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Spirit of Love Divine inspire us. Make our hearts ever young, and our world ever new. We are the offspring of Thy hand. Within us is a consciousness of our relationship with Thee. Manifest Thyself more and more in that which Thou hast made. Quicken that which Thou hast planted within us, that it may spring forth and bear fruit. Here and now may we behold the harvest; the fruition of hopes. May the splendor of Thy presence renew our hearts, and sweet voices of nature be laden with messages of Thy love immortal. Unite our souls in one harmonious brotherhood, and may all nations awake to a knowledge of Truth.

There is a perfect escape from all woe, misery, pain and sorrow.

All the so-called bonds of "evil" and darkness may be broken.

Glad Tidings!

Permanent Peace, Joy, Bliss and Happiness here and now is not an idle dream.

Disease, Poverty or any adverse Condition or Circumstance, can be put on one side, never to return.

Come, beloved, why not have a permanent Peace, Joy and Prosperity free from all fear?

Why be bound? Come, beloved child of God, break the chains, once and for all time, that bind you.

In all ages, omniscient men, holy men who were at-one with the Omniscient One, have taught but one thing, and that is, that there can be no Peace, Joy, Force, Power or Purpose in any man or woman who is not righteous through the love of the great God.

The lack of right action, caused by a lack of love of God and the ALL—a lack of Light—is what causes all the woe, misery, disease, pain, poverty and drudgery in this world.

No man down in his heart of hearts can deny this statement of Truth.

The righteous man who lives in perfect love, justice and right action toward all is the Christ-man who is both a blessing and a benediction to himself, to All, to the world, and to the Universe.

"Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father."

No man may expect Peace, Bliss and Freedom until he lives the pure, simple, righteous life—the life taught by our blessed Master, Jesus.

The good and the wise and powerful and forceful men and women of the world, without one exception, have always been illuminated souls who shined with the celestial radiance of righteousness.

They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever.—Dan., xii, 3.

"Bright as the firmament above
The truly wise shall shine,
Reflecting beams of truth and love
From Christ, their Sun divine."

If we all loved God with a fervent love, we would all be righteous, and what a beautiful world this world would then be! There will always be more or less darkness where men do not love, and do not live in right action toward each and all.

Love and Live in the Christ Way, is the only Way to make life here and now Peaceful, Joyous, Blissful and truly Successful.

Wisdom and abiding happiness and peace can only be secured in One Way—the Righteous Way.

No man can ever weave life with a master hand until he is righteous through perfect love for God and the All.

The fervent God-lover is always a righteous man, and he always walks and talks with God and the Angels, and his every act is ordered by the Most High.

The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord; and he delighteth in his way.—Psa., xxxvii, 23.

No man can ever have any true delight in life until he walks continuously in the Path of Right Action to each and all, through love—not through fear.

There can be no righteousness through fear of God; righteousness can only come through eternal and universal love—love for all.

The love of God is the only fountain of life, the only central principle of right action.

Love Him, ye saints, and ye shall then

Have nothing else to fear;

Make you His service your delight,

Your wants shall be His care.

Divine Law is eternal and universal and demands by its mighty power of Love, perfect Love and perfect right action from each being in the universe; until one becomes righteous through pure and perfect love he or she must suffer.

Each spirit attracts its own; as we learn to love ALL, we begin to attract ALL; a universal lover is the greatest magnet in the world to attract the All Good; all forces, seen or unseen, serve the universal lover because he or she is a righteous child of God, and under the Eternal Law attracts only that which is its own—only that which is needed for perfect life here, now or anywhere.

Lord Buddha said, "All that we are is the result of what we have thought; it is founded on our thoughts; it is made up of our thoughts."

But the great Master, Lord Jesus the Christ, gave us a simple teaching of love, which, if

we follow, we do not need to think much; as a man approaches oneness with Omniscience One he does not have to think so much.

Oh, how the blessed love of all saves wear and tear on our minds!

How easy and simple it is to reach the Kingdom through simple Love and not through complex and involved mental gymnastics!

Who can think himself into the Kingdom?
Not One!

The simplest child of God can love itself into the Kingdom, quickly and easily.

"Ye shall seek Me and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all thy heart."

So, beloved spirits—eternal children of God, the One All-Loving Father—who read these words, remember that the mortal or carnal mind is led by strange and complex ways, when there is but one simple and easy Way to all Peace, all Joy, all Bliss, all Happiness—Love and Obey Through Love.

