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THE GREAT LIGHT

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SPIRITUALLY ILLUMINED SOUL declares this great truth unto the world: "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new, and all things are of God." All humanity is in quest of newness of life, health, strength, peace, happiness, prosperity—everything good. It has searched in vain in externals for the Elixir of Life and Fountain of Youth, because it has believed that the material universe was a reality, possessing qualities and powers in and of itself. Only disappointment and failure have been the reward of the one who seeks no further, who sees no clearer, and who aspires no higher.

Many wise men of the past, who have travelled the Road of Experience and profited thereby, have left us their guide-posts of discovered Truth that we may safely and quickly pass from the rough and crooked paths of sense into the Highway of Holiness, or Wholeness—the Way of Pleasantness and Peace.

The Christ is the one great theme of the Bible, in both the Old and New Testaments. It is the central point about which all else revolves. It is universally recognized as the only savior of the world, and was known by the spiritually-awakened thousands of years before the advent of Jesus of Nazareth.

The beautiful portrayal of the Christ given by Isaiah has no reference to a personality to appear 700 years later, who should be the conscious

manifestation of this Great Inner Power. No, Isaiah gave utterance to a Truth realized by him as a then present reality—a vision of the divinity within man to which he had awakened.

This awakening to the Truth is described as a birth—something new coming into our realization. It is as true of you and me as it was of Jesus. It was just as true of Isaiah. Evidently while he saw the truth of the Christ, he did not fully accept and apply it unto himself; neither did others see it as the living truth of themselves until Jesus accepted and applied it unto himself, saying, "This day is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears." Thus Jesus of Nazareth became truly Jesus the Christ.

Isaiah's spiritual perception of this Indwelling Presence awaiting recognition in the mentality of man, and to which he must sooner or later awake, shows the joy of this Christ-birth:

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a child is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

"Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end."

Here is described essentially what the Christ is: **LIGHT**—Spiritual Light, the Revelation of Truth.

"God is Light, in whom there is no darkness at all." Man is blinded only by ignorance. He has his eyes closed to the Truth, but because he does not see is no evidence that the Light is not there. Turning from sense belief (blind mentality), man sees the Light of Truth; and this Light banishes all the false conceptions of sin, sickness, limitation and death—for the Light reveals the Truth of the fullness and allness of Life, Love, Harmony, Wholeness—Perfection.

The Christ, then, is the Light of God "shed abroad in our hearts." It is universal, and belongs alike to each and all. It becomes individual only as you accept and apply it to yourself, as Jesus did for himself. All glory and honor to Jesus, who demonstrated this Truth for all humanity, and thus became the savior of the world.

As you lift up the Christ, as you realize the Light of Truth shining in and through you, you also demonstrate and show forth the One Presence and Power, thus banishing from the thought of others their beliefs in anything adverse to this Omnipresence.

Behold, then, YOUR mission: Savior of the world!

Listen to these words of Jesus himself: "Ye are the light of the world. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

For, this is the Truth revealed through Paul: "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ."

Know, then, your ONENESS with Christ. It is the Power of God unto salvation. "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all unto me." Lift up this Light within you, and it will reveal unto you the FULLNESS of all Good: God omnipresent; that you inherit all the qualities and the very substance of God, thus knowing of a surety, "All that the Father hath is mine," for "Of His fullness have all we received."

Realizing this Truth for yourself, you become a radiant center of this "Great Light" unto the world; and the Spirit of Peace as a result of this consciousness of the One Presence will finally cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

In the rays of Light divine
Blessed gift of Life is thine;
Peace and health like jewels rare
In thy heart and form thou'lt wear,
When thy soul is opened wide
For this never-ceasing tide
Of LIGHT, LIGHT, LIGHT, of LIGHT DIVINE.

The Light shineth for thee,
The Light shineth on thee,
The Light shineth through thee,
And through thee to bless the world.

(Helen Van Anderson-Gordon.)

FRATERNITY

By Mary Dean Parsons.

A dainty spray of vine and leaves swayed without the open casement—transparent gold in the bright sunshine.

And I watched it as it hung in all its loveliness, and thought that it was sunk deep within my heart. It could not be other than fair and harmonious, springing as it did within and of Perfection itself.

And I longed with a great longing to understand its message; to enliven my realization that the Father and the vine and I were One, so that in wondrous Love I could know the inner consciousness of the waving thing; might know the Intelligence here incarnate, the Life and Power here visible, the Love here manifest.

Just a spray of twining wisteria: in all its purity expressing God, giving consistently Joy and Peace.

THE GUIDING STAR

By LENA HAYES HOOVER

I look out tow'rd the western sky,
Alight with blue and gold:
My thoughts now see the blessed star
Which led wise men of old.

They sought its light so faithfully,
And counted not the step
Which led them to the manger there
Where the King of Life was kept.

And so, if we but look above,
Our Star we're sure to find;
And if we follow in its light,
(Which shines for all mankind),

Our journey will the brighter be
As day by day we trod
The Path of Life which ever leads
Us closer to our God.

This Path is straight and smooth and plain,
Yet sometimes rugged, too;
But Love and Perseverance great
Will take us safely through—

Yea, through beyond the darkest vale,
To summit of the Mount,
Where Spirit gives us clearer sight
That we our blessings count.

Then count them, friends, as here they come;
Do this before they go,
For if you do not claim them now,
The less of Good you'll know.

For all good things to us are giv'n—
Health, joy, success and peace;
Then from all sense of bondage thoughts
We evermore shall cease.

In others cease to see mistakes,
Or in ourselves a vice;
But see the Christ in ev'ry one—
Enjoying Paradise!

Rockford, Ill.

CHRISTMAS-TIDE

WILLIAM YEATS MORE.



THE CUSTOM OF BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS ante-
dates history. In tradition and legend there comes to us
 proof that not alone were the nativities of relatives remem-
 bered, but that of great national heroes and imputed saints
 who represented the higher and nobler traits in human life.

