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SPIRITUALISM MARCHES ON!!

History repeats itself. Early Christian History is filled with many stories of the tortures which were practiced upon those who had the courage of their convictions. Pagan priests were foremost in persecuting the Early Christian. YET, despite this persecution, Christianity GREW.

Pagan beliefs gave way to that which had found root in the hearts of mankind. History Repeats Itself.

Once again we find similar conditions existing. On every hand the enemies of Spiritualism are attacking. The enemy has enlisted the aid of the secular presses. They have brought their advertising power to aid in destroying the advancement of Spiritualism.

True, spiritualists no longer are burned at the stake. But, the opposing forces have seen the advancement which we are making, and, like the drowning man, they are willing to grasp at straws.

The foes continue to attack. Their attacks have placed our TRUTH before thousands, and perhaps millions, whom we could not otherwise reach. Yes. They have used various devices, slurs, misnomers, insults, and slander. The listeners have investigated, and through investigation they have discovered the TRUTH, LOGIC, REASONABLENESS, and above all, the NATURALNESS of Spiritualism. This discovery has led these investigators to become adherents.

No attack can stop the march of progress. No attack can stop the triumph of TRUTH. SPIRITUALISM continues to march forward. Yes, a few years ago our leaders had to meet in out-of-the-way places. Today our meetings are held in some of the most fashionable places. Spiritualism now has many well designed and constructed edifices in which to worship.

I say "LET THE ATTACKS CONTINUE" . . . The more our foes attack us the greater shall be our VICTORY. Attack CANNOT stop our WORK, no more than the attacks of the pagan priests stopped the work and practice of early Christianity. SPIRITUALISM MARCHES ON.

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LETTER OF THANKS

To my friends:

Through the courtesy of the Editor
of the Herald I wish to take this
means of extending my sincere thanks
to all of the many friends who have
assisted me in treating my beloved
wife, Margaret, during the past two
weeks.

Margaret was admitted to the Del-
ray Hospital some little while back.
She was suffering from the after-
effects of our auto accident two years
ago.

The operation, which was described
as of a very serious nature by the
attending physician, was performed
successfully and there was no fever
following it, this, I am told, is very
rare, however, I realized that only a
combined effort on the part of the
Healers could produce such outstand-
ing results.

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Not just today, but everyday,
Is Mother's Day to me;
For there's a Shrine within my heart
That others cannot see,
Where we commune, her soul and
mine
In peace and secrecy.

Having loved, she still is mine,
Throughout Eternity,
For Love will always find it own,
No matter where they be.
Her presence Sweet, her glorious
smile,
Are still a part of me,
The part of me that never dies,
A Living Memory.

TO THE MEDIUMS

Mae Sullivan

From every direction they come,
Wending their way,
In all sorts of weather,
And day after day.

Weary pilgrims of life,
On their problems intent,
Oft bearing the burden
Of a heart's discontent.

With queries of health,
Fortune and fame—
Life's real complexities,
No two quite the same.

They all trek in faith,
To the house where you live,
By the power of the Spirit
True guidance you give.

To wayfarers unknown,
And friends, who've tarried be-
fore.

Aye, 'tis for heart-ease, the world
Wears a path to your door.

DR. BENDER SAYS, "NO WAR"

Despite the rumors of War, and
despite the fact that many countries
are preparing for War, Dr. George
E. Bender, the guide, who has been
faithful to the Editor of The Her-
ald, says, "There will be no War."

Those who purchased the Annual
Prophecy given by Dr. Bender will
bear out this statement. Of all
the larger European countries he
stated, "I see no War."

When we consider that this state-
ment is made in the face of many
material signs which seem to point
to a War, one is struck with the vast
importance of Spirit Communication.

This statement of "No War" places
in the hands of Spiritualists a most
wonderful sense of "Peace." We do
not need to become excited about the
numerous statements from the "war
lords." None of the National Lead-
ers can change this sense of "Peace."

Let us look forward to the time
when "Peace" will be in the hearts
of All Men. We can have "Peace" all
the time, the great problem is for the
individual to realize that "inner
peace" then, and then only, shall All
Nations know real "peace."

I trust that the Readers of the
HERALD will bear this important
message in mind during the coming
months. The Spirit World is
working against War. Let us work
with them. Let "Peace" reign
in our hearts, and then we shall have
"No War" and the prophecy of this
Teacher will be fulfilled. "No great
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ing which this message conveys.

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Death . . . and its Value

Trance-Lecture by George E. Bender Rev. W. D. Woodbury

April 2, 1939

Beloved Pastor, and Friends:

Our topic will be "Death and Its Value". In speaking of death, one must always concern himself first with knowing that which is death. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Earth plane of life, it is not the privilege of earthly man to know death until he has experienced it. You of Earth cannot realize a value until that value is placed within your conception. So it is my privilege tonight to try to produce within your conception the value of death.

One can well picture primitive man living in his cave; and one day there came over his companion, or his friend, some sort of a change—a change which he had not experienced before. There on the cold, dark cave, lay the form of his loved one; and the caveman stood in amazement. In his small way he was able to recognize that a transformation had occurred. What that change was he did not know, but he realized that something which had existed in that form before, was not longer present. Then and there began man's conception of Religion, and with that conception there was inaugurated the fear of death.

There are today thousands of individuals who still speak the word "death" with great awe; a fear overwhelms them because of the meaning of death of which they have no knowledge.

During this evening's discourse I hope to be able to leave with you a new conception, something that shall bring to you a greater ability to express life. Death in many ways can be likened to a Great Liberator. In many poems and writings it has been called the "Grim Reaper". I like to think of death, my friends, as being a reaper, for indeed death does reap. But remember, the reaper does not reap the grain—he does not attempt to cut the grain—until it is ripe. And the event called death in human life, I like to think, does not occur until the individual has matured, until he has become so developed, so evolved, that his time is ripe to move into a higher expression. I mean this ripeness in the sense of spirituality, ripeness in the sense of having obtained experience and therefore being fitted to be placed in the granaries of greater intelligence and expression. I like to think of death as a liberator, for having passed through the change called death, I am able to say that it did free me. It permitted me to lay down a worn-out, useless clay, flesh, bone and blood body, and to exist, to have my being, in a body without these limits.

The great value of death to mankind is that it is the gateway by which and through which the real man, the soul man, enters a new existence—an existence far superior and, I might add, more beneficial than the earthly existence. Death is a liberator in the sense that it frees the individual expression.

