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LUCIFER, THE LIGHT BEARER

CHARLES FILLMORE



THE LAW of generation is undoubtedly the mystery of mysteries in human consciousness. Men have probed, with more or less success, nearly every secret of nature, but of the origin of life they know comparatively nothing. It is true that they have with chemical combinations simulated life, but the activity has been temporary only.

In the phenomenal world, life is the energy that propels all forms to action. Life in the body is like electricity in a motor. As the engineer directs and regulates the electricity in the motor, so the life in the body has its engineer. Life is not in itself intelligent—it requires the directive power of an entity that knows where and how to apply its force, in order to get the best results. The engineer of the life force in the body of man is the Life Ego; this is the Consciousness of Life in the organism.

The Life Ego is the most subtle and the most variable of all the powers of man. It is an animal force, and is designated in the Bible allegory as one of the “beasts of the field.” It presides over the life and generative function of the body, and because of its tendency to segregate and separate itself from the other bodily functions, it is called the “adversary.” It is not essentially evil, but because of its place as the central pole of all bodily activity, its tendency is to centralize all action around its consciousness.

In its divine-natural relation, the Life Ego has its positive pole in the top head, which is the “heaven” of man’s consciousness. When the personality gets active and begins to exercise in the higher or spiritual forces, the Life Ego becomes inflated with its own importance and falls from heaven (top head) to earth, or front brain. When the Seventy that Jesus endued with spiritual power returned, they proclaimed that even the de-

mons were subject unto them. Then Jesus said, "I beheld Satan as lightning falling from heaven." Jesus was evidently quoting Isaiah, who wrote in the fourteenth chapter of his book, (King James Version):

"How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! "For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

"I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

"Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit."

Jesus warned the Seventy not to rejoice over their spiritual power, "but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

In order to give man a body having life in itself, God had to endow him with a focal life center that in its very nature tends to separation from the primal life Source.

This center of activity in the organism is also the seat of sensation, which is the most subtle and enticing of all the factors that enter into being. But these qualities were necessary to man's character, and without them he would not have been the complete representative, or "image and likeness," of God.

God does not tempt man to go wrong and break his law, but a great creative plan is being worked out in which the Deity is incarnating itself in its creation. This incarnation is called the Son of man, and in man a wonderful being is in process of creation. This being is spiritual man, who will be equal with God, when he "overcomes" or handles with wisdom and power the faculties of the body. The body is the "garden of Eden."

What metaphysicians most need is a comprehension of the factors that go to make up consciousness. This requires discrimination, judgment, and self-analysis.

We talk glibly about God as Life, Love, Intelligence, and Substance, and about man as His manifestation, but when we come to describe that manifestation we lump it off as the product of thought.

What we now need to know is how thought groups the different attributes of Being, for upon this combination depends the bringing forth of the ideal man.

We must learn to watch our consciousness, its impulses and desires, as the chemist watches his solution, for it is in measure a very like compound. Man *forms* his own consciousness from the elements of God, and he alone is responsible for the result.

This is a mighty subject, and to go into it exhaustively would require the writing of many books. Concisely stated, there are three great factors that enter into every consciousness — *intelligence, force, substance*. The harmonious combination of these requires the most careful attention of the Ego, and it is here that all the discords of existence arise.

In Scripture the Divine Life is termed the Lamb of God. This carries the symbology of its purity, innocence and guilelessness. Its nature is to vivify with perpetual life, all things that it touches. It knows only to give; give unceasingly and eternally without restraint. It does not carry upon its bosom Wisdom; that is another quality of Being, which man comprehends from a different part of his consciousness.

The pure Life of God flows into man's consciousness through the spiritual body, and is sensed by the physical at a point in the loins. This is the River of the Water of Life, bright as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb, referred to in the twenty-second chapter of Revelation.

Only those who have come into consciousness of the spiritual body can feel this holy stream of Life. When the Ego has found it, and laved in its cleansing currents, the ecstasy of elysian realms is experienced. It cannot be described, because all the sensations of the

mortal consciousness are coarse, compared with its transcendent sweetness and purity.

Many feel its thrills in part in silent meditation or in religious enthusiasm, and are temporarily stimulated by its exquisite vibrations. Just here is where the danger lies for those who have not brought out the other pole of Being—Intelligence.

The Ego, through its recognition of this life stream, sets it flowing to every faculty, and being by nature formless, it takes the mold and character of that into which it is poured.

It is the servant of the Ego, the *I*, which man is, and through his failure to recognize the Divine Intelligence, which would show him how to use it in the right way, he blunders ahead in his ignorance, and this Lamb of God is slain from the foundation of the world.

The greatest danger of perversion lies in the direction of the belief in sex, because it is there that this pure stream has been most foully polluted by ignorance. Sex-sensation has made a broken cistern of man's consciousness; for generations the life stream has been turned into this receptacle, and the lust for more has robbed the bodies of the whole race, making them mere shells, void of life. The failing eye, the deaf ear, the festering or withering flesh, all bear testimony to this perversion of God's Life.

Yet men and women, otherwise applying good reason, continue their lustful practices and at the same time wonder why God does not give them more life.

They run here and there, seeking a restoring elixir for their failing powers; they call upon God for help, while they continue to squander his energy in the lusts of the carnal mind.

Man is male and female, which are qualities of mind—Love and Wisdom. Every attempt to lower these divine attributes to the physical plane meets with disaster. It has been tried again and again in every

age, and its votaries have always gone into demoralization if they persisted in carrying out their theories.

Yet it is not unlawful to have bodily sensations in regeneration. A change in ideas must necessarily produce a change in the body, and there is a perfect response in every center of consciousness when the Spirit has been welcomed as the rightful inhabitant of the body. The marriage mystically spoken of in Scripture, and other sacred books, takes place in the consciousness; it is a soul communion of the two-in-one, more sweet than that between the most harmoniously mated man and woman. This does away forever with the necessity of sex in its outer manifestation.

An interchange of thought between men and women is helpful always, but it must be kept on the mental or spiritual plane.

Persistently deny the belief in sex, and realize that the life stream which has been *turned outward* and named sex, is not of that character in its original purity, but that it is pure spiritual life.

You must cleanse this pure stream in its outward flow by destroying the sense of sex. This can be done only by the power of your word. Do not kill out the life manifesting through your body by denying it away entirely; deny away the sense of impurity, sex, and other carnalities, with which the animal ego has clothed it.

"To the pure all things are pure," does not mean that lasciviousness is pure, nor that the deifying of sexuality is pure. The purity is in knowing that behind and interior to these shadows is a pure substance that is of God, which must be seen by the eye of the pure. So long as your eye sees sex and the indulgence thereof on any of its planes, you are not pure. You must become so mentally translucent that you see men and women as sexless beings—which they are in the spiritual consciousness.

Sex-lust is the father of death. James, in the first chapter of his epistle, gives its history in these words:

"Then the lust, when it hath conceived, beareth sin: and the sin when it is full-grown, bringeth forth death."

Paul says to be carnally minded is death, and Jesus Christ, in the twelfth chapter of Mark, sums up the whole question in these words: "For when they shall rise from the dead [come out of the carnal consciousness], they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as angels in heaven."

To desire to be instructed by God is the first step in exalting the inner life force. The sincere desire of the heart is always fulfilled by the Divine Law. All the woes of humanity have their root in disregarded law. Man has many factors to deal with in his "garden." The most "subtle" is the "serpent," or sense consciousness. It is not evil, as we have been taught to believe it. The allegory given in the third chapter of Genesis plainly teaches that sensation is a blind force which should not be regarded as a source of wisdom. In its right relation, the serpent stands upright on its tail, and forms the connecting link between the swift vibratory forces of the Spirit and the slow vibrations of the flesh. "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up." In the body the spinal cord is the seat of sensation, "the tree in the midst of the garden," and its branches extend to all parts of the system. The "fruit" of this "tree" which the desire for sensation (serpent) urges man to eat, is the seminal fluid, which flows throughout the nervous system, and is the connecting link between the mind and the body. When desire for sensation leads man to dissipate (eat) this precious "fruit" of the "tree" in his earthly garden, the whole nervous system is drained of its vitality and the spinal cord loses its capacity to conduct the higher life into the consciousness. Man feels a lack; he is "naked." Sensation is no longer a heavenly ecstasy but a fleshly sex vibration. It crawls on its "belly" and eats "dust" all the days of its life. That is, it functions in the driest, most lifeless part of man's being.

Yet sensation is a divine creation; it is part of the Lord God's formation, and must find expression somewhere in the consciousness. This brings us to the root cause of that appetite which craves stimulants and goes to excess in seeking satisfaction in eating and drinking. The cause is plain to be seen when we understand the anatomy of mind and body. Sensation is seeking satisfaction through the appetites. By listening to this serpent of sense, man becomes sexually insane, a glutton and a drunkard.

The remedy is: Turn away from the lusts of the flesh and seek God. Take up the problem from its spiritual standpoint. Sensation is a mental quality. It can be satisfied only by cultivating the spiritual side of your nature. If you are a sexual drunkard, deny the power of this ungodly lust over you. Pray for the help to overcome, then affirm your own power and spiritual dominion over all the "beasts of the field" in your "garden." When you have gotten the mastery over sexual intemperance, you will find the conquest of appetite easy. Simply deny all desire for material stimulants and affirm that you are satisfied with the stimulant of the Spirit. Whenever the desire for the material stimulant manifests itself, say to it, "You are nothing. You have no power over me or anybody else. I am Spirit, and I am wholly satisfied by the great flood of spiritual life that now fills my being."

In the beginning God said that the result of sin was death, and the truth of his words has been proved for many ages. But the adversary said to Eve, when he was tempting her to disobey the Divine Law, "Ye shall not surely die." The tragedy of Eden is being enacted every day in every individual of the race, and death reigns in consequence. We may call it by any other name, but the breaking up of consciousness and the separation of Spirit, soul, and body, takes place just the same. As Emerson said, "Behold a god in ruins." In face of the facts that God pronounced death to be the

wages of sin and that the experience of the race has proved his words true, very many people have listened to the adversary and believed his lie. We hear them on every side saying, "Ye shall not surely die."

As the result of sin the whole human race is already "dead in trespasses and sins;" that is, they are in a dying condition, which always finally ends in the loss of the body. It is not annihilation, because a resurrection has been promised.

To be "dead in trespasses and sins" is to lack the realization of God, to be ignorant of his law and disobedient to it. When Jesus said, "I am the resurrection, and the life," he was telling of the power of the Christ Mind to enter the mind and body of man as a quickening spirit and awaken the whole consciousness to the knowledge of God. This resurrecting process is now going on in many people. It is a gradual change that brings about a complete transformation of the body through the renewing of the mind. Spirit, soul and body become unified with Christ Mind, and body and soul become immortal and incorruptible. In this way death is overcome.

Those who insist that men do not die as a result of sin, are building up a false hope of finding life after death. Those who understand that eternal life has been lost to this race through sin, and can only be regained through the resurrecting power of the Christ Mind in the individual, are building on the eternal foundation of truth. Every one must at some time come to understand that this statement is absolutely true: "He that hath the Son [consciousness of Christ] hath the life; he that hath not the Son of God hath not the life."

The belief that the entities that speak through mediums are the spirits of dead people, is not proved. The communications are so fragmentary, and usually so inferior to the natural ability of the supposed egos delivering them, that those of wide investigation doubt the

authenticity of the authorship. No great literary production, scientific discovery or great sermon has ever come from spirits, yet the country in which it is claimed that they exist should be densely populated with all the wise people who have ever lived on the earth.

This theory of continuous progressive life after death contradicts the teachings of the Bible. God did not create man to die; death is the result of a transgression of law. Christianity teaches that man was created to live in his body, refining it as his thoughts unfold, and that the work of the Israelites is to restore this state—that is, unite Spirit, soul and body here on earth. This must be fulfilled in the whole race, and every thought of death, or the possibility of leaving the body, must be put out of the mind.

Practical Christians object to thoughts tending to the separation of soul and body, because by these thoughts a consciousness is built up that finally brings about that dissolution.

It is a fact well known to those who have deeply studied the law of Being, that death does break asunder Spirit, soul and body; also that the communications received by Spiritualists are but echoes of the soul, without its animating, inspiring spiritual *I Am*. Also that this mentality that communicates in its turn falls into a sleep, or coma, like the body, until the law again brings about a union with its *I Am* or Higher Self, and the building of another physical organism takes place. The process here suggested continues until the man makes a complete union of Spirit, soul and body here on the earth. This brings all of his powers into conjunction, and what is mystically known as the Jesus Christ, or redeemed man, appears.

You can easily see how illogical, unwise and futile it is to teach that man can lay off his body as a worn-out garment, and by weakly giving up and dying, go on to higher attainment. We know whereof we speak, and we must proclaim this great truth taught by Jesus

Christ, "Whosoever liveth and believeth on me [Spiritual / Am] shall never die."

If God created man to die and go on to a spirit land to get his education, then it would be better for him to die in infancy and escape the hardships of life. Also, if death is part of God's law, we are defeating that law every time we try to escape death by trying to heal the body.

If our birth as an infant a few years ago was the beginning of our existence, then God has performed a miracle and made an exception of man in the progressive law of development which is evident in all his other works.

The fact is, and it is well known to initiates, that Spiritualists are in communication with the mentality of humanity, that is, the personal consciousness. Not having developed the superconscious mind, they do not understand the creative law. They function mentally and physically in a thought psychism that is mixed and uncertain. Their communications can all be explained in the action of the subconscious minds of the living, and the majority of mediums are uncertain whether they are moved by their own or some other mentality.

On the whole it is not wise to try to solve questions that we have not yet acquired the ability to handle. When man has brought his higher Self into action he will see clearly the relation of Spirit, soul and body, in all phases of their action.

If you want to know all the mysteries of life, *study life*, and put out of your mind every thought about death or the condition of the dead. Then through the law of thought formation you will build up in yourself such a strong consciousness of life that its negative, or absence, will ever be to you nonexistent. This is what Jesus meant when he said, "If a man keep my word, he shall never see death."

Life is the gift of God, and is divine—*Longfellow*.

LIFE ETERNAL

HARRY GAZE



WE ARE living in a time of wonderful and sacred opportunity. We may say with the ancient Hindu, "This is the day of days." Or we may express it, "To this day was I born." Today is filled with opportunities for education, reconstruction and advancement,—for bringing into manifestation the glory that is eternal. There is only one power, and we are here to bring that power into evidence. People often say that they do not understand the purpose of life. People have sometimes asked in wonderment, and sometimes in tones of despair, "What are we here for? What does it all mean?"

There is a definite reason why we are here. We came for a sacred and glorious purpose, and that purpose is to make God visible in our flesh, so that we may with Job behold God in the flesh of our bodies. We must see God shining everywhere; shining in our souls, shining in every atom of our bodies, radiating in our environment, scintillating in our minds. In our flesh must we see God not only as omnipotent and omnipresent as far as Principle is concerned, but we must see the revelation and manifestation of Divine Principle in divine lives.

We have over and over quoted the words of the Master, "Words that I have spoken . . . are spirit, and are life." It is beautiful that we may repeat the sayings of Jesus Christ, but in our own day of attainment, we, too, must be able to say for ourselves that our words are Spirit and life. One of the practical things about this statement is the linking of Spirit with life, and when we think of Spirit we should think of it as the very Life of life.

It is Spirit that gives color, warmth, vitality and radiance to the flowers; that makes the springtime beau-

tiful; that sparkles in every eye when there is health and wholeness. The consciousness of Spirit never includes death, but always life, and so when we think of Spirit let us think in vital terms, vibrant terms. When we say that one is spiritual, let it not mean that he is weak, or frail, or pale, or anæmic, but that he is full of life, of the glorious, shining life of Spirit. We are born to the end that we may manifest the glory of Spirit.

The moment that a man begins to think that the source of life is limited, he will begin to be very cautious in his expression of life. His attitude will be that of trying to hold on to it and to use it only with economy. The result will be manifestation of feebleness. "Who-soever would save his life shall lose it." The moment I think I have only a little life and that there is no more coming, I am on the road to old age. But when I know that I function from an illimitable fountain of Life, I shall express fully and I shall know no lack. As a matter of fact, the only life that we have is the life that we give away, for life is expression, and abundant life is abundant expression.

The scientific and spiritual conception of youth does not involve the holding of the present flesh, but instructs us to let it go, cell by cell, as new and more perfect cells are built to take the place of the former ones. Thus the entire body is kept in a state of renewal. Healing and renewal of parts of the body are not mere patchwork, but complete reconstruction. We do not heal and change the present body to youth, but we build a new physical body, cell by cell, which has no past history or sickness or weakness.

We have used incorrect symbols for life and time. The average artist will represent time as an old man with long whiskers. But time is ever young. For life, he paints a picture of an hourglass with the sands running low. Such symbols are drawn from the subconscious mind, showing that into the race habit of thought we have put the limited ideas represented by these sym-

bols. We should replace the untrue concept by the idea of a limitless fountain of Life—the fountain of Spirit.

Why is it such a deadly sin to draw a picture or make a statue of God? Why the command, "Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image?" Because an image expresses the limitations of that particular work of art and establishes a limited idea of what God is. The illimitable cannot be portrayed in any one symbol.