And then, beloved:

"The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth, and even for evermore."

Blessed is he who is righteous through pure Love and not through Fear.

THE SELF.

Man in attainment apprehends the Self as the causal and eternal Simple that forms and reforms all forms from everlasting to everlasting. Therefore, "let a man wisely discern the pure and simple Self within, from the veils united to it, as rice from chaff and straw by winnowing!" This is all there is to the highest attainment and eternal bliss—"let a man find the Self who, king-like, is the knower, known and beholder of all Being." Pure Being and full Consciousness come through discernment and realization of the Self. "I am the doer and knower." Glory! "I am the higher Self." Glory! "I am fearless." Glory! "I am illumined." The Self awakens itself. "I have found oneness of the Self in life and the Supreme Self and am free." Glory! "I am the stainless Eternal." From the Self are all powers. "Everlasting, pure, free, one, partless bliss, undivided: real wisdom, beginningless, endless, the Supreme Eternal—I verily am that." All the bewilderments of unwisdom have faded and passed away forever, and the healing essence stills all pain. "I am one with that beginningless and endless One." Glory! "I am the Eternal Knower and the Known." "I have burned up all the fuel of unwisdom." Nothing is but the Eternal. The Eternal is in All, and the All is in the Eternal. "Refined by the fire of Wisdom kindled by right learning, the life, freed from all stain, gleams like pure gold." Know the Self and be eternally freed.

IN THE GREAT GOD WE TRUST.

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This is the season of the year to more fully open our eyes to the beauty of earth in all its wondrous attire; and our ears to the sweet symphonies of nature. Let our hearts overflow with gratitude and praise, that they may be created anew. Listen to the voices that shall lead us to higher aspirations and nobler attainments. Let Divine Harmonies fill our ears.

"I opened the doors of my heart, and behold,
There was music within, and a song,
And echoes did feed on the sweetness,
repeating it, long.

I opened the doors of my heart, and behold,
There was music that played itself out in
Acolian notes."

No mere machine is nature
Wound up and left to play;
No windharp played at random
By airs that idly stray;
A Spirit aways the music,
A Hand is on the chords,
Oh, bow thy head, listen,
That hand—it is the Lord's!

Through the Power of Spirit we can have a
sound and perfect body.

Come, beloved, let us all strive to be good,
infinitely good, even as God is good.

A great soul is always earnest, sincere, tol-
erant and reverent.

What is that we call sacrifice to make
others happy? Love, nothing but love.

Man needs little, but wants much. Many
of our worries, griefs and diseases come
through our inordinate desires.

Didst thou know thine own inherent wealth
thou wouldst never murmur nor complain.

The great soul glories in the great move-
ments of all men, nations, the world, the uni-
verse.

Candor and good sense give one grace, fin-
ish and buoyant optimism.

There is no being anywhere
That shares not God's great love and care.

Spiritual gifts have never ceased to gladden
world-weary hearts, and never will. They are
God's present witnesses of immortality. What
happened once in spiritual phenomena will al-
ways happen as long as there is mortal on
earth.

Hold persistently and calmly to your ideals
and in time they will be realized and fulfilled,
and then new and higher ideals will come to
you. In this way, from one ideal to a higher
one, we progress. To be discouraged or give
up an ideal means more than to stand still—
it means retrogression.

When we live in the senses alone, for pleas-
ure alone, we have no fixed nor well defined
purpose in life, and are at the mercies of every
ill-wind that blows, and encounter failure
after failure, much disease, much worry, much
sorrow, and usually kill the body at an early
age.

Someone wisely said no two clocks run ex-
actly alike, and no two persons think alike
on any subject. This is especially true with
respect to God and religion. So beloved
brothers of all religions and of no religions,
how important it is for us to be moderate,
tolerant, temperate and charitable.

In this world nothing is permanent. There-
fore, today's griefs will not, tomorrow, appear
the same, and trials which now seem to crush
you beyond the help of any event will not be
the same after a little time has passed. There-
fore patiently believe in goodness, love much,
endure firmly. "He who endureth unto the
end" shall inherit all things.

There is nothing in this world so helpful as
a direct, conscious relation with God. If you
have not believed go quietly, in your secret
thoughts, to that source of all, and earnestly
desire to be led into perfect goodness. If you
find not comfort at first do not be discouraged
but seek patiently, and meanwhile do good and
live goodness. So shall the Great Good come
into your life till you are blessed before you
are aware.