You are approaching a time in the season when each of you will lay aside some of the heavy clothing, clothing which during the past few months, while protecting you, it has likewise made you somewhat clumsy in your actions and has limited somewhat your expressions. In laying aside these heavy garments you are to some extent experiencing some slight portion of the freedom that the soul experiences at the time of death.

I will not bore you with my personal experience. Neither will I attempt to cite for you the experiences of others who have passed through the change called death. But I will trouble you sufficiently to draw your attention to the fact that the greatest detriment to man's progress is fear. The things which a man fears most, and which the individual usually conceives of as being dreadful, are usually the things which open gates to further expressions. It is the same with death. The fear born back in the early cave days of man's expression, and carried down to our modern days—the same fear that every individual knows as he stands on the brink of the grave of his loved one, and looks down into that dark hole into which he knows the body of his loved one is being placed—that same kind of fear that the individual knows as he lays on the bed of illness and experiences for the first time remorse and regret for many of the things which have passed in his life—this same kind of fear of death, my friends, is one of man's greatest handicaps. I say it is a handicap because death entering the home should rightfully be an occasion of great joy. I know many of you will say, "Yes, perhaps, but when it comes to my home I cannot experience that joy." If mankind knew the right value of death, then I say it would be an occasion of great joy. But those who are left in the earthly form are usually jealous and extremely selfish, a selfishness which is too often termed sorrow.

In modern life, an individual attempting to reach various goals passes from one school grade to another, graduating from one school to yet higher institutions. All of these transitions are occasions of joy and of great rejoicing, periods when the

loved ones gather about the student and congratulate him on his ascension into these higher grades.

Death, then, should be greeted in the same manner by the loved ones—with joy—for he who dies in the material sense, lives more fully than he who has not died. Yes, indeed, a higher grade is attained only by death.

Man may strive, during earthly life to attain material goals. He may reach the great pinnacles of material success. He may studiously become a member of a religious body and carefully follow the tenets of the given creed. He may reach all of these things and still there is a waiting for death. Death does not arrive except when the soul has reached that particular stage, that particular form, when it is ready to pass out of the material expression and take up its new abode. Death, in a family should be welcomed by those who are left behind. True, the parting is somewhat sad, something like that of bidding a loved one adieu or bon voyage. But in reality the tears of parting should be tears of great joy. There should be overflowing joy in the hearts of those who are staying home, because they should realize that the soul of their loved one has at last attained a victory, that it has ripened. It has become ready to express itself in the new sphere, and such attainments can only be reached through the doorway called death.

But man has always been a selfish being, and being selfish he wants to hold his loved one to the earth plane; whereas the soul (that Divine spark of God which glistens in every cell structure of earthly man) when it has attained its development, when it has ripened, lays down the body—the material body which is no longer of any use to it—and passes through the change called death, and begins to manifest itself in a higher and greater plane of life.

I am fully conscious that perhaps, to some of you who are passing through trials of earthly existence, who seem to be overburdened with material labors, whose tests are so numerous that it seems you have not the courage to face another day—yes, to some of you, then, it would seem that death would be a great release for you. And down through the years there have been many, many thousands of individuals who have by various methods deemed material existence no longer beautiful or bearable; and they have by various methods destroyed the physical form in order to free the spirit self.

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A FANTASY



By Hazel Schleicher

My Teacher and I walked along through a beautiful valley. In the distance rose the colorful hills, their tops misty in the sunlight. Sloping to the foreground were fields of beautiful flowers of every hue, and so lovely were they that their beauty of form and fragrance touched by soul. I felt God's Love so intimately. I was keenly conscious of His expression in each beautiful flower, I felt that everything He had created in this heavenly valley was the expression of the perfection of the Divine Source. I sensed this so very deeply that my eyes were misty and my throat was full and the hand of my Teacher met mine in a warm clasp of understanding. In this mood of high vibration we walked along in exaltation of mind and ecstasy of spirit, in tune with the Infinite.

Occasionally I would pause to look at some especially lovely lily or to inhale the perfume of a rose, scarcely daring to touch them lest in some unknown way I might mar, by my human touch, some of the glory of their holy beauty.

After a while we saw there were people in the valley. We approached a man who was wholly absorbed in his work. Around him were strewn many colored paints and brushes with which he was vigorously painting some of the waxen-white lilies, at times adding gold, silver, and colored tinsel, yet even his lightest touch seemed to destroy the waxen loveliness of the flowers, making them look garish and stiff.

Along a little further was another worker. This one had with him many vials of synthetic odors which he was adding to the roses, violets, arbutus, and other flowers, yet in some inexplicable way, after he touched them they seemed to lose that intangible ethereal quality of appealing to the spirit, but appealed to the senses instead.

I saw, too, a woman catching gorgeous butterflies, then painting and bejewelling their wings, but they never seemed to be able to fly so airily after that and were soon floundering in the dust.

There were many people at various tasks. There was one who was trying to teach the birds to sing like the swing recordings, instead of in their carefree trills of natural melody, sometimes even operating upon their delicate throats to improve (?) their ability. This, all to often, resulted in the death of the bird or the impairment, or complete loss of its natural voice.

Before a large and magnificent temple stood tall men in gray robes who were directing people through

its doors. We walked into this temple and found it to be a vast chamber for worship. We watched the throng for a little while at their ceremonies then we walked into one of the large rooms located along the sides of the assembly room. Here we found many scribes, all so absorbed in their work that we passed unnoticed. Wondering what they were so busily writing we drew close and watched. One was taking the beautiful and simple sayings of Jesus, The Christ, and was building around them a confusing network of ambiguous words, forms, and rituals, enigmatical and vague in their application to everyday living. And yet my Teacher and I know that when the Christ-Self is awake and the Words of Christ are alive in one's whole being the trappings are no longer necessary. When the REALITY, Itself, is present the symbol is no longer needed.

These scribes were surrounded by innumerable volumes of information about all known religions—ancient and modern, pagan and Christian, white-magic and voo-doo—all were depicted here.

From the ancient and obsolete religions, fanaticisms, and creeds, were being drawn the forms, rituals, elaborate ceremonies, and voluminous words and phrases with which they were enshrouding the Living Words of Jesus Christ. They were as cerements bound around the Living Truth which makes it appear as though embalmed and dead. The beautiful Truth of the spiritual, resurrected, living Christ who freed Himself from all enshrouding, hampering grave-clothes, and arose, vibrant with Eternal Life, was lost sight of.