In Christendom, there is ONE who stands not alone for all that is great and noble, but spiritual. 'Tis true, we share this trait in common with all the world's religions which mentally enthrone their founder or leader, and this personal adulation is all right, if not carried to the extent of obscuring the basic principle of brotherhood and equality in God-sonship.

The exact date of Jesus' birth cannot at this time be definitely ascertained, yet the choice of December 25th by the early Christians is possibly as good or better than any other, as it dates with the ancient Yule-tide festivals, which for countless centuries celebrated the sun's entrance into the winter solstice. This substitution was clearly predicative of the New Light supplanting the worn-out mythologies of the prehistoric sun and planetary worship. Thus does every day, week, month and year bring some deep spiritual lesson with which we should attune and imbibe its inner spirit, so that we grow consciously into the image of the "Grand Man," as did that earnest soul portrayed by Hawthorne assume the likeness of the great stone face.

It is a psychologic fact that we grow physically, mentally and morally into the form, features and character of our intense soul-longings; therefore, that well-worn aphorism ever applies, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

The Christmas season should not alone be looked on as historical, or as a special supernatural event, or grossly regarded as a yearly feast time when friends meet in mutual greeting.

Christmas may include all of these, yet the man who sees no higher is but of the earth—earthy, requiring that his eyes and ears open to the glorious dawn of the New Day, where is ever sung the heavenly drama by the celestial host, "Peace on earth, good-will to men."

It is peculiarly fitting that at this time there should be a world-wide awakening to the higher lessons of Christmas, for today is just as opportune as was the advent-time of Jesus, at or approaching the fall of the great Roman Empire.

It does not take one specially gifted as a prophet to see the impending political and economic changes; including the fall of kingdoms and principalities, with their consequent restatements of constitutions more in harmony with our New Light, in all that pertains to our evolution

from the common man to the superman. This is, as many believe, God's plan of purging the world from flagrant sin, but it is really a natural sequence of race and national hatred the various countries have nursed and held against each other: the culmination, a world's war—we trust the long foretold Armageddon. History surely does repeat itself, and to the reflective mind does seem as though the renaissance is here, and we are passing through a time of reorganization, leading to the universal awakening expressed crudely by Burns:

“When man to man the world o’er
Shall Brithers be and au’ that.”

This awakened consciousness to our brotherhood and God-sonship will bring about the incarnation of an uplifted one like Jesus, whose mission will be a new-day restatement of Life's great truths of Being. It is possible that several emancipated Great Souls will be ushered into the outer, to transform darkened chaotic conditions into harmony commensurate with today's advance in science, art and spirituality.

These great souls will be in perfect accord, though mayhap born under different flags, but all imbued with the spirit of the true Avatar—the selfless, altruistic noble man. These God-like brothers should not be looked upon as supernatural beings. Though super-physically gifted, they are and represent the “Grand Man,” the Christ, we each and all are destined to be.

Always the lesson of Principle vs. the Personal should be ever in thought, for it is an indispensable part of our training ere we can enter the Path.

This personal worship and undue reverence for the brother or sister who proclaims the message is the foundation-stone of every creed and religious division among men, and its stultifying effects can be seen in India and the Orient even more glaringly than with us. Let us rise to the broad outlook that sees ALL in ONE and ONE in ALL.

This stupendous truth of Universal Sonship is beautifully expressed by that illumined mouth-piece, Isaiah: “Come now, let us reason together, saith the Lord (the God within); though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as now; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool: if ye be willing and obedient ye shall eat the good of the land.”

This clearly teaches that when we comply in every particular with the Law of Life, the same law that Jesus later epitomized as love to God and our fellow-men, we are elevated into conscious sonship.

This is the lesson of Christmas: not that it is a wondrous story of an exceptionally unfolded soul, but that it should come home to us as an invitation to enter into “the mansion prepared for us from the foundation of the world;” in other words, our manifest destiny which we can neither shirk nor evade. Therefore, it lies with us to achieve the full

consciousness of our greatness; boldly enter into possession of our good here and now—physically, mentally and spiritually.

The aspiring soul must be courageous, letting nothing come between him and the Kingdom, which is the one condition of universal possession, so plainly taught by the Master. Paul urges the necessity of ever battling for the right: "The loins girt about with Truth, having on the breast-plate of Righteousness, using the shield of Faith, the helmet of Salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked" (sense allurements). "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might; put on the whole (not a part) armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil;—and having done all,—to stand."

This consecrated concentration on gaining the Kingdom is the plan to win here and now, and we should relentlessly brush aside all sense encumbrances, ever using the prayer of faith and thanksgiving to compass that divine awareness of Jesus which proclaims its divinity.

We cannot affirm too often in our inner "Holy of Holies" this fact of our Divine Sonship, realizing that we are now in possession of all the good pertaining to every realm; ever praising God for full awareness: truly as said the Master, "To him that hath" (realization) "shall be given, but to him that hath not (this realization) shall be taken away even that which he hath."

Who, then, is keeping us out of our heritage? The prophet within answers as clearly as did that one to David of old: "Thou are the man!" Since the regenerative work is all with us (not with God, the devil, our fellowmen, heredity or environment), by all that is high and holy in us, let us be up and doing, making this Christmas-tide the holiest in all our experience. Let it be to us the prodigal's return to the Father's house; the welcome-home time: never more to stray in the sense beliefs, for we are no longer the animal-man, but the risen Christ. Let us know this and live the life-eternal.

"In vain the name of Christ we bear
Unless the love of Christ we share,
That love that heals the dying one,
Through Christ, the Truth, the only Son."

SIN IS FAILURE TO HIT THE MARK

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, of the Methodist Church, in his sermon before the students of Denver University recently, declared:

"Sin is where one fails to aim high enough. It is where one does not attain the mark of which he is capable. Failure isn't a sin. It lies in not trying. When a man is capable of doing great things, or of aiding in some uplift, and does not do so, he has sinned. This rule may be applied to all wrong doing. It is not so much what one does as what he does not do that constitutes the greatest evils."