What we want to do is to become conscious that, at its source, life is ready to come forth in infinite abundance to us. We have had a puny conception of life. We have felt that if we asked for a certain amount of life and did not ask aright that we would not receive even that small portion desired. If our first prayer failed our second petition would be for a smaller blessing. It is pitiful how we have caricatured God by picturing him as lack and limitation! If you ask for abundant Life, do not then reduce the amount of your request to just enough to get along upon. Ask freely and largely. Ask, and you shall receive.

The beauty of life is, that it is absolutely founded upon the principle, "Ask and ye shall receive." This is true, not because it is in the Bible; it is in the Bible because it is true. It always was true, and it always will be true. The whole universe is founded upon that law. Everything that we see is an evidence of that law, and everything you manifest and express is a declaration of that law.

Life is organized in a wonderful and beautiful way. Our minds are so organized that they are creative, and the whole visible world is a plastic substance which has been molded into shape by the one Mind of the universe. It is an inspiring thing to think of the oneness of Mind, to get away from the thought of multiplicity into the thought of perfect unity. In the conception of unity there is no death, no old age; there is eternal youth. In that thought we get away from all playing with the calen-

dar, juggling with figures, saying, "Maybe if we live thus and so we shall reach a hundred years." I can think of nothing more belittling than that in such an age as this we should clutch at the century mark, so that as old people we may tell by what process we arrived—by smoking or not smoking, by using whisky or abstaining therefrom, or by this or that stunt of mind. The idea of longevity on the physical plane is not at all the ideal of the spiritual truth, which is not one of prolonging life in any limited condition, but rather the idea of eternal life, eternal health and youth.

There are those who say, "I can see how we could live to be a hundred, perhaps, but I cannot see how we could live much longer than that." People have been literally hypnotized by the threescore year and ten standard. They follow the historical career of Moses, but ignore his example, for we read that Moses was one hundred and twenty, and his strength was not abated nor his eye dimmed. May we at one hundred and twenty find our eyesight perfect, and when we have reached that age may we consider the past years simply as steppingstones to real living, instead of to death. The time will come when we shall look upon the first hundred or more years of our life as but the kindergarten part of our existence. The time will come when we shall realize with the Lord that a thousand years are as a day, and a day is as a thousand years.

The divine art of keeping young consists not in being the slave of time, but in realizing the truth of Emerson's statement, "While we commune with that which is above us we do not grow old, but we grow young." If we would master this divine art, we must saturate our consciousness with life, we must permeate the subconscious with the idea of abundant life, and every expectancy concerning the loss of life must be dismissed. You must not think that you are taking chances. It is not in the nature of the Divine Principle to work sometimes and to fail at other times. It works with absolute pre-

cision. There is a certain way that you can think and a certain way that you can speak and act that will make eternal youth absolutely inevitable for you. The psychology of the past was, "Some other time, some other place." The spiritual psychology of today is, "Here and now; now is the day of salvation."

Our bodies are always much newer than our clothes. No two minutes of life is the body the same. Every breath we draw brings to us millions of new particles. Our bodies are new, wonderfully new. And yet, in spite of this newness one is apt to say, "I am getting old," and then look for wrinkles and gray hairs—and find them. We need to realize the fact that we are getting ready for life. When we think the thoughts of life, and speak the words of life, and live from that vital consciousness within, life will be a daily resurrection.

People argue as to whether or not there was a literal resurrection two thousand years ago. Some believe there was, others do not. What is the significance of that resurrection to you? The higher consciousness of life makes every day an Easter day, for every day each one of us is resurrected into new life and power. We are glad to know of the resurrection of two thousand years ago. It is valuable to meditate upon, but it loses its vital significance to us unless it becomes an everyday event in our own lives.

Today we are learning to blend true science and true religion; we are learning to see that the message of the Christ is profoundly a scientific message. Slowly and laboriously the scientist works out the problem and finds that the simple statements of the Nazarene, made two thousand years ago, are pure and perfect scientific laws. He said, "If a man keep my word, he shall never see death." And most people have translated those words into meaning that if we die here we shall live somewhere else as spirits without bodies. That was not the Master's idea at all. His teaching was that there should be no passing through death, but that here

and now we should enter into immortality. How do we know that he really meant that? He explained it in detail. He said, "Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread which cometh down out of heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die." Christ referred to a material death and material food and showed that physical death is not necessary. His illustration does not point to a triumph after death; that would be the reverse of his teaching.

Jesus was modest. He said, "I do nothing of myself." If he had stopped with that statement, the lame would not have walked, the blind would not have been given their sight, Lazarus would have lain in the tomb. But he also said, "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth." We, like the Master, must not boast of personality, but we must realize that the Divine Life, acting through us, will make us receivers of inexhaustible health, youth and power.

The messenger of God should be modest in his thought of himself as a messenger, yet he should be conscious that his message is the supreme message of all eternity. The real purpose of life is to make God visible; to manifest the same inner glory that you perceive as radiant power, usefulness and beauty, in the transformed lives of people who understand and are using God's law. If you say that you cannot always live and be well and strong, you are an atheist, for you are expressing a doubt of the reality of God. Let us believe; let us have faith. Then our words will not return unto us void, but will accomplish the thing whereunto they are sent. Let us believe more. The most fanciful fairy story ever written in the world is not a thousandth part as wonderful as the simple Truth.

What is the Bible? It is a romance of eternal youth. It tells you of the lovers in the garden of Eden, in their innocent immortality. It tells you of the changes that came to them in their wonderful garden. It tells you of the supposed curse that was placed upon them.

It tells you the whole story of evolution from the Adam man to the perfect Christ man. It tells you of that glorious romance of love where the Spirit says, "Come," and the Bride says "Come, and he that is athirst, let him come: he that will, let him take the water of life freely."

The Bible is a book about the fountain of Life, about growing young and staying young; about being well and being well forever; about putting away what we have called sin, and living the Godlike life of reality here on the earth; about putting away all appearance of evil, and coming into the reality of the eternal and abiding good. How wonderful then is life, and how beautiful, and with what happy thoughts should we awaken each day! Only ignorance of our true estate and birthright could make us unhappy. Life is a splendid thing, for it is a gift from God that we may accept, and accepting we may bring forth life, not for ourselves alone, but for every one.

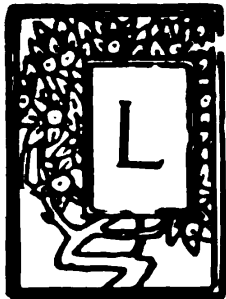
The time is coming when day by day we shall grow younger. The time is even now at hand; now is the time and here is the place. In all eternity there will be no more sacred place than this. In all eternity there will be no more sacred moment than this. Here and now God is, and because God is we are. Therefore, we may bring forth today the splendor of our fairest dream. Why postpone the realization? Let us look to the divinity within and attain the spiritual realization of youth.

Let us know that the infinite Spirit is ready to manifest through us, and that we must make ourselves pure channels through which that eternal Life may operate. Then if we open our minds and become as innocent and receptive as a child, that Life will enter into us and we will be young in mind and elastic in body, glorifying God, the eternal Source of Life.

Life and religion are one, or neither is anything.
—*George MacDonald.*

LIFE

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LIFE IS God's greatest gift, for without it none of the other gifts are possible. There is no existence independent of life. This being true, life is the largest idea which can be contemplated, and it necessarily involves every other attribute of man's being and every idea and experience of his being.

To man there appears to be two general phases of life, but in reality there is but one. It appears that there is organized or manifest life, and unorganized or unmanifest life. The latter is not always taken into consideration, and if it were always taken into consideration in its true relationship, our manifest life would be much more complete.

That which we know as unorganized life is life in an organization greater than our comprehension. It is the life present in the universal organization which is God. It is when we as smaller organizations succeed in linking our lives to the life universal, the God-Life, that our lives are complete.

To one who sees life in its relation to the universal, it is more than a period of existence. It is conscious existence with an infinite capacity for growth. Tolstoy said, "Life is an evolution from the simple to the more complex." This is true, because growth always involves more and more, and while the simple purpose of life may be the same, yet a greater complexity is involved in carrying on the greater organism.

Every organization, to be a living organism, must have function. This is as true of the atom as it is of the universe. It therefore logically follows that expression is one of the very first laws of life. Since interdependence of life and expression has given rise to much misunderstanding, we are desirous of considering it from

three angles, that at least a better understanding may be arrived at. These three angles are suppression, dissipation, and expression.

When a man learns that wrong and uncontrolled ideas functioning through his mind as an ill temper are destructive forces, his first effort is to exercise some sort of self-control. Not realizing that self-control consists in the proper direction of forces, he may at first seek to throttle his uncontrolled feelings and deny them expression. This quite naturally slows up the function of his whole being and also acts to retain within his body the poisonous effect of his temper. The retained poisons work out in various physical disorders. This process clearly has no part in life as we desire it. The mere suppression of a force, whether good or bad, is not a solution to the problem involved, and what applies to one's mental forces applies equally to his physical forces. For the purpose of argument, let us consider the matter of dissipation from an entirely different angle and see how it checks up with the idea of life in its truest sense. By dissipation we do not necessarily mean excess, though dissipation of any sort usually leads to excess, because activity in any direction is accumulative.

Let us consider any constructive feeling which is generally recognized by all as perfectly legitimate. Let the object of this feeling be something external to oneself, or even far removed from his presence,—for instance the desire for a beautiful and harmonious environment. Have you ever seen one not suited with his present environment, living off in a sort of dream world independent of his present existence? We are sure that you have, and that you know just what effect this sort of experience has upon his life, so it will be needless to go into details. In this knowledge we make bold to say that every force, constructive or destructive, projected out of one's present being, is a form of dissipation which conveys a vital energy out of its true channels of life and leaves the individual relatively weaker as a result. The

mere projection of a force is not necessarily expression, at least not the expression that increases the capacity of the individual to live, to do, and to be.

Now let us consider life in the light of expression, and see if we may not discover some point of helpfulness in this respect. Science, in its description of the activity of atoms and electrons, gives us a very wonderful illustration upon this point.

Modern science describes the atom as a miniature universe, the planets or elements of which are electrons, whirling about a central point as our planets revolve about the sun. The action of these electrons is caused by a force within the atom, which gives the atom form. This atom functioning perfectly within itself, functions also with other atoms, and thus all forms in the manifest world are built. Interfere with the electrons or the active force of the atoms, and disintegration results. Whenever the forces of the atom are diverted from its particular form, the form breaks down, and gives place to new forms. The true expression of the atom is brought about by adding its force to the force of other atoms in building forms, thus carrying out the great plan of God's creation.

Jesus Christ, the great teacher, often referred to nature for illustrations of the ways of man. This is confirmatory of the teachings of scientists who declare that to know and understand the secret of the atom is to understand the secret of the universe. May we not, then, go to nature for further illustration of this great question of expression?

For instance, we might "consider the lilies," or any other flower. What does a flower express? It expresses beauty, form, color, odor; in expressing all of these it is not giving off its being. By giving you its beauty, it does not become less beautiful; by giving you its sweet odor it does not become less sweet. But take the rose from the bush or take the moisture from its stem or the petals from the flower, and much of it is gone. The

essence of it still lives, its beauty has beautified your mind, and the odor lives as long as there is a fragment remaining. When its life, or form, is projected, it fades and dies, but it loses nothing in shedding its beauty and fragrance upon the whole world.

So it is with man; when he projects those elements which go to make up his being, he lessens himself; but when he retains his elements intact, they act and react upon each other, increasing his being until he manifests the full measure of his divine stature.

And what is his expression? In service! In service he sheds his radiance and not his substance, and is thereby enriched. It is that "that scattereth, and increaseth yet more," and every life which he touches is uplifted and enriched. This is the great expression. This is life.

Every idea that comes to the mind of man from the Creative Spirit of his being—from God—comes for the purpose of being built into his consciousness and body. The inbuilding increases his being, therefore increases his capacity for service.

In its truest sense, expression is bringing forth the highest and best ideals that one can conceive,—the expression of the ideas that are revealed to man direct from the Father-Mind. Each day's expression thus fulfills its own divine mission, and is sufficient unto itself. Each day is a complete thing in God; it is the foundation for a greater day to follow. Each day is a new day filled with new revelations and new thoughts. Each day is a new life, and we are daily new creatures in Christ Jesus.

It is only when we fail to open ourselves to the new revelation which God would express in us each day, that we fail to live. By perpetuating yesterday's ideas and experiences, or by trying to work out other people's experiences and ideas, our life is made a reflex existence.

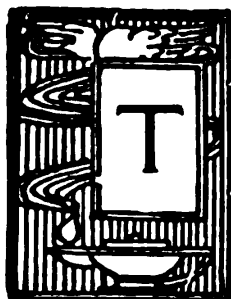
Was it not Emerson who said, "Insist on yourself"? This we must do if we are ever to become ^{jest} anything more than the reflex or reflected expression of others.

To live, we must live as unto God, daily bringing forth a new ideal and a new revelation. "In all thy ways acknowledge him, And he will direct thy paths," is the promise which leads to the very fountain of life, of which a man may drink and not die. Life in God demands the full support of every faculty and force of man's being, and every day of this sort of living brings its normal increase. It is faith, every day ripening into knowledge. It is strength, ever sustaining one in his effort to attain the full measure of Divine Manhood. It is judgment, judging all things righteously. It is love, knowing more and more of its unity with God and man. It is understanding, which comprehends and encompasses more of the divine nature in every thought and act. It is will, moving with irresistible power toward wholeness. It is imagination, forming only the Divine Image and Likeness in the heavens and in the earth. It is coming forth in the world of God, to do and to be all that there is in God. It is order, that comes of a conscious co-operation with the Divine Plan. It is zeal, tempered to the balanced action of that creative spirit that moves upon "the face of the waters" continually. It is elimination, which rejects the past day's standard for a new life in Christ Jesus. It is a life hid with Christ in God, incorporating more and more of the divine nature until its radiance shall bless and redeem the world; until no one can touch even the hem of your garment without being healed; until no one can even contact the radiance of your countenance without being lifted into a closer union with God.

And such confidence have we through Christ to God-ward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves, to account anything as from ourselves; but our sufficiency is from God; who also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.—// *Corinthians 3:4-6*.

GOD-LIFE

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THAT GOD is Life, is one of the most easily accepted tenets of the metaphysical creed. No other idea acts more quickly or more noticeably upon the thought colonies which constitute the mental man. At the conception of that idea, a thrill of hope and inspiration instantly flashes through the thought areas, and this accelerating process is almost simultaneously communicated to the cellular structure. The statement that God is a vitalizing principle, steadfast in presence, creating and recreating in strength and beauty, is a tonic to the human body.

We live in and through God. God lives in and through us. These truths satisfy the mind that yearns to grasp more of the principle of life. They comfort the mind that longs to lift itself into those home regions of soul where wisdom dwells and beauty reigns.

If the word *God* were less accurate than the formal, chilling, scientific terms which the physicists employ in their naming of the Life presence, not even for the sake of our peace of mind would we dare to delude ourselves with what comes short of the reality concerning this animate Power that lies in and about us, that generates living, nourishes living and eternalizes living. But all the wonders that science claims for its nameless creative power is true of our God. And this much besides is also true of our God, He satisfies this life of ours by his unmeasured plenitude of riches. After we have said all that our language can word, after we have exalted our thoughts to the heights which transcend verbal utterance and mental inspiration, we have not entered into the first court of that exalted life which is eternally our God's.

Life is God, and it is replete with the majestic glories of its source. It is healthier than health; it is stronger

than strength; it is lovelier than loveliness. The graces of a fadeless youth adorn it. The buoyancy of a pregnant hope inspires it. It pours through us a crystal current that suffers no dross to remain. It spreads through us, inoculating our souls with the life of its life. It is peace. It is ability. It is luminosity.

It fills our inner being, and it presses upon our senses. Its impartial bestowal of itself constitutes its wonder. It resides in the cells of our bodies, and it sits in the heart of the windflower. It sings in the water. It moves the spheres. It never decreases. It never changes, but it daily builds about itself a more beautiful habitation, as a tribute to its own loveliness. The more we have of life, the more we have of God. The better we know life, the better we know God. The more sweetly do we deal with life, the more truly do we worship God.

Open the door of the soul to the depth, the reach, the peace of life in God, and there rushes upon us so much that is beyond words, and beyond words so much that cannot be shaped to thought, that we can only look into his face and say, "Yes, Lord."

All that God is we have; all that we have we are expected to throw upon the screen of the visible. As we pursue our acquaintance with God, we do knowingly have more and more of the supreme good of being. As we train ourselves to receive without interruption from the Source whence issues all good, we do the more clearly know and make known the Father, and in exercising the life that is so plainly God, we find peace to our souls.

Life has its roots in the invisible, from which it flowers and fruits in the visible. The grandeur of life does not depend upon anything extraneous. It depends upon the way in which we use the invisible elements of life. Our thoughts are the gauge of us. Our words proclaim us. Our deeds are the autobiographies of us. We are as noble, as splendid, as beautiful as we have trained our souls to be.