We walked into another room, it seemed darker here, and I felt cold and uncomfortable. The scribes seemed to be dressed even grayer than ever and their faces were more grim. I approached them timidly, clinging tightly to my Teacher's hand. One, we saw, was writing about God. He was depicting Him as a cruel, vengeful, jealous God, One who sends war, pestilence, destruction, and torturous death to those who do not blindly serve Him in unquestioning and servile humbleness.

Another grim, gray scribe was writing lengthy tomes about the many dire happenings which would occur to all those who were not obedient in performing the rituals prescribed and practised here. This way, and this way alone, he wrote, could be found salvation from all the grim tortures of hell. He wrote graphically, indeed, of his gruesome subject. I shuddered and drew away, I seemed

to feel a wave of clammy, cold air about me, as though it came from some dank, dismal place of darkness and slime. I shivered as we hastened from the place having no desire to investigate further—for my God was one of loving-kindness, mercy, and compassion, ever ready to furnish a helpful, uplifting hand, eternally holding a guiding light of Love; a place of refuge, a shield in times of trouble, a Father-Mother God, Creator of my life, and Life of my life.

As we walked from the building I noticed these people seemed to avoid contact with anyone other than those who had attended the same temple. We followed one of the worshippers as he walked down the road. He seemed to still be repeating silently but with movement of his lips some of the rituals in which he had just taken part. Walking, as he was, with his mind upon what he was reiterating, and with his hands busy taking part in it too, I wondered what would happen to him if the road became rough and he was far from the temple and the men in gray.

My Teacher read my thoughts as though I had spoken aloud. He explained that often they do fall face down in the dirt and ruts, they laboriously rise and plod on, weary, earth-bound, unseeing of the beautiful things around and above them. Sometimes they are fortunate and fall with their face to the sky, then, if they do not close their eyes, (as many do because they have been so instructed at the temple,) they may catch a glimmering of the Light shining from above. Sometimes, even if they do try to close their eyes they delay long enough so that a bit of the Light seeps in, brightening their soul and awakening their individuality, for even a little Light is better than none.

Sometimes there are souls too weary of the struggles of life, and too worn out with the emptiness of symbolism and the fetters of servitude, to close their eyes, and they lie supinely, staring into the Light. At first they are unseeing, but later they feel its invigorating power permeating their being, and they begin to realize what they have been missing. They arise and go on facing toward the Light, and they learn that no matter if they do fall there is always the Light waiting to lead them onward, making life's pathway clearer.

There is, in the day, the light of the sun, and in the night the light of the moon and the stars, yes even the beautiful auroras, to guide man

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= = LIFE'S FORMULA = =

In order that man may attain his highest spiritual possibilities, it is necessary for man to understand that earth life is but a ground in, which preparation is made; a condition of soul-existence during which he is tested and during which he is required to pass through processes by which he shall become purified.

Man, in an effort to attain his spiritual awareness and consciousness, has sought religion and religious concepts and formula by which to live. Man has sought methods of living life that he might have some sort of assurance of a more perfected plane of existence after the change called death.

To fully realize how large a part religious concepts have played in man's life, it would be necessary to review individually every creed and tenet of all the pagan religious of Rome, of Greece, of Egypt, of India. It would be necessary to review all of the so-called Christian religions and all other religious creeds. But such a review would be endless.

In attempting to give an individual a formula by which he or she can so conduct themselves that there will be a positive assurance of a higher state of existence after the change called death, it must be understood that such a formula would have to be flexible to this extent—no two individuals are born to earth with the same degrees of exactitude. Every individual being is (as the word implies) an individual. But a rule by which a majority of mankind can live is:

First: that the individual learn to place prejudice outside of himself, to remove from the heart and the mind every degree of racial, family or religious prejudice; to place in the heart a consciousness of the brotherhood of man.

Secondly, to recognize more greatly the universality of the Kingdom of God—that every act of man is an act of the Son of God; to become conscious that in all places there is God. There is God in all acts. Whether in the eyes of man these acts are deemed error or good, is of no consequence. The acts are of God and in God. Misapplication, abuses and excesses are the errors. Moderation is the truth in all acts.

Thirdly, that an individual should become conscious inwardly of his Divine heritage—the Kingdom of God—the Divine heritage to happiness, to joy, to fulfillment of beneficial dreams.

Next, that the individual seeking higher attainment shall become conscious that all races, all nations, all spheres of existence are united together regardless of what appears to the eyes of men to be boundaries and limitations.

Next, that the individual shall so conduct himself at all times so he can know the laws of God are manifesting through him. He must realize that every man lives and breathes by the laws of God; he must realize that the individual can go, by these laws, to God in consciousness and there have the problems of life settled. No individual can live away from, outside of, or apart from God. All individuals live and have their being in God—regardless of their plane of existence.

Another requirement for man to become aware of a higher state of existence is to know the universality of love, to be able to express love for all humanity as well as for an individual.

Another requirement for successful earthly life is the attainment of spirituality in the heart. This is not a spirituality that places itself above fellow-beings, not a spirituality that adopts a holier-than-thou attitude, not a spirituality that adorns itself with sacred garments, but rather a spirituality of humbleness, a spirituality of Glory-to-God-ness, a spirituality that inspires man to come in contact with the individual thus spiritualized.

Still another requirement is the realization of the individual that there are Guardian Angels standing watch over man (by whatever name they may be termed in the tongues of men.) There are Guardian Angels standing, ready to assist at the slightest call. But man, in his ignorance in the past ages, has tried to live without recognizing God in his heart, or the angels in the world. It is not essential for man to become a member of given religious bodies. It is only essential that the heart of man becomes clear, pure, and that he live according to the laws of God.

These are the laws that man is created through and by. These are the laws that bring the human soul into expression. These are the laws that bring into expression the noble acts of the mother, the laboring acts of the father. These are the laws which bring into expression the self-sacrificing acts of children for their parents. These are the laws that bring into expression the act of the hero under stress and strain. These are the laws by which man lifts himself out of the humdrum of everyday existence; and yet living in that humdrum world, that soul becomes illumined, enlightened, spiritualized. These are the laws that gradually men are reaching out for and discovering; and these laws have existed all during the ages, but man has failed to live in accordance to those laws.

Yes, one there was written a great Egyptian fable which tells of three great Gods having created the earth

and all that is in it, and having domain over all things. And these three gods stood in council. One spoke and said,

"Now that our creation is completed, now that man has become blessed with consciousness and morality as well as immortality, where shall we hide ourselves?"