THE ESSENTIAL PRACTICAL CHRIST



NO MAN CAN BE INFINITE, but all men have in them eternal qualities, and the development of the spiritual consciousness varies with each individual. Jesus was probably the most nearly divine man, in his consciousness of the Unity of Life, who has lived upon our planet. "God is Love." If this is a definition of divinity, and I believe it to be at least the highest conception of deity of which men are capable, then the question as to the deity and divinity of Jesus, or of any man, is simply a question as to the measure of his love, of his selfless life.

When men ask me, "What do you believe concerning the divinity of Christ?" I say to them: If by this question you mean whether of my personal knowledge I know that Jesus made the worlds, that his coming was prophesied for hundreds of years before his advent, that angels announced his birth, that he was miraculously born of a virgin, that he worked all the miracles and did all the deeds and said all the sayings recorded about him in the gospels, that he rose from the dead and ascended into heaven, whence "he shall come to judge the quick and the dead"—I can only say that I do not know and that I do not believe that anyone else knows or has known. Some of these statements I naturally incline to believe, and some do not seem to me either reasonable or inspiring. But if you mean to ask, Do I believe that a life of trust and unselfishness,—confidence in the unseen God and perfect love toward men and all else,—is a divine life, I would answer: This I believe with all my heart and soul and mind and strength, and would stake my eternal welfare upon it.

In fact, the expression, "The Christ," is the name of an office rather than of a person. It might be used of any God-conscious soul, especially commissioned to live his life in the flesh for the larger revelation to men of what always exists, did they but have eyes to perceive it. We may well regard Jesus as an almost perfect finite expression of this infinite principle.

The real meaning of the Christ is Immanuel—"God with us." The essential Christ, the living Christ, the eternal Christ, is the essential, divine, eternal principle in every human soul. "This is the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

If any one should say to me, Why do you think a man can be like Christ? I would answer, For one reason, he said so himself. He said, "I am the light of the world," and also, "Ye are the light of the world." He said, "As the Father hath sent me into the world, even so send I you into the world."—(Benjamin Fay Mills.)

*"Nature has placed thee on a changeful tide,
To breast the waves, but not without a guide."*

Divine Science : Christian Science

SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES IN FUNDAMENTALS
AND PRACTICE

CHARLES EDGAR PRATHER.

(Note: In the study of this series of lessons on Divine Science and Christian Science, let it ever be borne in thought that the purpose is Enlightenment upon the Fundamental Principles of Being as recognized, practiced and taught by these Modern Thought Organizations; that these lessons are Comparative, and not merely critical, pointing out both the similarities and the differences of these two Great Systems or Schools of Science and Religion; that the discussions shall be free from prejudice or antagonism, being prompted by the Spirit of Love, that everyone may know the salient points of both teachings, and thus understand the place and purpose of each, and thereby know for a certainty the "reason for the faith that is in us.")

THE CONSTITUTION OF MAN



IF MAN, THEN, IS THE EXPRESSION (and not merely a reflection) OF GOD, what is the Truth of Man? We all—Divine Scientists and Christian Scientists alike—accept the Truth of God's Omnipresence; we only differ in our conception of what this Omnipresence is. Christian Science declares that God is not in matter; and so does Divine Science, when matter is considered as something separate and apart from Spirit. But Divine Science does not see matter in this way; it sees only Spirit-substance, God, whether that substance be invisible to the physical eye or expressed in form. Therefore, to the Divine Scientist, ALL is Spirit: there can be no other presence or substance.

The teaching of Truth, in the light of Spiritual Understanding, is so plain and simple that many pass it by. They look for something hard and mystical, but scientific Truth (and there is no other kind) is always easy and plain.

The first essential, as in mathematics, is to get a clear and accurate understanding of fundamental Principles. Then, if you adhere strictly to them, you cannot fail in the demonstration of any question or problem.

One, long ago, cried, "What is Man that Thou art mindful of him?" This question must be answered by Truth; not by what our opinion is of Man.

We have found that God, the One and Only Presence, is Life, Truth,

Intelligence and Substance. Since this Presence is universal—everywhere—then Life, Truth, Intelligence and Substance are everywhere; for God fills all and is ALL. This Presence not only fills you, but is the very substance of your entire being—spirit, soul and body. There can therefore be no other presence, no other substance. Is not this plain, practical Truth?

The Greeks wrote this inscription over their doors: "Man, know thyself." It is even more necessary today. Man, generically, is an Idea of the One Perfect Mind. It is Man universal, and as such is the Thought of God. This Thought or Idea is the true creation. The formation or expression is the out-picturing, the out-pressing into visibility, this Idea, Thought or Image.

Begin now to divest yourself of the mental conception that you (Man) are but a body of flesh, blood and bones, and possessing a spirit and soul. That Spirit is the all of you—individualized as you; and the body is but the form which has become manifest for the Spirit YOU to express through and use on this plane.

This is the Truth of Man: You are what God is! No, not all of God; the drop of water is not the ocean. The more you realize of your true being the more you know of God.

One Spirit, One Mind, One Creation. This creation is as perfect as its Creator; for Perfection can bring forth only Perfection. Man, then, is the perfect creation of God; consequently of the same substance and quality, for "like begets like."

Consciousness (being fully aware) of this fact, you are freed from all your mental conceptions and beliefs and opinions about sin, sickness, limitation and death. And only thus can these adverse beliefs (the adversary or devil) be overcome and destroyed.

Life is God, and it is all about you and within you. Health is God, and is as omnipresent as Life, since God is omnipresent. Now Man, being the same Essence or Substance as God, must himself be Life and Health. Thus we could continue in finding Man the expression of every quality of his Source.

Know the Truth of yourself. Your affirmation will help awaken you to its realization. Say it in your thought, speak it aloud, write it down: "I am the Image and Likeness of all that God is, for I am His expression. I am Perfect in Spirit, for I am His expression. I am Perfect in Spirit, Soul and Body, for my Being is the creation of Perfection. I therefore am Life, Love, Intelligence, Health, Power, Joy, Perfection."

