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THE CITY OF GOD

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HUS SAITH THE LORD: I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a *city of truth*; and the mountain of the Lord of hosts the holy mountain."—Zech. 8:3.

A *city* is an aggregation of people dwelling in one place; an inhabited place; the collective body of citizens residing in a place.

A city, therefore, is not only a location, but *that which occupies it*. Without houses no place could be a city. Without people in those houses, where would be the city? For a city is the dwelling place of people, who are called citizens.

To be a citizen of a place, state or nation, implies membership of, and loyalty to it, with the reciprocal right to the enjoyment of the privileges and protection resultant from such membership and loyalty, which include life, liberty, property, and the pursuit of happiness.

With this definite basis of understanding let us consider the *City of God*. It is too big a subject for a short discussion, but at least we can outline it somewhat, and investigate some of its essentials.

GOD-THOUGHT.

God is Infinite Intelligence—the only Wisdom, for God is the *One Perfect Mind*. The activity of Mind is *Thinking*; its product or result, *Thought*.

To express any quality, such as Love, Joy, Peace, Power, it must first be an Idea in this Perfect Mind. It is sometimes called *God-thought*. God-thought, proceeding from a perfect mind, could not be anything less than perfect.

Perfection, wholeness, reality, goodness, life, love—*these are God*. But before they could express as qualities or phases of Being they

had to be thought by Mind. God could not think anything opposite to Truth, else He would think something not true, not real; for *Truth is that which is.*

Truth is the only reality, and the only reality is God, both invisible and visible. Therefore, God is Truth; God-thought is Truth; God-product, or expression, is Truth. Knowing the *Truth*, one is never deceived by appearances.

JERUSALEM.

Jerusalem represents the highest, purest, truest thought. It is the realm of consciousness. It is the refuge for every weary, tempted and tempest-tossed soul. Here is found the "balm of Gilead" for aching heart and impoverished body.

Jerusalem is the sunlight of Truth. Its rays are ever resplendent with life and health and joy to everyone who faces toward them. And when the Light is revealed there is no longer darkness of sense, nothing to fear.

Jerusalem is the *place of peace*; the city of David—*well-beloved*; the city of Judah—*praise*; the city of the great King—*power*; the holy city—*wholeness*; the city of God—*Truth*.

Jerusalem becomes the city of God *in you* when your thoughts, like God's, *abide in Truth*, when you think God's thoughts after Him.

Then shall you be called "the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel." "I will also make thy officers *peace*, and thine exactors *righteousness*. Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls *Salvation*, and thy gates *Praise*." (Isa. 60.)

THE NEW JERUSALEM.

To come into this sweet realization of peace and holiness, you must face toward Jerusalem, as did Daniel and the prophets three times a day when they prayed. You must look away from your trials and difficulties if you would find rest. Soul satisfaction cannot be found in the things of sense. It is a spiritual discernment of Truth; and only in your highest thought can you find God. This is Jerusalem, the city of God, for God dwelleth not in temples made with hands, but in the quiet recesses of your being awaiting your recognition and fellowship.

Ascend in your thought this "hill of the Lord," this "holy mountain," and as was Jesus when he went to Jerusalem, you will be filled with Love, and Truth and Power from on high.

Here only can you receive that inspiration and power which will make you triumphant over every sense limitation. Only God can supply all your needs: God is the source of your health and joy and abundance.

Where will you find that good you are seeking? In the city of God where God dwelleth. What is this city? Truth, the Only Reality, the Good. Where is it? In the "holy of holies" within you; within your simplest, purest, truest, loftiest thought.

Practice seeking this city of Light, that its Truth may be revealed to you, for then "ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free indeed." Then will the prophecy be fulfilled in you: "He that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name." (Rev. 3:12.) "He that overcometh shall inherit *all* things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son." (Rev. 21:7.)

ALLEGORICAL DESCRIPTION.

Rev. 21:10-14, 19, 22, 23. "And the angel carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain (high, spiritual thought), and showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem (realization of Truth), descending out of heaven (the higher consciousness) of God, having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal, (pure, unobstructed by sense thought); and had a wall great and high (protection), and had twelve gates (avenues of mentality through which Spirit teaches), and at the gates twelve angels (faculties of mind), and names written thereon, which are the names (character-qualities) of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel (spiritual qualities): on the east (dawn of Truth) three gates; on the north (positiveness) three gates; on the south (receptiveness) three gates; and on the west (fulfillment) three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations (basic truths), and in them the names (nature) of the twelve (spiritual fulfillment) apostles of the Lamb (purity, gentleness, goodness)."

"And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones (abiding states of consciousness, qualities of Being)."

"And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof."

BE A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF GOD.

This high attainment is for you. Many today are awakening to their divine citizenship. The fact that you are reading this magazine shows that you are following the Light of Truth into the City of Peace.

Nothing will bring the realization quicker than to *persistently and gladly practice the fellowship of the Spirit.*

This is one of the qualifications to be consciously an inhabitant of the City of God; for "Thy people also shall be all righteous."—Isa. 60:21. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."—Isa. 26:3.

Its business interests are your interests: *In working righteousness.* "Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart."—Ps. 15:1, 2.

In praising God. "Whoso offereth praise (to God or God's expressions) glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation (thoughts) aright will I show the salvation of God."—Ps. 50:23.

"In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah (praise): We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks."—Isa. 26:1.

Seek the City of God, this new Jerusalem of spiritual realization, and her gates will open for you into everlasting and saving Truth.

MARCHING TO THE MUSIC

High aims and spiritual thoughts, sweet tempers, scorn of wrong, love of the true and right—these make a man, and these bring him near to God. We are summoned to join the "hundred and forty and four thousand," the multitude of the redeemed, to take Heavenly principles for earthly practice. We are called to play our whole life up to the pitch and level of that Heavenly music of which God in His Bible gives us the score, and which the Man of Nazareth has played for us to show us how. Watch the sidewalks when a band of music comes marching down the street. Notice that the music gives a different step, a new bearing, a finer carriage to boys and men as it comes along. What is there in that music to take command of the passers-by? We all know, for we have felt it ourselves, that a slouching, plodding and stoop-shouldered man, overtaken on the street by drums and fifes and bugles playing martial airs, feels his nerves played upon, shoulders thrown back as if by force, frame erect, muscles braced, tread involuntarily elastic, firm and rhythmic, every motion keeping time to the throb and accent and bidding of the music. In some mysterious way that music commands him and hurries his slow feet along at its own brisk rate of movement. Oh, immortal men! The drums and trumpets of God's hosts are marching along. What ails us that Heaven's march music does not play us through? Have our souls no nerves? Why do we keep our wretched, unerect and shambling gait? Are we such dull clowns as not to know grand music when we hear it? Hark! Listen till you feel the mighty thrill and catch the Heavenly tune. And then fall in, mark time, keep step, and "Forward, march!"—WILLIAM V. KELLEY, D.D.