In our study to know God, there come intensely personal moments, in which we grip the idea under consideration and cast it into the flesh by the strength of our realization. This is the marriage of the Lamb to the bride. It is consummated by this knowing:

The life that is within is the same life that made the physical conception possible. It is the animating principle that makes the childhood period joyous, the frame lithe and strong. It is the shining face of God in each flesh cell, and his radiance fills the whole body with the harmony of beauty.

All these inherencies come into more manifest grace daily when the body is nourished by the substance of eternal life. In this way the individual life becomes an exponent of the more abundant life announced by Jesus Christ. The realization of these truths electrifies the atoms of the body, causing them to send out rays of life; it makes the body to become a powerful magnet which draws to itself the health of the air breathed, the strength of the food eaten, the purity of the waters imbibed. In all its scope of action there is life, life more abundant, life eternal, life sweet, unchanging, bountiful.

Standing within, unifying all things with God, we bring the physical into line with the out-pushing life idea, and the flesh of the body is made glad in the presence of God. Standing within, knowing that all creation ministers unto us, the body comes into correspondence with the immanent Life; it is fed by the Hand that spreads a table for the sparrow; it is clothed by the Loom that weaves the robe of the lily. Life impregnates the thought and makes jubilant the world.

When the life of God becomes the dominant consciousness, our actions and interests are made powerful. The things that we do breathe like living souls. Our work becomes real, a creation like unto God's creation. To whatsoever we put our hands, prosperity rushes, and the matter grows in favor with God and man. Our world stirs, pulses, vibrates, lives. We are in the midst

of a righteous, an enduring cosmos, and have blended with the God of Life.

To know life in this way is to live indeed. There is no repression, except such as we permit the emotions to put upon us. Life expresses itself, pushing through every wall of opposition. Life knows itself, and that self is the force that shapes substance, changes the relation of visible things and makes them always correspond to our grasp on substance.

CHRIST JESUS, THE LIFE

He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.—*Matthew* 10:39.

For narrow is the gate, and straitened the way, that leadeth into life, and few are they that find it.—*Matthew* 7:14.

In him was life; and the life was the light of men.—*John* 1:4.

Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall not hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.—*John* 6:35.

It is the spirit that giveth life; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life.—*John* 6:63.

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I have believed that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, *even* he that cometh into the world.—*John* 11:25-27.

Many other signs therefore did Jesus in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye may have life in his name.—*John* 20:30, 31.

SUNDAY LESSONS

LESSON 12, DECEMBER 19, 1920.

Unity and International Subject.—JESUS FEEDS THE
MULTITUDE.—Matt. 14:13-23.

13. Now when Jesus heard it, he withdrew from thence in a boat, to a desert place apart: and when the multitudes heard thereof, they followed him on foot from the cities.

14. And he came forth, and saw a great multitude, and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick.

15. And when even was come, the disciples came to him, saying, The place is desert, and the time is already past; send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves food.

16. But Jesus said unto them, They have no need to go away; give ye them to eat.

17. And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.

18. And he said, Bring them hither to me.

19. And he commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass; and he took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples to the multitudes.

20. And they all ate, and were filled: and they took up that which remained over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full.

21. And they that did eat were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

22. And straightway he constrained the disciples to enter into the boat, and to go before him unto the other side, till he should send the multitudes away.

23. And after he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into the mountain apart to pray: and when even was come, he was there alone.

GOLDEN TEXT—*They have no need to go away; give ye them to eat.*—Matt. 14:16.

SILENT PRAYER—*The Christ in me is saying, "I am the bread of life."*

We cannot get away from our thoughts. They follow us wherever we go, and we must minister to them.

The people followed Jesus into the desert place from the cities. This refers to the spreading out in consciousness of the thoughts that have in a former state of mind been confined to certain centers. At this period of development, we seem to lose our centered state of mind and there is a scattering of thought. We cannot concentrate as we did in the early stage of our work. Some people lose heart when this break in mental poise takes place, and a period of discouragement sets in. But when one knows this is the forerunner of a stronger and more permanent state of mind, there is a renewal of courage, and the work is taken up with vigor. So we read that Jesus "healed their sick." This healing of the sick, weak, negative, diseased thoughts, is the first act of the *I Am*. You are to speak the word of health and strength to every state of thought and feeling that is not right up to standard, and keep on speaking it until you demonstrate. It may take months and even years to restore health to these accumulated unhealthy thoughts. They are *your people*, and to you is given the work of their redemption.

These thoughts have also to be fed by your increasing spiritual word. The faculties (disciples) functioning through the intellect do not see how so many mouths can be fed in an apparently desert place. If one listens to the intellect at this stage in development, there will be neglect of duty and a shirking of exercise of power by *I Am*. The faculties (disciples) of the mind, function through fixed centers in consciousness, and they are not at this period in full realization of the power and capacity of the *I Am*. Yet it is through these faculties that the *I Am* reaches the outlying fields of thought, or "people." Giving thanks increases thought substance with mighty swiftness.

The loaves are the senses that have taken form or become substance (loaves) in consciousness, as feeling, tasting, smelling, hearing, and seeing; (two yet undeveloped) and the "fishes" are ideas not yet in manifes-

tation. In Scripture symbology, fish always represent ideas not yet brought into visibility.

By declaring our senses to be spiritual, and speaking to every one of them the increasing word of the *I Am*, we multiply their capacity and give through their increase a sustaining vigor and vitality to the whole organism. This is done through the simple word of the *I Am*, backed by the realization of its spiritual capacity. We cannot in our own power perform this miraculous increase, but when we look up to heaven and bless and break, and give to our disciples, all our thoughts are fed by this divine manna, and there is an abundance left over.

QUESTIONS

1. Can we get away from our thoughts?
2. How shall we redeem our thoughts?
3. How shall we feed our thought people?
4. What effect has giving thanks upon thought substance?
5. Can we in our own power perform the miraculous increase?

CHRISTMAS LESSON, DECEMBER 26, 1920.

Unity and International Subject.—THE BIRTH OF JESUS.—Luke 2:8-20.

8. And there were shepherds in the same country abiding in the field, and keeping watch by night over their flock.

9. And an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10. And the angel said unto them, Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people:

11. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.

12. And this is the sign unto you: Ye shall find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger.

13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14. Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased.

15. And it came to pass, when the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing that is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16. And they came with haste, and found both Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

17. And when they saw it, they made known concerning the saying which was spoken to them about this child.

18. And all that heard it wondered at the things which were spoken unto them by the shepherds.

19. But Mary kept all these sayings, pondering them in her heart.

20. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken unto them.

GOLDEN TEXT—*There is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.*—Luke 2:11.

SILENT PRAYER—*May the Mind of Christ become my mind, and all the substance of my body be transformed into spiritual energy.*

Paul addresses the Galatian church as "My little children, of whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you." To the Colossians he speaks of "Even the mystery which hath been hid for ages and generations: but now hath it been manifested to his saints, to whom God was pleased to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory."

This mystery, which has been hid from other generations, is the coming into consciousness of a new life current in the organism. This new life is called Christ, and it has its expression in the realm of sense, or Gentiles. But it is of Jewish origin—it is of the Spirit, and must be brought forth in the "house of David," which is spiritual substance. Bethlehem means "the house of bread." Specifically, this refers to the substance center in the organism, which is several inches below the heart center (Jerusalem). It is here that we observe the first throb-

bing or outward quickening of the new body of the Christ ideal.

We should not overlook the fact that this coming into activity of the Christ body, is the result of an exalted idea sown in the mind and matured by the soul (Mary). The soul is devout and expectant—it believes in the so-called miraculous as a possibility. Mary expected the birth of the Messiah, according to the promise of the Holy Spirit. She was overshadowed by that high idea, and it formed in her mind the seed that quickened into the cell, and in due season there were aggregations of cells strong enough in their activity to attract the attention of the outer consciousness, and what is called the birth of Christ took place.

The many phases of mind discipline described in the histories of the various personalities in the Old Testament lead up to this great event. They are that outer cleansing of the thought world that leaves no obstruction to this most important transformation of mind and body. As Paul says, this birth of Christ in the individual is a great mystery. It cannot be explained in words. It is veiled in darkness to even those who are on its very verge. This is typified by the shepherds watching their flocks by night. Those to whom the mystery is revealed, have to be vigilant in keeping their thoughts, or flocks, secure from the invasion of ideas that would destroy their purity, their faith, their very life. The life of a Christian's mind is faith in the power of God to reveal himself to man. The true believers have always expected and looked for superhuman events. Yet, as explained in Scripture, when the "glory of the Lord shone round about them, . . . they were sore afraid." This fear is the human in us, and it has to be gradually overcome. The writer has hundreds of times had the divine presence, and when the light and its accompanying vibratory force reach a certain point, there is always a trembling of the mortal part. This, however, grows less and less as the development of the Christ proceeds.

"And this is the sign unto you: Ye shall find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger." The helplessness of man's thoughts about the new life is represented by the swaddling clothes, and the manger is the animal life of the body in which it is first manifested.

The higher or heavenly realms of consciousness praise God for this evidence in the body, or earth, of a force that will restore peace and harmony. A more intimate acquaintance with this new life is had by going consciously to the heart center and seeing the Christ babe with the eyes of the thoughts (shepherds). Then the truth is proclaimed, and the thoughts praise God. "But Mary kept all these sayings, pondering them in her heart." There should be affirmations without of the new life, but the substantial growth is attained through quiet communion within the soul.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the mystery which has been hid?
2. Where is the first outward quickening of the new Christ body observed?
3. What relation do the histories of the personalities of the Old Testament bear to the birth of Christ?
4. What is the life of a Christian's mind?
5. What do the swaddling clothes represent?

LESSON 1, JANUARY 2, 1921.

Unity and International Subject.—THE CHILD AND THE KINGDOM.—Matt. 18:1-14.

1. In that hour came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?
2. And he called to him a little child, and set him in the midst of them,
3. And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye turn, and become as little children, ye shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven.
4. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

5. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me:

6. But whoso shall cause one of these little ones that believe on me to stumble, it is profitable for him that a great millstone should be hanged about his neck, and that he should be sunk in the depth of the sea.

7. Woe unto the world because of occasions of stumbling! for it must needs be that the occasions come; but woe to that man through whom the occasion cometh!

8. And if thy hand or thy foot causeth thee to stumble, cut it off, and cast it from thee: it is good for thee to enter into life maimed or halt, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into the eternal fire.

9. And if thine eye causeth thee to stumble, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is good for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into the hell of fire.

10. See that ye despise not one of these little ones: for I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven.

12. How think ye? if any man have a hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and go unto the mountains, and seek that which goeth astray?

13. And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth over it more than over the ninety and nine which have not gone astray.

14. Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

GOLDEN TEXT—*Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.*—Matt. 18:4.

SILENT PRAYER—*I am humble and obedient to the will of God.*

The kingdom of heaven is a condition in which Divine Mind supplies ideals for all the thoughts of man's mind. The greatest in this kingdom is he who is most receptive to the divine ideals. Innocent confidence and trust are necessary in this state of mind. Suspicion or distrust closes the door to the full inflow of heavenly ideas.

"Except ye turn, and become as little children, ye

shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven." Mortal man's idea of the kingdom of heaven is a government where the officers and rulers are patterned after the kingdoms of earth. But the kingdom of God is of a very different character. Instead of being rulers, the greatest in that kingdom are servants. This is the teaching of Jesus. The humble, childlike spirit is necessary to those who desire to enter the presence of Divine Mind.

Christ is the servant of humanity. He humbled himself and became the least among men that he might save them from the works of their ignorance. Whoever turns from the pride and arrogance of mortality and accepts the childlike spirit is receiving Christ.

It is a dangerous thing to kill out innocent, childlike thoughts. It is better to be very negative; better to go to the very depths of the sea of mortality than to cause a single spiritual thought of childlike receptivity to be obstructed in consciousness.

Ruthlessly eliminate external impediments to spiritual progress. Even though it be a thing as necessary as the hand or the eye, if it stands in the way of higher things, cut it out and enter into spirituality at any cost. Some people are very eager to know all about the higher law—they study occultism, spiritualism, and mesmerism, for the purpose of gaining power, and for the satisfying of a certain human curiosity. This is the eye that should be plucked out. This lust for knowledge and power blunts the sweet innocence of the little child within, and often leads to sins that have to be atoned for in the purifying fires of the soul.

It is the will of Divine Mind that all that makes up human consciousness shall be raised to the heavenly degree—that not even one of these little ones should perish.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the kingdom of heaven?
2. Who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?
3. How do we serve Christ?

4. What must we eliminate in making spiritual progress?

5. What is the will of Divine Mind concerning human consciousness?

LESSON 2, JANUARY 9, 1921.

Unity Subject—FORGIVENESS.

International Subject — JESUS TEACHING FORGIVENESS.—Matt. 18:21-35.

21. Then came Peter and said to him, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? until seven times?

22. Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times; but, Until seventy times seven.

23. Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, who would make a reckoning with his servants.

24. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, that owed him ten thousand talents.

25. But forasmuch as he had not wherewith to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

26. The servant therefore fell down and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

27. And the lord of that servant, being moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

28. But that servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, who owed him a hundred shillings: and he laid hold on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay what thou owest.

29. So his fellow-servant fell down and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee.

30. And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay that which was due.

31. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were exceeding sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

32. Then his lord called him unto him, and saith to him, Thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou besoughtest me:

33. Shouldest not thou also have had mercy on thy fellow-servant, even as I had mercy on thee?

34. And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due.

35. So shall also my heavenly Father do unto you, if ye forgive not every one his brother from your hearts.

GOLDEN TEXT—*If ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.*—Matt. 6:14.

SILENT PRAYER—*I forgive and I know that I am forgiven.*

The measure of forgiveness in God is unlimited, according to this teaching of Jesus, and right here, as well as in other places, he puts a negative upon everlasting punishment.

God is here illustrated as the king, whose servant owed him ten thousand talents (about \$20,000,000). The servant could not pay, and he was fully forgiven the whole debt. Yet that same servant had an account of a hundred pence (\$16) against a fellow servant, whom he took by the throat when he could not pay, and finally had him cast into prison. When this was reported to the King, he had the unjust servant brought to him, and called down upon him the law until he should pay the fabulous sum which he owed.

Thus is shown the relation of man to his fellow man and the Principle of Being. We live in and think through a universal ether that is more sensitive to our thought vibrations than is the most finely-keyed musical instrument to the vibrations of sound. This is the translucent substance of the "kingdom of the heaven," and it records every emotion, every thought, every word sent out by us. A feeling or thought of anger, or revenge, or injury of any kind toward another, sets awirl with violent discord this Mother Substance, this white Shekinah, and the beautiful forms which are constantly pushing out from the center of Being are thereby broken or distorted. It is here that man incurs the great debt to Mother Nature of "ten thousand talents," and which he can never pay through his own effort. But the Wisdom

and Love attributes of Being may be called into expression by man, and through their smoothing and harmonizing power all this turmoil can be reduced to order. Thus the great debt which man owes is paid by God.

But the Wisdom and Love of God can never make conjunction with the Mother Substance, the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of this mortal world, until the mind of man is like unto the mind of God. Then here comes in that most vital lesson of forgiving offenses to the uttermost, in order that you may be Godlike and bring down the kingdom of the heavens unto the earth. The measure of the wrong or injury done you by another should not be taken into consideration. The Jews thought it Godlike to forgive seven times, but Jesus said "seventy times seven," which implies unlimited forgiveness.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the measure of divine forgiveness?
2. How does the law "forgive and ye shall be forgiven" apply to our fellow men? How does it apply to the universal thought Substance?
3. Is everlasting punishment possible, according to this lesson?
4. Should we measure the wrong done us by another in forgiving him?

LESSON 3, JANUARY 16, 1921.

Unity and International Subject—OUR ALL FOR THE KINGDOM.—Matt. 19:16-30.

16. And behold, one came to him and said, Teacher, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

17. And he said unto him, Why askest thou me concerning that which is good? One there is who is good: but if thou wouldest enter into life, keep the commandments.

18. He saith unto him, Which? And Jesus said, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

19. Honor thy father and thy mother; and, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

20. The young man saith unto him, All these things have I observed: what lack I yet?

21. Jesus said unto him, If thou wouldest be perfect, go, sell that which thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

22. But when the young man heard the saying, he went away sorrowful; for he was one that had great possessions.

23. And Jesus said unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, It is hard for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24. And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

25. And when the disciples heard it, they were astonished exceedingly, saying, Who then can be saved?

26. And Jesus looking upon them said to them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

27. Then answered Peter and said unto him, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee; what then shall we have?

28. And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that ye who have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit on the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29. And every one that hath left houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive a hundred fold, and shall inherit eternal life.

30. But many shall be last that are first; and first that are last.

GOLDEN TEXT—*Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.*—Matt. 19:19.

SILENT PRAYER—*I came not to destroy, but to fulfil.*—Matt. 5:17.

Metaphysically, a review of the life of Christ is not a study of the historical text, but a comparison of the recorded events of his experience with our own experiences. Jesus is the complete man of whom we are all incomplete copies. We are the green fruit on the tree of life; he is the ripe. His footsteps marked out the true path of life, and his advice is, "Follow me."

