessing my father, causing him to drink habitually. Through faith and prayer, the spirit released its hold, and my father was instantly healed of any desire to drink. This was 14 months ago. Daddy has never touched a drop of liquor since.—F. M.

My grandmother almost crossed the Border the past year. Faith and absent healing and laying on of the hands has kept her here, and she is now a member of this church.—Faloise Hof.

Universal Healing Club

*Health—Happiness—
Prosperity—Peace*

IF TWO of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father in heaven."

This club is open to you, **whoever you are**, and **wherever you may be**, as a channel through which you may fulfill for yourself and the other members the Christ-Law of healing and prosperity. "Freely ye receive, freely give."

Time: 8:30 to 9 a. m., Central Standard Time.

We bring you each morning, at this time, the mighty healing power of our Lord Jesus, the Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever. Every person joining this healing club has tuned in on the Universal Healing Wave of our Blessed Savior, Jesus of Nazareth, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

This healing force is free, abundant, and never-failing. "God is no respecter of persons." The Christ power heals **you, me, everybody!** Believe in it, ask for it and soon you shall realize peace, poise, and power coming into your life. For as you "draw nigh to God, He will draw nigh unto you."

At this sacred half-hour, you, individually, are asking, through the other members as the spiritual instrument, for healing in all your physical, mental, material, and spiritual affairs. "Ask and it shall be given you." If you continue to tune in on this universal broadcast for yourself and others each morning, you are sincerely seeking, and you **shall** find that which you seek. "Knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

In unity there is strength. Each morning, at this time, join us in spirit, for a half-hour of universal healing.

Sing the first verse of "The Great Physician."

Repeat the Lord's Prayer.

Then sit, for 15 minutes in silence. "Be still and know that I am God."

Sing the first and third verses of "Pass Me Not, O, Gentle Savior."

Repeat the Twenty-third Psalm, slowly, prayerfully emphasizing each word as if it were written especially for you and your needs. After which, ask for what you desire for yourself and others. Prayer is the door through which we seek and receive aid from our Heavenly Father. Each morning, together you and I and every member of this club shall take your problems to the Lord in prayer. Jesus says: "All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Therefore, at this hour, pray, "God bless us," and "God heal us and supply our every need."

Sing one verse of "I Need The Every Hour".

Repeat the Lord's Prayer.

Close with singing the first verse of "The Great Physician".

"According to your faith be it unto you."

Send Rev. Nettie Garmer Barker, 3540 Wabash Ave., Kansas City, Mo., a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your Universal Healing Club membership card. This is the only expense attached to this service. Otherwise it is free to all.

(During the past quarters, marvelous healing for all kinds of problems is reported. Join us, and realize this mighty healing vibration for yourself and yours.)

WONDERFUL PSYCHIC MOTHERS OF THE BIBLE

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cares incident to motherhood, and the child that woke her laughter became a disappointment, and the child that touched her pity became a glory.—Abel's life was indeed but a breath"; but his goodness carried down through the centuries, more weight than the mighty strength of Cain.

How she mourned over her wayward, her wicked son, her first-born! Eternally, down through the years of time, from Eve to our modern day, mothers have had their hearts broken and their hair streaked with gray because of a wandering, wayward child!

"Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." In the story of Eve, and repeated so often in the life-stories of her posterity, through travail and anxiety comes the compensations of the spiritual. Though she and millions of mothers were blind, now they see spiritually, and their faith expressed through their mighty love is the redeeming factor in their lives of mingled pain, sorrow, and service.

Sarah, the beautiful, the faithful, God-chosen mother of a countless spiritual race, ranks second after Eve. Her maternal fidelity marks a strong point in her character. She was ever mindful of her only child, her son Isaac, keeping him pure and spotless, training him up in the way he should go—the way of the Lord.

Her greatest test came when Abraham prepared to sacrifice Isaac upon the altar of Jehovah.. As a human being, she suffered the agony Mary, the Mother, suffered at the foot of Calvary. But her psychic knowledge consoled her mother heart with the thought that God had given her this son of promise, and He would take care of her.

Unspeakable was her joy when Abraham returned Isaac to her unharmed. The gesture was as much a test of Sarah's faith as it was of Abraham's.

Jochebed, the mother of Moses, had psychic knowledge of her son's great future as a world leader. While his nurse, in the house of

Pharoah's daughter, she made her influence dominant both in his early life, and later, when he went out "unto his brethern and looked on their burdens". From her, he learned reverence, loyalty, obedience, and affection for his own race and for his God.