"I am not fighting my fight: I am singing my song."

TRUTH AND ITS EXPRESSION

(The following article was handed us by one of our readers, who considered it especially good, emphasizing as it does the fundamentals of Being. It is from a pamphlet without name of author or publisher, and has been in his possession for a number of years. Being thus published anonymously, we do not feel that we are violating any propriety in giving it here. We have, moreover, taken the liberty of changing a few words which were inaccurately used, such as "mind" to "mentality." It is evidently from the pen of a Christian Scientist, for it declares there is no intelligence in matter, which statement we have eliminated, since God is Intelligence in and through all. The word "Truth" is used largely as a synonym for "God" in this study.—Editor.)

THE URGE OF THE SOUL.

SATISFACTION AND FREEDOM.

The gaining of Satisfaction is the motive of all human action. Even Truth is not sought for its own sake. The boy lost in the woods wants to know the truth about the way out because he wants to get home and be happy. So we would know the Truth in order that we may feel ourselves "at home in the universe" and be Satisfied.

The Soul rebels against *Weakness*, against *Pain*, physical or mental, against *Poverty*, against *Imperfection*, against *Unhappiness*, against *Ignorance*, against *Rule*. It demands *Freedom* from them all. It wants *POWER, HEALTH, OPULENCE, PERFECTION, BLISS, WISDOM, CONTROL OF ITS OWN FATE.*

These demands of the Soul are not to be crushed down, nor is their satisfaction to be postponed to some time in the distant future.

"Consent to the *Inward Urge*, that Cosmic revolt against the limitations of experience."

"Trust to the *Inward Urge*. Consider it the sign of its own fulfillment."

The Soul's demands are like the gold-bearing rocks on the surface of the ground, which say to the prospector, "Dig here."

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SATISFACTION AND FREEDOM ARE TO BE GAINED BY PERCEPTION OF THE TRUTH, ILLUMINATION, NOT BY ACTION; BY SEEING, NOT BY DOING.

This is illustrated by the man who was trying to find his way home in the fog and darkness. He found a fence and followed it, expecting to get somewhere. After a while, finding he got nowhere, he thought he would go back to the place he started from. Failing to find it, he turned and went the other way again. Thus he continued the whole night through, going first one way and then the other. Light came. He had been following the fence around the monument in the park! What he had needed was to *SEE*. "*SUN-UP*" is what we need—"Illumination on the Truth that Is."

Experience is also likened to a wheel, which the wise leap by virtue of their *Perception of the Truth*.

“What shall I do to be saved?” *Open your eyes!* “Not by some trick, not by some afterthought, not by some balance of relationships, not by some scheme, not even by some effort or deed, shall abundant life (salvation) be thine.” It is not something to be worked for, but something to be *seen*.

“Ye shall *know* (see) the *Truth*, and the *Truth* shall make you *Free*” from false conceptions of yourself.

The ordinary way of looking at man discloses no more of his true nature than the naked eye reveals of the constitution of the stars. We must have an “autoscope” through which to look if we are to get at the *Truth*.

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ILLUMINATION IS BROUGHT ABOUT BY AN IRRESISTIBLE ARGUMENT.

Illumination does not depend upon the recognition of any outside authority. It does not come through belief in any thing or anybody; belief may be mistaken. It comes through absolute conviction forced upon the mind by Consciousness itself.

This argument is the “autoscope” which reveals the *real nature of man*.

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THIS IRRESISTIBLE ARGUMENT IS CONSTRUCTED FROM AXIOMS.

An *Axiom* is a direct deliverance of consciousness, the opposite of which the mentality cannot conceive—a statement “worthy to be received” as true.

These *Axioms* are the rays of the sun of Truth, which, striking on the glass of mentality, dispel the cloudiness of ignorance and false estimates of self and the universe, render thought transparent, penetrate it, and *Illumine* the life.

When the life is thus illumined, perception is ravished by the beauty of the *Truth*. We love beauty because it approaches *perfection*. *Truth is Perfection*. So when we see the *Truth*, we are entranced by it. This is the Love of which all other love is a type.

THE AXIOMS OF THE SOUL.

1. THE TRUTH IS THAT WHICH IS.

When we speak of the truth about something, we mean what *is so* about it. Two boys were quarreling in an alley. The fact of the matter was they were disputing over what *was so*. There may be a dozen different opinions in regard to an object, but it is *what it is*. Likewise *Truth*, or *Reality*, is *what is*, regardless of what seems to be or what anyone may think is.

The opposite of this axiom—that the *Truth* is that which is *not*—is inconceivable.

2. THE TRUTH IS ALL THERE IS.

The Truth is That Which Is. Truth which is not, is nothing. Therefore *Truth is all.*

The truth about a thing is *all there is to it*; what is not true about it, is nothing. A man thought he saw a snake in his path. On coming nearer, he saw it was a stick. The stick was all; the snake was nothing. Stump was all there was to what the boy thought was a bear, and besides the stump, *nothing*. So if we started out to gather together in one pile all in the universe that *is*, and in another pile all that *is not*, we should have but *one pile*, for that which is not is nothing.

The opposite of this axiom is also inconceivable.

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3. THE TRUTH IS INDIVISIBILITY.

There are two ways of dividing a thing: First, by cutting it, as one would divide an orange; second, by putting something between the parts as one would separate a bundle of papers.

Since *Truth is All There Is*, there is nothing with which to divide it, and nothing to put between the parts. Hence *Truth is Indivisibility*.

It will not do to say that *Truth* is "indivisible," as this would seem to imply that *indivisibility* was merely a quality possessed of *Truth* which might be changed without its ceasing to be *Truth*. But it is not that it *has* it; *it is it*. All that *Truth* is, it is substantially, or as *substance*, not as attribute.

The indivisibility of *Truth*, or the *Ultimate Reality*, is illustrated by the indivisibility of mathematical truth. If I had only a *part* of the truth that two and two make four, I should have none of it.

Several men were describing an elephant. One man said an elephant was like a rope; he had its tail; another said an elephant was like a sail; he had its ear; another that it was like a tree; he had one of its legs; and still another said it was like a boulder; he had its side. None of them had the *truth*. An elephant is not like a rope or a sail or a tree or a boulder. Failing to get the *whole truth*, they wholly failed to get the *truth about the elephant*.

Also *Truth* is *Undifferentiatedness*. What it is, it is totally and entirely and altogether. It has no sides, like a temple, and it makes no difference at what angle you look at it. Imagine saying of the answer to a mathematical problem, "It depends on the point of view"!

The *Truth* is no "respector of persons."