And one of the gods spoke and said, "I suggest that we hide ourselves deep down in the bed of the deepest ocean."

And spoke the wise old god, saying: "Oh, no, man shall be a great explorer and he shall explore all the ends of the earth. He shall delve into the ocean bottoms, and there he would find us. We cannot hide there."

The other god spoke, saying: "I suggest that we hide on the top of the highest mountain peak."

But the wise old god spoke and said, "Nay, my friends. This would not be right. Let us hide not on the mountain, for man will be again exploring, and he will reach the mountain tops, and there he would find us most quickly."

The other two gods stood in amazement. Together they said,

"Where, then, suggest thou that we hide?"

The wise old god said, "Let us hide ourselves in man, for there he will be less likely to look."

And the fable says that god hid himself in man, and has to this day been undiscovered.

So the formula of life by which man can live is to find God in the heart of himself. Search well for the God within, plucking out carefully the beans and the motes that exist all around about Him; plucking out jealousies, hatreds, evil thoughts, injustice, prejudice, biased opinions, and gradually digging down below the surface of these inhibitions and finding the God within the heart. This formula is the only formula by which man can be assured of a higher, nobler existence, even while upon earth. Yea, and even after the change called death.

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THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

What is the road to success? How can man obtain success? By what standards do we judge success? Can we measure success by a man's Bank account?

Many persons are considered successful in the material sense, while, in reality they have crushed many of their fellow beings on the way up the ladder.

Others are, in a material sense, considered as failures merely because they have not the security of a large bank account, nor a great mansion in which to live.

In our Lesson of this day we are not considering success from the material point of view, we are speaking of success from a Spiritual-mental sense.

The Golden Rule is considered to be the highest rule of human conduct, and it really is a state of conduct farther above than most people reach, however, it is admittedly a goal to be sought after; a state to be attained, a condition of Mind, Body and Soul to be reached in which true happiness can manifest.

In viewing human conduct, it must be admitted that very few, if any have obtained that condition where they are capable of actually following the Golden Rule. It is a state which cannot be obtained over night. It cannot be reached merely by partaking of some religious ceremony. It cannot be reached by affirmation. It is a state of GROWTH.

We must recognize that there must be many steps of growth between the present state of humanity, and that state in which all people would manifest the Golden Rule. Let us see, if possible, some of the steps which lie between.

Our first duty is to realize our present strata of existence. Most of us are in various degrees of selfishness,

varied degrees of SELF-PITY. Until we learn to overcome this self-pitiness there is little chance that we can advance into the higher steps.

If we can bring ourselves to recognize this as a fact, then there is some chance that we can outgrow these conditions. I fear that many of us are to proud to recognize it; to brazen to admit it, however, if we are fair to ourselves then we Must realize this as a fact.

Having thus accomplished the realization of this fact, it now becomes our duty to study the next step that is ahead of us. We must find what that step is. We must bring ourselves UP to that step.

It would seem that the next condition ahead of Self-Pity is that of Unselfishness. Yes, many of us will say, "But, I am unselfish." Yes, perhaps, all of us would like to believe that we are unselfish, but, actually most of us are very selfish. We desire to reach goals for the sake of self-aggrandizement; self-obtainment; self Pride. What are these but degrees of selfishness?

In order that we shall reach the stage above self-pity it is necessary for us to overcome selfishness. Thus we obtain the step of unselfishness. A much better stage true, but still a long way from the "Golden Rule." It now behooves us to look up to the next step.

I am firmly convinced that the next stage is that of "never complaining." Oh, yes, I hear the most of you say, "I never complain." But I say, wait. Be careful now, do not overestimate yourself. Are you sure that you never complain about the weather; about the cost of living; about taxes or the noise of your neighbors?

We must remember that "thoughts are things" and the more we live in the "complaining" stage the more we attract, create, those conditions around and about us. With this as our guide we therefore must learn to cast out thoughts of complaint, instead let us remember that old song, "Count your Blessings, one by one." If we do this we are then ready to take the next step as soon as we realize what that step is.

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EVER FILLING ABUNDANCE

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May 11. M.S.S.A. Banquet, Book-Cadillac Hotel, 7:00 p. m.

May 12 M.S.S.A. Convention, Public Meeting, Book-Cadillac Hotel, 8 p. m.

May 13. M.S.S.A. Convention, Public Meeting, Book-Cadillac Hotel 8 p. m.

Holy Trinity Church, 3056 Michigan, Message Circle, 8 p. m.

Progressive Church, 8848 Yates, Bunco, Messages, Lunch, 8 p. m.

Christian Messengers, 1111 W. Forest. Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8 p. m.

May 14. M.S.S.A. Book-Cadillac Hotel; Lyceum 10 a. m. Public Meeting, 2:30 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Followers of Christ Church, 5045 4th. Church Dinner, 5 p. m.

Allen Memorial Temple, Maccabee Buldg. Church Dinner 5 p. m.

May 16. Christian Corinthians, 12070 Yosemite, Pot-luck Dinner, 12 noon, Bunco and Messages by visiting Mediums.

Hutchinson Memorial, 686 Lemay, Pot-luck, Bunco, Messages, 12 noon.

May 17. Progressive Science, Benefit Bunco, Indian Village Bakery, Mack and Maxwell, Lunch and Messages 1 p. m.

Christian Messengers, 1111 W. Forest. Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 12 noon.

Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 2 p. m.

Benefit Circle, 3550 St. Jean, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8 p. m.

May 18. 1st Universal, 3523 Cadillac, Noon Day Dinner and Messages, 12:00.

May 19. God's Gift Spiritual Truth, 8064 Olympia, Bunco, Lunch and Messages, 8 p. m.

Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb, Bunco, Lunch Messages, 8 p.m.

May 20. Temple of Truth, 12249 Griggs, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8 p. m.

Amity Temple, 5254 Townsend, Bunco, Cards, Messages, Lunch, 8 p. m.

Harmonial Philosophy, 91 Medbury, Benefit Message Circle, 8 p. m.

Christian Messengers, 1111 W. Forest, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8 p. m.

May 21. Hutchinson Memorial Church, 9375 Amity, Open Forum, 2:30 p. m.

May 24. Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 2 p.m.

Progressive Science, Indian Village Bakery, 8201 Mack, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 1 p. m.