Many writers speak of Miriam, the sister of Moses and Aaron, as a patriotic old maid. Josephus, the great historian, however, claims Miriam was honored among the Jews, and was the wife of Hur, Prince of Midian, one of the captains of Moses' division of the people. When they went against the Amalekites, he said, "Moses not being able to sustain his hands (thus stretched out toward heaven), he had his brother Aaron, and Hur, his sister Miriam's husband stand on each side of him."

Miriam was a gifted poetess, an inspired prophetess, and later, passing out of the body, a saint. Her prophetic powers were those of the highest order, but she was very human, too. She and Aaron rebelled against the leadership of Moses, saying, "Hath Jehovah indeed spoken only with Moses? hath He not spoken also with us?" This reference to Jehovah's spoken word convinces us that Miriam had mediumship of one or more phases.

Bezalel, son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, is thought to be Miriam's grandson. Evidently he inherited many of her psychic powers, for we read in Exodus, 31st chapter and 3rd verse that the Lord said to Moses, "I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge". In addition to his spiritual qualities, Hur was a skilled workman in many kinds of artistic work in constructing the tabernacle.

Two names we associate together are Ruth, the Moabite, one of the finest characters of womanhood, and Naomi, the mother-in-law, who endeared herself to her son's wives, left widows by the famine. Ruth her daughter-in-law, was loyal to her husband's God, but there was more than loyalty—there was sincere love for Naomi—that

caused the young woman to say: "Intreat me not to leave thee—thither thou goest I shall go—thy people shall be my people, thy God my God." Her courage and her firm will and obedient mind were nothing less than the result of her self-assurance, which was the result of her psychic knowledge, that all would be well with her mother-in-law and herself in the land of Boaz. Her simplicity, her modesty, her unblemished reputation for kindness and discretion make her a worthy ancestress of the beloved King David and of Jesus, the Christ.

Naomi, too, possessed fine traits of character, otherwise she would not have won the love of her daughter-in-law. The very traits that made each woman an unusual type were the ties that bound them psychically together in respect and affection for each other. Her unselfishness in stepping aside, returning to her old home in Bethlehem, leaving the daughters-in-law an opportunity to return to their mother's home, and eventually find rest, each one of them, in the house of her husband—that is, that each acquire another mate. Naomi's generous love and far-sightedness were psychic qualities, through which she was able to understand the hearts of her daughters-in-law. Her life of grief and hopelessness was changed to one of happiness, and a reviving interest in life when she took the child of Ruth and Boaz to her heart.

The mother of Samuel, Hannah, whose unfailing love for the Lord was so great that her gratitude to Him was shown in her pledge to give her son, at the age of three, to the ministry of The Temple. Daily, her heart longed for her child, yet because of her psychic vision of his greater work in the service of Jehovah, she delighted in her sacrifice.

The psychic mothers of the New Testament are few in number, but they play a tremendous important part in the progress of womanhood.

Mary, the mother of our Lord, was a very human mother, noble-minded, courageous, unselfishness, and psychic. Because of her contact with the Spirit World "she kept (or pondered) all sayings (about Jesus being the Christ) in her heart".

She never forgot that her son Jesus was different from her other children, and while we are told He was subject unto His parents, Mary, through her lofty psychic knowledge, understood His true mission, and dealt with Him accordingly.

The soul needs the body—the Heavenly Father had provided for the Divine Christ; someone must provide for the man Jesus, and the Lord choose Mary for this mission."

The Heavenly Father ordained that Jesus was to have a home life, in which He was to grow in wisdom and stature. So when Mary and her husband found Jesus in The Temple, they rebuked Him: "Why hast Thou dealt thus with us!" Mary's annoyance was not caused by Jesus' failure to be at their side, but rather because of the place where she found Him. If the things she hid in her heart were revealed to Him prematurely, He would be burdened all at once with the mission of His manhood. He was a King in mind, yet still a boy in body, and she was afraid the learned doctors of The Temple would take Him and crown Him before His hour.

When He grew to manhood, and went forth in His ministry, some people questioned His right to speak strangely to His own mother. The first time He did so was at the marriage of Cana, when she told Him there was no wine, and "Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come".

Mary's prophetic gift supplied her with information that gave her implicit faith in His power to perform the miracle of turning water into wine. Thus it was His mother who brought this first—the beginning—of His many miracles. So great was her psychic faith, and her psychic knowledge of what was to happen that she said to the servant: "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it."

The second time Jesus spoke strangely implied a wider mission than that of His family, and it was when someone said to Him, "Be-

hold Thy mother and Thy brethern stand without, desiring to speak with Thee. But He answered and said unto him that told Him, 'who is My mother? and who are My brethern?' and He stretched forth His hand toward His disciples, and said, 'Behold My mother and My brethern. For who so ever shall do the will of My Father which is in Heaven the same is My brother, and sister, and mother.'"