"Let us learn to be content with what we
have. Let us get rid of our false estimates—
set up all the higher ideals; a quiet home;
vines of our own planting; a few books full
of the inspiration of genius; a few friends
worthy of being loved, and able to love us in
turn; a hundred innocent pleasures that bring
no pain or remorse; a devotion to the right
that will never swerve; a simple religion,
empty of all bigotry, full of trust and hope
and love—and to such a philosophy this world
will give up all the empty joy it has."

The spiritual man acts—does things. What
is there in thinking, dreaming and believing?
This is an age of action. Let us all be up and
doing. Action is the highest prayer. The
Spirit never sleeps. Prayer without works can
carry the soul to no great heights. All of us
can do some work. The world demands a

heaven now and here and to get it we cannot
idly dream and speculate. We must act! The
call is for men afire with the genius of action
—men of progress aflame with optimism. The
eternal law of Evolution demands action and
beneficently imposes painful penalties upon
those who will not act their part.

The teachings of the blessed Jesus contain
the key to all the Mysteries; they contain all
the truth of Life; they must be lived before
one may expect to know that, knowing which,
All is known. Many believe in the Life, but
few live it. The more we live the Christ-life
the nearer we are to blessedness. In a while
all will live the life; this is the Law of Evolu-
tion of the eternal spirit. Slowly, perhaps,
but surely, God's mighty love will win you;
will win all. You cannot expect peace and
power until you are won to God and cease to
resist His Love—become perfectly non-resist-
ant. The mind and will of man must be
turned over completely to God; the less of
human mind and will you have, the more
omniscient, powerful and blessed you are—the
more Christ-like.

Live at-one with God and you cease to
struggle and battle with what the world calls
adverse conditions, as you then know how,
what, when and where to do. The countless
blessed gifts and fruits of the spiritual man
can never be fully described. Consider, as
one blessing, the wonderful gift of clear-seeing
and clear-hearing (clairvoyance and clairaudi-
ence), where you see and hear mighty angels!
This alone is of more value than all the mater-
ial wealth, honor and fame of the world.
Crookes, the eminent scientist, a few years
ago said he would gladly part with all of his
scientific knowledge for the gift of clairvoy-
ance, as he had seen it manifested and demon-
strated in a number of instances by spiritual
men and women. The fruits of the Spirit are
rich, great, many, and endless.

The freed soul stands out in glorious splen-
dor, untrammled by either good or bad, and
that soul is omnipresent, omnipotent and om-
niscient. All illusions and delusions have for-
ever vanished, and "the free soul will com-
mand—not pray or beg, but command—then
whatever it desires will be immediately ful-
filled; whatever it wants it will be able to
do." It will only desire to help all other souls,
so great and mighty is its love. And how
does it help All? By thundering with tremen-
dous power the one eternal truth all is
one; that all souls reach one eternal Father—
sooner or later awake to find they were never
apart from God. A freed soul is the greatest
power in the whole world for awakening and
uplifting other souls—opening the minds of
other souls. Many such freed souls are now
silently working all over this planet, hence the
new and brighter day.

"Only the Master shall praise us, and only
the Master shall blame;
And no one shall work for money, and no one
shall work for fame;
But each for the joy of the working and each
in his separate star,
Shall draw the Thing as he sees it for the
God of Things as They Are!"

THE MYSTICS' VIEW OF PROGRESSIVE LIFE.

In the eternal involution and evolution of eternal Life in eternal matter we observe a multiplicity of simple, complex and more complex forms.

It is not strictly true that in Life, as seen on this planet, "the weak perish, while the stronger survive and propagate their kind;" this is only a surface appearance—a superficial view of beginningless and endless Life; it is only the changing and disappearance of material forms that we observe, as neither spirit nor matter perishes.

The material forms change and drop away from the souls that sustained them while they were necessary in God's blessed and beneficent plan; but the soul continues eternally taking on newer, finer and more complex forms of matter as the economy of Nature may demand. The form changes, but the real and eternal soul that is in and back of it, and for a while sustains it, cannot perish; neither can the matter that composes the forms perish—it merely goes back in the infinite and eternal ocean of matter to be used and used forever and ever in countless forms.