According to your thought is your interpretation. Your thought does not change the perfect substance of your body, but according to your mental image of it does it so appear to you.

The great necessity is for us to see through our spiritual eyes, according to the Reality or Truth, and not through our mental opinions and beliefs.

That which says "I am" is the Reality of you. It is Being itself asserting itself. It ever affirms its wholeness, completeness, harmony. Whenever you say "I Am," you are declaring "God Is"—since God is the Only Reality. You therefore should never claim or attach to yourself anything or condition which you know is not true or desirable, not good; such as, "I am poor;" "I am sick;" "I am getting old;" etc. No, this "I Am" is the Real of you; it is the God of you, and therefore Perfect. It can truthfully declare, "I am divine;" "I am well;" "I am strong;" "I am wise;" etc.

Practice true thinking; "hold fast the form of sound words;" and your vision will expand so that verily you will know the Truth of Body as well as the Truth of Spirit, and in your "flesh you will see God."

Man —(You)—are the Idea of God: the expression of Intelligence, Life and Substance. You are the activity and harmony of Love; the effulgence of Power; the substance of Life and Truth.

(Next Study—LIFE.)

JESUS THE MAN

Jesus is the type of the Perfected Man. We look to Jesus not to study his death so much as to follow his life. He said: "Call no man good; there is none good but One;" but following immediately upon that statement he enters into that Oneness by stating, "I and the Father are One."

As the same Life is incarnated in each man that was in Jesus, so may the same Spirit that unfolded him into perfect understanding work the same in us. "Heirs of God, joint-heirs with Christ." While we have attained the same substance in form (flesh), may we not claim the same spirit (the Christ)? Let us be brave and fearless and think it not robbery to claim the Christ, if in our souls we know we are trying to live the Christ life.

Tear off the mask of mysticism and stand revealed to your own soul. Jesus was a man tempted and tried in all points, and he overcame. If you are tempted and tried and overcome, you do it by the Christ Spirit which has ever been in the world, but was revealed in its fullness or manifest first through Jesus. Conquering within is rising with Christ. Do the will and know the doctrine. In this is finished work.—"The Science Quarterly."

A CHRISTMAS MEDITATION

By MARY LAWTON METCALFE

Dear Father Spirit:

I thank Thee for the gift of Love. It is Thy dearly beloved Son, now realized by me as the Christ Mind.

I am Love.

Love reigns in my world, King of all thoughts.

Love commands, and Faith draws from Thy abundance of Life-substance all that we need in this home, that there may be no conception of the lack of any good thing where the Christ-Love is consciously realized.

I am Love.

In this affirmation of my divine Nature, O Father, Thy glory is revealed through the Christ; and I now realize that "Of Thy fullness have all we received."

My net of Faith draws into vision Thy abundance, and I am now conscious of being a radiant center of Thy Fullness—of wisdom, of peace, of praise, of health, of happiness, of opulence.

I am Thy healing center of Love.

I thank Thee for this conscious unity, which is Love.

I thank Thee for Faith, the Power by which I lay hold of Thy goodness.

I thank Thee for the Christ, the Revelation of Truth, which reveals that Thou art the Divine Presence individualized in my Christ Mind. Freely I have received Thee; freely I distribute Thee.

This day shall Thy glory encompass the awakened Sons of Spirit who receive Thy Light—the Christ. It is the established Life-illumination for their words and works.

Father, I thank Thee in the realization of the Truth that "Lo, I am with you alway"—yea, the CHRIST ever alive and working in and through me. And this is Thy gift unto the world, Thy "only begotten Son."

Tampa, Florida.

The editor of "Power—the Higher Thought Magazine," has in course of preparation a series of hand text-books in Divine Science: Knowledge of Truth. They will embrace such studies as: God; the Christ; Divine Humanity; the Law of Unfoldment; the Body; the Atonement; Righteousness; Baptism; Marriage; Birth and Death; the Resurrection; Heaven and Earth; and other important subjects.

PUTTING ON CHRIST

CHARLES EDGAR PRATHER.

"Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ."—Rom. 13:14.



BEFORE WE CAN PUT ON CHRIST we must divest ourselves of all that which is related to darkness, since CHRIST means the Revelation of Truth. Our first step, then, is to turn from our false conceptions, our beliefs, our fears, our superstitions, our anxieties, by facing about, becoming converted, and facing the Light. After all, friends, all the troubles in your life experience are the result of your facing in the wrong direction—looking from the Truth, not at it. Now let us look at the Sun, and then we will see no "shadows."

Jesus represents the human side, Christ the divine. Therefore, Jesus Christ means Man conscious of his Divinity, or God in him. The Lord is this realization ruling in the thought and action of man.

Paul had just given a wonderful exhortation to the Romans as to their thinking and living, both as to what they should do and what they should not do, closing his letter with this stirring appeal to know and be the full expression of God the Source, "Casting off the works of darkness and putting on the armor of Light."

WHAT ARE THESE "WORKS OF DARKNESS" WE MUST PUT OFF?

1. All sin—all falling short of the Truth.

We have lived in darkness long enough. Darkness means ignorance. It is now high time for us to turn our attention wholly to the Light.

"Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings."

"But now ye also put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth."

This you do by putting up your standard of Perfection and adhering to it steadfastly. Such affirmations as this will help you: "This day I will not permit myself to become provoked or angry, or to speak unkindly at anything or anybody."

2. Worldly conformity.

No longer do we accept the beliefs and opinions of the race, in disease, poverty, enmity, etc. No longer shall we judge by sense appearance.

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but of the world."

"Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the re-

newing of your mind, that ye may PROVE what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

Do not call a thing bad because you do not understand its place and purpose. How shall you judge? By the changing of your attitude, by the renewing of your thoughts, by seeing from the standpoint of Truth. This does away with your opinions about things, and now you see them in a new light. You no longer place your affections upon the things of the world, knowing them to be but expressions of Reality, which you seek to know and worship instead of its formations only.