To follow Jesus requires great genius, power, and perseverance. That is, to follow him successfully. No

one has so far done so, though hosts have tried. But even an attempt accomplishes much in the permanent development of the soul. The development which the average man or woman works out in a lifetime is slight. The intellect cuts no deep lines in the soul texture, which is the enduring part of man's being. If man's preparation for the higher life were left to the work of intellect, his destiny would be hazy. Mystics and adepts of all ages have deplored the shallow and slow progress of those functioning in intellect. One earthly life experience in which the soul is stirred, and the light and power of the Spirit turned in upon it, is worth more than ten thousand lives of mere intellectual moonshine. Then, how important it is that we strive to quicken the Spirit and live its life! We can afford to make any sacrifice to bring about the development of spiritual understanding.

Jesus pointed the way of Truth, and demonstrated its power. The keynote of his teaching is, "God is Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth." He denounced the intellectual Pharisees and scribes who studied the Scripture and the traditions of men. He reiterated again and again by parable and precept the necessity of spiritual understanding and the power which accompanies it. He considered it of more importance than great riches, piety, and careful observance of the moral law. The rich young man who had, in addition to his riches, been a strict observer of the law as laid down by Moses, was told to "sell that which thou hast, and give to the poor, . . . and come, follow me."

The rich young man is personality. It is that in us that lays store by the things of form and shape. Selfishness attaches personality to the things of sense, while unselfishness liberates it.

Personality is ambitious for eternal life and strives to attain it without sacrificing the selfish attachment to things of sense.

Personality does not know the real Good.

Personality follows the letter of the commandments, and is commended; but there is one lack—it must give up its belief in earthly possessions.

Personality is disappointed because it cannot retain its belief in earthly possessions and at the same time have consciousness of spiritual things.

When personality attaches itself to material riches, it really believes in another power than God. It trusts the resources of the visible instead of the invisible, and thus weakens its spiritual faculties. All the powers of the mind must be developed spiritward before man can rise to that higher consciousness called heaven. If we trust in riches, trust in God is weakened. Yet we are promised all things when we have fulfilled the law of righteousness.

It is possible, but rare, for one to have large possessions and yet be able to enter into the consciousness of eternal life. God only can make the condition necessary, and it must be a compact between the man and his Creator as to the disposition of his riches. If a rich man would covenant with God to give all his possessions to the furtherance of the Good, dedicating everything to that end and making himself a steward of the Father, he might enter into the kingdom.

Giving up all trust in the help of relatives and earthly possessions and following the guidance of the higher Self, bring as a final reward a consciousness of the Real, upon which these outer conditions rest. According to Rotherham's translation, the last clause of verse twenty-nine of this chapter reads, "manifold shall receive, and age-abiding life shall inherit."

Those who seem to have first place from the worldly standpoint shall be last in the final test, and those that seem least shall be given first place. On every hand we see quiet spiritual workers who are laying up a store of true thoughts in the heavens of the mind that must even-

tually precipitate into visibility and make them prominent lights in the spiritual firmament.

QUESTIONS

1. What does the metaphysical study of the life of Christ mean to us?
2. What does it mean to follow Jesus?
3. What is the keynote of Jesus' teaching?
4. Who is the rich young man? Why did he fail to enter the kingdom of God?

JUDAS ISCARIOT

Of the life of Judas Iscariot before he was called by Jesus, we have no account. The only clue we have is in his name, which, the best authorities say, means Judas of Kerioth, a town of Judea.

It is supposed that Judas was one of the oldest of the twelve Apostles. He evidently had business ability, and that is why he was elected treasurer of the company. He most likely had been a successful business man before his call, and Jesus knew that it was necessary to have among the Apostles just that quality. That power of organizing, the business ability, keeps the other faculties in their right places and establishes law and order. Judas was economical and able to make the most of what he had; he knew how to take advantage of circumstances and to lose no opportunities.

The great question is, why, being a man of a high order of intelligence, did he betray his Master? The Gospels relate the facts, but make few or no remarks, leaving the reader to draw his own conclusions. Judas had seen all the recorded miracles of Jesus and thousands of others; he therefore had no doubt of the divine power of the Master. He was a business man and he felt that Jesus was losing time and opportunity. His spiritual eyes were no more open than those of the other disciples, and he could not understand that the kingdom of the Messiah was not of this world. He, in

common with all the Jews, expected the Messiah to mount the Jewish throne and become a second Solomon, restoring glory to the chosen people, extending the power and might of Israel all over the world. This was the thought which all the Jews, for generations and generations, had been brought up in, and it was very natural that the Apostles should hold to that thought and expect Jesus to prove its truth.

It is possible that with his power of planning and organizing, he mapped out a scheme which he felt sure would be a success. There was perhaps a risk in the scheme, but business men deem it wise to take risks and seem to often succeed the better if they do venture somewhat.

Judas may have said to himself: "If I place Jesus in the hands of his enemies and they bring him before the tribunal and get a judgment against him, he will have to perform a miracle before them all. This will not only liberate him from the hands of the scribes and Pharisees but will convince all the people, high and low, that he is indeed the Messiah so long promised, and the whole Jewish nation will with one accord place him on the throne and we, his immediate followers, will receive honor and riches and power."

If this was the trend of Judas' thought, and to many it seems the only possible thought for him to have had, the whole terrible tragedy is explained. When Judas kissed his Master in the Garden of Gethsemane, he witnessed the miracle which Jesus performed so simply, that of healing Malchus' ear which Peter had cut off. Then again Judas saw the whole crowd of soldiers and enemies thrown down by a word of Jesus. This must have convinced him that his plan would work.

His agony must indeed have been great when he saw that the brilliant success which he expected in his business venture had proved a miserable failure. Jesus, the Messiah, was actually condemned to a felon's death. He had not overturned nor annihilated his ene-

mies and raised himself to the throne which Judas believed to be his rightful inheritance.

When the unfortunate man found his grand scheme a failure, he went and tried to repair his blunder, but the Sanhedrin merely laughed at him. Theirs was not the fault. Let him look to it. And he threw down the thirty pieces of silver in disgust and despair; and having lost in the game of life, he committed another blunder and foolishly and weakly killed himself. That and the fact that Judas held the purse strings of the company and that Jesus rebuked him when Judas complained of the waste of the precious ointment which Mary poured over Jesus' feet, are all the facts we know about this Apostle.

That Jesus made no mistakes we know, therefore Judas was a necessary Apostle and his actions were a necessary part of the greatest event that history has ever recorded. That Judas' calculations were a mistake is very certain, but that he had a well-defined plan in his head is more than likely.

A business man must have common sense or he will venture too far and will neglect a part of his business and find himself suddenly faced with serious difficulties.

It really requires every one of the twelve qualities to be a good and successful business man.

The business man is the channel through which one-half of humanity communicates with the other half.

For his own interest he must cast aside prejudice and look every question fairly in the face. No judge on the bench needs to exercise nicer discrimination than the business man, and no man has put upon him greater responsibilities.

That Judas did not keep his faculties well balanced is certain, or he would not have so signally failed.

He allowed his organizing faculty to dominate him to the exclusion of sound judgment and reason. He became absorbed in his own idea and possibly in a selfish desire to see Jesus raised to the throne so that he, him-

self, might be the power behind the throne. He overreached himself and failed in his life work.

That churches have tried to narrow down Jesus' teachings to man made dogmas, that nations have waged fierce wars in his name, that people have misunderstood and misinterpreted his words, has never for a moment touched his glory. He remains, and ever will remain, the Messiah, the Redeemer of the world.

As the Apostles when they preached were heard by people of different countries, speaking in the different languages at once, so must we be willing to go and preach the Gospel to all the world and be heard by all sorts and conditions of men, each in his own peculiar language, which best suits his special need. This we can do by sending our strong and helpful thoughts out to all the world, uplifting the whole of humanity.—*Kathleen M. H. Besly, in Divine Science Weekly.*

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE

How precious is thy lovingkindness, O God!

And the children of men take refuge under the shadow of thy wings.

They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house;

And thou wilt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.

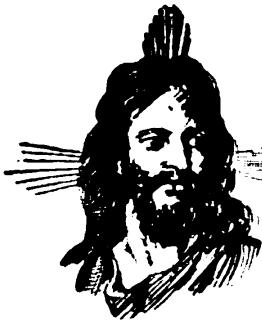
For with thee is the fountain of life:

In thy light shall we see light.—*Psalms 36:7, 8, 9.*

THE LIFE AND THE CROWN

Who is wise and understanding among you? let him show by his good life his works in meekness of wisdom.

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he hath been approved, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord promised to them that love him.—*Epistle of James.*



The Home

Christ is the head of this house.

WITH MY WORKBASKET

What happy times we spend together, you and I, dear basket! This afternoon we have two solid hours before us, for one of our confidential chats; chats that are not less enjoyed by me because they are all on one side. What a comfort it is to possess one familiar friend who is really a good listener, and who never repeats what she hears, and one, moreover, who is not keenly critical concerning the first person singular!

This pile of work that you so invitingly and so cheerfully hold—things in the making, and things in the mending—what radiations will they catch and pass on?

Helen said this morning, apropos of the ought or ought not of some social diversion under discussion, "Auntie doesn't talk to us; she thinks at us." Perhaps she had received some of the thoughts Auntie had put into the fashioning of the dainty gingham gown that she wore.

Time was, dear friend, when I felt regretful, even resentful, because in the fancied limitations of my "woman's sphere," I could do so little toward helping other people. I longed to work in some great cause; longed to be a part of one or another of the great forward movements of the day. But I have learned that right here and now, in this modest little home, caring for brother George's motherless four and filling my days with the humble household tasks that I find in my own small corner, it is possible to be a "lifter." Indeed, opportunities for lifting crowd every hour. No one need ever be a mere leaner. What joy it is to know that while I am sitting alone with you (at least with you as

my only visible companion). I can add to the dynamic power which makes for righteousness, and be a co-laborer with God! Gladsome and awesome is the thought that from my center of consciousness may go out radiations which will touch and stir other individual centers, and even help to quicken the race consciousness itself. You know that the new psychology, as well as the awakened spiritual understanding, tells us that we are doing just that kind of work in the world, and that the leaven of Truth is rapidly and surely raising the world to higher levels of thinking. It thus constantly causes an insistent demand for "nobler modes of life, sweeter manners, purer laws." What possibilities and privileges are ours, and such as we have never heard of, people!

There is my new neighbor across the way. She has known sorrow, and bitter memories are poisoning her mind and her body. I long to help her. Love will show the way. I'll risk giving her a copy of Unity. Perhaps she'll get its spirit, even if she doesn't read a word.

"Lawsy" me, what a hole in Dickie's sock! Stop grinning, you jolly old basket! Doubtless there are others quite as "holey" in your capacious depths. With these robust perpetual-motion boys, and a daddy ditto, what do you expect? Well, here's a fine chance to get in radiations that, starting at the heel, will make the entire circuit of Dick's organism. Strenuosity personified is Dick—the peppery kind, too, which often means trouble. Surplus energy? Not at all; the more energy the better, provided it is properly directed.

One naturally connects noise with boys. If with boys and noise we connect poise, we add rhythm to rhyme and reason. Yes, it can be done, skeptical though you are. So, as I darn, I claim for Dickie divine order and harmony. I see him a miniature universe, the living image of the great universe of love and law. As I make whole, so far as may be, with needle and thread the sock, I recognize the perfect wholeness

of all being, the one Life flowing rhythmically and unbroken through every part, and Richard Newton as in, and of the One. Bless the boy—and all boys!—*Aunt Christiana.*

WORK AND PLAY IN THE HOME

MARY S. FLINT

“All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy,” are words that are often quoted. Wise parents recognize the great truth underlying this statement, and they see to it that their children have many happy recollections of hours of recreation spent in their homes, as well as the valuable information gained from assisting in the active work in the busy life of the family.

Children vary in their tastes, and the tactful mother will study each child's needs before deciding which form of work or play he shall enter upon for his development.

The musical girl, Anna, never finds it irksome to practice finger exercises on the piano, or to sing the songs her teacher gives to her to build up her voice; for to her, music is harmony, and she shows her real love for it by the joy with which she masters difficult compositions. To others this would be but a tiresome task. When her mother calls her from her happy hour of musical study (because she knows that the active little body needs outdoor exercise), the child often happily says, “Oh! Mother, I did not realize an hour had gone since I started to practice.”

But John takes Anna's place at the piano. He hates to practice; “his fingers are all thumbs.” His mother, realizing how impatient he becomes, uses her ingenuity to attain her end by saying, “John, if you play those exercises over three times and your little piece four times, I will let you go out and play ball with Ted.” Thus encouraged, John, too, tries to do his best, and when the routine is over he takes his cap

and happily departs for the ball field. Later, when his mother calls him and asks him to cut the grass before supper, he obeys willingly because of his pleasant hour of recreation.

After supper, John's father helps him with difficult problems in arithmetic while mother assists Anna in rearranging some poorly constructed sentences in English.

When the school lessons for the next day are learned, both parents enter into the spirit of the good times that follow. Sometimes they play authors, an old game but one that teaches the children to become familiar with various writers and their literary works. Sometimes they play words, which increases the vocabulary of the children and makes them alert at spelling difficult words. At other times it is caroms or crokinole, which are games of skill, and they afford much pleasure; or parlor tennis, of which one never tires after it is too cold to use the outdoor court.

Outdoor tennis is the most healthful of the games for young and old because it develops the muscles and teaches those who play accuracy of the eye, and hand and arm control in placing balls in the right spot. The fact that John and Anna's father enters into a rousing set of tennis with them, makes them in turn willing to follow him to his favorite golf links; thus parents and children learn to enter into each other's pleasures.

Children who are brought up in such joyous comradeship with their fathers and mothers will never in later years become estranged, for the spirit of love and wisdom has entered into the hours of their work and their play.

Children will never forget the fact that their parents remained young in spirit by entering into their sports. The home is the school where character is being built, and as one has said, "We may build character by example. Children instinctively imitate what they see and hear. So if we would have fine characters in our chil-

dren we must set before them fine models. Example goes farther than precept."

COURTESY IN TABLE TALK

Three times a day families meet, not only to eat, but to exchange confidences with regard to the happenings of twenty-four hours. Hence table talk becomes an important factor in home life. Yet how many meals are really social events, where things which are worth while are discussed? At many of them, the irritating grievances of children and of parents are aired; the mother complains of her servants, the children of teachers, the father of the food, and the general atmosphere is volcanic. Gossip is also indulged in to an alarming extent. Criticism of neighbors and of friends is the order of the day, and thus the time which might be spent so well in an interchange of ideas and of experiences is devoted to "piffle-paffle."

To the mother of the house, more than to any other, belongs the privilege of leading the conversation into lines which are uplifting. Tactful questioning will bring out the father's opinion of politics, or will start an illuminating discussion of the children's school affairs. Her own part may be the retailing of the pleasant things of her own—the things she has read and seen; church, society, and shops may all furnish material.

Children must be taught that there are subjects which are tabooed at table. Ailments and symptoms are out of place as appetizers. I know of one home where the mention of teeth is debarred. Perhaps this family carries the idea to the extreme, yet back of their prohibition is the right idea. Physical details are never in good taste, and conversation relating to doctors and hospitals and patients should never be mingled with gastronomic efforts.

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Many men display at the family table a most ungracious personality. After the day's work they are

tired and irritable, and their families suffer in consequence. There are few men, however, who will not be cheered by the laughter of the children and the humorous recital of daily events. The woman is wise who makes table talk a study. The three-times-a-day meeting of the father and mother and sons and daughters is an important event. And family happiness is often won or lost by the standard set by the house-mother.—*Exchange.*

PARAGRAPHS ON LIFE

Man is an organ of life, and God alone is life.—*Swedenborg.*

Knowledge, love, power,—there is the complete life.—*Amiel.*

The end of life is to be like unto God; and the soul following God will be like unto Him.—*Socrates.*

Life, like the water of the seas, freshens only when it ascends towards heaven.—*Richter.*

Life's but a means unto an end, that end,
Beginning, mean, and end to all things—God.
—*Bailey.*

Pray for and work for fullness of life above everything; full red blood in the body; full honesty and truth in the mind; and the fullness of a grateful love for the Saviour in your heart.—*Phillips Brooks.*

We sleep, but the loom of life never stops; and the pattern which was weaving when the sun went down is weaving when it comes up tomorrow.—*Henry Ward Beecher.*

Life is a mission. Every other definition of life is false, and leads all who accept it astray. Religion, science, philosophy, though still at variance upon many points, all agree in this, that every existence is an aim.—*Mazzini.*

Life is constantly weighing us in very sensitive scales, and telling every one of us precisely what his real weight is to the last grain of dust.—*Lowell.*

MOTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT



Christmas mother! Infant blessed;
Nourished at pure woman's breast;
Ray Divine, by Love expressed;
In a human garment dressed;
Manger'd in each child at birth,
Comes the Christ again to earth.

THE CHRISTMAS MOTHER

While the joy of Christmas pulsates the heart of Christendom, let us consider the Christmas Mother, whose purity and spiritual vision made possible the wonderful event at Bethlehem, when heaven and earth united to usher in the incarnated Christ.

The Christmas Mother opened her soul to the highest, and such was her conception of motherhood that it is recorded, "She was overshadowed by the Holy Spirit."