Thus it is that souls eternally go on and on through the universe, forming, reforming, changing, arranging and rearranging matter in the most intelligent and orderly way into all forms. The law is from form to form, always on an ascending scale—never on a descending scale.

One nation appears and flourishes and apparently perishes. Thoughtless men say it has perished. Not so! As nations disappear new nations appear. Is not this significant? Every day we see the animal kingdom decreasing at a steady and amazing rate, and men increasing on the earth in exact ratio as the animals are said to "perish" or become "extinct." Is not this significant?

How can men who pretend to learning, understanding, knowledge and wisdom question modern evolutionary philosophy and the ancient doctrine of Reincarnation?

Nothing in the universe can perish or be lost. Spirit and Matter are eternal—co-eternal. Spirit is the only simple in the universe—is not a compound—and hence it never changes, yet it changes all things. God is the eternal formless and changeless One that is in all forms and the cause of all changes.

A modern and progressive thinker, in speaking of matter says:

"Matter is the banner or sign-board of the particular character" (soul) "that is temporarily using it and playing behind it. The same plastic material appears, disappears and reappears in higher or lower shapes, as the case may be. It is clay grasped by the hand of its molder. The elements that today make up the body of a tree, or a dog, may have figured in the material structure of seer or philosopher." ("Elements on the animal plane attract a certain grade of cruder and coarser matter than those on the human plane," says a great adept.) "It is the user, not the material, that ascends."....."Life never perishes, and its manifestations are endless."

"Life is beginningless and endless in its manifestations."

The beauty of any teaching is its truth,

MESSAGE OF THE PATRIARCH.

Greeting to the Great Brotherhood: Within thine own soul lies the wondrous gift which all are seeking. To Know Thyself is the Perfect Way to Eternal Bliss. Let the Christ Love find a home in thine own soul, recognizing its Divine Power of attainment. Perfect Trust, Perfect Love is Christ's Teachings and thy strong-hold. Each day shortens the links in life's mystical chain. But thy full soul will go forth to Freedom.

and the beauty of the Evolutionary Philosophy and the doctrine of Reincarnation is that they bring us to know and fully realize that "nothing is, nor can be, lost;" that all souls—all beings—are going onward, forward and upward to the same goal—infinite perfection and absolute freedom and eternal joy and bliss that come of oneness with God.

"It follows that the less fit, which were supposed to have been crowded out of existence, are perfectly conserved and only awaiting suitable costume in which to give a shadow pantomime of their next step of unfolding quality. Nothing is, nor can be, lost. Conservation in some form is universal. Those lives that seem to drop out of the great procession—said to die—disappear only to reappear in nobler and sweeter shapes."

You, beloved, never perish—cannot perish. We care not what your belief or religion is—we say to you, you are a precious eternal soul, in the stream of eternal, progressive Life that will float you ultimately to infinite perfection and endless bliss. What is true of you is true of All.

What do the adepts project on all men—all beings and all things? Only love. We have no fearful stories to tell about the anger and wrath of God. We only sing of Love, Life—progressive life. Love will uplift men to a higher consciousness when all else fails.

Progressive and orderly Life is all there is of value and importance in the universe, and sooner or later all men come to know that there is only joy and peace in eternal progressive Life.

Think a moment! are not all your desires actuated by this one idea—to have Life in its fullest and most progressive order? The eternal progressive stairway contains countless steps, and each one of us is on one of these steps with our face forward and never backward. Men appear to be faced backward on the eternal stairway, but that is only an appearance. We are all "brothers in the all-inclusive procession and bound for the same destination. Just now the man fits the step, and the step the man," and "All is good."

All life is Godward, hence progressive. Know this grand truth and you will be a more cheerful, willing, patient soul with true dignity and a tremendous force and power to do and achieve great and lasting works.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

Spiritual growth, or rather soul awakening, is man's most blessed degree here on the earth-plane. It is in this grand degree of the great and Grand Evolution that he begins to have fellowship with the angels. He then walks and talks with the great God; his intuitional gateway is widely opened. "The Voice of the Lord speaking in the garden of the soul is never heard while the intuitional gateway is closed." In taking and completing the Spiritual Degree the soul transcends the intellect and is beyond mind and reason. The human mind is the instrument or means of lifting the soul to the Most High—intellectual perfection is not the goal of man. "The human mind is not the avenue through which conscious connection with Divinity is made. The only gateway to the kingdom of heaven opens from within the soul, however rusty its hinges may have grown. It opens into a sphere of Light and Wisdom more vast than can be comprehended by the senses." Infinite Knowledge is attained only by fully arousing and awakening the soul first; it will then spiritualize the mind and merge it into the soul and heart. The soul, heart and mind become one, which in turn is merged into the Eternal and Infinite One. This is the great at-onement, which each and every soul in the universe makes, sooner or later. It is the full realization that the Supreme Soul is the self in all beings. "That which exists is One: sages call it variously."

