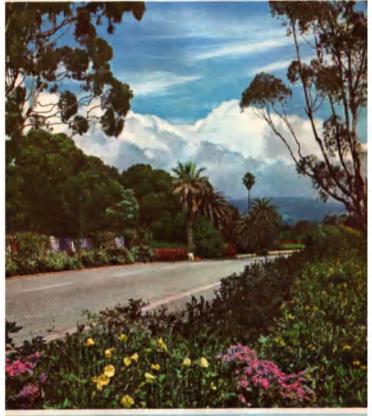
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# Monthly Thoughts

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Illumination: The illuminating power of the Holy Spirit breathes through me, and I am conscious of my divine authority.

Prosperity: I am no longer anxious about finances. God is my all-sufficiency in all things. Abundance is now manifested in all my affairs.

Healing: Springing into newness of life through Christ, I am harmonized and healed.

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# The Healing Word

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FALING BY THE POWER of the word did not originate with Jesus of Nazareth, although it is from Him that we get our modern inspiration. In every age where man has realized the perfection of the original essence of Being and has spoken forth that realization, the result has been a restoration of things to their inherent harmony and order.

Whoever realizes that God is the underlying creative perfection and that man is His mouthpiece has laid the foundation for performing miracles of healing through the power of the word. But in order to do the miracles, he must *speak* the word that he knows to be true.

Thousands in every age have caught sight of the truth of God's perfect being, but they have not been sure enough of their ground to go forth and pro-

claim it to a waiting world. Jesus of Nazareth was counted the Saviour of mankind because He freely proclaimed the truth about God and man. He not only proclaimed it, but He had faith in the power of His word to redeem men from the mental lethargy into which they had fallen.

"And Jesus went about in all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness among the people." The method of Jesus' healing has always been a theme that many have learnedly discussed and written about. The theories have been numerous, but they have nearly always been theories. The claim that He was the only Son of God, begotten in a certain manner to do a miraculous work, is also a theory to him who has not a clear understanding of what constitutes a son of God; hence it were futile to discuss the things of Spirit with one who has not been quickened by Spirit.

However, of all these various theories of Jesus' remarkable healing power, none disputes one point: He used words as the vehicle of the healing potency. He always spoke to the patient "as one having authority." He had a certain assurance, an inner conviction, that He was speaking the truth when He said, "Thou art made whole"; and the result of his understanding carried conviction to the mind of the patient and opened the way for the "virtue" that went forth from the speaker. Notwithstanding His very apparent use of words, there has been a failure on the part of His followers to grasp their vitally important office in demonstrations. There has al-

ways been a belief in the religious world that there was somewhere a lost word that when found and spoken would set all things right. The Jews say this lost word is veiled in the name Yahveh, and that its correct pronunciation is no longer known to men. They claim it was once known to their priesthood, and when used all the powers of God were manifest and mighty works were accomplished by it in brief moments of time.

All are familiar with the "God said" of Genesis (Chap. 1) in connection with the creation of the heavens and the earth.

Here at the very beginning, the word is the creative agent, and John, personifying it, corroborates this. He says that the word was in the beginning with God, that it was God, and that all things were made by it, and without it was not anything made that was made. The term that John used and that is translated "Word" in the King James New Testament, has a much deeper significance than is usually given to it by Bible readers. It has been assumed by the Church that "the Word" meant the personal Jesus, and it has been so accepted.

The most thorough Greek scholars and all careful and honest Scripture authorities tell us that the Greek term *logos* has no equivalent in the English language; that it is untranslatable and should have stood in its original form instead of the accepted translation, "the Word."

Even in Greek, the term Logos has an inner meaning that only those of spiritual discernment can comprehend. Externally it covers both the spoken word and the underlying reason or valid premise; both

being so intimately connected as to be one. This John conveys in saying that "the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Here is implied a distinction in office, but a unity in purpose. With the early Fathers of the Greek Church, the divine Logos had a peculiar significance that only those who had delved into the innermost of existence could comprehend.