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4. THE TRUTH IS UNCHANGEABLENESS.

(a) Because there is nothing outside of it to change it; for *Truth is All There Is*.

(b) Because it cannot change in itself; for *Truth is Indivisibility* and *Truth is Undifferentiatedness*.

(c) Because, being *All There Is*, there is nothing for it to change into.

The Truth is the "same yesterday, today and forever." It is "without variableness or shadow of turning."

"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away."

The *Truth* is "that which was, and is, and is to come."

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5. TRUTH IS ETERNITY.

Truth being *Unchangeableness*, it could have had no beginning, for that would have been a change; and it can have no end, because that would be a change. Therefore Truth is *Eternity*, *Everlasting* "*Nowness*," *Eternal Presence*.

There is no time; there is only the *eternal Now*.

Truth has brought nothing from the "past," and the "future" can add nothing to it. All that it ever was or will be, it is *Now*.

"Before Abraham was, I am" (not "I was").

THE IDENTIFICATION OF SELF WITH TRUTH.

THE TRUTH IS OMNIPOTENCE.

The very existence of Truth constitutes it *All Power*. By virtue of being what it is, it compels the identity of whatever is with itself, and also compels the non-existence of all that is not itself.

I AM THE TRUTH.

The only Being that is, is the Being that "I AM."

If anything *is*, there is nothing for it to be but the Truth. If I am at all, I am compelled to be the Truth. It is impossible to deny that in some sense *I am*; therefore *I Am the Truth*.

This fact is to be stated with all the apparent exaggeration of the axioms. Since I am the Truth, I must be all that the axioms have demonstrated the Truth to be. Therefore, *I Am That which is*; *I Am Indivisibility* and *Undifferentiatedness*; *I Am Unchangeableness*; *I Am Eternity*.

The mentality is not expected to understand this. It literally paralyzes the mentality, but it is compelled to admit it as the logical conclusion of the argument.

THE TRUTH IS THE GOOD.

"*The Good*" is that which satisfies. Does it exist?

If Evil *is*, it must be Truth, and there is nothing in all this Universe but Evil, indivisible and undifferentiated Evil, unchangeable Evil, eternally present Evil. And if Truth is Evil, the more of

it we get, the worse off we are. These conclusions the mentality rejects instantly. We are sure that Evil is *not* all there is, and instinctively feel that the more *Truth* we get, the better off we are. So we are persuaded that the *Good is*, and if it is at all, it is the *Truth*.

Also the Urge of the Soul is for "that which satisfies," as shown in the first part of the instruction, and the very fact of the Urge is to be considered a guaranty of its fulfillment—a sign that "The Good" exists.

And in "that which satisfies" we want "isness," *reality*—not seeming; we want allness—we can't be content with anything less; we want indivisibility and undifferentiatedness—we do not want it divided, nor do we want parts of it to be less satisfying than others; we want unchangeableness—we do not want to feel that we may lose it; we want eternal presence—we want it now, not five thousand years hence.

For example: As a "Good," we want *Health*. How much of it? *All* of it. What part are we willing to divide with someone else? *None* of it. When do we want it to change? *Never*. When do we want it? *Now*. What do we want to do to gain it? *Nothing*.

And so of *Opulence*. We want all opulence, indivisible opulence, unchangeable opulence, present opulence.

And this is equally true of *everything* that we consider a *good*. To be satisfied, we must have it complete, undivided, undifferentiated, unchangeable, and ever present.

THE TRUTH IS INTELLIGENCE.

It must be admitted that *Intelligence is*, and if it is, it must be the *Truth*.

Therefore, Intelligence is that which is, Intelligence is all there is, Intelligence is indivisibility and undifferentiatedness, Intelligence is unchangeableness. Intelligence is eternal presence. Intelligence is omnipotence, I am Intelligence, and Intelligence is the Good.

It should not be so difficult to believe that our intelligence is greater than we think, when we remember that all the functions of the body are controlled by Intelligence of which, for the most part, the "objective mind" is unconscious.

THE TRUTH IS SUBSTANCE.

Truth is the *Substance*, the *Reality* of this Universe, as opposed to all appearance.

Even scientists are saying now that matter, *as it has been conceived*, does not exist. Since the discovery of radium, the atomic theory has given place to a theory of electrons. "A *theory* is a huge guess which often turns out to be a huge blunder," and such the atomic theory proved to be. Some physicists hold that the smallest particles of so-called matter, are mere vortices of motion. No one knows what matter is, but the theories regarding it are approaching more and more the metaphysical position. *Spirit is the only Substance*.

THE TRUTH IS LIFE.

It cannot be denied that *Life is*; that is a self-evident proposition. We know that we have life, even if there is nothing else that we do know.

So, Life is that which is, Life is all there is, Life is indivisibility and undifferentiatedness, Life is unchangeableness, Life is eternal presence. Life is omnipotence, I am Life, Life is Good, Life is Intelligence, and Life is Substance.

"I am come that ye might have life, and that ye might have it more abundantly (without measure)."

THE TRUTH IS LOVE.

We are persuaded that *Love is*, because one of the demands of the Soul is for Love, and we have seen that the Urge is to be considered "the present, perfect, realized substance which demands itself."

And if it *is*, then Love is that which is, Love is all there is, Love is indivisibility and undifferentiatedness, Love is unchangeableness, Love is eternal presence, Love is omnipotence, I am Love, Love is the Good, Love is Intelligence, Love is Substance, and Love is Life.

Perfect Intelligence, recognizing its own perfection, is in a state of Bliss, which is Love.

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* THE MESSAGES. *

* ROSCOE K. STOCKTON. *

* 'Tis May, my dear, and softly sweet, *

* The lulling Breeze and singing Lark *

* Remind me there's a shady seat *

* Within the borders of the park. *

* So I must hie me there. (You see *

* The Meadow Lark is calling me.) *

* Besides, the Breeze, with hands of air *

* Is pulling gently at my hair. *

* And, so, unto their guidance, light, *

* I yield. (I know they'll guide me right). *

* And now, upon my shady seat, *

* I hearken to their voices sweet. *

* The Meadow Lark, the leaves among. *

* His happiness o'er bubbling, *

* In rounded drops of liquid song *

* Is singing: "No . . . more . . . troub-eling! *

* For me . . . there's no . . . more . . . troubeling!" *

* While cool and constant swings the Breeze, *

* And whispers through the new-clad trees *

* Her soothing message, low: *

* "Let . . . thoughts . . . of . . . care . . . and . . . worry . . . cease; *

* See . . . Peace . . . See . . . Peace . . . See . . . only . . . Peace; *

* 'Tis only Peace, I blow." *

* 'Tis May, my dear, and life is sweet; *

* So tells the Breeze, so sings the Lark. *

* And I believe them, from my seat *

* Within the borders of the park. *

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The International Bible Lessons

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Lesson 9, June 1.