May 25. God's Gift Spiritual Truth, 8064 Olympia, Pot-luck Lunch, Bunco, Messages, 1 p. m.

1st Universal, 3523 Cadillac, Noon-day Dinner, Messages, 12:00; Social Hour with Messages at 8 p. m.

May 27. Harmonial Philosophy, 91 Medbury, Benefit Message Circle 8 p. m.

Progressive Church, 8848 Yates, Bunco, Lunch and Messages, 8 p. m.

Holy Trinity, 3056 Michigan, Benefit Party, 8 p. m.

Christian Messengers, 1111 W. Forest, Bunco Party, 8 p. m.

May 31. Christian Messengers, 1111W. Forest, Pot luck, Bunco, Messages, 12 noon.

Progressive Science, Indian Village Bakery, 8201 Mack, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 1 p. m.

Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb, Bunco

June 1.. 1st Universal, 2523 Cadillac, noon-day Dinner, 12, noon. Lunch, Messages, 2 p. m.

June 3. Jenson Memorial, 2024 Vinewood, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8:30.

Christian Corinthians, 12070 Yosemite, Benefit Message Meeting, 8 p.m.

Temple of Truth, 12249 Griggs, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8 p. m.

Hutchinson Memorial, 686 Lemay, Bingo Party, Lunch, 8 p. m.

Holy Trinity, 3056 Michigan, Messages, 8 p. m.

June 7. Progressive Science, at Bakery, 8201 Mack, Bunco, Lunch and Messages, 1 p. m.

Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 2 p. m.

June 8. 1st Universal, 3523 Cadillac, Noon Dinner and Messages. Social Hour and Messages, 8 p. m.

June 10. Amity Temple, Big Time Dance, "Bill Stebbins Orchestra," 8 p. m.

Harmonial Philosophy, 91 Medbury, Benefit Message Circle, 8 p. m.

Progressive Church, 8848 Yates, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 8 p. m.

June 11. Allen Memorial, Maccabee Building, Church Dinner, 5 p. m.

June 13. Christian Corinthians, 12070 Yosemite, Pot-luck, Messages, 12:00.

June 14. Progressive Science, Bakery, 8201 Mack, Lunch, Bunco, Messages, 1 p. m.

Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb, Bunco, Lunch, Messages, 2 p. m.

THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

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The next step of which I have a vision is that of which Andrew Jackson Davis wrote: "Under all Conditions Keep An Even Mind." How many of us will admit that we lose control of our mental abilities? Are we each one willing to admit that we have a "mean" disposition, that we are really very temperamental? I know a lot of people, as yet I have failed to meet one of whom I could say, "They never lose their mental control." I know how much each one of us desire to make ourselves believe that we are the most wonderful persons in the whole world, while in reality we are not very far removed from the animal kingdom. We "fly off the handle." We throw fits of anger. We each have so many faults that it would be impossible to enumerate them all, and it is not my object to "find fault."

As we realize that we do do these undesirable things, we likewise learn how much better it would be if we could "keep an even mind." As this realization dawns on our consciousness we are then ready to move forward. Yes, I know the steps are hard and high. Yet, I am certain that my readers will agree, these are only a few of the steps. We are nearer now to the ability to practice the "Golden Rule." We have learned some of the things necessary for our progress, the next, and MOST important thing of all is, are we willing to make an effort to progress and success, or shall we continue in the old ruts of Self-pity, Complaining, fault-finding and unspiritual roads of our past experiences?

It has been said that the road to Hell is paved with Good Intentions, so let us each resolve that we shall henceforth practice some of the things herein laid bare, and I feel confident that we shall each find ourselves ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS.

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Church of Divine Science, 1200 Holcomb. Rev. Bertram Hulín, pastor. Sun., 7:30, Circles, Wed., 2 and 8 p. m. Class, Tues., 8 p. m. Readings by app't. Lenox 4671.

Church of Harmonial Philosophy, 91 Medbury, Rev. Zada (Byrd) Bailey, pastor. Sun. services 8 p. m., Circles, Fri., 8 p. m., Readings, healings by app't. Madison 1343.

Church of Progressive Science, Hotel Savarine, 13115 E. Jefferson. Rev. A. A. Sheeter, pastor. Sun. Services 7:45 p. m. Lecture, Healing and Messages. Pastor's Res. 3938 Helen Ave., Olive 3939.

Church of Spiritual Harmony, Crystal Ball Room, Book-Cadillac Hotel, Rev. Maude Fox, pastor; Henrietta Schnelker, James Laughton and Rev. Loretta Schmitt. Sunday Services, 8 p. m. Lafayette 0305.

Church of The Seven Stars, 7414 E. Warren, Rev. Zoa Weston, Pastor. Opening Healing Services Sunday, May 7th, 7:45 p. m. Free Healing. Transfiguration Circle Thursday, 8 p. m. Healings, Readings by appointment. Olive 2381.

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There will be morning and afternoon Business Sessions, followed by Public Lecture and Message service each evening. This Convention will find Delegates from all of the I.S.A. Churches present to take part in the many activities.

The Hutchinson Memorial Church will be in charge of Rev. Fred Roe during the month of May while Rev. Hutchinson takes a well deserved rest. Rev. Roe has been in the work many years and is well qualified to assume this duty.

The Allen Memorial Church will present the British Vested Choir at services Sunday, May 13. This Choir has been organized for some time and is well trained. There will be both afternoon and evening services, a Dinner will be served at five o'clock.

Dr. Robert Jenson Memorial Church, 2024 Vinewood, Rev. Clara Barnett, pastor. Sunday, 7:45 p. m. Trumpet circles Thurs., 2 and Fri., 8 p. m. Bunco Party 1st Saturday each month. Readings by app't. Lafayette 1024.

1st Temple of Universal Science, Ardmore Legion Temple, Ardmore and Schoolcraft. Rev. Ella Mae Jacobs, pastor, Sun. Services, Healing, 7:30, Lecture and Communications, 8 p. m. Wednesday, at the Church, all Message Service, 1:30 p. m. Pastor's residence, 15390 Birwood. Hogarth 0463.

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God's Gift of Spiritual Truth Church, 8064 Olympia, nr. Van Dyke. Rev. Florence Lange, pastor. Sun., 7:30 p. m. Class, Wed., 8 p. m. "Will Service Societies." Readings, Healings by app't. Ivanhoe 5629.