3. The works of the flesh, or sense desires.

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, revilings, and such like. . . . They that do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

When we live in the external sense of things, in the seeming, in the appearance only, then we let the flesh, the personal thought, rule; but when we turn from these mental conceptions and walk after the Spirit, then do we know and inherit Life everlasting.

4. Our besetting sin.

We must give attention to and eliminate that little, easy short-coming which seems almost natural to us. When we live in the sense of things there is always something which is easiest for us, and which we are most prone to do although we know it to be not the highest or best.

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."

5. The "old man."

The "old man" is our false conceptions of Life and its expressions. It is the untrue, "corrupt" thought which believes in "matter," that the body is composed of impure and corruptible substance, "born in sin and shapen in iniquity." It is the belief in old age and debility, and is the product of sense thought.

Our language is now pure and true. It speaks of only the realities: Life, Health, Harmony, Peace, Strength, Buoyancy, Youth—and these Realities are revealed unto us.

"That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind."

6. All "ungodliness."

We have seen a "great light." We have taken a new attitude. We now speak only that we know to be true, and put it into practice in our daily living, giving no place to adverse thought.

"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil."

TO PUT ON CHRIST WE MUST PUT ON:

1. The "New Man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

"Put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him. . . . Christ is all, and in all."

This "new man" is the true or spiritual vision, the realization of Truth, the Christ. It sees everything in its right relation and nature, since it knows but One Source and One expression—all Good. It drinks of this Fountain and is constantly refreshed and renewed.

2. The New Creation.

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things have become new."

The things themselves have not changed; we see them now in a new light. Our old conceptions of the external as something in and of itself, with many adverse powers, have disappeared; behold, all things are now seen in their true nature, the expression of Life, Intelligence, Love and Power.

What beauty, grandeur, majesty, intelligence and love is displayed in Nature, when you see it as the expression of God!

3. The Whole Armor of God.

"Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. . . . Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with Truth, and having on the breastplate of Righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace; above all, taking the Shield of Faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the Helmet of Salvation, and the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God."

You will notice that the whole being is protected with one exception—the back. Know this, you do not dare to run from conditions, experiences or duty. The only time you are perfectly safe is when you stand up in the Power of God and face them. When you do that you are fully protected for defense, and have the implements of progression provided in this armor of God. This armor is for use, not display.

4. Humility.

This is the attitude of Selflessness.

Personality is a snare and fraud. It is boastful and arrogant, but it only makes pretense—it has no power. It is selfish, cruel, overbearing, bigoted; and is the blight of our social, religious and political systems.

Humility is the broad, charitable view which sees all alike; no great, no small; no high, no low; no rich, no poor. It recognizes but One, both invisible and visible: the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man. Its prayer is ever, "Less of self and more of Thee," until it reaches the goal of realization, "None of self, but ALL of Thee."

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another."

5. Love.

"And above all these things, put on Love, which is the bond of perfectness."

Since God is the One Perfect Whole, to realize all as the various expressions of this One is to feel our unity with everybody and everything. This conscious unity is Love, and he who sees only God, visible and invisible, is perfected in Love, and is forever conscious of his oneness with his Source.

"Love is the fulfilling of the law."

"Let this same mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

We have now put on the Christ, and are redeemed in spirit, soul and body, forever. Amen.

HOW TO START A DIVINE SCIENCE CENTER

In response to many requests as to how to start a Higher Thought or Divine Science Center, let us suggest:

It matters not where you live or how few may seem interested. Invite a few of your friends who are thinkers to meet at your home at a certain time. When they gather, let someone preside, first stating the object to be the study—not of religion, but of Principle, of Truth, which underlies every phase of Life.

If none of the company is accustomed to speaking, and not familiar with the Fundamental Truths of Being, then have the chairman, or any other, read some simple lesson—a primary lesson dealing with the Source of all things—the Omnipresence. This lesson should be wisely chosen, by an author who is divinely inspired, and who uses language correctly, for this first lesson is very essential, being the very basis of all further study.

After the lesson is given, opportunity should be given for questions, which may be calmly discussed in order to bring out a clear understanding of the Truth. But argument should never be permitted, for it never convinces but only confuses.

It is always best to adhere strictly to the primary or fundamental principles. Get these firmly fixed in thought and practice, and the seeming ills will gradually vanish as the Truth or Reality is realized.

Set a time for the next meeting, when all should be present promptly. Each session should be begun with a few moments' Silence—each one feeling that he or she is desirous of and receptive to the Truth. A strong statement may be used as a central thought for this meditation, such as, "Only the Good is True," or "God the Good is the Only Reality."

As each one gives full interest to the meeting, it will grow in inspiration and helpfulness at each session.

Write the editor of "Power" if you desire more definite or further instruction.

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THE LIVING CHRIST

(From a Sermon on "The Basis of Belief," by the Rev. Lyman Abbott.)

The world thought Power was divine, Majesty was divine, Justice was divine, Greatness was divine; and then there came One upon earth without power, and without external majesty, and without the signs and symbols of greatness. But he was patient, gentle, heroic, sympathetic. Nay, more, he rejoiced to bear not only the sorrows, but the sins of others. And when that life was held up before humanity, humanity said, This is the divinest yet.

There is more majesty in Love than in Power. There is more strength in Patience than in Force. The heart of humanity answered to the portraiture of Christ, and responded to it.

We believe in Christ because Christ brings out from us that which was before within us unconscious and unknown. One may take this story and read it through, and wonder whether Jesus ever lived, and still believe in Christ. He may take that story and read it through, and deny all the ecclesiastical deductions that have been drawn from it, and still believe in Christ.

For to believe in Christ is this—to see a true manhood and a real divineness in that kind of life. And that belief is in the heart of humanity.

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is not a day or a season, but a condition of heart and mind.

If we love our neighbors as ourselves; if in our riches we are poor in spirit, and in our poverty we are rich in grace;

If our charity vaunteth not itself, but suffereth long and is kind; if when our brother asks a loaf we give ourselves instead;

If each day dawns in opportunity and sets in achievement, however small:

Then every day is Christ's day, and Christmas is always near.
—(James Wallingford.)