Philo made the divine Logos the embodiment of all divine powers and ideas. He distinguished between the Logos inherent in God, corresponding to reason in man, and the Logos emanating from God, corresponding to the spoken word that reveals the thought. The former contains the ideal world; the latter is the first-begotten Son of God, the image of God, the Creator and Preserver, the Giver of life and light, the Mediator between God and the world. It is claimed that Philo wavered between a personal and an impersonal conception of the Logos, but leaned more to the impersonal.

Philip Schaff, speaking of the Logos, says:

St. John uses Logos (translated Word) four times as a designation of the divine, pre-existent person of Christ, through whom the world was made, and who became incarnate for our salvation (John 1:1-14; I John 1:1; 5:7; Rev. 19:13). Philo may possibly have suggested the use of the term (although there is no evidence that John read a single line of Philo); but the idea was derived from the teaching of Christ, and from the Old Testament, which makes a distinction between the hidden and the revealed Being of God. There is an inherent propriety in this usage in the Greek language, where Logos is masculine and has the double meaning of thought and speech. Christ as to His divine nature bears the same relation to God as the word bears to the idea. The word gives shape and form to the

idea, and reveals it to the without. The word is thought expressed; thought is the inward word. We cannot speak without the faculty of reason, nor think without words, whether uttered or not. The Christ-Logos is the Revealer and Interpreter of the hidden Being of God, the utterance, the reflection, the visible image of God, and the organ of all His manifestations to the world. (John 1:18; comp. Matt. 11:27). The Logos was one in nature or essence with God, yet personally distinct from Him, and in closest communion with Him.

In plain, everyday language, we would say that Being, the original fount, is an impersonal principle; but in its work of creation it puts forth the *idea* that contains all ideas—the Logos, Christ, the Son of God, spiritual man. This idea is the creative power, the concrete consciousness formulated by universal Principle.

It is written of God: "Thou . . . art of purer eyes than to behold evil"; "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? and not one of them shall fall on the ground without your father." These appear paradoxical. When we understand that in the first passage Principle is referred to, and in the second the Logos or creative Father of Jesus, then all is clear. Jesus always called the divine Logos "Father." He never referred to it as an abstraction but always as a being having intense love and compassion for all creation.

So He will become to each one who makes the conscious connection with Him. We shall realize that Being is not only principle so far as its inherent and undeviating laws are concerned, but also person so far as its relation to each one of us is concerned; that we as individuals do actually become the focus

of universal Spirit, of the all-pervading and allwise Logos, and that through us the universe is formed.

"And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." Each one of us is a Son of man, and our glory and power is

in the keeping of the divine Logos.

We come into this power and glorify God just to the extent that we recognize and use the Logos. Jesus of Nazareth recognized and used it in its fullest sense. To Him, it was not only an all-pervading principle of goodness and power, it was very much more: it was a near and dear Father, a Father whose interest in His children is greater than that of any earthly parent.

"If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father who is in heaven give good things to them

that ask him?"

We may make little out of the Logos and live in the shadow of its glory, or we may make much out of it, and live in the sunshine of that glory. Some ask sparingly and receive in like measure; others ask largely and receive largely.

The Logos is the preserver and transmitter of the original spiritual ideas and essences of God. It is the sustainer upon which the universe rests, and all its creations are spiritually sequential, that is, logical. We are dependent upon it for every breath we draw. Its substance and intelligence are at the beck and call of prince and peasant alike, and in this sense it becomes the servant of all. All mold it into consciousness in the one and only way—through

thought. Whatever you think about life or substance, that it becomes to you.

If you think the Logos will heal the sick through the power of your magnetic hand, you will do your healing in that way. If you think it will heal through your silent or spoken word, it will act accordingly. It will work for the ignorant and the wise, the wicked and the good, the poor and the rich. It is yours to use in whatsoever way you will. However, the permanent results you get will be proportioned to your understanding of its whole nature. To grow in its grace and be glorified in the ineffable glory of the everlasting God, you must know who it is you are dealing with.