JOSEPH TESTS HIS BRETHREN.

Genesis 44.

Golden Text.—Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.—James 5:16.

Each of us is tried, tested, and proved; no one is exempt. These tests may seem like hardships, because we fail to see their purpose. Most people bemoan every apparent ill, and in so doing only add to its distress.

Keep in thought the lesson of Joseph: that you can be in no state, however desperate, from which God cannot deliver you; that out of your apparent failure will come bountiful success; that the way to exaltation is a patient forbearance, a serenity of soul; that the way to happiness is a cheerful, resolute, courageous adherence to the good in every seeming affliction; that thankfulness is the gate of recognition and praise, through which you enter into realization of the good; that every adversity, every hard experience, is to strengthen and develop you, fitting you for mastership.

The products (sons) of such an awakened spirituality (Joseph) are Manasseh—"God hath made me to forget;" forget the wrongs, forget the bondage, forget the unjust accusation and the consequent imprisonment—forget everything less than the highest conception of good; and Ephriam—"God hath caused me to be fruitful;" fruitful in spiritual realization, in honor, in wisdom, in wealth, in esteem.

With such a clear example of the benefits of your conscious oneness with God you will be able to stand without wavering every test and opposition of the sense realm, and be the stronger for it.

By order of Joseph his silver divining cup was placed by the steward in Benjamin's sack when it was filled with grain for the homeward journey. As they hastened away in the cool early morning, with joy in their successful mission and Benjamin safe with them, the company was overtaken by Egyptian officers, who demanded why they had so wronged the one who had done them good?

They protested their innocence, and a search was made—and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack! Why was it there? What purpose did Joseph have in this test of his brethren? To bring them to a better and firmer attitude, to impress the value of honesty and just dealing; to give Joseph an opportunity to make himself known to them, and to lead them out of the land of famine into the land of plenty.

They saw not the purpose, just as you do not see at first the lesson of your trials, but through them you learn to think more kindly of God and His "experience" lessons, to understand those lessons and profit thereby.

With James Whitcomb Riley let us learn:

Make us to meet what is or is to be
With fervid welcome, knowing it is
sent

To serve us in some way full excellent,

Though we discern it all belatedly.

Lesson 10, June 8.

JOSEPH FORGIVES HIS BRETHREN.

Genesis 45:1—46:7.

Golden Text.—Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!—Ps. 133:1.

Joseph perceiving that his brothers were truly devoted to their father and brother, that they had profited by an accusing conscience for their former wrong conduct toward himself, could not refrain himself longer. Judah (praise) had won the day in his earnest plea for Benjamin, referring again and again to the old father at home in his loneliness, his bereavement, his love for his youngest child—so deep and tender that should he be held as a slave the father would die.

So greatly was Joseph moved that he wept aloud, and being unable to hide his identity longer, cried "I am Joseph; doth my father yet live?"

Then they were afraid—the same accusing conscience troubling them. Here they were to learn the lesson of forgiveness. "Be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves." Forgiveness begins at home. When you have truly forgiven yourself, you will find all else forgiven.

One usually gives too much thought to self, and is his own greatest critic. There is but one way out of personality, that is to turn the thought to the contemplation of God and the wonderful way in which the Infinite Power causes all things to work together for the welfare and advancement of the in-

dividual. Thus Joseph turned quickly their attention from themselves by showing that their intended wrong action toward him was, after all, the very best thing that could have happened for them all, and hence he ascribed it as an act of goodness in disguise, which it really was. "For God did send me before you to preserve life. . . . So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God."

There is indeed a hidden Power which often breaks up human plans just as they seem about to be successful, but for the purpose of more fully expressing righteousness, purity and truth, and awakening you to their realization as the very constituents of a perfect life.

Your praise must be to God, not man. Joseph sent word to his father that "God (not Pharaoh) hath made me lord of all Egypt." All your good comes from God, through whatever avenue it may appear. The One Perfect Mind is the only deliverance from the ignorance of belief, sense perception, and self-condemnation.

How much happier our world would be, says one writer, if we were intent, not upon righting our wrongs, but upon doing good to those who have wronged us.

Lesson 11, June 15.

JACOB BEFORE PHARAOH.

Genesis 46:28—47:12, 28-31.

Golden Text.—All things work together for good to them that love God.—Rom. 8:28.

The stress of circumstances is God's opportunity to make you really worth while. Were it not for the seemingly hard conditions you meet, which try every fibre of your being, you would probably not be as conscious of your innate power and goodness as you are, for their mis-

sion is to awaken you to a knowledge of what you are.

The proper attitude, therefore, is to ever aspire to the higher and better, which is to "pray without ceasing," and to know that beneath all appearance the law of good is working, whereby you can "in

everything give thanks." "Knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience;" for experience is self-knowledge.

The famine in Canaan literally forced Jacob and his family out into new fields, where Truth could be the better emphasized, where the false sense of worldly honor and position should be given its proper estimation, and where the blessings of the direction of Spirit might be enjoyed.

If you are not alert and ready to accept opportunities as they present themselves, and continue to flounder around in a sense maze of hardship, poverty, inharmony and failure, why, the very law of Nature (which is the law of God) will force you out and on. One reason for the event called death is that people refuse to co-operate with Life; they get in a rut, and the Law moves them into new scenes, just as it did in driving Jacob into Egypt.

The apparently utter failure thus proved the first step to success. In the sense darkness of Egypt there had shown a great light, the light of God in Joseph, who had ever been faithful to every direction of Truth within him. It was through this Light that Egypt was now enjoying the abundance which had been stored during the years of plenty. God had verily proved

himself to be the source and substance of all who turn to him.

How would Joseph receive his father and brothers? Here he was the ruler of Egypt under Pharaoh, while they were but plain Canaanite shepherds, without rank or culture. But Joseph was not ashamed of them. How he welcomed them! presenting them before the king with a joyous pride.

Jacob was old, and because he looked upon the trials of life as a hardship rather than as a means of growth, he aged more rapidly than did his fathers. His answer to Pharaoh was to the effect that he had really lived but little. The length of life is correctly measured by its use, not years.

Keep out of the past. Accept the lessons of your experience, and live wisely today; this is success. Make the most of what you have; enjoy it. Live in the consciousness of God's Presence being your abundance and full satisfaction. Thus will you reap the reward of your faithfulness to the Highest, and everything you do shall prosper. This is youthfulness, age being but a record of unfoldment, not of decrepitude.

All things, all events, circumstances, experiences are working for your good, and will in time be revealed to you as such, if you aspire to know and be like God.

Lesson 12, June 22.

THE BLINDING EFFECT OF SIN.

Amos 6:1-8.