O Blessed One, my self is Thy self. Behold All is One! Glory! Glory!! Glory!!! With separateness banished, all doubt, fear, woe and misery are eternally banished. Praise God forever!

"THE HOMING HEART."

We are caught in the coil of God's romances. There are more lives yet and more worlds waiting, for the way climbs up to the eldest sun, where loved ones go to their Mystic mating and the Holy Will is done. I will go—"Star stilled to the Mystic Garden." A' the prose of life run there to rhyme. He eagerly my heart will pardon these hurts time. In that wondrous hour of our se dream, the tears and years will be all for; and all will be justified.—Edwin Markha

AGREE WITH THINE ADVERSARY QUICKLY."

The scientific and psychological accuracy of the fundamental statements comprising the Sermon on the Mount has met with but little recognition. The general impression is that the doctrines which make up that remarkable deliverance are high-grade moral maxims, but impractically ideal. They are looked upon somewhat like rare gems, hung above our heads, quite out of reach. What is an adversary? Not usually a person, but oftener some condition, environment, state of the weather, dilemma, disease or whatever seems opposed to one's comfort. If rightly interpreted, the offender might be the lower selfhood. Our own attitude determines our friends and enemies.

Jesus, with a full grasp of the laws of the human constitution, made statements which were not merely moral and spiritual, but positively scientific in their exactitude. In reality, these varying aspects are but different sides of a unit. Through the belief that things are against us, they receive armament and are set in array. To illustrate: We form a theory that the east wind is unfriendly. We thereby make ourselves negative, not to the wind itself, but to our own idea concerning it. Shall one rise superior to normal environment and realize its potential goodness, or through a slavish state of consciousness, gratuitously surrender? Not that extreme and miraculous results can be suddenly realized, but progress can be steadily cultivated. Endless variations of the same principle may be imagined where by an irrevocable law the change of mental attitude is fully reflected in the physical organism. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." The body faithfully articulates, expresses and manifests the ruling idea. The "Word," whatever its quality, "is made flesh."

All those manifestations in mind or body which we call disorderly are due to violations of law—physical, psychical or spiritual. Whether they occur consciously or through ignorance, the educational penalty, thus invited, at length puts in an appearance. Messengers in the shape of a headache or dyspeptic twinges come to arrest our attention. Nothing milder would serve the purpose. We call them evil, count them as enemies, and wish to dodge the physical sensation. But their purpose is to teach us lessons and lead us to correct our mistakes. See them as friends, even though in rough attire, and with this change of attitude their bitterness becomes rapidly dissipated. So soon as their purpose has cordial recognition their business is ended and they bow themselves out. This is scientific healing. Though seemingly paradoxical, the enemy will stick just in proportion as it is considered an enemy.

The basic and fundamental principle to be recognized is that the moral order is wholly beneficent and friendly, and nothing but our misinterpretation makes it seem otherwise. We create our relations. As we love everything, everything will love us. If we carelessly stumble and fall we should be foolish to blame the beneficent law of gravitation. It is the same with every other law, and this should spur us on in the search for truth.

We will get back the faithful reflection of what we send out. If we think ill of one,

the sight, and even the thought of him, brings an unwelcome shock. In effect, invisible telegraphic wires keep us in communication both with material objects and spiritual entities, and currents of attraction or repulsion are passing over them. The stars, the sky, the rain, the temperature, the landscape, events, transactions, joys, fears, good and ill, all flash back reciprocal messages, which in quality are the same as those we send. But if a freight of base metal seems to come to us over a line of relationship, through a spiritual alchemy at our command, we may transmute it into the fine gold of harmony and utility. The foundation of this power dwells in the understanding that every experience that comes to us, negative or positive, seeming evil as well as seeming good, painful as well as pleasurable, is potentially, and may be actually an aid in spiritual evolution. Whatever comes is capable of being made "a means of grace." If painful, it pushes from behind and below, thereby pleading with us to lift our consciousness higher. If ideal, it attracts us forward.