Holy Trinity Church, 3056 Michigan, Rev. Sophia Traeb, pastor. Sun., 7:30 p. m., Wed., 7:30. Circles Mon. and Fri., 2 and 3 p. m. Readings, Healings daily. Residence, 3323 Michigan, Lafayette 0786.

Messiah Spiritualist Temple, 5649 Stanton, Rev. Alice Harris, pastor. Lillian Langdon, Mr. A. Doidge, Assistants. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. Bingo, Lunch, Messages Thurs., 8 p. m. Class Wed., 8 p. m. Benefit Party Last Sat. each month. Tyler 5-3428.

Progressive Spiritual Church, 8848 Yates, near Crane and Forest. Rev. Agnes Siebert, Pastor, (Due to Ill Health of Pastor, church will be closed until further notice) Parties continue on the 2nd and 4th Sat. of each month.

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St. Agnes Spiritual Church of Truth, 3546 Trumbull, Rev. Ada Sykes, pastor. Sun. Services 8 p. m. Message Circle at 1221 Tuscola, Thursday, 8 p. m. Readings by appointment. Temple 2-7621.

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Temple of Spiritual Truth, 12249 Griggs. Services Sun., May 28 and June 11 and 25. 7:45 p. m. Rev. Jennie Whipple, Pastor. Rev. Albert Clayton, assistant. Hogarth 0135.

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DEATH . . . AND ITS VALUE

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Let me warn each and every one of you that such an action on the part of the intellect of man is indeed the greatest crime that an individual can commit. It is a crime because he shall pass to such spheres of life where he will have to work through the same material conditions, solve every material problem, be confronted by all the burdens of material life. He will have to bend every effort, through a great number of years to adjust the soul as it must be adjusted. Usually these individuals, faced with these trials and tribulations, having problems that make life seem so dark and dreary—usually, I say—these individuals have many, many years of earthly advancement to make. That advancement must be made; and it can be made; but it is much harder to make this advancement from my plane of life than it is from the earthly plane of life. For in the earthly plane of life man can move the Book so freely, he can swing the gate so wide; but we on our plane of life find it difficult to move the Book ever so little.

Thus it behooves every individual not to look at death except to realize that there is a value in it. And those of you who have recently known the sorrow of the passing of some dear loved one should broaden your view, erase the selfishness from your mind, and realize that your loved one does live in a brighter, happier plane of life—provided that death has occurred according to Nature's plan.

By this I do not mean to say that man must live to a ripe old age. I do not mean to say that he must pass through a century of life. But I do mean that the individual passing through every-day experience—yes, even the little children who breathe but a single breath on earth—yes, and some of those who do not breathe of the material air—all of these, and even the young and the middle-aged who pass out of the material life in a regular, unsought manner, these souls are rightfully freed. Death is a great bayou, in that it opens the doorway to a clearer, more natural existence. By this I mean that we find it more wonderful daily, because each day we see the power of our thought bringing to us the expressions of life which we actually desire.

The value of death lies in the fact that it is only through death that man can be free of the material limitations of the physical form. It is only through death that man can attain and reach toward the stage of true perfection. Death is the gateway through which the soul must pass in order to know more and to enjoy more of the privileges that are the soul's. Death is the liberator by

and through which the soul of man shall evolve into a being with a true understanding of the value of life. There could be no life, if there were no death. It is only by death that mankind is brought into higher spheres of understanding; and as death occurs in the physical form, so death occurs to forms unending.

We have learned in my plane of life that that which is called death on earth—that change of activity on the part of the soul—does occur in our planes and planes to follow; not in the sense that there is a laying down of the body form, but in the sense that old thoughts, old beliefs, old desires die out and in their place new desires, new attainments find lodging. Just as in your plane the event which you call death of the physical form does occur to every individual, so it does occur thousands of times during a lifetime.

It is easy for each one of you to look back in your separate pages of history and to find where some old desire died out, some new desire came into life; and I am sure every one of you will agree that the new life, the new thoughts, the new ideas, are far more worthwhile having, more worthwhile experiencing than were the old.

So my friends of Earth, this is a demonstration of death that occurs in your daily life. As you evolve into new expressions, you find the old expressions having less value. You find the new expressions happier, brighter, nobler, than the old. Yes, my friends, in your every-day life you experience a death—a death just as certainly as you know that some day, some time, each soul of Earth will become so ripened, so developed, so evolved that it will step out of the physical form and step into the new life in which new honors, new glories can be sought and obtained. The value of death is of untold spiritual value, in that it produces the conditions for spirit evolution—an evolution by which and through which the soul of man evolves to the plane of Godliness. I thank you.

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LATE FLASH

Just as we go to press we learn that Rev. Rose Clayton, who has been spending the winter months in Florida, will be back in Detroit in time to attend the M.S.S.A. Convention. Your Editor understands that Mr. Clayton will drive to St. Petersburg to return with his wife.

Rev. Clayton has served several of the Florida Spiritualist Churches during her stay and many are look-forward to her return next year.

MASS MEETING

The M.S.S.A. held a very successful Mass Meeting at Muskegon Heights on Sunday, April 16th. President Lois Arbogast; Secretary Rev. Loretta E. Schmitt; Vice-President, Peter Evert, Rev. Jennie Whipple and Miss Cunningham were the visiting workers.

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Mrs. Elizabeth M. French passed to the Higher Life on April 17, 1939, after a long illness at the Nobel Hospital, Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. French was born in Forrester, Michigan, eighty-one years ago, and has lived in Detroit for the past thirty years. She was for many years a constant attendant at Spiritualist meetings all over the city.

Funeral Services were conducted at the Harris Funeral Home by Rev. Cecelia Gettins, amid many floral offerings, which bore testimony of the high esteem in which the arisen sister was held by those who knew her best.

Mrs. French leaves to mourn her physical presence, two brothers, Fred Peters, of Detroit, and Frank, of Lexington; four children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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EN RAPPORT

By ROMA



The Editor is pleased to announce that contact has been made with a local Medium, who has agreed to concentrate in an attempt to reach the Spirit Loved Ones of some of the readers of the Herald. If you can recognize a Message given in this column, please write the HERALD about it. The name under which this column is written is the name of the guide who has taken charge of the work at hand.

A man who says he is Bill Jones would like to send a word of greeting to his grandson, Norman, who lives in Cleveland. He says to tell Betty "Hello" too; he wants you to know that your brother, Paul, comes along with him, and to tell you that it was only the physical that was injured, for Paul is now a grown man. Sadie sends love to all the children.