Mary was not offended or angry, when He spoke in this manner for she could "see" psychically, and knew His mission was to be "about" His Father's business.

Later, when He returned to Nazareth, His home town, and was rejected by His friends, and thought insane by His four brothers, Mary's other sons, His mother remained steadfast. She saw His revelations in the light of the psychic, and to her they were not the words and deeds of one mentally unbalanced. So in all, she saw the Hand of God, and the Spirit World.

During that last week in Jerusalem, when her heart was breaking over the cruel events that lead up to His crucifixion, Jesus thought of her comfort, and said, "Woman, behold thy son!" and turning to John, His beloved disciple, He said, "Behold thy mother!"

Jesus' universal chivalry toward all women was a tribute to Mary, the mother.

Elizabeth, the mother of John, the Baptist, cousin and beloved disciple of Jesus, was a beautiful character. She and her husband, Zacharias, "were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless."

In their old age, they were promised a son, who would bring them joy and gladness, and who would be great in the sight of the Lord—"And many of the children of Israel shall he turn unto the Lord, their God."

When Zacharias received this prophecy from an angel, Elizabeth believed that which the Lord had promised would He bring to

people. When they went against the Amalekites, he said, "Moses pass. So strong was her psychic faith that there is a legend telling of her efforts to escape Herod's decree to kill all male children."

John was a tiny baby when she fled to a rock for shelter, praying: "Mount of God receive a mother and her child." The rock opened and closed again, and Elizabeth and little John were safely inside, but Zacharias, so the legend goes, was murdered on the altar steps.

Lois, the grandmother, and Eunice, the mother of Timothy, were early psychics, who probably were converted to Christianity by Paul on his first missionary trip. In their home, missionaries were always welcome to preach the gospel.

Paul, who addressed Timothy as "my dearly beloved son", and made him a companion on his missionary trips, speaks of the "unfeigned faith in Timothy, which dwelt first in the grandmother and in the mother". From a babe, these two mothers educated Timothy in psychic matters, which made him "wise unto salvation". In the name of Jesus, they taught him the christian virtues and developed in him a fine character, and the ability to assist and to please Paul.

The latter, who was a confirmed bachelor, had scant respect for women's work in church affairs, but to these two mothers, he gave unstinted praise, and expressed his deep gratitude.

Being in close contact with God and the Spirit World, these two women, through their influence and standing in their community, aided the "new gospel" immeasurably.

The Apostle John paid tribute to one known only as the "elect lady", who was also influential in her community, and to whom the Second Epistle of John was written. "Unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in truth; and not only I, but also all they that know the truth."

John rejoiced in her children, whom he found "walking in the truth".

We Christian Spiritualists consider "walking in the truth" psychic knowledge and psychic power as Jesus practiced it in Galilee. "The things I do," He said, and the things He did were accomplished only by walking in the truth that immortality of the soul is the heritage of everyone.

I want to pay tribute tonight to the beautiful spirit of Mother Barker, at whose request this church is founded. May God bless her work exceedingly, and widen her field of activity in the Spirit Realm, and here, on the earthplane, as she continues to aid humanity through us, her instruments.

Also, I want to pay tribute to my mother, here in the mortal body, in this audience now, and to your mother, here in the mortal body, or in Spirit, wherever she is, by dedicating this poem to them—to your mother and to mine:

WHEN MOTHER PRAYS

By

Helen McMahan

When Mother prays,
I hear Aeolian winds, the song of birds
Attuned to sweet Euterpe's mellow chords;
I see Elysian fields, the jeweled gates,
An Arch of Triumph, where a loved one waits;
I feel a hallowed peace, no words can tell,
For I belong to God, and all is well
When Mother prays.

—In April, '36 The New Age.—

BROTHERHOOD

God, what a world, if men in street and mart,
Felt that same kinship of the human heart,
Which makes them, in the face of fire and flood,
Rise to meaning of True Brotherhood.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox—

Future Security For All

By

Koren Mahree

Astrologer . . . Psychologist . . . Metaphysician

Never a day goes by in my work in dealing with the problems of others but what I am confronted with some condition that deals with present prosperity and future. Next to Husband and Wife relationships this one thing is the largest by far of all conditions presented—and further than that it is the root of many others. To deal with it successfully requires much more space than can be devoted to it here and give it anywhere the treatment it should have. Accordingly I am at a work between times that will soon be on sale that will give astrological charts and compare these charts with the actual movements of business over and below the scale which indicates to us prosperity or depression thru the size of our pocketbooks. It will give a number of exercises and requirements to which any one may pin his faith and assure his future against want.