Golden Text.—Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live.—Amos 5:14.

Life is good. How we all seek it, yet how lightly many hold it. To truly live one must know somewhat of its constituency and laws of unfoldment.

Life—like God, Mind, Spirit—is incapable of satisfactory definition. We know it largely by its effects. It is the activity of the essence of being, which we call God. Spirit is the only substance, and is universal, everywhere. Life, being its activity, must therefore be omnipresent. By it the invisible is given form and shape, being literally pressed out—expressed.

There is but one life—God. And he who loves life loves God, for "God is Life." Since God is good, life is good. This is axiomatic; it needs no proof. But it is well to call one's attention to this truth, so he may be awake to it and thus realize and enjoy it.

Evil, to any one, is that which does not conform to or measure up to his highest perception of good. The reason one does not see good in everything is because of this arbitrary decision by which he sees good and evil, health and sickness, life and death, etc.

Only in the realm of personal thought, the mentality, which judges largely from appearances, does man see that which is not good, and this he calls evil. So long as you think a thing to be bad, to you it will seem real, but evil has no place in God, for God is good. It therefore has no reality, no place anywhere, for God is all there is, and omnipresent.

One's belief in evil, then, is the barrier to his realization and enjoyment of life. He believes that there are really such things as diseases, which can destroy life; that there are disasters, crimes, injustices, poverty—and so long as he thinks them real he will see them in his world! The result is, he becomes subject to the power he himself has given these unrealities by his false beliefs.

Therefore, to live you must seek the good. In seeking the good, you necessarily stop thinking of anything adverse. You thus cleanse your mentality of sin and death by opening yourself unreservedly to Life. The more you look for good—in yourself, in others, in everything—the more of it will you see.

To perceive means to see; to see is to know; and to know is to be.

Knowing the Truth you become conscious of living; yea, more, you become conscious of being life, the essence of God expressed. How scientific is the injunction of Amos: "Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live."

The lesson is this—**thought control**. If you let your thought wander, listless, careless, idle, selfish, the natural result will be a weak, vacillating, unstable mentality, which reflects a poor, sickly body. This is the indolent, negative phase of evil.

To be keen of intellect, enthused with a desire to know and to do, tempered and directed by the Light of Truth, your thought becomes a mighty constructive agency of the Good. Your mentality is cleansed of all sense beliefs, your comprehension (soul) is broadened, and your body made strong and well.

All sense thoughts must be made captive, for they shall no longer hold sway as such. They are to be regenerated, transformed by the purity of Truth, which can be done only through right thinking—which is thinking the right and good. This is the transforming, referred to by Paul, effected by the "renewing of your mind."

Lesson 13, June 29.

REVIEW.

Golden Text.—This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.—1 John 5:4.

What is the spiritual significance of practical value you derived from each of the following lessons?

Jacob and Esau.
Jacob at Bethel.
Jacob's Meeting with Esau.
Joseph Sold into Egypt.
Joseph Interprets Dreams.
Joseph Made Ruler in Egypt.

Joseph Meets His Brethren.
Joseph and Benjamin.
Joseph Tests His Brethren.
Joseph Forgives His Brethren.
Jacob Before Pharaoh.
The Blinding Effect of Sin.

What is the meaning of the word Jacob? Esau? Bethel? Egypt? Benjamin? Pharaoh? Blinding? Sin?

"Health and pleasure are harmonies in human life. Disease and pain are discords."

Why will we longer wander in the hot sands of the physical Sahara? Let us boldly go out to meet the Father, and as testified by the illumined of all time, the white robe, the ring and the fatted calf await our conscious acceptance.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

JESSIE ANDERSON STOCKTON.

Oh, the power and the strength of the mountains!
 Oh, the calm and the peace of the mountains!
 Oh, the rapturous joy of the mountains
 That thrills me as hither I come!

The grandeur of Nature unaltered—
 Untouched by the hand of convention!
 The beauty of crudeness and rudeness,
 Transcending all efforts of man!

The snow-covered peaks in the background,
 The rugged brown rocks of the foothills,
 The stretch to the Eastern horizon
 Of low-lying mesa and plain!

The peaceful, enveloping silence
 That comes like a sweet benediction
 To ears that are hurt by the clamor
 And discordant din of the town!

The scent of the pines and the cedars,
 And the odorous balm of the fir tree,
 And the quivering leaves of the aspens
 As they whisper in groups by the brook!

The sigh of the wind in the hemlocks,
 The brook rippling by past the boulders,
 The call of the jay and the magpie
 And the hum of the wandering bee!

Afar, the smoke rising from chimneys
 Announces the presence of workshops,
 And the slow creeping speck on the landscape
 Betrays the approach of the train!

But here is the sweet isolation,
 The sense of aloofness and freedom
 That tempts and invites and allures me
 To dwell thus apart and alone.

How calm lies the plain in the sunlight,
 Awaiting the fast-gath'ring twilight!
 How easy to think that the darkness
 Brings naught but contentment and rest.

How mad and how useless and cruel
 Seem striving and greed and contention;
 In contrast how peaceful is Nature
 How far from the strife of the world!

As the eyes see the grandeur and beauty,
 As the mind senses order and purpose,
 May the soul overlook all the discord
 And see but the ONENESS OF LIFE.

PERSEVERANCE

WILLIAM YEATS MORE.



ERSEVERANCE, if not in itself a virtue, must be its close companion and accompaniment, or it suffers a loss of power when lacking that essential.

The Master undoubtedly voiced a great truth when he said, "He that endureth unto the end shall be saved." Perseverance is holding to, living by, and building on life's proven fundamentals: is the only sane, rational policy for us to pursue, for its daily and hourly observance will build us a character-house fit for its immortal tenant, whose destiny is Christhood.

The grand heroic souls of all time would never have shone with such lustre had not perseverance been their distinguishing trait, illustrative of Davie Crockett's homely aphorism, "Be sure you are right, then go ahead." We often see successful men, whose chief strength is their perseverance, and if this were allied with highest principle, they might truly be called "great souls."

There was a time that King Bruce of Scotland despaired of freeing his country from a foreign yoke, when one day his attention was directed to a little spider, who time and again fell to the floor, but persevering finally reached the coveted spot in his cob-web home on the ceiling. This gave the disconsolate monarch a valuable lesson on courage and endurance; and as expressed by the poet, he exclaimed:

"Brave, brave!" the King cried out;
 "All honor to those who try;
 The spider up there, defied despair,
 He conquered; and why shouldn't I?"
 Again King Robert roused his soul;
 And history tells the tale,
 That he tried once more—'twas at Bannockburn;
 And that time he did not fail!

Perserverance is a main factor in life's lesson, a factor that each ego will have hammered into his evolving consciousness through the ages. It is the persistency of the life force, which, through change, decay and death, ever lives, expressing in form, commensurate with its life-awareness, till the crown of full cosmic-consciousness is attained.