Religious literature—that pertaining to the TRUTH of yourself—is a necessity today in every home; no longer is it a mere luxury. Only through fundamental Principles can you truly realize success.

To set forth these Principles and show how they may be used in making your life healthier, happier, and more prosperous, is the definite purpose of the Higher Thought magazine "POWER."

Not only do we "children of a larger growth" need its inspiring instruction, but the younger members of the family as well. What might we have been or what might we have attained had we had the definite development of our innate divine powers!

GOD IS NO RESPECTOR OF PERSONS

By Maria A. Hunt.

Never was there a time in the history of mankind when God has favored one caste of people more than another; and today it is as it ever was, Gentile and Jew alike are the Beloved Children of this Mighty Power that men call God.

It lies within the power of each individual to realize for himself the very highest. The soul that will awake and arise to its own real nature, coming into a realization of the Oneness of Life, thereby knowing that he is one with this Infinite Spirit of Life, hath opened the way to the realization of all knowledge and power.

Therefore, we all, as children of the one Father, have the power within to make of ourselves a Savior of men and a Light-bearer unto the world. What one has done, all can do. To the one that deals with the body and the senses, and lives in the smaller "personal life," there can come no vital realization of the great Spiritual Truths that surround us from the plane of Spirit. Such an one is apt to criticize the good work of another, owing to the lack of spiritual discernment and discrimination, which one can never acquire while living in the smaller attitude. Self-denial (giving up of personality) teaches us the way to enter the Greater Life, and points out to us the open roadway that leads to Realization.

THE CHILD AND THE PICTURE

By Minnie A. Shinn

After the soothing slumbers of the soundless and heavy night,
Birdies and blossoms and babies awake with the morning light.
Fair heads and fat hands peeping in rows above the cover;
Bright eyes that saw in their sleeping the angels of gladness hover.

While mamma in dressing the youngest, the eldest (yet very small)
Sits gazing up at a picture above her on the wall—
A picture of Christ uplifted in lines of living light,
Where the morning sunbeams drifted from eastern skyfields bright.

"Whose picture is that?" she questions; but her gaze does not unbend.
"That, my darling, is Jesus—your best and truest friend."
Quick flashes in her big eyes in looks of surprise awaken;
"Is it Jesus' picture?" she cries. "Why, when did he have it taken?"

If you are a mother, teach your children to look for some good thing in every one they meet, and for some happy event in every day, and to speak these things before they sleep.

There is no greater kindness you can show your offspring than to train them in this mental habit.

It is a wonderful thought, this mighty influence of a mother.

The persistent belief of a mother in the ability of her child to accomplish great things has helped many a poor man and woman to overcome the worst possible surroundings and to rise above seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

God, the Great Designer, leaves His work on humanity for mothers to finish. Just in the degree that mothers improve in their skill will the race improve.—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

MEDITATIONS

Every thought is an image. That image, when developed, shows the character of the thought. What our experiences shall be depends upon what we think. If we see wrong, limitations, sickness, we will picture forth these things in our world, because as we view things so they are to us.

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Consciousness is pure knowing. When you truly know a thing you are conscious of it. To become aware of a thing one must give it attention. If you wish to become Godlike, to know that you are Godlike you must make it your business to try to be so. If you wish health, peace of mind, if you desire harmonious conditions and environment, you must image these ideals in your mentality. You must see these things and these alone. If you say this is "good," and that is "bad," you will have mixed conditions, for your thought-seeing is mixed. That is the trouble with the world today. We have mixed conditions because we mentally see health and sickness, truth and error, riches and poverty, etc. We have been declaring here is good and there is bad. These mixed thoughts are the things which cause the shipwrecks of life, individually and collectively.

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You should let go the things you do not desire. Let go that cold, that headache, that heartache; let go those fears; stop anticipating failure and lack. Put these things away from you through mental decision, effort and practice. Should they recur to your thought, keep putting them out until they cease. The right way to eliminate all adverse conditions is to eliminate all adverse thought; and this can be done only by substituting RIGHT Thought—the thought of the Good and the Real.

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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.

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.

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.

Trust. Trust God for Wisdom, Health, Supply, and Happiness. He is the ONLY Source, the Mighty Coun-

sellor, 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.

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.

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DIVINE SCIENCE STATEMENT OF BEING

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.

Subject for the Month: PEACE

PRAYER OF THE NATIONS FOR PEACE:

O, Thou LOVE—Thou God-Mind, Thou Holy Spirit of Life, shining
and tender Guide within Humanity, we yearn and cry to Thee.

Open our wisdom and compassion that we may co-operate with Thy
Law of Unity in goodness, abundance and order, by reason of Thy indi-
visible Love and changeless Nature of Father-Motherhood as expressed
through Men, Women and Children. Men, Women and Children are thy
Nations. We pray for Peace. We, the Nations, want to rest in Thy
Natural, Everlasting Arms. Amen.

Wednesday, December the First.

"Peace like a river, it floweth so free,
Out of the heart of Infinity;
O, troubled Nation, it floweth for thee,
Peace like a river, peace like a river."

(Truth Song)

"I will extend peace to her, like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles
like a flowing stream." (Bible)

Thursday, December the Second.

"Peace, peace unto him that's afar
And peace unto him that is near."

"Peace now is. Peace is Love's changeless Nature."—Anna L. Palmer.

"I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down and none shall make you afraid." (Bible)

Friday, December the Third.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace. Peace to thee and peace to thy house, and peace unto all that thou hast." (Bible)

"See that none render evil for evil to any man, but ever follow that which is good." "Blessed are the Peace-makers." (Bible)

Saturday, December the Fourth.

"Hear, ye Nations: Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard, that the Everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary?" "Fear not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed for I am thy God." (Bible)

FIRST WEEK

GOD IS ALL THERE IS, BOTH INVISIBLE AND VISIBLE

Sunday, December the Fifth.

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble, therefore, we will not fear." (Bible)

"The Universe is all of One; the same Source and Cause begets all and holds all within itself." ("Truth and Health")

Monday, December the Sixth.