Herein many are falling short in our day. They have been taught the manipulation of the Logos in its healing aspect and they are using it as a new therapeutic agent. To them it is a cold abstraction, a principle having intelligence and substance without consciousness. These qualities they handle as does the potter his clay. Instead of striving to attain that loving relation to the Father which should exist between parent and child, they are virtually introducing into their business world a new factor for the attainment of selfish ends. Do not let the icy hand of such a science grasp yours. Refuse to see the Father as anything less than the all-compassionate One who is interested in every act of your life, every thought you think; who has numbered even the hairs of your head. This is our God, the Most High Good that dwells in our heart and soul and flames up into our mind with all the power of cleansing, healing, and uplifting. To this dear Father

nothing is small, nothing is great. He does not ignore His creation; He does not stand afar off and view with the cold, critical eye of a connoisseur. His heart throbs with compassion; He sheds upon us the holy peace of His presence in the turmoil of sense, and we joyously exclaim, "Though all else fail me, in Thee I find rest."

Yet we must attain the full stature of the Godman. We must ultimately understand that the Father cannot be circumscribed by any human idea of Him or of what He should do for us. We must know that there is only good, and that the word of good is the only permanently healing word. So long as we believe that the Father might heal at one time and not at another; that He might be induced to give us His healing Spirit under certain circumstances and not under others, we are misjudging His nature. If there is ever any limitation to the healing power of the word, we may rest assured that it is of our manufacture.

The healing word is not a special creation to meet an emergency. It is not a patent medicine prepared to cure specific diseases. The idea that it is a healing word at all originates in our limited notion that there is something that needs healing.

God is the supreme perfection; the Word is like unto that perfection. All its creations are perfect. It takes cognizance of the perfect only. When we realize this perfection and speak the words of Truth from that plane of understanding, the Word goes forth and establishes that which is. It does not heal anything. There is nothing to heal. Its office is to see the perfection of Being established; and as we do

the works of the Father, we establish that which is and always was.

Thus he who realizes most thoroughly that God is the supreme perfection and that in Him can be no imperfection, and speaks forth that realization with conviction, will cause all things to arrange themselves in divine order.

This is being daily and hourly demonstrated by the faithful all over the land, thus proving true the nature of the Logos or Word of God. The meaning of the word logos is speech based upon reason. If the reasonable premise that God is the omnipresent God is well grounded in you, you cannot speak anything but healing and uplifting words. Your words must be for the healing of the nations, because they are true words flowing forth from a source in which Truth has no opposite.

If you believe that both good and evil conditions can be brought forth from this divine Logos; that both sweet and bitter waters can flow forth from the same spring, then your healing will be mixed. The spring is pure, and by letting your mind be an open way for its outpouring, you permit it to remain in its original purity and to cleanse all in whom you quicken it. If, however, you stop the flow here and there by an idea of limitation, by an idea of imperfection in the fount or in him upon whom the fount is being poured, you cut off its free currents to that extent.

Do not construe this to mean that you can pollute the stream by your thinking. This cannot be done; you simply refuse to let its purity come forth in its fullness. Like the lens that refracts the sunlight, you receive some of the rays that you do not throw upon the screen. The white light of Spirit is poured upon you, and your idea of limitation in a given direction makes you opaque to some of its colors.

You are nothing less than a child of God, and to you is intrusted the creative power. When you realize this, you can go forth forgiving men their

sins as you have forgiven your own.

The Word of God is spoken through the Son of man. You are a Son of man, and it is your duty to be about your Father's business, healing the sick, casting out demons, raising the dead, forgiving the sinful,

and spreading the gospel of a living God.

But the Iword is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth." Speak it forth and demonstrate, as did Jesus, that "the Son of man hath authority on earth to forgive sins." What is sin? Is it anything other than an erroneous way of attaining happiness? God is happy, and it is a state natural to us all or we would not strive for it. There must also be a way to reach it. If we have not reached it in the way we have gone, we have but to turn about and seek another way. Repenting is turning about, letting go of the way. As soon as we let go, and recognize that the way of Spirit is the way of pleasantness, we have been forgiven our sins. The mental attitude has invited the Word of God, and it flows forth into our consciousness and erases the erroneous concepts.

Anyone can speak true words and thus be the agent of God in forgiving sin. The little child may do it; the ignorant disciple may do it. The power does not inhere in the individual; the cleansing is through the Word. "Already ye are clean because of the word which I have spoken unto you."

This living Word of God is a spiritual principle. It is omnipresent like the air we breathe. It is never absent for a moment from any of us.