Needless to enumerate the many examples that history records of perserverance; how in pursuit of fame, honor, money and the world's applause, men have strenuously battled against every odds, from the winning of a foot race to gaining a throne.

The nobility of the patriot, true statesman, doctor, teacher or preacher, whose chief aim is their country's good, and the elevation of their fellows, is the strenuousness we all admire, and in our sphere and environment should strive to emulate.

Life really is but one continuous lesson on "perserverance in well doing," and he who concentrates on his high ideals, ever following the guidance of the Spirit, must graduate as a freed soul, a

soul emancipated from sense bondage, to the glorious freedom of sonship with the Infinite.

What would our commercial interests be today without perseverance? No enterprise can be financed without a basis of integrity and perseverance along lines harmonious to law, established by human government, and no permanent success can be achieved unless true to principle. This universal law is inexorable in its demands, for have we not seen fortunes of millions mysteriously fall away, when their custodian became notoriously out of harmony with the indwelling Christ?

This is no theory, no fanciful picture; simply the plain *law of life*, demonstrated by practical observation every day. Verily, the oft-quoted text is in order, "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he."

There can be no friendship, unless constancy is its guiding star, and as friendship is but a modified term for love (God), it were indeed blasphemy to expect a continuance of friendship without constancy, which is certainly perseverance in well doing and loving service to all in our environment.

Even that hard-hearted Scotch philosopher, Thomas Carlyle, recognizes fully the value of perseverance, and particularly in one little sentence he epitomizes the subject, thus: "I would bid you stand up to your work, whatever it may be, and not be afraid of it—not in sorrow or contradiction to yield, but pushing on ever towards the goal."

Persevering faith in the Omnipresence is the one and only attitude that relates us with Infinite possibilities, bringing us face to face with our "Angel-Self," the holy Christos that ever broods over the matter-encased prodigal until his aroused consciousness voices the old-time resolve, "I will arise and go to my Father."

Perseverance is the God-urge, the never ceasing impulse towards the *right*; and though the neophyte may often stumble and fall, his feet bruised and bleeding from contact with the sharp stones of experience found in the by-ways and side-tracks; yet all such are but *reminders* that the smooth pleasant walks of peace are found only on the "King's Highway," well named the "Common Path." Jesus, who verily became the Christ, was no exception to those initiatory trials, but triumphing over all, he won the victor's crown. A like coronation awaits every "Son of man," the ceremony that transforms into the *conscious Son of God*.

Therefore, let us transmute perseverance in our every-day affairs, in the common daily life duties, into the holy aspiration which beckons us onward and upward to our common destined goal, viz., the consciousness of Jesus, who could say, "The Father and I are *one*." When we see this divine energy misdirected, used in mere sensual gratification, let us act the part of the alchemist, changing the dross of desire into the pure gold of *spiritual realization*. As Jesus with his consciousness turned plain water into wine, so may we infuse the dormant spirit within a brother into like degree, and this God-given perseverance will assuredly weave for us the "seamless robe of the Christ."



The Power Society of Silent Unity Helpers with Daily Studies in Divine Science

INSTRUCTIONS TO THOSE WHO WOULD UNITE WITH US.

In His Name. "Blessed be the Lord God, and blessed be His glorious name forever; and let the whole earth be filled with His glory." Many writers will speak to you, many healers will bless you, through this Department of Power—but all will come "In His Name." As Jesus said, the doctrine, the words, the works, the good, are not mine, but His that sent me.

Be Thou Whole. No matter what you have thought, we declare Wholeness unto you. The world, or any part of it, is imperfect only to the soul who has not yet seen its Perfection. All things that are possible to God are possible to the soul that believes on God. You may see as He sees, know as He knows, trust as He trusts.

Attitude. Attitude includes your motives, your beliefs, your impulses. Therefore your thoughts, words, and deeds express your attitude. Remember, attitude controls only living, or the use of the forces. Life is perfect, unchanging.

Believe. Believe in God, in yourself, in your fellows. Accept this Universe as One in Purpose and Plan, everything and everybody co-operating at every point.

Affirm. Let every radiation from your Life and Living be a positive witness of the truth of your Divinity.

Receive. Receive in the spirit of Love and Confidence all that comes, knowing that the Giver of "every good and perfect gift" cannot fall short of manifesting His own Perfection to and through you. Relax, let go, and let be His Perfect Creation.

Pray. Pray "His Kingdom IS come, His Will IS done, on earth." Be open to God, and He will reveal Himself to you, and you will see, hear, understand—yes, receive all He has in Mind for you, "prepared from the beginning," only waiting your willingness, openness to receive.

Trust. Trust God for Wisdom, Health, Supply, and Happiness. He is

the ONLY Source, the Mighty Counsellor, the Great Physician, the True Provider.

Rejoice. Rejoice in the Law of the Lord, and give Him hearty thanks for all His benefits. Count the blessings, every one.

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Be Silent. For the sole purpose of knowing conscious Unity, communion with God, wherein you receive guidance each day for every activity of thought, word and deed.

Concentration. Love the Lord thy God with all thy mind and heart and strength. Do all things heartily (wholly) unto Him. Keep your faculties united. One moment of absolute concentration on Omnipresence is "all powerful."

Read. At first read simple lessons. Try to get the viewpoint of one true soul. Understanding grows; it cannot be forced. Inwardly digest all with which your soul agrees. Read broadly only when you have unfolded the discernment of the Spirit; many expressions confuse a soul that is not yet established in Truth.

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God is all there is, both invisible and visible.

One Presence, Knowledge and Power, is all.

This One that is All is perfect Life, Intelligence and Substance.

Man is the Expression of God, and is ever *one* with this Perfect Life,
Intelligence and Substance.

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

(In present tense.)

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed is thy name.

Thy kingdom is come; thy will is done on earth as it is in heaven.

Thou givest us each day our daily bread.

Thou forgivest our debts as we forgive our debtors.

Thou leadest us not into temptation; but dost deliver us from all evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Daily Studies for the Month

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FULFILLMENT.

FOREWORD.

During the past year we have studied together and meditated upon God, the Omnipresence, and what this One Perfect Presence contains.

We have found that God is the One Substance, Spirit; that God is the One Life; that the Light of each living soul is the God-Light; that Love is conscious oneness, and Love is of God; that in God is the very fullness of Peace and Harmony; that God is our Health; that God is our abundant Supply; that God is Omnipotent, All-Power, and that Joy is found in knowing God, the One Perfect Presence.

This month we have for our topic, **Fulfillment**, which means the act of accomplishing. God's work is always perfect. God's part in fulfillment is done and is perfect. Our part in fulfillment is to **live** the Truth we know. After our daily meditations this past year on these wonderful subjects, we should be filled full of the realization of the Truth of the Omnipresence. This realization is the ability to accomplish.