A man giving the name of William Humphrey says he would like to send a greeting to May and Hugh Galbreth who live in Canada. He says a friend came along, Margaret Pettit, and to tell you that she no longer has the hump on her back, as that was only of the physical, and that she now stands tall and straight. Dick wants to greet Alice and to tell her he has never forgotten her. William says when he wants to see the family he has to go half way around the world as some of them are in England, some in South America, others in Australia, and so it goes.

Two gentlemen come arm in arm. One says that he is Martin, and I can see that he has been in Spirit a long time, the other is Will, who has been here less than a year. They bring three children with them, a boy, Billy, and two girls, Mary and Lillie, and they say that they all belong to Grace. They say that she lives in Windsor and gets very lonesome for all of them, but, they are glad she has all her business in order and that she went back to work. Tell Grace they say that they try to show themselves and that they know she sometimes sees them. They like the little house so very much.

A sweet little woman tells me she is Nancy Jane Kelly and that her daughter, Rose, needs a few words of encouragement. She tells me that Rose does not hear so well and that she is undecided about her work. But both she and her father, John Kelly, will guide Rose and the other children. Nancy Jane says that she had a large family of children and that Joe and Will are with her, while Marie, Agnes and Jim are still on earth.

Millie Egan sends a greeting to her family in Adrian. She speaks of Charles and Beatrice and says that Father and Mother Egan also want to be remembered.

A group of spirits come to me now and say that they are, Sarah, Martha, Mary and Tom. They are sisters, while Tom is their sister Elizabeth's husband who has been gone just a short time. Mary says if only she could take her girls and boys and talk to them again she would be able to help them as each one has their own problems. She tries to impress them to get together again in their class work, and she will come and give them her Message. She has Herbert and Minnie, two Bobs, Edward, Edwin, Shirley, Mary, Dad and all the rest with her. They all greet John and say for him to take care of himself. Dear, sweet, Myrtle says, "I do not forget the good times we all had together, if you would only get together again it would be so much better."

A lady stands by me now and I hear her say, "I could not help it, I was so lonely." When I ask her what her name is, a gentleman steps up and says May, and that he is George Axford, and that he is taking care of May. He says that he left the earth plane six years ago and that his wife was so lonely without him that she took her own life about a year ago. She is progressing, he says, and is very happy to be with her Mother and Father Buchanan again. She wishes she could tell her brother, Jay Buchanan that every thing is all right now, and not to worry about her as she is happy.

A short, stocky man comes to me and says he would like to greet his daughter, Freda Kormos. He says he had other children but Freda was always so good to Dorothy and himself. He says his name is Joseph. He says that his father, Joseph and his mother, Anna met him and that John Tour was also there.

A man who says he is George Lee wants to greet his daughter, Vivian Brown. He says he greets her often but not in this manner, and he is sure she will be surprised. He says to tell Roy his Mother, Catherine, sends her love to him.

Jim Martin says to tell Ella he knows she has not been so well this winter, and they have been helping her from Spirit Land. Henry says to tell you he came too, and to say that he passed away in Cleveland, and she would be sure to know that they were here.

Will Ingrain says his daughter, May Thompson, would be glad to have a greeting from him. He speaks of Mother Ellen, and brother Joe, and says he has a daughter Virginia, too. He wants me to be sure and tell Lloyd that he greets him also, and to tell May she should do more with her music as everyone likes to have her play the piano.

A little old country woman comes to my side and says that she is Anna,

and that her son, Conrad Oaks, lives in Detroit and that she would like to greet him. She tells me that she has been gone many years and that she died of a broken heart a year after he sailed for America because she missed him so much. She says he used to make good sausage and could do so now if given half a chance. She says that she is proud of Eddie because he did so well in school. She sends her love and greetings to all the family.

Kate Strong says that she has children living in Detroit whom she would like to greet. She is happy that Pearl's eyes are improved and that she has a good place to work. She says here daughter, Mary Elizabeth Johnson will be glad to know that Ernest and Virona are sending their love and trying to help her to straighten out her material affairs. When you see Martha tell her that her father, Nickson Kennedy wants her to know that he is helping with the pension.

Will Grant says his brother Andy lives in Chicago and he would like to have him know that he is near and helping him in his work.

A beautiful girl stands before me and asks me if she might send a message to her mother for Mother's Day. She is so happy when I tell her that I would be pleased to assist her. She tells me that her name is Laura and that her Mamma is Cora and her Father is Arthur Brace. She says she knows how you miss her, but that she is in the home every day and that she tries to kiss away your tears.

A man who says he is Fred Gerbrick wants to take this way to send a message of Love to his wife, Martha. He says she works too hard, but that she is happy because she meets new people all the time. He says to tell Martha that her Mother and Father send their greetings.

Joe Venier says that he belongs to Marie too, and that Frank is here and speaks of his wife, Elizabeth. Also a young man who says he is Clyde says to tell Mother that one does not eat peanuts in Heaven so she need not fear but that, he loves her and brought Robert along. I hear them speak of Ralph and Mary.

A man who says he is Bert Manansso says that he wants to tell Marie that he is glad of the changes that have been made, and that he will help to make conditions better. He says he would like to greet Hugh Mooney.

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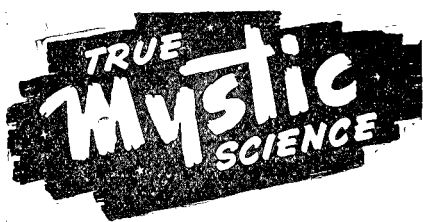
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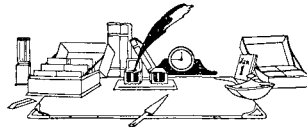
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Dear Sir:

This is written to let you know that there was a very pleasant surprise in your May issue of the HERALD. A message from a very dear friend, addressed to her husband, John. Mrs. Marguerite Doherty, who passed to the Higher Life last August, was a very dear friend of mine. I am personally acquainted with Ivy and Jay (mentioned as Joe).

I have made contact with the family, and have given them a copy of the HERALD so you may hear from them shortly, but, I want you to know that I certainly appreciate this lovely Message, and also that I like your Herald very much, I have been a reader of the HERALD for a long time but never expected to find a message there which I would recognize.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. A. C., Detroit.

Dear Mr. Woodbury:

This is written to acknowledge the accuracy of the Message given by "Roma" in the May issue of the HERALD. The two Rhodas are my wife and Daughter.