One small grain of it is more powerful than many tons of dynamite. It is the "assurance of things hoped for" that will remove mountains. It is very nigh unto you, even "in thy mouth," said a wise one. Its premise is that God is good and that His offspring is like unto Him. You have only to recognize this premise in all that you think and do and then speak it forth to get the results promised. There is no respect of persons in God; you are as near the Father as Jesus was, if you will recognize the principle and speak the true word always.

"I say unto thee, Arise, take up thy bed, and go

unto thy house."

## RIGHTS

Who comes here, who goes there, With understanding need never fear; The way is clear and free as air all day And night. Who reasons fair and true, Who touches dark thought into light, Who tries to keep time bright with cheer, With real desire to share good things—Such folk may enter anywhere and hold Perpetually the right of way at any hour Of night or day.

-Grace Meredith

## A Mother to Her Son

ESTELLE TAYLOR KEY

Your country has called you, and in obedience, putting aside all your cherished plans and personal attachments as well as your chosen work, you lay your all on the altar of might with a prayer in your heart for the ability to believe that the cause is not only just but right.

You, my son, to whom I, like thousands of other mothers, hoped that these things would never come, have gone to war. You have gone forth out of my sight, but from me you have not gone. You remain in my heart and in my mind; and in my constant thoughts about you I commit you into the keeping of your higher self, the Christ who dwells in you, the Son of the Most High God, whose presence is ever with you to guard, guide, strengthen, and protect you wherever you are and in all things that you

We never talked much about this higher self, you and I. At least we never called it just that. We referred to it as your better self, your conscience, and the like. I wish now that I had drawn closer to you and been more frank and open and trusting so we might have come to a better understanding about God together; that I could feel that you really know God as a presence, the presence, rather than as just the name of deity; for I am sure that in the days to come you will need to know Him intimately and

now must do.

commune with Him often, spirit with Spirit. He is not afar off but around you and within you, your help in every need. "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you" is a law of protection for us in times of weakness, discouragement, or danger, and prayer is our means of drawing nigh unto God and His help and protection and drawing upon Him for needed wisdom and strength in our every extremity. I have deep faith that you will feel the drawing of Spirit deep within you and that you will turn to Him constantly for the help that you will need, so I feel peaceful and secure in committing you unto His care.

It is hard for a mother to part with her children, where the separation promises to be long and uncertain, and it is harder still where there are the dangers of war and its contaminating influences. But what we must do we can do; and in very truth you are not my own. Before you are my son you are God's son, and dear to Him as you are dear to me; and even though you are called to walk through the valley of death, I believe with all my heart that He will be with you to sustain, comfort, guide, and protect you, that you will sense His presence there with you, and know Him to be the one and only presence, both with you and with those who oppose you under the name of enemies; for in reality all mankind is one man and God is their common Father Spirit.

My prayer is that you may always know that it is not men you are sent forth to fight and destroy, but hate, fear, greed, arrogance, and ignorance of the oneness of men. So let your own heart be your first battlefield, and there slay off all the enemies of the human race within your own gates. Having purified your own heart, go forth then to meet each opponent as a brother man, a son of God like yourself. How he meets you is his own responsibility; and you can trust the active Spirit of God within and around you to bring you through and bring you into your own good, for the same Spirit dwells in both of you and blesses him who acknowledges it.

Remember always that "liberty, justice, righteousness, and peace" are basic principles that should be dear to every man irrespective of his race, creed, color, or station, and that each nation according to its lights is contending for just these principles. Therefore, instead of bitterness and condemnation, which is as poison to your own soul, let your heart be filled with the love of God, and pray for the quickening of the light of understanding within all men so that all may see and know that good is attained through unity of spirit and not through strife and destruction. Let no spirit of revenge taint your soul and blur your vision. Remember quickly the example of the Christed Jesus, who met hate and force with love, saying, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." If you must, on orders, work destruction, let your prayer of forgiveness include yourself.

In submitting to the authority of your superior officers let it be as unto God, not unto man, so that you may keep your own heart pure and true, knowing that obedience is a virtue and authority a responsibility unto God. In unpleasant and painful, trying situations, know: "This, too, will pass away"; the good only prevails, and be strong in heart and clean

in your every thought, word, and act.