Seed Thought for the Week.

I realize the Omnipresence of Love.

Sunday, June the first.

Love worketh no ill to his neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.—Rom. 13:10.

(Read the thirteenth chapter of I. Corinthians, "The most classic epitome of Love, its attributes and equalities.")

I will say nothing of any one that I would not say of myself. I will think nothing of any one that I would not be willing to have another think of me.—"Truth and Health."

Monday, June the second.

I meet all in sincerity and Truth. I do justice to all.—"Truth and Health."

Owe no man anything but to love one another; for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.—Rom. 13:8.

(Read page 253, "Truth and Health.")

Tuesday, June the third.

Perfect love gives us a new view of all persons and things.—"Truth and Health."

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.—Matt 22:37, 38.

Wednesday, June the fourth.

Through the eyes of Love I look upon all and see all in the Light of Divine Nature.—"Truth and Health."

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments (see yesterday's Bible reference) hang all the law and the prophets.—Matt. 22:39, 40.

Jesus said in his sermon on the mount, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill." "Love is the fulfilling of the law."

Thursday, June the fifth.

For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.—Gal. 5:14.

I will be Divine Love in all my social relations.

He who loves enough will have naught of irritation, criticism or kindred feelings to dissolve.

The peace of Love rules my heart. I feel only Love.—“Truth and Health.”

Friday, June the sixth.

I rejoice in another's success as in my own. Truth teaches me simplicity and sincerity. I will endeavor to be this to those whom I meet.

I give forth to all and expect from all, justice and genuineness.—“Truth and Health.”

If ye fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself, ye do well.—James 2:8.

Saturday, June the seventh.

Let us take a few statements into the silence to bring us into a realization of this great Presence.

Love is the Source of all things.

Love is controlling all things.

Love is the eternal Presence within me, guiding me in all my ways.

Pure, divine and perfect Love is the very soul of the whole universe.—“Studies in Divine Science.”

Seed Thought for the Week.

I realize the Omnipresence of Life.

Sunday, June the eighth.

God is Life and God is Omnipresence. Life is God. Life is perfect.

The Universal Life is the God-Life in every place. I have found eternal Life by knowing Omnipresence.—“Truth and Health.”

Your life is hid with Christ in God.—Col. 3:3.

Monday, June the ninth.

Divine Life is my life.

Life, full and free, is flowing through me now.

The gift of God is eternal life.

Of all that God has given me I can lose nothing.

Thou art the only Presence, and in Thee is my eternal life.—“Studies in Divine Science.” (Read also page 236 “Truth and Health.”)

Tuesday, June the tenth.

Everything in God's creation is God's Life manifest. I accept the creation of God as perfect.

I love to contemplate creation as the perfect work of the perfect Creator. I find God in creation. I acknowledge perfect Life active everywhere.—“Truth and Health.”

For the life was manifested and we have seen it.—1 John 1:2. (Read page 48 “Truth and Health.”)

Wednesday, June the eleventh.

Life is present everywhere. Nature is full of Life and of Life's activity.

Life is the force back of and through all things.

I acknowledge the presence of perfect Life in man, in nature and in all action.—“Truth and Health.”

Thursday, June the twelfth.

Universal Life must be also individual Life.

I see one and the same Life invisible and visible. I see one Life for all.

Each is a partaker of the one perfect Life; each has now the Substance, the fullness and richness of this Life. Each dwells in the Consciousness of this fullness.—“Truth and Health.”

Friday, June the thirteenth.

Since I see God as omnipresent Life, I know that God is my Life.

Since I have found my Life to be God, I am certain that my Life is perfect and secure.

Since my Life is perfect, it is perfect in Intelligence, in Love and in Power.

I can not think of lack in any life.

Each is complete in Truth.—“Truth and Health.”

Saturday, June the fourteenth.

God lives in me. I am an expression of His Power, and realize that His Life thrills my whole nature. All is Life. My every breath is inspired with His Life.

Thou Infinite Presence, Thou art All and in all, “the fullness that filleth all.” Thou art Life, vivifying my thought and body. Beside Thee there is none else.—“Spiritual Healing.”

Seed Thought for the Week.

I realize the Omnipresence of Wisdom.

Sunday, June the fifteenth.

I acknowledge one Source, one Substance, one Mind, one Life as all Intelligence and Power. I see that this great Intelligence and Power is the governing force in the universe. All things great and small are being continuously held and kept by this Infinite Mind.

I acknowledge One Wisdom as my guide unto all Truth.—“Truth and Health.”

He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good; and whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he.—Prov. 16:20.

Monday, June the sixteenth.

Wisdom is better than strength.—Eccl. 9:16.

Wisdom is better than weapons of war.—Eccl. 9:18.

For all this I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that the righteous, and the wise, and their works, are in the hand of God.—Eccl. 9:1.

God is the only Mind. This is my Mind. I glorify God by remembering that this mind of me is perfect, giving me today thoughts and words of perfection.

I rely this day upon the one Mind for my Wisdom and clear judgment.—“Truth and Health.”

Tuesday, June the seventeenth.

Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?—1 Cor. 1:20.

But ye are wise in Christ.—1 Cor. 4:10.

Christ shall give thee light.—Eph. 5:14.

There is a Light that lighteth every soul that is in the world. This Light is Omnipresent. Let us open our eyes to this Light, and its guidance will be known and followed.—“Truth and Health.” (Read also page 263.)

Wednesday, June the eighteenth.

The Mind that is all Intelligence never makes a mistake. It is Wisdom, Knowledge and Understanding.

This Mind is my very own. When it decides, I decide. When it wills, I will. I am still, listening for Truth. As I hear, I obey.

There is no holier place than my home. Every thought, word and deed therein shall be consecrated to Truth's service.—“Truth and Health.”

Thursday, June the nineteenth.

For I know nothing by myself.—1 Cor. 4:4.

“Of myself I can do nothing.”

“It is God that worketh through me to will and to do.”

Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God.—2 Cor. 3:5.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God.—Jas. 1:5.

Friday, June the twentieth.

A Treatment for Wisdom.

"Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and forget not all his benefits." With a grateful heart I turn to my Source which is full of His blessings. Through the presence and power of the One who is All, my soul is illumined. This Presence enfolds me, and holds me in eternal Wisdom, and is now guiding me in paths of Peace. Here and now all my nature rejoices in glad praise and thanksgiving that the Wisdom of Heaven abides within me.—"Spiritual Healing."

Saturday, June the twenty-first.

Worry, doubt and fear becomes unknown to us, for we trust the Divine action everywhere. Judging no longer by appearances, we see the inherent goodness of every manifestation of life.