The local and smaller circumference of evil is surrounded and submerged in the larger environment of good. If one believes that things are against him he virtually confers potency upon them for harm. The relation which he has set up within himself he thinks has been erected outside by chance, fate, or perhaps the responsibility is palmed off on Providence.

Though the law of non-resistance is looked upon as weak and impractical, it is divine and conquers. "But I say unto you that ye resist not evil." Absurd! says the worldly policy. Again, "Love your enemies." But there are no enemies, for love makes them friends. There is an objective world, but in deeper reality every man creates his own world. Whether here or hereafter, unlimited antagonism is hell. In proportion as one installs adversaries about him he shrinks in soul and weakens in body. People, classes, sects and parties antagonize each other, not so much for what they are

really as for what subjective coloring makes them appear to be.

But our relations are not only intimate with objective things, but yet more so with our own subjective creations. We are constantly setting up thought pictures in consciousness and making them our tenants and companions. They impress their quality far more deeply than do personal friends. Shall they be health, harmony, happiness, love, purity and strength, or disorder, inharmony, malice, fear, sensuality and weakness? As we choose we make them at home and abiding. We adopt them and they mold us. The same law that governs our relations with outside things connects the ego with all its own mental images. Linger in the presence of divine ideals, and you will become known by the company you keep. Lift your consciousness and dwell amid your delineations of love, faith, purity and goodness, and adversaries will dissolve. Glimpses will grow more frequent of the great Reality. "The pure in heart shall see God."—Henry Wood, in M. of M.

I have felt

A presence, that disturbs me with the joy
Of elevated thoughts; a sense sublime,
Of something far more deeply interfused,
Whose dwelling is the light of setting suns,
And the round ocean, and the living air,
And the blue sky and the mind of man;
A motion and a spirit that impels
All thinking things, all objects of all thought,
And rolls through all things.

Wordsworth.

Take the sunshine that may be
In the skies spread over thee;
Take the little bursts of bliss
Possible in worlds like this;
Take with songs of grateful praise,
Love that blesses any days;
These are parts of the great whole,

Selected.

AN OPEN LETTER

Beloved:—The blessed work of the Eternal and Universal Brotherhood has grown to such a proportion that we feel led to enlarge our method of operation. We feel that our messenger of peace, "The Mystic Magazine," should be brought to a fuller capacity for supporting the individual needs of each subscriber. If you could but know the hearts that are healed, the lives made sweet by this glorious work, you would feel it a joy, not only a real privilege, to co-operate with us in meeting the demands felt in our work.

We feel that the loving thought and interest of each subscriber has done much to bring the Brotherhood to what it is already seen to be, one of the most powerful movements in the world.

We desire every member to co-operate with us in spreading this glorious work—that the hand-clasp of REAL brotherhood may vibrate through all the universe, that humanity may rise to its true inheritance, Peace, Power, and Plenty.

We desire that our subscribers, and particularly members of the Eternal and Universal Brotherhood, should hold the Preferred Stock of the Mystic Publishing Company, that every dollar invested may be immersed in Truth and Love, with a fervent prayer for the highest fulfillment of this noble work. One share of stock sold to one sincerely interested in the work of the Brotherhood is worth more to its success than one hundred sold to those of mercenary motives.

The price of the Preferred Stock in the Mystic Publishing Company is \$10.00 a share, and interest of 5 per cent. will be paid when earned which we trust will be soon.

We feel confident that you will meet this opportunity with a joyful and prompt response, breathing forth the prayer of faith and love that binds the world.

We thank you in advance for the loving help we feel sure you are ready to give, and our blessings rest upon you for your kind assistance in the past.

And now may the Blessed One and the Angels abide with you and all.

Your Brothers and Sisters in Christ Love,
The Eternal and Universal Brotherhood of Mystics.

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We ask you, dear brother or sister to come into fellowship with us. All are our brothers and sisters and no matter what your religion is, whether you are an agnostic, a sceptic, or an atheist, or what your nationality is, we know you are an eternal child of God, and an eternal brother or sister, and we want to have you join our blessed Brotherhood, and come into the radiant Light of Universal Truth and Love. We can help you, in the work of The Eternal and Universal Brotherhood of Mystics, to gain Peace, Power, Harmony and Perfect Health of Mind and Body.