When lonely in the midst of men or in the solitude of your own soul, stretch forth your thoughts to touch the Spirit invisible, which is always closer to you than the body you wear or the breath you breathe, and there you will commingle with all that you love, and all that love will touch you in Spirit to cheer you and bless you with their prayers. In danger be still and firmly know God. Cleave unto Him, and He will cause you to see the safe course and the right action. In hunger and thirst of soul and body He will pour out living substance to nourish you right in the presence of your foes. In hurt or sickness of body. He is the restoring life that seeks your acknowledgment in order to make you whole. Believe in life and you shall live; for your soul is the breath of His Spirit and "your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit." "The temple of God is holy, and such are ye."

## GRACE

Suzanne Boutelle

I will be as a stream
flowing out from the mountainside
crystal and fragrant and sovereign
Carrying life to the valleys beyond
that they may renew themselves
and so spring forth in greenness
To bear their fruit in knowledge.

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# Hold On; Stand Fast

CHARLES H. MATTERN

Some of us experience difficulty in demonstrating. Things proceed nicely up to a certain point. We can see and feel the improvement in a situation. Then, the forward progress of the demonstration seems to come to an abrupt halt. Our assurance is shaken. The final solution to the problem seems far away. At such times, we wonder if and when the answer will come.

What shall we do in this hour of discouragement?

Hold on to the promises of Jesus.

Stand fast in the knowledge that "with God all

things are possible."

Initially, we must cultivate a strong determination to go forward, come what may. It is well to remember that "there is no excellence without labor," and "that victory is won only in the face of the enemy." We may say with Paul: "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope that it waver not; for he is faithful that promised." "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

If today your demonstration seems to have hit a snag, don't waste a precious bit of energy on negative thoughts such as what you should or should not have done. Throw off any feeling of depression. The

difficulty, for all we know, may be due to spiritual growing pains. Get a good night's sleep. In the morning, you will feel calmer and more assured. In the dawn of the new day, you will know that God's love surrounds you and that you cannot fail.

With as much poise and calm as we can muster, let us take steps that will not only again set in motion the forward progress of the demonstration but bring about the desired results. First of all, let us put before our mind those guarantees in Truth that bolster our courage, trust, and faith in the Christ power.

I am a child of God in unity with my omnipotent Father.

All shadows of doubt and fear are dissolved in

the light of the Christ.

The promises of Jesus are tested and proved, and thus I know that anything I ask in His name (believing), that will He do.

Despite appearances to the contrary, I know that the Spirit of God is at work in my life and affairs.

In my experiences with friends whose demonstrations seem to have become static three main questions are usually asked.

Do I know enough about spiritual processes to

demonstrate successfully?

The answer to this is quite simple: It is not great knowledge of spiritual processes that gives us mastery over the problem; our dominion is measured by our faith and trust in the Christ in us.

Is there something in my past life that is hold-

ing up the answer to my prayers?

When we in all sincerity ask God's forgiveness, we are freed from "the letter" of the law through

His grace. And in making the effort to demonstrate, we are about our "Father's business."

Perhaps it is God's will that I remain in my circumstances. Should I forget about the demonstration?

If illness, poverty, or unhappiness lingers in your life, it is not His will that those conditions prevail. As a child of God, you are entitled to your heritage of perfect health, prosperity, and happiness. By all means, continue your efforts. God's will is that you partake of His attributes, which are brimming over with your highest good.

Some time ago, I had the opportunity to witness a demonstration of the healing of arthritis. I had spoken to the physician on the case, and his opinion was that the patient would very soon be in a wheel chair, perhaps for the remainder of his life. The victim of this illness began the demonstration for perfect health. The road to health was anything but easy. In the midst of the demonstration, complications set in, and health became a remote possibility. The family despaired. However, the patient, although disappointed and discouraged, took stock of the situation and decided that it was God's will that he be whole and strong. The efforts to demonstrate were renewed in greater vigor and strength. Today, with scarcely a trace of arthritis, that person is back working in his chosen profession.