From the moment of the wonderful announcement that she was given an incarnating soul to clothe, she set atune the spiritual activities of her heart and soul, and kept before her the vision of the perfect One.

Never before in all the history of the world had woman conceived the idea of bringing forth an immaculate child. So in this Christmas Mother we find a new type of motherhood, one who redeemed the idea of birth from its association with sense, and lifted the belief in physical generation to soul conception, and gave the earth "the firstborn of God."

O blessed Christmas Mother, thou hast freed all mothers from the curse of Eve, and exalted woman to her divine place in the trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Mother.

Let our Christmas joy be full to overflowing with the consciousness that as the Christmas Mother, through her concept of the perfect One, brought forth the Christ Child, so may our souls through the overshadowing of Divine Ideals, conceive the spiritual birth of a new body here and now.

Miami, Fla.—I wish to give to the Motherhood Department the inclosed four dollars. I sincerely believe that it is the grandest department yet instituted. The blessing of God be upon it.—C. A. L.

Harwood, Texas—I wrote to you sometime ago, asking your prayers for me through confinement. My baby was born the 18th of September. God and Unity surely did

help me. I had such an easy time that it seems almost like a dream. There were four persons near to me, and the baby was born before any one of them knew it. All were greatly surprised, as previously I had suffered untold misery in childbirth; always had to be chloroformed and every thing else done that human hands could do to try to relieve the misery and suffering, but all these attempted helps were vain. I cannot find words to thank God and Unity for what they have done for me. I know for a certainty that God hears and answers prayers, and my faith has been strengthened so much more. I only regret that I did not hear of the Unity people sixteen years ago.—*A. G.*

Portland, Ore.—Our baby arrived on September 26, and is a strong, healthy little boy. I want to thank you for the help you have given me, as the tired out feeling left me entirely, and I have felt much better in every way since writing to you.—*H. F. H.*

Paducah, Ky.—I thank you with all my heart for your help. I suffered only a short time, about half an hour, before my child was born.—*Mrs. A. R.*

Phoenix, Ariz.—Truly, it was only the Word that brought our blessed baby to this world. It seemed for a time that everything stood still, the doctor stopped his work and looked at me, as much as to say, "God help us." I found myself using the statements, "Christ is their life, they cannot pass out; Christ is our help." I knew the blessed word of Jesus could not fail, so I simply trusted. When the babe came it seemed limp and lifeless, and I began to praise God for the wonderful life which filled and thrilled both child and mother. And oh! what a lesson we have learned; how we thank and praise God! Both the little one and its mother are perfectly well and strong.—*R. H.*

Trout Creek, Mont.—I want to tell you what your help did for me when my baby was born in July. She came right on the day due, and I had but three labor pains. It certainly was a beautiful demonstration of what the Father does for us. I kept repeating the lines you sent me.—*Mrs. H. C.*

There is no life so humble that, if it be true and genuinely human and obedient to God, it may not hope to shed some of his light. There is no life so meager that the greatest and wisest of us can afford to despise it. We cannot know at what moment it may flash forth with the life of God.—*Phillips Brooks.*

OUR PAGE OF BLESSINGS

*"Before thou eatest pause and raise
Thy thought to heaven in grateful praise."*

THE HEAVENLY GUEST

Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.—*Revelation 3:20.*

TABLE BLESSING

Our Father, we thank thee for this food. Bless it to the use of our bodies, as thy living words of truth bless our souls. We ask it in the name of Jesus Christ.—*Mrs. C. S. F.*

God is great and God is good,
And we thank him for this food;
By his hand must all be fed.
Give us, Lord, our daily bread.

A CHILD'S BLESSING

Dear Father, we thank thee for this food. Bless and feed thy children everywhere. Amen.

HOUSE TREATMENT

The Divine Order and Harmony of the Christ Consciousness reigns supreme in this house and in the minds of all who abide here. A mutual helpfulness and happiness is expressed by every one, and the Spirit of Love rules us all.

The Lord bless you, and make his face to shine upon you in wisdom, health, harmony, peace, and abundant prosperity.

Praise ye Jehovah.

Oh give thanks unto Jehovah; for he is good.

For his lovingkindness endureth for ever.—*Psalmist.*

SOCIETY OF SILENT UNITY

*Be still and know,
that I am God.*

INSPIRED BY THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

Silent Unity represents the Healing Department of the Unity School, and it ministers unto those needing help, without seeing them personally. Jesus Christ spoke the Word and healed the centurion's servant and others.

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and Supply.*

CLASS AND PROSPERITY THOUGHTS

In Christ I am abundant Life, Health, and Strength. Christ is God-Mind expressing itself. God-Mind is omnipresence of Life, Health, and Strength. In Christ these qualities of God are first given consciousness as individual gifts to each one of us; after they have been thoroughly established in consciousness, they move to one more, the ultimate degree of expression. This ultimate degree of expression is the body. So we have Life in consciousness and we express Life. This is not merely existence, but God-Life, a pointed, thrilling experience of conscious life. In it there is animation of thought and a corresponding alertness of body. Health is ours; Health not hampered by occasional aches, but the exhilaration of a rhythmic correspondence between a pure mind and a perfect body, and both keyed to a steady glowing realization of our absorption in the Source of Health. We have Strength, and in no way a lack of Strength. No soreness of muscles after an unwonted exercise, but constant freshness. No spurts of capability, but a steadily active, always buoyant power of mind to search out, and an attendant ability of body to execute. We hold ourselves to an unwavering realization of these blessings, and they increase until Life, Health, and Strength become the God-Mind, in which we live, move and have our being.

In Christ I am the very Substance of Support and Supply. We are in Christ when we are possessed of the idea that God is omnipresent. That God possesses us is a true idea which acts as a doorway through which we enter different phases of his nature. Support and Supply are the sustaining qualities of God which we call Substance. Intrinsically, Substance is an element so fine that physical senses cannot comprehend it. It is spiritual presence, the base of air, of minerals, of water, of plants, of animals. But for it there would not be, could not be, a physical universe. We are constant

users of this fine essential Substance, and on it our very existence as individuals depends. We teach our conscious minds to increase our apprehension and use of Substance, because plentiful Substance means a plentiful presence of God's sustaining qualities. Christ is the supreme, faultless, distributor of Substance. In him we have both consciousness and experience that all the Substance we wish, all that we will use, idly awaits our appropriation. In Christ we have the wisdom to develop Substance into those conditions which are holy prosperity. In Christ we are the very Substance of Support and Supply, and the Substance-self takes instant form for us, as it sensitively responds to our slightest wish toward it.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS

SPEAKING IN TONGUES

Much confusion in thought has arisen from people becoming overanxious about not being able to speak in tongues. This trouble evidently occurred among the assemblies of Christians in the apostles' time, because Paul in admonishing the Corinthians rather discouraged the practice, though he classed speaking with tongues as one of the spiritual gifts. He told the Corinthians to desire rather the gift of prophecy; prophecy, as used here, evidently refers more to discerning and teaching the truth than to the foretelling of future events, because he declared that he would rather speak five words with the understanding—that he might in this way teach and edify others—than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue. Paul also taught that if no one was present to interpret the message given in tongues, those who possessed the gift should keep silent. This shows that he believed man should have dominion over this power. Paul's views on this subject are related in the fourteenth chapter of Corinthians.

It is certainly not wise to seek too ardently the abil-

ity to speak in tongues. The thought that one cannot have the baptism and gift of the Holy Spirit without this sign, is false, as we know through our own experience. The teaching that men must today speak "with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance," as an evidence of the Holy Spirit's baptism, has caused many persons anxiety. They have not grown to where they were ready to receive this gift, and because they have not obtained it they have sought after it and agonized over it in a personal way, which has opened them, not to the Spirit, as they believed, but to a flood of error thoughts. This result has caused great confusion of mind and has often proved disastrous.

So while one should not fight or resist the Spirit in any of its workings or manifestations in oneself or in others, still one should not be anxious about the outer signs. Man should be more concerned about growing in spiritual understanding and in the practical application of Truth, that the fruits of the Spirit may manifest in his life. Then, if one is to speak with tongues, this gift will come about in God's own order and at the right time. "Consider the lilies, how they grow."

In regard to the prophecy concerning years of tribulation, we do not give voice to error, nor do we give any substance of our thought to it. All of our attention is given to teaching the people how to trust in the Lord, so that no matter what may or may not appear in the outer, they will not see or experience evil.

"Blessed is the man that trusteth in Jehovah, and whose trust Jehovah is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreadeth out its roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat cometh, but its leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit."

We do not think one can aid in establishing the good by dwelling on evil,—by thinking about it, or talking about it.

NO SEPARATION IN SPIRIT

Your question is answered in the booklet, "Lift Up A Standard." All seeming separation, even that caused by the error called death, comes about because man is not willing to let go of the personal consciousness, in order that the Christ Life and Truth may be established in him and in his affairs. There never was and never can be any separation in Spirit, or because of Spirit. Most people cling to the things of the personal or limited mortal mind, until the grave brings about a greater separation than could possibly come through fearlessly living according to one's highest Truth ideals. If mankind would willingly and gladly deny the lesser self and crucify the flesh with its human limitations, affections, and lusts, and enter into the resurrection life with Christ here and now, the last enemy (death) would be overcome and man could forever enjoy the peace and love of God in right relation with his fellow men, including those now known as his immediate family and friends.

EACH MUST DEMONSTRATE TRUTH

Dear friends and teachers, please instruct me. I have been called upon to read in the spirit light. Sometime ago I volunteered and read the most inmost thought of a person very deep in spiritual development, and from this I am asked to do so for others. I am sure that this will take development on my part, and I want to be instructed how to develop, so that I may know the truth of any matter or see it from within. What do you teach about that? Christ knew all things and told whatever he would. I shall follow your instructions.

Jesus knew what was in man, because he had become thoroughly acquainted with both the human nature and the divine within himself; he knew the one Mind and its Ideas, and he understood the working out of thoughts and their expression, in and through the consciousness of individuals. But we do not find him giving readings to other people just to satisfy their curiosity

or for their pleasure, or for a monetary consideration. He never gave expression to this understanding of his except to prove or emphasize the Truth. He taught the Truth and gave forth his message of Light and Life to the world; he demonstrated the Truth that he taught, that any and all followers of his might become as filled with Love, Wisdom, and Power as he was. We do not think that you should study Truth and seek spiritual development for the purpose you mention in your letter. Let all these people who come to you learn to know the Truth and demonstrate it for themselves. They will never really get anywhere in spiritual development until they do this. Read carefully I Corinthians chapter 2; John 14:26 and John 15:26.

RESURRECTION AND REGENERATION

There is one Healer—God, Spirit. Paul said, "Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." By our thoughts and words we work out our salvation, for, according to their nature, we are justified or harmed by them. Remember always, that "It is God who worketh in you both to will and to work, for his good pleasure." It is not we, but the Father who dwells in us who does the works. To him we give all the praise.

We do not teach that sin and disease do not seem to manifest in the outer or material world. In order to understand our teaching thoroughly on this line, you would have to understand both absolute truth and relative existence, or that which deals with the plane on which mortal man is living, and working, before he becomes spiritually quickened so that he can discern and practice truth as it exists in God.

In God there is no disease, no suffering, no sin, and no evil. As they do not exist in God, they do not exist at all. We are judging "righteous judgment" when we make these statements. When you say that sickness and evil do exist, and that they are realities, you are judging according to appearances, and Jesus Christ

told us not to judge after that manner but to judge "righteous judgment." That means that we should judge according to Truth, as it is in Spirit, and not according to man's outer mortal senses and feelings. When man declares Truth, knowing what he is doing, he quickly changes outer appearances to accord with Truth. It is our part to think and speak the truth, regardless of appearances. It is God's work to bring about the changes in us and around us, that we may manifest according to his will.

In the beginning all that God made he called very good, and he told man not to eat of "the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." Please read the first article in the booklet, "Questions and Answers No. 1." See also the booklet, "What Practical Christianity Stands For." This latter article will give you a brief outline of what we believe and teach. Study it prayerfully, and you will see that we believe in the new birth; that we realize and teach that mortal consciousness in man must die that the Christ Consciousness may reign in him unto life and peace. With Paul we "die daily," and are daily resurrected in Christ unto newness of life. We believe the words of Jesus Christ that if a man keep his sayings he "shall never see death," and "Whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die. Believest thou this?" Read also the booklet, "The Teaching of the Scriptures Concerning Eternal Life."

Jesus taught us to pray, "Our Father, . . . Hallowed be thy name." To hallow the name of God is to connect with God only that which is holy or whole,—life, love, truth—that which God is. We, as children of God, hallow his name when we declare for ourselves that which is true, and pure, and whole, and upright. To serve God in the very highest sense of the word is to deny the appearance of any illness or error, and declare, with spiritual understanding, that such appearances do not exist in us. When we speak the word in faith and understanding in this manner, we demonstrate according to

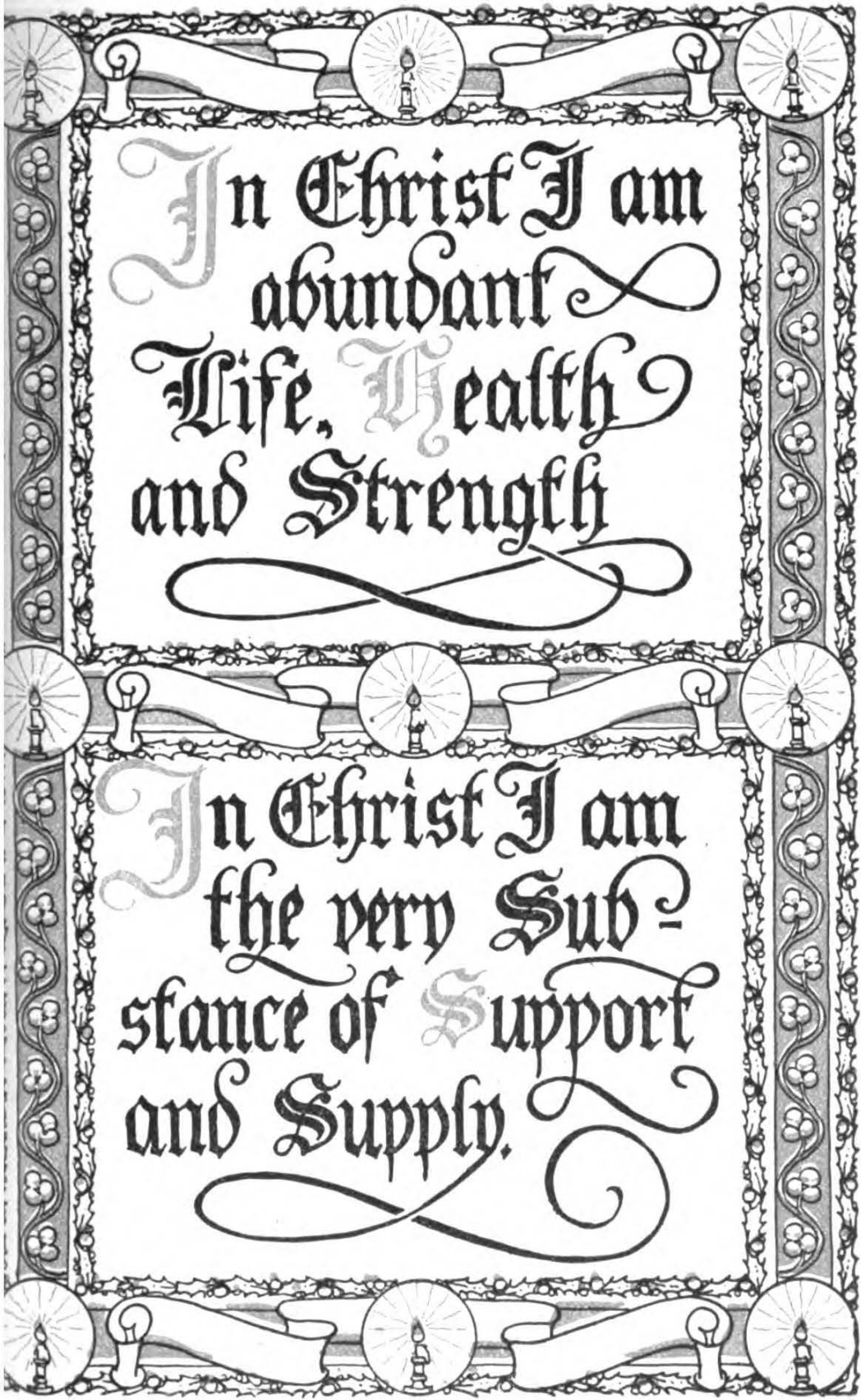
Christ's promise that he who "Believeth that what he saith cometh to pass; he shall have it."

We are teaching and preaching the resurrection and regeneration of the body—of the whole man. We know that the time is near at hand when men will demonstrate that they have overcome in their physical bodies the disintegrating process called death. Be not deceived. Death is the wages of sin, and it is not the doorway to a higher spiritual life. Nor is the death of the body the means, nor is it the time, when the change takes place which you mention. In Christ, alone, are life and the resurrection to be realized. His teachings were of life more abundant; they had nothing whatever to do with death in any form, except that all such error thoughts should be eliminated from the consciousness of man. A help in this connection is the booklet, "Attaining Eternal Life."