Let us go back to 1914. This much of what I say will of course be as so much water over the dam, but it will likewise show us that we can profit by experience, and this profit rightly used is so much gain in the way of future security. I have my second chart before me, a copy of which will be contained in this work soon to be out for sale. In 1914 the chart shows a below normal period astrologically which begins to rise to slightly above normal in 1915. It continues up, settles over normal, and stays that way thru the war period, when it starts down in 1920. Here it takes quite a drop, but does not stay long. It is up again for 1923, only to drop a trifle in 1924, and then continue up at a level above normal with but a very small drop for a month or so in 1928, when it steps up at once in 1929, only to crash to the bottom again in the worst and longest drop indicating the present depression. In 1935 it starts on the up and continues so until 1938 when the chart line runs almost to normal. In 1939 the chart line is above normal, tho not very much. It is higher in 1940 and still higher in 1941 and going higher for the following two and a half years, and then the crash—how bad—how long—it will be possibly the worst in our history—possibly the longest as well.

Starting with the normal return in 1915, had we conserved thru the good years we would have had plenty for the lean years following the good. The so-called Coolidge prosperity or last boom period was plenty good enough had we conserved to carry us thru the present depression period. But in each case we would have needed to know the aspects and when they would change so that we could have followed their leading—we would have known enough to retrench of our own free will rather than be forced to it by conditions as they came. And in retrenching of our own free will would have saved our assets which were swept away by the force we could have outwitted had we known it was coming. The stars were plain enough for those who could read them and many were no doubt saved in this way.

In some 2500 years of history, there are less than 300 of them in which the world has been at peace. Over 2200 of these years have held war in some place upon the earth, each succeeding one worse than the previous one. War will come again. Can we profit by our last experience? Most assuredly we can, and we should dig into memory, bring out the past experiences of ourselves and others and learn the lesson we will need to know that we may turn experiences into profits when the time of strife does come upon us. Few of us appreciate that teacher, experience.

From what I have been able to give here, you should have the hint that should bring you into security for the rest of your days. If your subscription to this magazine were to bring you nothing else, you already have received more by many times than you have paid—the way to future security and peace.

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BOOK CHATTER

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Mrs. White says she sat for two hours every morning, and the spirit of Mark Twain (Samuel L. Clemens) came regularly, and controlled her hand. It was in her first Trumpet Seance, after the passing of her husband to the Higher Life, when she was grief-stricken, and knew not where to turn for comfort that a friend told her of Spiritualism. Fortunately for her, she was directed to an excellent Trumpet medium, and there she not only contacted her beloved husband, but also the spirit of Mark Twain, who asked permission to use her hand to write a book. Since then he has written other books through her mediumship, and Mrs. White, herself has progressed so far in her understanding and faith in Spiritualism that she is now the pastor of a church.

If you are looking for a story as thrilling as any modern detective tale; if you are looking for information as to the "hows" and "whys" and the "wheres" of Spirit return, be sure to read this interesting, moving story.—(White Pub. Co., 3411 E. 27th St., Kansas City, Mo.—\$1.25)

It is not an easy matter to review such a "meaty" volume as Hiram Erastus Butler's "The Narrow Way of Attainment", for every page is filled with important truths about which the reviewer feels the reading public should be informed. "And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness", is Mr. Butler's theme. Then he proceeds to give us a summary of all that is good and true, in a simple direct message so that everyone may understand and decide the wisest course for him to pursue. The book is a course of instruction in the Science of Life and how to find the key to the Spirit Realm.

An advanced student of Occult Science instructs a seeker thus: "Every day lost is like a debt that cannot be paid—If everything else dies, the Creator cannot die, neither can the creature in whom the Creator is manifest. To find the Creator and realize His manifestation in ourselves, is the task. Means to do that are many, but they act diversely. Some work slowly, others more quickly. He who has courage and power, can choose the latter method. To the weak mild remedies are given. To which of these two classes would you assign yourself?"—The seeker answers: "—I am not so sure, being ignorant of the work to be accomplished; therefore treat me according to your own judgment." The advanced student: "Allow the man within yourself to think, then the desired end will be attained." Again, we must become as a little child, if we would see the Kingdom of God.

If you can afford to buy but few books, by all means see that you have this one in your library, and use it as a daily textbook.—(Esoteric Fraternity, Applegate, Calif.—\$1.50, Cloth.)

CRITICISM

We bar the doors and close the shutters to,
And think that we are safe from prying eyes.
Then through a crack we peep to criticise,
And are displeased at what our neighbors do.
But, lo! men smile and whisper as they pass,
To think we do not know our house is glass.

—Helen Talbot Porter.—

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