There is but one Family. One God is literally Father of all. All we are brethren. We are His offspring. Love measures not, it giveth to all men liberally. (Fannie B. James)

"God is no respecter of persons." (Bible)

Tuesday, December the Seventh.

"Let us, therefore, follow after the things that make for peace." (Bible)

"My first wish is to see the whole world in peace, and the inhabitants of it as one band of brothers, striving who should contribute most to the happiness of mankind." (George Washington)

Wednesday, December the Eighth.

"The salvation of the Race can come in but one way, the acceptance of the Omnipresence without any reserve. Such a recognition by Humanity for a single hour would instantly and forever banish war, poverty and sorrow from the face of the earth, and the Millennium would be ushered in." (Charles Edgar Prather)

Thursday, December the Ninth.

"Since Divine Intelligence created Heaven and Earth, then the whole Creation is good, and holds within it no menace to man's peace and harmony." (Mrs. C. L. Baum)

"God is love. He that dwelleth in God, dwelleth in Love." (Bible)

Friday, December the Tenth.

"In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind." "Acquaint now thyself with God, and be at peace." (Bible)

"The first man who was sorry for his bad deed, and said, 'I want to be good,' opened the way for the growth of conscience, now unfolded into the God-Consciousness of social Unity and Peace." (Conversation: Adelaide Reynolds Haldeman)

Saturday, December the Eleventh.

"Peace, peace, O men, for ye are brothers all—
Ye in the trench and on the shattered wall;
Do ye not know ye came
Out of one Love and wear one sacred name?"

O, brothers! Lift a cry, a long world-cry
Sounding from sky to sky—
The cry of one great word.
Peace, peace, the world-will clamoring to be heard;
A cry to break the ancient battle-plan,
To end it in the sacred name of Man!" (Edwin Markham)

SECOND WEEK

ONE PRESENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND POWER IS ALL

Sunday, December the Twelfth.

"One God and Father of All, who is above all and through all, and in you all." "Of him and through him and to him are all things." (Bible)

God is literally present everywhere." (Miss Nona L. Brooks)

Monday, December the Thirteenth.

"There is no power but of God, for by him were all things created, whether they be thrones, dominions, principalities or powers." (Bible)

"He maketh wars to cease from unto the ends of the earth. Yea, all kings shall fall down before Him." (Bible)

Tuesday, December the Fourteenth.

"God made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the earth." (Bible)

"Divine Science stands for the Fatherhood of God, as the Omnipresent Life, Substance, Intelligence, Love and Power; for the Brotherhood of Man; for the Unity of all Life in every form and phase of its existence." (Miss Nona Brooks)

Wednesday, December the Fifteenth.

"Finally, be ye all of one Mind, having compassion one of another. Love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous." (Bible)

"Man is in the world to co-operate with the Social growth, and the Spirit which prompts such effort is the Divine Reality, which gives all things meaning." (Mila Tupper Maynard)

Thursday, December the Sixteenth.

"Be strong, all ye people, in the land, and work, for I am with you." (Bible)

"But as surely as day is day, as right is right, as rivers flow to ocean, the war-problem will find solution in the broadest, deepest unity."

Friday, December the Seventeenth.

"God has existence in us; we have Realization in God." (Fannie B. James)

"The future will set you many high tasks, but certainly the highest and most important of all is the peace question; for it involves almost every other; Peace being the chief condition of human civilization and welfare." (Bertha VanSuttner)

"Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord."

Saturday, December the Eighteenth.

"God of the ways of peace,
Hark to the pleas of women
And bid the warfare cease.
Hark to the prayers of children,
Their small hands lifted up,
And from the world forever
Remove this bitter cup!"

"Motherhood enthroned means War dethroned." "Peace is the halo upon the brow of strength." (Mary C. C. Bradford)

THIRD WEEK

THIS ONE THAT IS ALL, IS PERFECT LIFE, INTELLIGENCE AND SUBSTANCE

Sunday, December the Nineteenth.

"The Law of God is perfect and man cannot add anything thereunto. This he has endeavored to do, and has the fruit of this mistake in a sense of disorder." (Fannie B. James)

Militarism is this mistake, and it has fostered legions of mistakes.

Monday, December the Twentieth.

"My children are destroyed for lack of knowledge." (Bible)

Militarism is the awful ignorance before which the Nations stand appalled, as the light of Love pierces and discloses this ancient blasphemy. True Deliverance is release from ignorance.

Tuesday, December the Twenty-first.

"We know but one voice to obey; we acknowledge but one leader; even the Spirit of Truth." (Fannie B. James)

"We ought to obey God rather than men." (Bible)

Wednesday, December the Twenty-second.

Obedience was misdirected and made to serve Mammon and War, and Nations cry out in anguish.

"Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people."
"God is Light, and in him is no darkness at all." (Bible)

Thursday, December the Twenty-third.

"Unhappy is the country that depends on the feeble light of one individual." (Fannie B. James)

"Therefore, now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the Lord, your God." (Bible)

Friday, December the Twenty-fourth.

"Unto us a child is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." (Bible)

"It is the Dawn! The Dawn!
The nations from West to East
Have heard a cry:
'One only path remains untrod—
The path of Love and Peace.'"

Saturday, December the Twenty-fifth.

"Fear not, for behold, I bring you tidings of great joy which shall be for all people." "And she shall bring forth a son and she shall call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins." (Bible)

"Jesus saw men suffering from their own delusions; he could tell them the Truth. . . . In tender compassion their Deliverer cries: 'Father forgive them—they know not what they do. Thou lovest them as thou lovest me.'" (Fannie B. James)

FOURTH WEEK

MAN IS THE EXPRESSION OF GOD, AND IS EVER ONE WITH
THIS PERFECT LIFE, INTELLIGENCE AND SUBSTANCE

Sunday, December the Twenty-sixth.

"And the child grew, filled with Wisdom, and the Grace of God was upon him." "Though he were a son, yet learned he obedience." "Wist ye not I must be about my Father's business?" "Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth, peace, good will toward men." (Bible)

Monday, December the Twenty-seventh.