PURITY

Though there is no doubt but that Mary was still a virgin after Jesus was born, yet there is no emphasis put upon this point in the Bible. The idea seems to be that Jesus Christ was not born in the way of generation or sex intercourse between man and woman. A pure, holy woman, through the power of the Holy Spirit, became his mother, without the aid of any mortal man. What she became after Jesus was born, is not stated in the Bible, though we see no reason why she should not still have been as pure and holy and as virgin as she was before.

Your friend needs to be spiritually quickened, so that she may understand the true nature and character of virginity and holiness—purity of thought and soul, as well as of outer acts. No doubt there are many people today who never marry and who always live a spotless life according to outer appearances, yet who are not virgins because they are not pure and holy in the character of their desires and thinking.



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"What Hath God Wrought!"

HEALTH

Dixon, Ill.—Since asking your prayers for severe headaches about a year ago, I have been so wonderfully helped in other ways that I must write and thank you again. I have taken off my glasses that I had worn for over twenty years, and am doing more close work than ever. God surely prospers me in all my ways, and I am happy in learning the Truth. May your good work be abundantly blessed, is my sincere prayer.—*Mrs. D. V.*

Pasadena, Calif.—I feel the urgent need of acknowledging the help and cure I have received through you. Two and one-half years ago, after a year's suffering, an X-ray showing an obstruction in my upper bowel, I returned to my home, miserable in every way. When a prominent physician gave me two months at the longest to live, I at once dropped all medical attention and telegraphed to you for help. Today I am absolutely well.—*Mrs. M. R. C.*

Ravenwood, Mo.—I wrote you for prayers to heal headaches, and I am thankful to say that your prayers were answered.—*Mrs. E. M.*

Bakersfield, Calif.—I wrote you for prayers for my nephew W., for freedom from a severe cold. "Ask and ye shall receive," has been again proved. He has entirely recovered.—*J. A. L.*

Beatrice, Nebr.—I wrote to you for prayers, and will say that I am thankful to you and to God for my recovery from a nervous breakdown. I am healed of the trouble. You may discontinue your ministry for me.—*Mrs. A. A.*

Norfolk, Va.—I wrote you about a month ago for prayers, as I was suffering from hemorrhoids. I experienced immediate relief, and within a very few days was entirely cured. Despite the fact that I have ever since that time been working hard packing and moving to another city, I have had no return of the trouble, nor do I expect to have. Previous to this request I had written for help to overcome a bad condition of the heart. All this unusual exertion on my part has been performed without the slightest inconvenience from that organ. I think this has been an excellent test, if any test were desired.—*Mrs. C. S. H.*

Lincoln, Nebr.—Before my letter had reached you I was feeling better, as is always the case. You may discon-

tinue prayers for me. I am grateful to God for Unity and Unity friends. I want to tell you about a little demonstration I made a few days ago. I awakened in the morning with a very sore throat. I could hardly swallow, and my tonsils were thick with white patches. I held to this prayer in the silence, also when about my work: "I will heal thee. I will make thee whole." The next morning my throat was well.—*Mrs. H. W.*

La Grange, Texas—Sometime ago I wrote you, asking prayers for the healing of a bruise in my side. I am thankful to Almighty God and Unity that I am entirely well again.—*Mrs. D. N.*

Peterboro, Ontario, Canada—I think it is nearly two years since I wrote, asking special prayers for two people; one had an enlarged gland nearly the size of a goose egg; another a case of asthma of twenty years' standing. Both cases looked absolutely hopeless; in fact they did not yield for some time. Now both of these friends are in good health. Nothing but prayer could have done such work; it is really marvelous.—*M. E. D.*

San Diego, Calif.—I have been greatly blessed, having demonstrated over total blindness, and that after three specialists had said that there was positively no hope. My eyes are much better than before. In the affairs of myself and family, I thank God for removing mountains. We thank God and Unity for many blessings.—*Mrs. J. W. H.*

Worcester, Mass.—You may discontinue prayers for my wife, as she is entirely healed of indigestion and gas. She has had no trouble with her stomach for nearly three weeks. She is able to do almost anything. We thank God and Unity.—*W. P. D.*

South Norwood, Ohio—A few months ago I wrote you for prayers. I was having severe hemorrhage of the bronchial tubes at that time. There was also a nervous condition which caused me much mental suffering for months. I tried several doctors, but without results. After asking you for prayers, I improved rapidly and can truthfully say that I am now entirely healed. I am indeed grateful to you and thank our loving Father for this wonderful cure.—*M. E. V.*

Oakland, Calif.—I am thankful that I can tell you to discontinue prayers for my husband. He can go everywhere now without his cane and he is able to run the machine. He feels perfectly well again, thanks to God and Unity.—*Mrs. M. B.*

Nashua, N. H.—You may discontinue prayers, as I am entirely free from asthma. When I wrote to you I could

not sleep. The demonstration was slow but sure. I praise God and thank you all for your kind help.—*E. F. F.*

Muscoda, Wis.—A year ago our daughter was totally blind in one eye; very soon after you began treating her, we could notice a change, which continued until now she can easily see to read ordinary print with that eye. It does not pain, as it did before. She is going to school every day.—*Mrs. W. T.*

Toronto, Ontario, Canada—I wrote you for prayers for my little girl who had, a physician said, inflammation of the ear; he advised opening the ear. At the same time she manifested measles. In response to your aid, she slept almost entirely for three days, and awoke quite well. Today she is in the best of health, and I thank you very deeply.—*J. S.*

San Francisco, Calif.—My mother's eyes, for which I asked your prayers, are entirely healed, and I thank God and Unity for the blessing.—*E. J.*

St. Louis, Mo.—I am a little girl ten years old. I have suffered from asthma. As soon as mother heard of your wonderful power, she sent you a letter. Since then I have not had a single attack. My mother, brother, and I, all hold our thought, "Thy faith hath made thee whole." I can never get through thanking you.—*J. C.*

Clifton, Ariz.—I wrote you for prayers for my little daughter, and I am happy to tell you that she had a speedy recovery from bowel trouble. Truly, I am most grateful to God.—*Mrs. P. R.*

Berkley, Va.—You may discontinue your prayers for me. I am entirely healed of high blood pressure and a very severe case of heart trouble. I hardly know how to express my gratefulness to you. I am stronger in health, stronger in faith in the Lord. I had been an intense sufferer for three years. You may use this as a witness testimonial, to help others; also, you may use my full name and address, and I shall try to help others to be healed in the same way. May God bless you all with love and peace.—*Ledora Taylor, 819 Walkers Avenue.*

Birmingham, Ala.—I sent you a telegram asking you to pray for me, as I was suffering from kidney trouble and severe backache. I am glad to say my back is entirely well; you may discontinue your prayers. Find inclosed love offering.—*C. O. K.*

Windsor, Ontario, Canada—It is in a state of great praise and thanksgiving that I write you. I wish to say that for nearly five weeks previous to the week just passed, I

had been confined to my bed with a very severe illness, sometimes having the doctor twice a day. Mr. S., of Detroit, called my attention to the wonderful work which you are doing and assisted me with his prayers. I may say that I was almost instantaneously healed and that I required but a few days in which to regain my strength. Within two days I was able to leave my bed and to walk around the hall, and within less than a week I was able to go downstairs to my meals; at the present writing, I am feeling exceptionally well.—*L. J. W.*

Topeka, Kans.—Two weeks ago tonight my daughter telegraphed you for prayers for her father, who was seriously hurt in a fall. Now we are both glad and thankful that he is improving and able to be up. Please discontinue your prayers.—*Mrs. H. M. S.*

Kansas City, Mo.—About five weeks ago, after an operation which proved successful, severe hemorrhages set in, and I lay at the point of death. My friend Mrs. M. (an equally good friend of Unity), called you by phone and asked your prayers for me. I am entirely well now, and am sending you a love offering, with heartfelt gratitude for your prayers, which, by God's grace, were so helpful.—*Mrs. E. N.*

Port Norfolk, Va.—Yesterday our little twenty-two-months-old adopted baby sprained her right shoulder badly. We were frantic, and our first thought was to send for a doctor. Then I put her to bed and made her comfortable and held the thought, "She is God's child, and no harm can come near her." My two daughters read Unity, and we all united in the prayer. This morning Baby is playing, using that arm as freely as the other, and is perfectly well. We are all so very thankful.—*Mrs. E. P.*

Chicago, Ill.—The day after I sent my letter asking your prayers, the boil opened. It is now healed and you may discontinue your spiritual ministry.—*C. A. H.*

Manette, Wash.—About three weeks ago I wrote you asking prayers to "unsee" a very sore and spreading wart on my thumb. I am very grateful to say that it has entirely disappeared; there is not a scar to show where it was.—*Mrs. E. E. C.*

Drumright, Okla.—I wrote to you that my little girl had diphtheria. She is entirely well. I thank God and Unity for the healing.—*Mrs. G. W. T.*

Los Angeles, Calif.—You may discontinue prayers for me. My eye began getting better at once, and is now entirely well.—*Mrs. E. T.*

PROSPERITY

New York, N. Y.—I wrote asking that I might find some place to live. My prayers have been answered fully; we were not obliged to move, as so many of our neighbors were requested to do, and our rent was not raised, although many in the same building received notices of an advance. I am so thankful to you for your prayers, and I give thanks to our heavenly Father continually for my many beautiful blessings.—*M. G.*

Fresno, Calif.—I wrote you for prayers to guide me in the path of happiness and righteousness and prosperity. I am thankful to God and you, for I have happiness and kindness, and have been earning good wages since I came here.—*C. B.*

Lahaina, Maui, Hawaiian Islands—"Before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear." How true this is, has been proved in an unforeseen way. I had mailed a slip to you asking for a Prosperity Bank, September 20th. This morning the principal came to me saying the Commissioners had raised my salary, as I was doing double work. How grateful we are for this great blessing, only God can know, as it means just that much more toward the little home we want.—*Mrs. L. C. H.*

San Diego, Calif.—I think you will be interested to know that I sold my house the day I got my Prosperity Bank.—*Mrs. E. M.*

San Francisco, Calif.—"Before they call . . . ;" before I have your reply to my letter, I am sending word to you that the work is done, and as often happens when we are flexible, the good is in most unexpected form, not according to our plans, but abundant. First, I have a very substantial raise in salary; second, my brother has had the way made easy when it seemed hard, and the man who went with him gave him information which proved valuable; third, my sister-in-law is to stay until the end of the year, so further help will be unnecessary.—*Miss D. E. G.*

Omaha, Nebr.—I thank you for prosperity treatment. The results have been wonderful. My husband's business has been better, so that he has been able to meet all obligations and have some surplus left. My daughter has had an increase in salary, and everything looks much brighter for us all. I thank God for his goodness and his blessings to me and my family, and I thank Unity for opening the way.—*Mrs. V. W. S.*

Havana, Cuba—I wish to thank you on behalf of my

husband and myself for the wonderful help you have given us in your prayers for prosperity, which are given in connection with the Prosperity Bank. We have had a wonderful demonstration of God's ever protecting love and care for us. At the time that I wrote you for the Bank in June, we were greatly perplexed, owing to my husband's not having suitable working conditions; but since receiving the prayers, my husband has been taken out of an undesirable position and has obtained a splendid one with better salary. This better offer came to him through a couple who previously were our bitter enemies. Through the thoughts of love which we had held for them, one day they stopped us on the street, and spoke very kindly. Later they offered this splendid position to my husband. You will understand that the change is nothing but love manifesting to us, brought about by the understanding prayers of Unity.—*L. S.*

Seattle, Wash.—When I wrote you for the Prosperity Bank I was greatly disheartened; had nothing coming in but expenses. But since receiving my Bank all is different. I have had opportunities to sell property; also have had word that I would soon receive money I had never dreamed of, besides other demonstrations I might mention. But this in itself is demonstration enough, and I cannot tell you how much I appreciate your prayers.—*Mrs. C. B.*

Beloit, Wis.—When I wrote you for the Prosperity Bank my husband was out of a position, and had been for some time. A few days after the Bank came he secured a good position. I thank God and you for the wonderful help we have received. A little more than a year ago I wrote you for prayers, as a cancer was forming above my eye. I was so worried about the condition that I was nearly sick. After I received your wonderful help I took courage and prayed fervently that I would be healed, and I am being wonderfully blest and surely healed. I prayed constantly in the night, also when about my work, if I felt ill or was worried; I held on to the faith. Just a few weeks ago the cure came, also God's blessing and the assurance that all would be well. You may discontinue the prayers. God bless you and your wonderful work.—*Mrs. F. D. A.*

Swampscott, Mass.—We have sold the lot of land about which we wrote you. You may discontinue your help, as we feel we have been prospered.—*Mrs. B. E. A.*

San Diego, Calif.—Inclosed find love offering for your prayers. My letter had hardly reached you when our house was sold, and we thank God and you for the demonstration.—*Mrs. B. L. G.*

New York, N. Y.—Immediately after I asked for your prayers in finding work for my husband, prospect after prospect opened, and he has work which he likes better than any he has ever before done. I give thanks and praise for your help.—*D. B.*

Austin, Texas—I wrote asking your prayers for the recovery of my trunk. It came a week ago. I thank you for your prayers. My aunt was surprised that I did not worry about it, but I had the assurance that it would be all right.—*Mrs. E. C. R.*

Los Angeles, Calif.—I have recently returned from Wisconsin, where, armed with the prayers of Unity, I went to sell my home. I consider the sale a most remarkable demonstration. For two years the property had been on the market and seemingly could not be moved; but in a short time, in spite of all obstacles, I had succeeded in selling, and without the help of an agent. I also realized a price better than I expected. I thank you heartily for your help. Please accept the offering inclosed in token of my appreciation.—*Mrs. E. E. E.*

Notts., England—I write to thank you for your prayers in behalf of my boy. Although everything seemed against him, he has been successful in obtaining a post which is in every way suited to him. We had thought of something different for him, but waited for God to act, which he did in a way that seems miraculous. He has guided the boy into a position where he is prosperous and happy. Until you prayed for him, we had hardly recognized that the boy had one special talent, but that he has is now evincing itself very clearly. Your publications have made my life a glad and joyous one. I am demonstrating health, prosperity, and joy, and feel that fear and anxiety have left me forever. I shall be pleased for you to publish this letter and give my full address, as I feel that this testimony may help others to realize the Truth of your teachings. If only every one could see the Light, it would be such a glorious thing. I had previously studied many religions, but was not satisfied. "Unity" has set my searching heart at rest. In it I have found fullness of joy. May the Lord bless you.—*Mrs. Katherine Gordon.*

Seattle, Wash.—For the two months in which you have been treating me for prosperity, I have been cared for in a wonderful manner, and last week I was offered a good position. I felt that my unsuccessful attempt to secure a good position was for a good reason, and I never lost faith. My faith is now rewarded. I have had wonderful demonstra-

tions of God's goodness in the last two months. Words cannot express my appreciation of the help that I have received from you. May God's blessing be upon you.—*C. L. W.*

New York, N. Y.—I wrote you for prayers for prosperity, as I was out of work and could not find just what I wanted. It is needless to say that shortly after I received your loving prayers I secured a very good position with prospects for advancement. Your prayers for my mother, who was suffering from a horrible skin disease, have entirely healed her. Her case was pronounced incurable by leading skin specialists who had been treating her with serums and ointments for almost two years. Unity cured her in two weeks. We thank God and Unity for these blessings. Words are inadequate to express my gratitude and loving thanks for your wonderful work.—*G. J. W.*

New York, N. Y.—A few months ago I wrote to you asking you to pray for our prosperity—my mother's and mine. Since I received your letter, innumerable blessings in the way of unexpected prosperity have come to us. We did not go on the first trip planned for our vacation, but instead went to the seashore. We came home refreshed, and then began the "showers of blessings." In these times of increasing high prices, our rent has been reduced and both of our salaries increased. Is not that wonderful? We give God the praise for this manifestation of his love.—*O. C.*

Atlanta, Ga.—I would like to put into words exactly how I feel toward you dear people of Unity. I have been blessed in receiving a new position, one in every way what I have often wished for, but which always seemed to elude me. Now I am happy in my surroundings, having the kindest people to work for and with.—*Mrs. E. M. J.*

Minneapolis, Minn.—The Law has been proved, praise His name! About ten days ago I wrote you for prayers in regard to the sale of my husband's business. It had to be accomplished by Saturday evening. To all outer appearances we had nothing but discouragement until the very last day; but we both held faithfully to the assurance that just the right one, the one who would be truly blessed by the exchange, would come. He did come about noon, and by evening the entire transaction was completed. Thank you so much, and bless you.—*Mr. and Mrs. F. T. R.*

St. Louis, Mo.—I write to let you know that my brother was given a good position. His wife has also been given a position in a field where she has had much experience. I cannot praise God too much for these blessings. You may discontinue your prayers in their behalf.—*E. H.*

Dallas, Texas—I cannot tell you of all the good things that are mine through Unity. Since writing my last letter telling you of my raise in salary, I have received another six-dollar raise. This makes sixteen dollars increase in two months. I daily praise God and Unity for my good fortune. I am filling my third Prosperity Bank, and find it a pleasure. In fact, it is an indispensable asset in our home now.—*Mrs. T. R.*

Goldsboro, N. C.—Some days ago I wrote to you for help, and I have certainly received an answer to your prayers. My business has revived wonderfully. I cannot thank you enough.—*C. S.*

MISCELLANEOUS

Oakland, Calif.—The inclosed love offering is for the cure of the coffee habit, which came about in some way soon after subscribing for Unity Magazine. One morning after preparing my coffee for breakfast, something seemed to tell me that it was the will of God that I discontinue the use of coffee. I did not drink it, nor have I tasted it since. I have lost all desire for it. The word "No" seems to form in my mouth when I think of it. I also discontinued the eating of meat and fish after reading your vegetarian tracts.—*Mrs. I. M. S.*

Asheville, N. C.—Since I first wrote you, Mr. R. has given up the use of tobacco. He had been a slave to smoking for years. He feels like another man.—*Mrs. R. R. R.*

Hyde Park, Cincinnati, Ohio—I wrote a short time ago for help to free my house of ants, and from the time I sent the letter there was no more annoyance from them.—*Mrs. F. W. W.*

Oakland, Calif.—I want to tell you of a great happiness that has come to our home and hearts. For over a year my husband and I had been estranged, had separated for good (so I thought), but we are now reunited. It has been through Unity that this blessing came about, and I want to thank God and you for it. My husband has been studying the Unity teachings ever since I came away, and I can see and feel that it has helped him to be a different man. I shall read my Unity more and more, because it has helped me to understand the Bible and to know the Truth.—*M. W.*

San Francisco, Calif.—Accept my heartfelt thanks for your teachings and prayers. I wish that I could express in writing what Unity teachings have done for me and mine.