The Twelve Degrees of this blessed Mystic Order are very simple and easily comprehended. Working these degrees alone in your own home during leisure hours is a blessed work, and is inspiring and uplifting. It will give you great peace, strength and power.

The requirements for membership are:

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THOUGHTS FOR THE THOUGHTFUL.

We cannot know Christ in our life unless He is our Life.

Sorrow is not an incident occurring in our lives now and then, but it is the woof which is woven into for a sublime purpose.

Remember that even that great sinner, "Mary Magdelene," had in her the qualities of a saint!

The first prayer we are to make to Almighty God is for a good conscience; the next for health and grace of mind; then health of body.

If God has promised that "all things" shall work together "for good," for His loving children, why should we have anxious care. With this assurance we may resign the uncertain future into His hands with Perfect Confidence.

To Love for the sake of loving is almost the characteristic of an Angel.

Patience is as pleasing to God as the energy of an active life.

He who seeks to get without giving is a gambler no matter what his business is.

Good deeds are very fruitful. Out of one good action of ours, God produces many. Expression of good deeds contributes harmony.
M. Hyacinth Lount.

Hatred does not cease by hatred at any time; hatred ceases by love—this is an old rule.

MAKING THE MOST OF HIS LIFE.

They who live longest do not necessarily make the most of life. Long life is desirable provided the years are all filled with that which is good. But an empty life cannot be redeemed from vanity by length of days. A life filled with good fruit is better than a long life. Jesus, who made more of life than any other, did not live long. His life was cut short by violence while He was yet a young man. A life poured out, in blood for the sake of righteousness is far better spent than one which has been carefully guarded and preserved even down to old age at the expense of righteousness and truth. In order to make the most of life it may be necessary to lay it down as a sacrifice.

One who finds most pleasure does not necessarily make the most of life. Some think there is nothing better in the world than to have what they call a good time. They count that day lost which does not bring them some social delight or worldly gratification. But all wise men agree that mere pleasure should be sacrificed to some higher good. They who live in pleasure are dead while they live. Jesus, whose life was a perfect model, never ran after pleasure. We do not know that He ever sought it for a moment. It was His meat and drink to do His Father's will and finish the work which was given Him to do. The joy of a good conscience and the approval of the heavenly Father are infinitely superior to all worldly pleasure.

The man who makes the most money does not always make the most of life. Money is not to be despised or thrown away. Money is a means of great good when properly used. But "a man's life consisteth not in the abund-

ance of the things which he possesseth." A millionaire may live a narrow and unsatisfactory life. His millions will be a millstone about his neck unless they are used for some good purpose in the world. It is better far to be rich in good works, rich in faith, rich toward God, rich in character, than to be rich in gold and silver.

It is thought by some that learning is the thing that makes life rich and grand. But one may be learned without making much of life. Learning is a good thing. The study of science affords wonderful satisfaction. Few things contribute more to the enrichment of life than a well-stored and well-disciplined mind. But knowledge and learning are not the principal things. Some men are wiser and stronger without learning than others are with it. Jesus was not a learned man according to the standards of this world; yet when He opened His mouth and spake, such streams of truth and wisdom proceeded from His enlightened mind that His learned enemies said, "Whence hath this man these things, never having learned?" Peter and John were unlearned fishermen, yet they made the world richer by their wisdom. John Bunyan was not a learned man according to the standards of this world, yet what scientist or philosopher ever did so much as he to enlighten the world! The wisdom that cometh from above is superior to the wisdom of this world. It is not the scientist, but the saint, that lives that life which is life indeed. It is not the philosopher, but the Christian, that is the light of the world. It is not the scholar, but the good man, that makes the most of life.—Christian Advocate.

REFORMS.

It is good and wise to urge and plead with men, in love, universal love, to live in the Spirit; and unwise, very unwise, to try to threaten or force them into the new and higher way of living. Each man has his own way of reaching God and our way may not be his way. It does no harm, and often much good, to mildly, gently, and in a sane and dignified way, tell him of the joy and bliss we have experienced in the realization of oneness. A great soul is kind, loving, gentle and brotherly, and in no way coercive, and is never in undue haste to reform any one or any thing. The great God has a perfect plan, called by men evolution, that is forming, reforming, changing, arranging, rearranging everything. The good and the wise man is a knowing man, and a knowing man is cool, calm, serene and deliberate, and neither rips nor roars at the perfect order of things and events.

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