"He maketh peace within thy borders and filleth thee with finest wheat. . . . He healeth the broken-hearted and buildeth up their wounds. . . . And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, in sure dwellings and in quiet resting places." (Bible)

Tuesday, December the Twenty-eighth.

"These things shall be! A loftier Race
Than e'er the world hath known shall rise
With flame of Freedom in their souls,
And of Knowledge in their eyes."

"'Noblesse Oblige'—that means, my nobility obliges me to act nobly; so, seeing our Divinity, compells me to act divinely; seeing our God-likeness, to act God-like,—impells to Righteousness." (Fannie B. James)

Wednesday, December Twenty-ninth.

"I will make men more precious than fine gold." (Bible)

God's glory is in the people,
The strong, sturdy common people;
The men who plough the soil
Who toil—Men who produce—whose deeds
Ascend as Praise to throne on high. (J. A. Edgerton)

"Whatever is to improve the condition of the honest, struggling laboring man—I am for that thing." (Abraham Lincoln)

Thursday, December the Thirtieth.

"They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against Nation; neither shall they learn war any more." (Bible)

"Thou shalt love God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind and with all thy strength. . . . Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." (Bible)

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And peace and love together flow,
Till o'er the lands from sea to sea
Man unto man shall brother be.

Truth of the New Day: LOVE IS ALL IN ALL. Amen.

Then one of them asked him, saying,
Master, which is the great commandment in the law?
Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy
God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with
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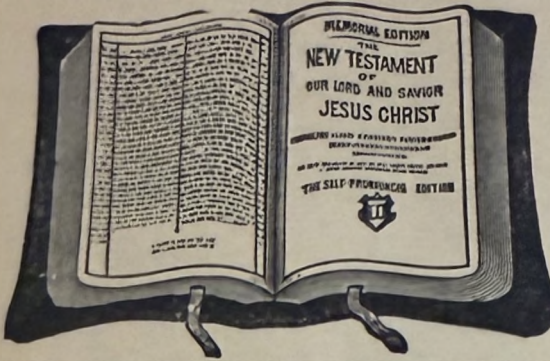
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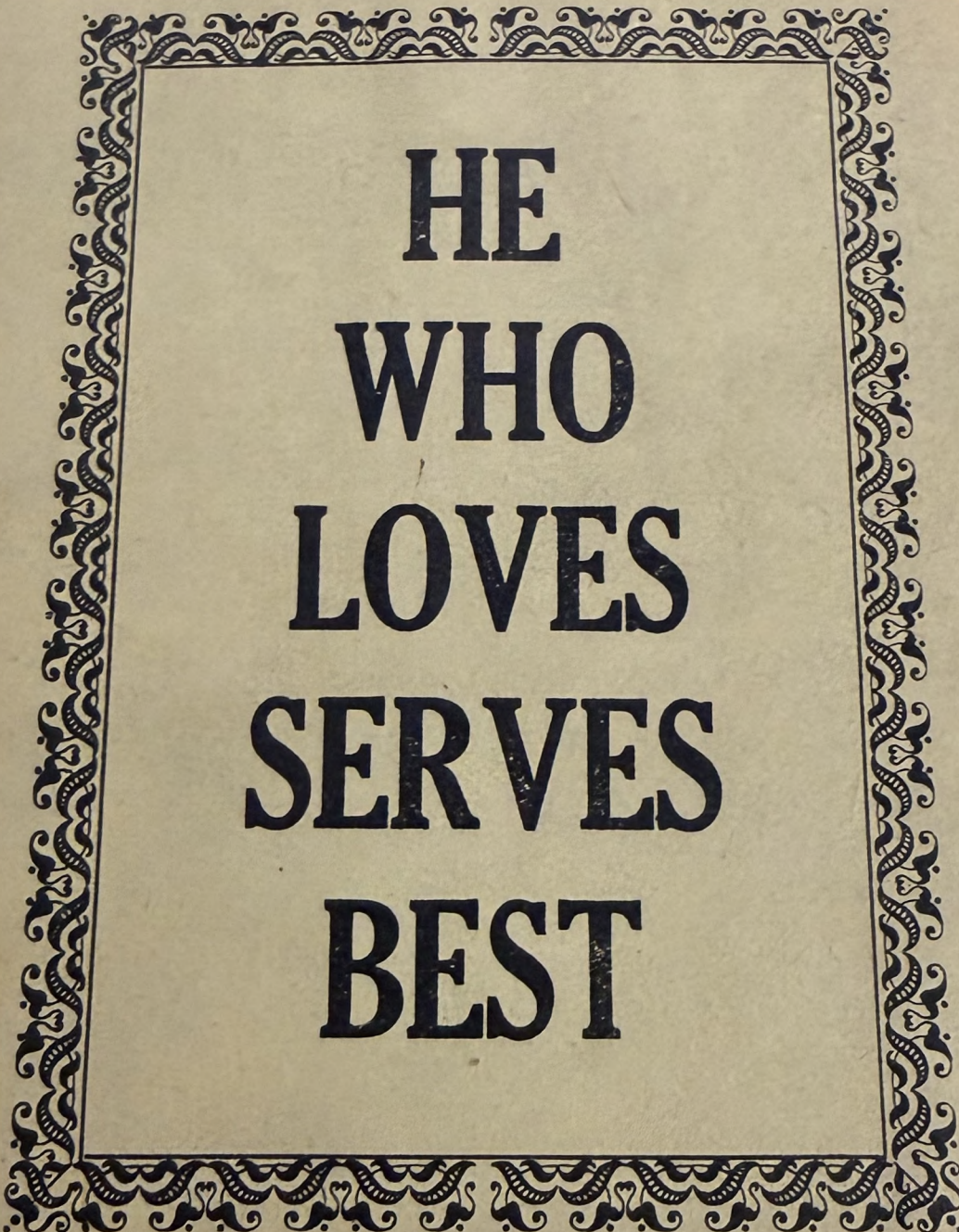
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