As we find God everywhere, the whole universe revealing His Presence, the darkness of ignorance is replaced by the light of Divine Wisdom; and walking in that light, we see the Truth of all things, people and places.—"Studies in Divine Science."

Seed Thought for the Week.

Peace and Joy come from the realization of Truth.

Sunday, June the twenty-second.

All Truth is changeless, but the individual illumined more and more by the light of the Eternal, perceives Truth with clearer eye; he is on his way to the "perfect day" of realization.

If we faithfully recognize or acknowledge Truth, we shall find ourselves realizing.

"In all thy ways acknowledge me, and I will direct thy path." Recognize only me and I (Truth) will do all the rest.

Man gives recognition to God—God gives realization to man.—"Truth and Health."

Monday, June the twenty-third.

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him—translated by Luther, Rest in the silence and the Lord will mold thee. Truth will shake every thought and feeling. I now relax every effort of my own and wait upon Truth.

I positively and trustingly declare the Truth. I see that God is all. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.—Jer. 29:13.

Tuesday, June the twenty-fourth.

The Father's Presence comprises all that an individual soul wants or could possibly desire, and with the realization of that Presence comes peace, trust and confidence, and a letting go of all doubt, fear, worry and anxiety.—"Studies in Divine Science."

"Thou art the only Presence."

"I am filled with the peace of the one Presence."

Wednesday, June the twenty-fifth.

The Presence whose guidance we seek is everywhere. It is the same Spirit which was in Jesus and which is now in you and in us all. To know its voice and live in harmony with it, is peace and joy and life eternal.—"Studies in Divine Science."

"I accept the Omnipresence without any reserve."

Thursday, June the twenty-sixth.

If you live to the highest conception of Truth you have today, you will be just that much higher up the mountain of Truth, and you will see that much more Truth to live. Be faithful to the highest you know, and more Truth will be constantly revealed to you.—"Spiritual Healing."

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth.—John 16:13.

And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.—John 8:32.

Friday, June the twenty-seventh.

The Truth so clarifies our vision that we finally and wholly disconnect our thought from the superstitions of the past, and maintain our connection with the Divine Mind. Thus we think with the Father and are guided into fuller enlightenment, so that every common day is filled with delight, and the inner peace is established in our consciousness forever.—“Studies in Divine Science.”

Saturday, June the twenty-eighth.

I am the living expression of God, created in His image and likeness. I am joyous and free, basking in the sunlight of His love. I am a radiating center of Life, Love, Joy, Prosperity, Health; for God is the Source and Substance of my being.—“Spiritual Healing.”

Sunday, June the twenty-ninth.

Intelligent faith is supplanting blind belief. “When that which is perfect is come, that which was in part shall be done away.” The faith that has merely belief and hope is being “done away” in a better understanding that is bringing conscious fulfillment of every hope.—“Truth and Health.”

Monday, June the thirtieth.

A child, in the process of its education, passes from grade to grade in the school. In the higher grades it should not think and speak as it did in the first. Even as a child grows, so has grown the race. It cannot always think and speak as at first.

Throughout the ancient writings, we have messages from students in first, second, third and fourth “grades”—even unto the highest.

All this development is from the perfect seed of the beginning, the thought unfolds from Knowledge into fuller and fuller Understanding of itself—of its own possibilities and powers.

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Notes of General Interest

The California College of Divine Science.

We are much pleased to announce the establishment and incorporation of this educational center in Truth. It is the outgrowth of the splendid work instituted in Oakland by the Rev. Helen E. Close and the Rev. Ida B. Elliott, and formerly known as the Rest Reading Rooms.

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For information concerning the courses of instruction and other work of this institution, address, The California Divine Science College, 727 West 14th Street, Oakland, Calif.

The Pacific Coast New Thought Convention

will be held in Portland, Oregon, June 25-29th, inclusive. It will be a great love-feast for all who attend. Following closely the beautiful Rose Carnival, and preceding the World's Christian Citizenship Congress, low railroad rates will be in effect. A good representation of splendid speakers and teachers is promised. Rev. Perry Joseph Green, minister of the New Thought Temple of Truth, is the leading inspiration of the occasion, and he is a genial host in himself.

(Extract from a private letter.)

Denver, Colo., April 7, 1913.

Saint Annie Rix Militz has just given seven wonderful lectures here—all for me. When she talked to me of prosperity all the riches of the universe were mine; when she treated me for health I knew there had never existed one thought of inharmony; when she spoke of the beauty of holiness—and this is really ever her theme—I was just soaked and drenched and dripping over with "the oil of joy."

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—HENRIETTA PEET.

P. S.—There were many other listeners who, doubtless, each thought the message was to him.—H. P.

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The details of the forthcoming New Thought Alliance convention which were promised for this issue of "Power" have not been received before going to press, hence if you are interested you will have to write to Alfred Tomson, Secretary, 318 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.

NEW THOUGHT MEETINGS, TEACHERS AND HEALERS.

We will be glad to have notices of regular New Thought meetings sent us for this page. We are constantly replying to inquiries as to where such meetings are held, and this roster will be a handy guide. There will be no charge for these church notices, but free-will offerings will be acceptable. All changes should be promptly reported.

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- The California College of Divine Science, 727 West 14th St., Oakland, Calif. Rev. Ida B. Elliott, president; Rev. Helen E. Close, vice president and treasurer; Mrs. Geraldine Otey, secretary. Services: Sunday, 11:00 a. m.; healing lesson, Thursday, 8:00 p. m.
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- Coronado. Divine Science Home of Truth, 487 Avenue A. The Rev. Josephine S. Preston.
- Free and Independent Christian Science Church, Jefferson Square Building, 925 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, Calif. Dr. J. deC. Hathaway, Pastor. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Wednesday, 3 p. m., healing meeting.
- The House of Blessing (New Thought), 2109 Second St., San Diego, Calif. Myra G. Freneyar, Minister. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m.; Wednesday, 10:30 a. m.; Friday, 8 p. m.
- Home of Truth, 1109 Franklin St., San Francisco, Calif. The Christ Ministry in all its branches.
- Home of Truth, Grant St. and Alameda Ave., Alameda, Calif. Harriet H. Rix, Minister. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m.
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- The Order of the 15, 123 McCadden Place, Hollywood, Los Angeles, California. F. Homer Curtiss, M. D., Secretary.
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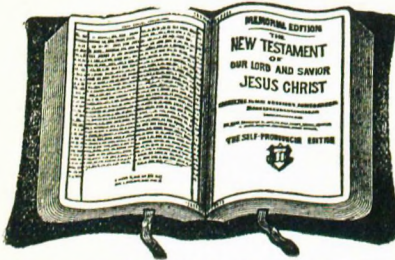
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