I wish to thank both of you, Mr. Woodbury, and "Roma" for giving me this message. Hope that "Roma" will sometime be able to give my present wife, Helen, a Message.

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A. H. Rost.

Dear Sir:

"Just to let you know that I appreciate your recent Editorials. May God give you strength to carry on the work which you have started. I feel that you have a real knowledge of the needs which exist in our movement."

—A. K., Calif.

Dear Sir:

Please send me two Copies of the April Issue of your HERALD. I had the pleasure of reading the Article, "What Is God" and thought that it thoroughly covered the subject no matter what Church one belonged to.

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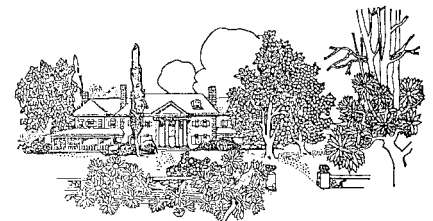
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The Amity Spiritual Temple will remain open all Summer as the pastor, Rev. Meyers, expects to spend the greater part of the season here in Detroit. On Mother's Day the Church will have as guest speaker, Rev. La-Tour Aubry, well-known local worker. Readers are reminded not to forget the Big Parties which are held monthly. (See Benefit Party Page for the next one).

The First Church of Spirit Communion will conduct its regular Sunday Morning services during the Summer Months. Rev. Homer Watkins reports that these morning services have attracted a very fine attendance and all have asked that they have the pleasure of attending while many of the other churches are closed during the warm weather.

The Christian Messengers will continue services through the summer months. The Herald is happy to report that the Pastor, Rev. Cowan, is fast regaining her health and expects to take part in most of the forthcoming services.

The Spiritual Fellowship Church will continue to hold Sunday Services through the month of June, during July and August just the Wednesday afternoon and Thursday evening meetings will be held. The Pastor, Rev. Harry Aldrich, is planning an extended visit to the Western States this coming fall. Just a tip, better see him before he leaves.

God's Gift of Spiritual Truth Church will continue to conduct regular services through the month of June. Rev. Lange, pastor of the church, reports that this past season has been a very successful one, and especially so in regard to the Pot-luck dinners which are held the last Thursday of each month.

The Helping Hand Club, a local group of charitable minded persons hold a benefit Party at the Home of the Christian Messengers once each month. This Club has aided in furnishing several families with many requirements during the past season, and hope to continue their good work throughout the year.

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in the earthly plane, and in the spiritual paths there shines the Light of the Father, and of the Son who demonstrated God's Love-Light throughout His whole living, showing all men how it should be radiated through everyone's life. The Light of God's intelligence, His great, eternal, creative power is everywhere, so everywhere and anywhere man may attune himself to God if he but opens his mind to inspiration and his heart to love.

Inspiration and love coming into man's life slough off intolerance and fear, ritual and creed, as the warmth of the spring sunshine causes the butterfly or the gorgeous moth to slough off the narrowing form of its sheathing cocoon when its usefulness is gone. They are no longer bound by the long-spun fabric of drying and disintegrating material which, if remained in, would become a coffin. There is a higher form of life to be enjoyed. Scintillating in the sunlight, or the moonlight, glorious life will be lived in beauty, motion, and reproduction.

The man, likewise, has now awakened within himself the consciousness of a higher life, each day more in tune with God, or Universal Life. He knows now that the Light will forever shine upon his path and that shadows will fall behind him if he keeps his face uplifted toward it. Great Teachers have travelled the way before him. They have proven that it can be followed, and they have left encouraging words and wise instructions. They still lead us.

"Come," said my Teacher, "we will go up higher and rest." So we walked up the nearest gentle slope until we were well above the valley and could look down upon it from a distance. From this higher elevation man's crudeness could no longer be seen and it looked very beautiful once more. "Yes," said my Teacher, "man in his petty conceit thinks to improve upon God's perfection in unnatural ways. The simple words of Truth which the heart and soul within man can comprehend is clothed in pompous and equivocal terms, inferring that only a chosen few should understand. God's beauties of nature are made stilted and formal, His very Laws of Creation are condemned. The findings of chemistry, astronomy, mathematics, biology, geology, electricity, radio—whose underlying Causation is the one and only Source—these proven findings are called ungodly, because, it is said, they are proven false by the Bible, and yet this same Bible says, 'The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.' The Bible spiritually interpreted does not give the lie to science. Man clings to too many self-made interpretations, creeds, and dogmaticisms. We know it is man's narrow, unde-

veloped conception of Truth which is at fault, and not Truth, itself. Truth is TRUTH! True religion is never at war with science. The one but proves the other. They are co-relative, interdependent. All fundamental laws are of God, whatever may be the name of the department of science which man finds it necessary to divide them into for his better understanding and study. Each proves God. God in action.—God in creation,—expressing Himself through each and every avenue, for all are ways by which He, Himself, manifests forth into our world of cognizance.

Although we say He is all-power, all-science, everywhere-present, infinite, in the heights above, in the depths below, and within the entire being of all things, (including you and I) yet, until we can mentally grasp this idea of an all-inclusive, universal SUBSTANCE OF BEING, we cannot understand the magnitude of God's Love, and of the countless gifts of that Love for the benefit of His earth children. When we attain this consciousness we then know we live in a wonderful world, a world of which man is, comparatively, just beginning to get an understanding. He is beginning to realize, at last, that he is but seeing through an ever widening portal into an unlimited supply of infinite treasures of Divine Intelligence. When man ceases to worship his egotistical personal-self, and stops his self aggrandizement and awakes to that divine SELF, within, which works in accordance with All-Divinity, and becomes its perfect instrument, then he will no longer gild the lily but he will let it tell him its psalm of life—its oneness with God. It will tell him there is only ONE, and everything, even you and I, are part of that ONE. He will no longer try to make God's perfect creations over to fit his limited mental measure but will endeavor to enlarge his own measure to receive a greater awareness of the abundance of Spirit. True unfoldment, true progression, and real attainment come only from realizing more and more the oneness of self with the SELF of BEING.

When mankind learns this lesson all of the valley will be as God made it to be. Dear Child, you in your plane, and I in mine, must ever realize this is our work. We must work together, for you need me, my help, my guidance, and my inspiration, and I often need your instrumentality, and your loving appreciation." We sat in silence for a time, my cheek pressed against his knee, and his hand resting upon my shoulder. Beloved Teacher and Comforter, bringing back to the valley he loved his knowledge of Truth and of Life Eternal.