It has been three years since I first wrote to Unity, and after receiving my first Prosperity Bank with prayers for success, I have been prospered beyond my fondest dreams. I have excellent health and I am content; I know that these blessings come from the teachings and your prayers. May God's works still go on, and may you be as successful and prosperous as you have caused so many, many others to be.—*Mrs. C. A. E.*

Lansdowne, Ontario, Canada—Our local fair came the 15th and 17th of this month. The first morning heavy rain started, and in spite of all I did, it grew darker and darker, until we soon would have needed a light in the house. In desperation I put my hands over my face, shut my eyes and said, "My God, thou art omnipotent, and I am a part of thee and have thy power. It is necessary for the good of all to have this rain go away." When I took my hands down, the sky was brightened, a breeze started, the clouds disappeared, and we had fair weather indeed. It may have been a coincidence, but the change took place that moment. Now that the threshing is being done, the results of your prayers are coming to light. One farmer raised 2100 bushels this year on less ground than he raised 350 last year. This is by measure. The average bushel weighs over forty pounds, some as high as fifty pounds, instead of thirty-four. Abundance prevails where famine was feared. The potato crop is equally great; also the vegetables. At the fair I asked several old farmers if they had ever known of as good returns from the seed planted in the spring; they told me that the equal of it had never been known. The potato returns are from thirty-five to forty bags from two bags planted. With God all things are possible. Great blessings come through you.—*J. A. F.*

Commerce, Texas—I have been filled with joy and thankfulness since writing you and asking your prayers that the rain would cease in this part of the state. By the time my letter had reached you the rain ceased, and not one drop fell in this place until the equinox, when we had a light shower, enough to settle the dust.—*Mrs. A. P.*

Columbus Junction, Iowa—Unity is a steam roller. It smooths every difficulty and helps in my smallest, as well as in my largest undertakings. We use it in our workshop with great success.—*Mrs. E. S.*

New Orleans, La.—I think the application of the Christ principle, as described in Unity publications, is wonderful. Thank God, I have been healed, and thanks for your spiritual help.—*Mrs. L. V.*



A CONFIDENTIAL CHAT

How many of us have said when the holiday rush was over, and we sat down in panting exhaustion: "Well, next Christmas will find me prepared! I'm going to begin right away and gradually accumulate my presents during the year! Then at the holiday time, I'll be all ready and able to enjoy myself for once!" But who has ever been known to do this thing? The "feel" has to be in the air before we can enter into the real spirit of the yuletide. Somehow we are sensing it rather early this year. Or, perhaps, it's a memory of those rush orders, delayed orders, belated orders piled up in the mailing department during the closing days of 1919.

Be that as it may, we are determined to set the example of forehandedness this year, to help avoid that eleventh hour rush and necessary disappointment to many who don't get in on the home stretch.

Of course, we are taking it for granted that all our friends and readers are depending on us to solve their Christmas problems for them. Indeed there are none left to solve, after you glance over the pages of the "Publishing Department" in this issue of *Unity*, lingering a little here and there on the "Notes," and on the description of *Unity* books and booklets in the supplement to be found farther on in this issue.

Then sit down in the quiet of your room, check off the books, booklets and subscriptions with which friends are to be remembered, inclose in an envelope with check, money order, or cash,—mail, and we'll do all the rest.

Your package will be neatly and attractively wrapped, and sealed with holly decorated strips. At

your request, a Christmas Greeting card will be inclosed with the name of the sender written on it.

Time was when you could conscientiously "shop" for Christmas gifts. But with your present understanding, you will have one paramount desire,—at this holiest of seasons,—and that—to spread the Christ message of happiness, healing and prosperity. When you recall the days of darkness which preceded your entrance into the illuminated temple of Truth, you feel like shouting hosannas of praise. Now, at this joyous Christmastide, it is your glorious privilege to bring others into the sanctuary. Remember, God acts through man. You are that man, that woman. Now is the acceptable time. Unity literature is the guide that leads to the Holy of Holies.

UNITY 6% BONDS

If you have any sum to invest, say \$100 to \$1000, investigate Unity 6% Bonds. For particulars address Unity School of Christianity, Tracy at 10th, Kansas City, Mo.

MOTTO SIGNS

Two aluminum motto signs have been prepared for the holidays. One has printed on it in beautiful Old English lettering, the words: "Christ is the Head of this House, the unseen Guest at every meal, the silent Listener to every Conversation." The other, well, we're going to give you a pleasant surprise with it; you may order it, then, as the "Surprise Motto."

These signs are both decorated in purple and gold over aluminum. A high class elegance characterizes the mottoes, making them very appropriate for use in the library, the living room, or any part of a well appointed home. Yet they are so modestly artistic that they can be equally well used in the cottage, the bed room, the office, or the shop. The price of these mottoes is 50 cents each. In ordering, please do not confuse with the other Unity mottoes, described in the supplement of this magazine. Silk cord for hanging.

PUBLISHERS' NOTES

The Christmas season is the time of rich unselfishness, of spiritual awakening and a softened conscience. At this time all over the world there are more people than at any other time, whose thoughts express the best that is in them,—thoughts of kindness, of gentleness, of good will to all mankind. The spirit of reconciliation, of forgiveness, of mutual trust and faith—the Christ spirit, is abroad in the land.

Now how can we Unity people best help to promote the permanence of this quickened soul consciousness in the people? We say,—and we know that we speak not amiss—let us get the living “Word” to the hungering multitudes. Their souls are yearning, their minds are agape, their hearts are throbbing with eager expectancy. For what? For the Truth message of love and peace and health and joy and prosperity. We, you and I, and all of us, are the anointed heralds of the Almighty, destined to bring them into his kingdom of fullness and freedom.

We can't go out and drag them in; but there is one easy, simple thing that we can do. We can show ourselves to be God's willing, obedient servants, by seeing that each one of his children who comes within our sphere of influence, is provided at this hallowed period with some Unity book, booklet or periodical, which will assist that one in opening the door to the inner sanctuary of all good.

The fact that you are a Unity reader carries with it the implication that your friends would appreciate some Truth literature as a Christmas remembrance; for like attracts like. Then please read the following pages—the notes, the book notices, the supplement. Check off what will exactly fit the need of each friend, mail, and we'll do the rest.

Unity Magazine for 1921 will feature articles by several leading metaphysical writers and speakers. J. A. Edgerton, Horatio W. Dresser, W. John Murray, Thomas Parker Boyd, C. H. Watts, and H. T. Weigel, have already responded to requests for contributions. Others, no doubt, will be heard from later. Charles Fillmore will contribute regularly, as usual. E. V. Ingraham will present a series of articles on “The Silence.” Other prominent field and Unity workers are also preparing matter to further enrich the contents of Unity. “Simple Lessons in Healing,” and special devotional features—prayers and invocations, will do their large share in helping our readers.

It is our purpose to make an all-encompassing appeal in Unity, so that both beginners and advanced students may find their needs satisfied.

You may rest assured that when you subscribe for Unity another year, or send subscriptions to friends, you will feel a hundredfold repaid.

Further particulars will be given later.

Read what the use of the Prosperity Bank does: "Inclosed is the amount which has been saved in my Prosperity Bank. I have had several demonstrations during these ten weeks, and I give all praise and thanks to our dear Father who has answered the prayers of the prosperity department of Unity.

"Just lately I heard from a wealthy aunt who wrote me that I am the central figure mentioned in her will. I have never received a letter from this aunt before. Also, my brother writes that he has invented a certain motor that will change the motor world, and I will be a beneficiary in his success, since he is my favorite brother. Then my husband has just gone out into a new place to work where the conditions are very promising. But best of all, I have learned to lean entirely on our dear Father for all our needs. I never did feel so well supplied as I do now.

Dear Unity—For several years I have been a subscriber to Unity as well as to several other metaphysical magazines. All have raised their subscription price but Unity.

I read with deep interest in an October number of Weekly Unity, the reasons you give for continuing to send Unity for \$1.00 a year, and I realize what a great opportunity you have given me and every subscriber to demonstrate the spiritual Law of giving and receiving. I, therefore, inclose a check for five times your stated price for a year's renewal, because Unity is worth at least that much to me.

I believe many of your subscribers, like myself, did not realize the great faith you placed in God's justice and generosity working through us by your firm stand in adhering to the one price.

A letter from one who gets more than his money's worth out of Unity.

They are writing to us in this strain since the Congress: I have been a regular subscriber to Weekly Unity, and,

most of the time, to Unity also. Ever have I felt that I appreciated the glorious work which the Unity School was doing, through the glimpse which I received from reading these publications. But they were pigmy glimpses compared with the "close-up" view which I enjoyed during the I. N. T. A. Congress. Every one attending the Congress felt, I'm sure, much as I did,—that we were all students of Unity School of Christianity. Thus have your thoughts, purposes and deeds gone forth and united.

A great many pictures on the wall are no longer considered in good taste; but a few well chosen wall mottoes are in excellent form, bespeaking, as they do, the habit of thought and character of those occupying the home, the room, the office, the shop.

You can't image the beautiful wall mottoes which we now have ready for Christmas gifts. If you could only see them all, you'd have them at *any* cost. *The* cost is only 50 cents each.

Read the mottoes in the supplement of this magazine.

For some time we have published a dainty edition of "Lessons in Truth." The little volume is pocket size, bound in fine quality French blue paper, handsomely titled in dark blue.

Patrons of the Unity library, nine times out of ten, choose this pocket edition in preference to the larger paper bound volume, partly on account of the convenient size, and largely because of its beauty. Same price as large paper copy, and much more suitable for a Christmas present. 75 cents.

"My Christmas gift books this year consisted solely of Unity books and booklets. I certainly made a happy choice. I have heard from all the recipients, and all express themselves as delighted with the clear and simple manner in which the law is unfolded. 'Treasure Box,' 'Invisible Resource,' 'Pure Reason and Honest Logic,' 'Love,' and all others were gratefully received and appreciated." An excerpt from a letter following Christmas past.

Last Christmas our friends seemed delighted with the hundreds of copies of Henry Drummond's "Love: the Supreme Gift," which went out from Unity. Attractively as it was bound last year, the new edition of the booklet is, if

anything, even more pleasing. A refreshing forest scene in green beautifies the rich cream colored cover. Envelope to match. These are the little touches which round out the perfection of a gift. Price, 50 cents.

It was generally admitted that the Unity Christmas cards were quite all they should be last year. Another set, with different original designs and colors, is now waiting on the shelves for orders. An exquisite card, expressing an appropriate Truth sentiment, carries with it the cheer of the Christ spirit. Look for price and mottoes printed on these cards, in the supplement of this issue.

Three new booklets are just off the press. They are the work of leading teachers at Unity, and will prove stimulating Truth tonics. The preparation of this "Inspirational Series" was prompted by the need which we all feel of some very *practical* daily reminders. We refer you to the supplement of this issue for titles and other particulars.

At your request, a Christmas Greeting card, bearing your name, will be sent to any one for whom you take out a Unity, Weekly Unity or Wee Wisdom subscription. Also, if you send any of our books or booklets as gifts, a Christmas Greeting card with your name on it will accompany the gift, if you so desire.

Sometimes it suits us to present sumptuously at Christmas time. In such a case, the "Nelson Bible" would be the most elegant gift that we could suggest. If you are not already a happy possessor of this edition of Sacred Writ, give yourself a Christmas present de luxe. See supplement of this magazine for description and price.

A new Christmas book for the children is the Wee Wisdom Year Book. If you wish to see their eyes dance with more than their wonted sparkle, let Santa Claus in on this secret. Full details are revealed to you in the supplement of this issue.

"The Bible which I purchased from you a short while ago was a very great surprise and delight to me as to value and beauty and contents," says an appreciative patron of our literature.

After deliberating at length about the new Unity Calendar, we decided on an idea for one that will probably fill

your need better than anything else we could devise. Page 583 gives particulars.

TO FURTHER THE SPIRIT OF UNITY

Many requests for the names of our subscribers in various places are coming to us, the object of the writers being to get acquainted with others of like thought. It is a rule among publishers not to give out the names of subscribers, because people do not like to be intruded upon. However, those of the same spiritual thought are often strengthened by coming in touch with one another, and for this reason we desire to help make such acquaintances. We will not give the names of our subscribers, but instead will publish the names of those who have written to us for lists. We cannot grant the privilege to everybody; it is given to only those who we have reason to believe are sincere seekers for Truth. Application in this department must be made by the one who wishes his name published.

Miss Adelaide L. Knapp, The Iroquois Apt., 249 Washington Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.

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Miss Anna M. Mansfield, 669 Main St., Haverhill, Mass.

Mrs. T. J. McGee, 1002 Russell St., Augusta, Ga.

Mrs. Edith Lance, 17 Valkyrie Road, Westcliffe-on-Sea, Essex, England.

INTENSIVE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CHICAGO

Plans are being perfected for a Unity Extension Course to be given in Chicago, under the auspices of the First Unity Society, 104 Auditorium Building, the week of February 6. A corps of teachers will come direct from Unity, in Kansas City, and will present much of the same work that is given at the Intensive Training Schools at Unity Headquarters. Unity readers and friends will be especially glad to know that Mr. Charles Fillmore will be one of the teachers at this course. Other teachers will be announced later.

DO YOU KNOW

that in the last four months we have issued certificates to over fifty students who have completed our entire home study Course? Of this number, three are ministers, one being rector of an Episcopal church in Wisconsin; five live in foreign countries.

One of the first questions asked one who wishes to enter our healing work at headquarters or who wishes to conduct study classes in his community is, "Have you taken the Unity Correspondence Course?" These lessons were written under the direct supervision of Charles and Myrtle Fillmore, who had in mind a Course for those living away from Kansas City which would enable them to practice Truth in their localities.

The lessons are open to all who have studied the Unity books and magazines sufficiently to be ready now for personal instruction. They are conducted on the examination paper plan, each student writing out answers to twenty questions on each lesson. The subjects present the wide range of teachings on the practice of Truth and the demonstration of health and prosperity, in language free from indefinite and vague expressions.

The home study plan has the advantage of permitting one to continue carrying on his business at home while schooling himself. He is not rushed on to a new lesson if the occasion demands that added interest be given to business or home. Dr. Wm. R. Harper of the University of Chicago said:

It is safe to say that the standard of work done in the correspondence courses is fully equal to that of the work done in the large class. Indeed, I may say that there is a larger proportion of high grade work done by correspondence than in class recitation. People who take work by correspondence do it because they want to get something out of it, while in many courses in colleges the students take the work because it is required. The work done by correspondence is even better than that done in the classroom. The correspondence student does all the work himself. He does twenty times as much reciting as he would in a class

where there were twenty people. He works out the difficulties himself and the results stay with him.

It is the duty of this department of the Unity School to make your work light. If you are not understanding and demonstrating Truth in your life, home, and business, this avenue is open to you. The work of this department is second to no other department, for we realize that the correct presentation of Truth to our followers is the most essential thing. Our field lecturers, magazine contributors, and healers, in many cases, owe their success to these lessons, and are most enthusiastic in pointing the way to their students and friends.

As far as known, this is the only institution which offers a course of training to a student upon the love offering plan. The student decides for himself what his tuition will be.

Inquiries to this department may be sent in on this form.

UNITY SCHOOL OF CHRISTIANITY,
(Correspondence School Dept.)
Kansas City, Mo.

Please send me leaflets showing an outline of your home study lessons. I have been studying Unity literature for

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UNITY CALENDAR

We believe that we have done the thing you'll like best of all—arranged to put both the healing and prosperity thoughts, which will appear on the concentration leaf in Unity, on the calendar leaves. Thus you will have these powerful statements before you each month in convenient and permanent form.

The statements will be framed in two colored art border, the cover decorated suitably; and the price will be very reasonable, only 50 cents.

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FOR FOREIGN SUBSCRIBERS

We quite often have requests from subscribers living in Australia, South Africa, and other far distant countries that the Silent Unity "Class Thought" and "Prosperity Thought" be given in Unity Magazine for one month in advance. In response to such requests we give below the thought that will appear in January Unity Magazine:

CLASS THOUGHT

Held daily at 9 p. m.

January 20 to February 20, 1921

I am renewed in the Spirit of my mind, and have put on the new man of health and wholeness in Christ.

PROSPERITY THOUGHT

Held daily at 12 m.

January 20 to February 20, 1921

I am renewed in my consciousness of God's bounty to me and to all men.

THE SILENT SEVENTY

The Lord appointed seventy others.—Luke 10:1.

The Silent Seventy is the department of Unity work which distributes free literature. You who have been benefited by the study of Truth and desire to help others to see the Light, are invited to join the Silent Seventy and take up this work. Write the secretary of Silent Seventy for Bulletin No. 7. We give the following testimonials:

Philippine Islands—I long to be a member of the Silent Seventy. Will you send me full particulars and further information? I am the Private Secretary to Atty. ———. Yesterday, as I was arranging the files, I saw a Unity Magazine addressed to Mr. ———, then on his absence, I began reading with high speed, so as to be able to read much for the time being. Hour of dismissal came, and I carried the Unity home, to read more. Still I did not fully appreciate it, thinking it was something like the daily Bible lessons of the Mission, which are never interesting. They discuss God but do not explain how to come into immediate contact with His Majesty, and how to receive openly his grace and help. But suddenly, as if in a flash, when reading its pages under the heading of Society of Silent Unity, Class and Prosperity Thoughts, Publishers' Notes, Unity Prosperity Bank, and Silent Seventy, I thought my soul had been guided to the golden portals yonder where the Eternal Light is concealed. I did not stop reading until I had known it from cover to cover.

In almost every phrase of the testimonials under "Prosperity," there are points exactly striking my own affairs.

Because of my deep gratitude for the blessings of my Lord, O Most High, I pray the Psalm 150 to extend to Him my thanks for the unexpected discovery of the Fountain of Grace and Prosperity, directly from the hidden hand of my Lord, the Almighty God.

Please extend my best wishes to the Managing Director of the Unity School of Christianity, and I wish him as well as Unity to live long, so as to be able to help the struggling souls of others, like me, in order to get the entire universe in close contact with the eternal care of the helping hands of our Creator.—G. P. N., S-70 No. AZ-26.

Treasure Box

By IMELDA OCTAVIA SHANKLIN

A story of surpassing charm for girls and boys. Rarely have we had the pleasure of offering our young readers so engaging a tale as the "Treasure Box." The characters, practically only three in number, and the setting, simply a seashore and a throne, are so veiled in the cloak of romance that one is transported to the golden past, when fancy weaved her magic spell, and life was fashioned with such "stuff as dreams are made of."

The author has, with an adept skill, interwoven the deepest metaphysical teachings regarding the soul of man, its commission here, the consequences of faithful performance, the equally certain, but inevitable results of easy going negligence of duty, with as fascinating a story as it has ever been our good fortune to read.

Only those familiar with Miss Shanklin's pure and original use of our mother tongue can appreciate the benefit accruing to children into whose hands this book is placed.

Rickert Fillmore, who is, perhaps, in his happiest style when illustrating children's stories, has understandingly and sympathetically supplemented the author in preparing "Treasure Box" for our young people.

The volume is bound in soft blue, heavy paper, tied in harmonizing silk cord; grey and dull gold cover illustration; cream paper, uncut edges; tiny treasure chest decorating each page; neatly fitted envelope. A Christmas gift to satisfy completely. Price, 50 cents.

Love's Roses

By LUCY KELLERHOUSE

All the charm of a fairy story is embodied in this little Truth tale, with an added something that is more substantial.

During the budding years of girlhood, one can usually make the wisest appeal through the avenue of the picturesque, the poetic, the beautiful. You cannot begin too early teaching the lesson of love and service.

"Love's Roses" is a little jewel of a story, veiling with a film of fancy the deepest lessons on the power of thought. Make some girl at once happier and wiser by sending her this delicately spun tale for Christmas. Attractively bound in sea green heavy paper. Envelope to match. Price, 25 cents.

Wee Wisdom's Way

By MYRTLE FILLMORE

A number of years ago, a lady who was very ill got an inkling of the power of mind to help the body. She determined to learn more of this power; but so weak was she that others had to carry her from the conveyance into the room where a class in healing was held. After a time, she recovered her health completely, and then began herself to heal her friends, neighbors, and any who sought her ministrations.

Knowing and loving children as she did, she finally concluded to write a Truth story for them which should embody the principles underlying healthy, happy and wholesome living. In this the author builded better than she knew; for the result was a textbook on Practical Christianity suited to all ages.

You are introduced right into the family life of the characters in the story, and there you live over again with them their demonstration of Truth.

In our recent notices on *Wee Wisdom's Way*, we have made bold to say that it is *the* book for young people which will serve as an antidote to the giddy whirl of the passing hour. The place for *Wee Wisdom's Way* is on every family reading table, that young and old may come under its gentle, persuasive sway.

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Sir Smile-Ups

By MARY BREWERTON DE WITT

This jolly kidlet carries off about half a hundred thrilling adventures in the land of experience—always with his mouth curved upward—and consequently happy results for all concerned. Each venture is related in jingly verse which delights the children. Many full page illustrations, with Sir Smile-Ups always in the limelight, help to create and sustain the interest. Our artist is happiest when he is making these pictures for the little ones. That's why he does them so well. And the author has certainly transferred herself to that realm where childish fancy enjoys full play. Silk cloth binding, companion volume in size and make-up to "*Wee Wisdom's Way*." Price, \$1.00.

A booklet, "*The Consecration of the Room*," price 50 cents, is by the same author.

The Faith That Removes Mountains

By SOPHIA VAN MARTER

Do you believe on the inherent power of the divinity within you? Or do you study appearances and drift along negatively with the tide—happy today, tomorrow blue; prosperous today, tomorrow “down on your luck;” well today, tomorrow going to the doctor? There is no need of this fluctuation in feelings, finances, and health conditions.

A study of just such literature as this little booklet, “The Faith that Removes Mountains,” establishes your faith on the rock foundation of security. You will learn that there is a fixed law of faith, by which you can do anything, and that you need not lack any good thing. You can identify yourself so definitely with God that all things shall be possible to you.

The booklet contains remarkable instances of demonstration over the elements, through the power of faith. Mrs. Van Marter writes in a readable style which attracts and entertains while it makes its home thrusts.

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Talks to Men

By A TRUTH STUDENT

The last revelation to this most advanced age in the history of the world, is given out in well chosen but unmistakable language.

Now that even the secular colleges and universities are teaching their young men to conserve the life force, it behooves advanced students of Truth to investigate a question upon which hinge all the lesser problems that fret mankind.

The author, claiming a universal panacea in the solution of this most vexing problem, makes this strong closing appeal:

“Men with homes! Men with wives, mothers, daughters and sons, help me to raise this standard. God will maintain it, and peace on earth will be found under it.” One little notice of this treatise in Unity Magazine published several months ago, has brought hundreds of orders. Everybody wants the latest information on this most vital subject. Supply your friends with copies. Strong paper cover pamphlet 25 cents.

The Only Good

By CHARLES FILLMORE

"The Only Good," "The Ministry of the Word," "Ye Must Be Born Again," "Intelligent Substance," are the titles of four talks given by the writer in the early days of the Unity movement. These "talks" were later considered worthy of perpetuation, and were therefore preserved in booklet form. Perhaps the following typical statement from one of the essays will convey some idea of the meaty contents: "Jesus Christ was a genius that burned with his own wick and oil. He was not a child of tradition, nor did he allow the muggy thought of Jewry to befog his midday mind." Send for the booklet. You will feel repaid. Some good thinker among your acquaintances will appreciate the aforementioned articles. Price, 25 cents.

Joy and the Way of Attainment

By JENNIE H. CROFT

Another one of those neat little booklets in which the Unity Publishing Department takes so much pride. Have you failed to succeed? Have you been misrepresented? Do you ever get the "blues"? Are you possibly one of those so pressed with the pursuit of dollars that you have neglected to put joy into your life? In one reading of the essay on "Joy," the corners of your mouth will begin to curve upward, the second reading will fill you with the joy of living, and by the time you have read it thrice, you will feel yourself a "millionaire of joy, cheerfulness and sunshine." Quite apropos to the season. Three tone tan mottled paper binding with envelope to match. Price, 25 cents.

The Consecration of the Room

By MARY BREWERTON DE WITT

We have in mind a young Truth student who has dedicated her room to the highest by preserving it sacred to the long periods of spiritual communion which she holds there. And all who enter that little sanctuary of the silence experience a wave of restfulness passing over them. Even the housekeeper finds it a refuge for a few moments each day.

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Pure Reason and Honest Logic

By CHARLES FILLMORE

"Why do you believe thus and so?" is the question you can expect to have put before you at any time. And unless you want to answer just "Because," you'll have to be fortified with a reason for the faith that is in you.

You might easily read a library of metaphysical books, and then not have a "pat" answer formulated. Busy people require their information in clean-cut, concise form; and that's what the reader gets in the little booklet in question.

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If you desire a lucid, sequential exposition of the principles underlying Practical Christianity for yourself or for your friends, you need go no farther to find it. 25 cents is the price of this little probe into the depths of Truth.

Oneness With God

By H. EMILIE CADY

How can we quickest and surest attain this conscious oneness with the Father, which shall enable us to see things as he sees them—all good?

The author uses one of our favorite quotations from Emerson: "The relations of the soul to the Divine Spirit are so pure that it is profane to interpose helps. . . .

Whenever a mind is simple and receives Divine Wisdom, then old things pass away — means, teachers, texts, temples, fall. Let us not roam, let us stay at home with the Cause."

From the foregoing, you may glean a hint of the general high tone of the booklet. Attractively bound, 25 cents.

Why Baptizest Thou?

By JOHN L. CHESNUTT

"Baptism by Water, Contrasted with Baptism by the Holy Spirit," might well be the title of this booklet. Every phase of the subject is exhaustively treated and verified with copious Scriptural references.

Readers may satisfy themselves that they "have the Bible for it," when they discuss the sacrament of baptism with their strictly orthodox friends. The matter is handled with all due reverence. Price, 15 cents.

The Holy Spirit

By CHARLES FILLMORE

Man, in his pre-Adamic state, was completely at one with the Spirit of Truth. But when he got lost in his own creations, he broke the link which consciously connected him with the Holy Spirit, and has since floundered around in a maze of confusion, resulting from a tampering with the law.

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By CHARLES FILLMORE

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"If you believe in old age and bodily decrepitude and decay, you will find all the little cells throughout your organism carrying in their depths just such pictures, as the clear waters of the lake reflect the trees and clouds. If you want these obedient little cells of your soul and body to reflect pictures of health and vigor undying, hold before them in the sky of your mind such images."

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Our readers are the kind of people who wish to give their friends something substantial as remembrances—something that will be of permanent good to their dear ones. The written word is lasting. All other works of art succumb to time, but it is eternal.

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Let us be your adviser, secretary, friend at this pre-holiday time, and we'll guarantee you a Merry Christmas in reality as well as in name.

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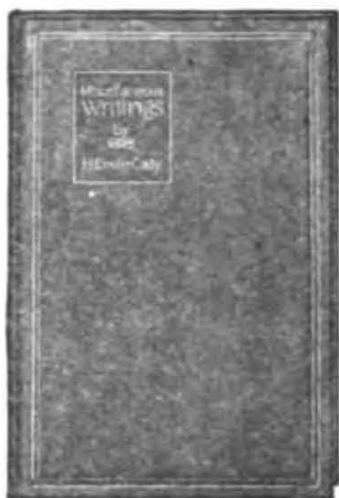
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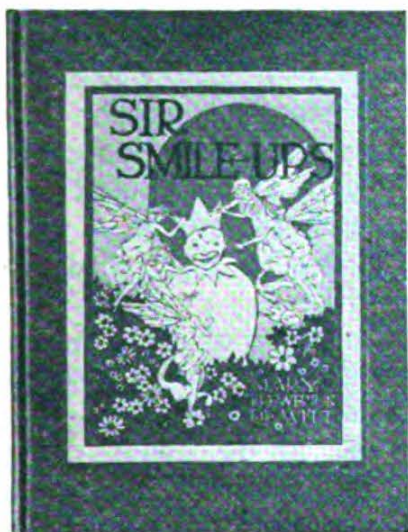
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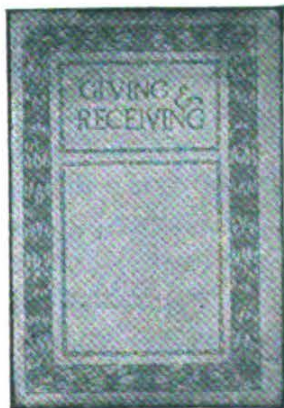
Forty of the most outstanding experiences in the semi-fairyland of this jolly kidlet's existence are related in sympathetic rhyme. Were there nothing more to the book than the nine full page illustrations with many smaller ones, the children would be delighted. But behold what they get besides. Sir Smile-Ups has his

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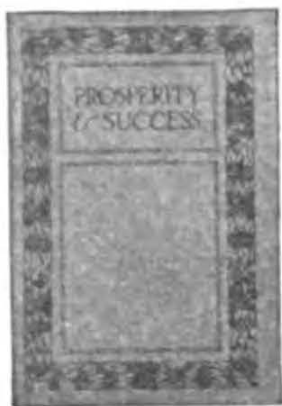
by CHARLES FILLMORE

The conception of God's infinite substance and the manner in which one may acquire this substance is dealt with in this booklet. Giving is as great a problem as receiving. One must first learn to give, then the receiving comes automatically. This booklet is covered with artistic paper. Envelope to match. Price, 25 cents.



PROSPERITY AND SUCCESS

by SOPHIA VAN MARTER



There is an underlying law governing success. Those who comply with this law reap the reward. The author tells what destructive thoughts to avoid and just the attitude of mind to hold in order to truly visualize prosperity.

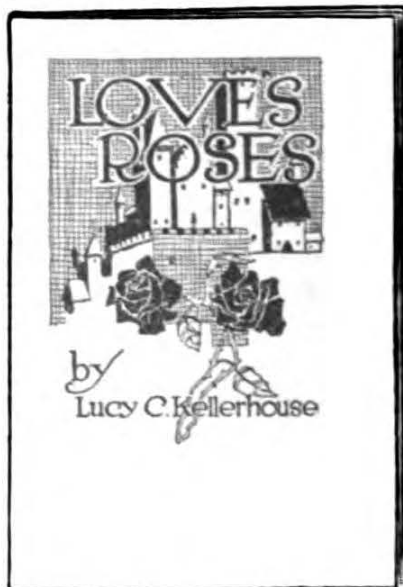
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LOVE'S ROSES

by LUCY KELLERHOUSE

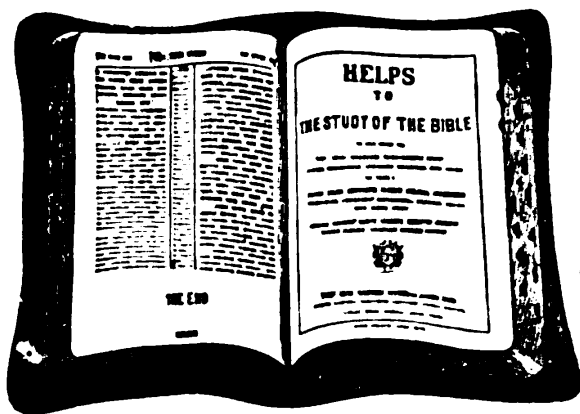
This story tells so beautifully how a little child can control thought, and build into his life just the conditions which are for his greatest good. All the charm of a fairy story is embodied in this little Truth tale, with an added something that is more substantial.

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by MARY BREWERTON DE WITT



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by CHARLES FILLMORE

Perhaps you have a limited idea of what denial, metaphysically considered, consists of. To specifically say, "I deny so and so," is only one small way of erasing false thinking from the mind. Several methods of wiping off the slate of consciousness are given in this treatise.

It was written many years ago, in the early flush of the author's enthusiasm, when he was first endeavoring to enkindle in others the divine glow of his own spiritual awakening.

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At Christmas time, we don't measure money just in the same way that we ordinarily do. We loosen up quite a bit, and rightly so. Let's be generous with others, and equally so with ourselves. For \$5.00 this handsome set of books will be delivered at your door, or at the door of your friend.

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Superbly designed and handsomely colored Unity Christmas Greeting Cards have been prepared by our artist.

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The star of Christ shines upon your path. Its radiance guides you, step by step, bringing you to the Father's house of light.

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Unless He's born in thee
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Life of Christ so rich and free,
Grace of God so strong and boundless,
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