When delays and setbacks seem to dog our steps toward the final solution of the problem, it is well to remember that the demonstration is founded upon laws as unfailing as that which make two plus two equal four. Victory over a problem is assured by our

teeping open the channel between God and us. That s His Law.

A lag in our demonstration may be likened to a nusician's having difficulty with a certain passage in musical score, or a scientist's meeting an unexpected problem in his experiment. The musician mows that the musical score is perfect and that with practice he can master the difficult passage. The cientist knows that when the immediate problem is olved the experiment will go forward.

We know that there is nothing wrong with the aws that govern the demonstration. When the demonstration seems to falter, let us take stock of the ituation and make the necessary adjustments. We now that our reopening the channel between God and us is the very prerequisite of our successful demonstration.

There are three important things that help to eep the channel open to the inflow of His power. They are:

- 1. Love.
- 2. Perseverance.

3. Faith in God's power to accomplish the seem-

ngly impossible.

When the heart and mind are filled with love of God and man, we are in tune with Him. Experience has taught that negative thoughts which obstruct our flow of blessings are dispelled almost mmediately by the great positive idea of love. Love a mighty cleansing power.

In all probability, perseverance accomplishes nore in human enterprise than any other quality that nan possesses. Determination to see a thing through

is a power that overcomes obstacles and arrives a the expected success. The "stick-to-it" attitude is a invaluable asset in any undertaking.

When a friend accidently burned a manuscrip just completed by Thomas Carlyle, the great write immediately began to rewrite it. What perseveranche needed to face such a tedious task. His second effort was an improvement on the original. Toda this work stands as a beacon light in English literature.

A brilliant career in medicine and surgery wa cut short by an accident that maimed the hand of promising young man. Here indeed was a setback to lofty aspirations. However, the young man perse vered in his desire to help humanity. In time, he became an advisor, counselor, and helper to those in distress. Thousands found new and better live through his help.

A so-called failure stood in a vacant lot on night. His business gone and with seven cents in hi pocket, he had little to hope for. He knelt down and asked divine aid. From that moment on, he had an assurance that God was working through him His perseverance led to a most lucrative business Today this man is fostering a great rehabilitation program for men emerging from the nation's prisons

A neighbor, who when told by his physician that he would be a bed-ridden cripple for the remainder of his life, persevered in the knowledge that "with God all things are possible." Today he is whole.

Let us remember that if our demonstration seems stymied or delayed, it can still be carried on to success.

Faith is the essence of success. It crowns our efforts with full manifestation. Bible scholars tell us hat a world of truth and meaning connects the vords, "believe" and "receive." One invites the other. Jesus made faith the underlying element in all His healings. "Do you believe I can do this?" He asked in effect. And when the afflicted would unswer, "Yes, Lord," Jesus would say, "Be of good theer; thy faith hath made thee whole." Today, in our demonstration, let us know that Christ is our nelp in every need.

Some time ago, I was a member of a party hikng through a section of California desert. We were naking our way across the hot wastelands. Our feet nurt, and our backs ached. A hot sun poured down apon us making for a general lowering of our spirits. The vast emptiness of the desert added to our depression. We trudged on in spite of the most uncomfortable circumstances. A short time later, we urned the corner into a canyon. It was a veritable Garden of Eden. Palm trees grew everywhere. A cool stream ran through the center of the canyon, and a spring gurgled in the shade of trees. Such a paralise was well worth the effort of the hike.

How similar is our effort to demonstrate successfully. The road may seem long. Delay and disappointment may confront us. But we, like Jacob, nust persevere in our prayers. We may become weary and feel that perhaps the answer is too good to become a reality. At this point, we must hold on to God and stand fast in His promises. The answer to our problem may be just around the corner.

To you who are wondering if and when the

answer will come, let me assure you that the Chris power to accomplish all things is working in an through you. If you hold on and stand fast in th knowledge that you cannot fail because God work with you, your sincere desire will become manifes in spite of any negative circumstance.

"Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dis mayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with th

right hand of my righteousness."

Go forward today. The final victory is yours. Th solution to the problem will bring more blessing than your fondest hope.

"If ye shall ask anything in my name, that wil

I do." Hold on; stand fast.

## I WILL HAVE FAITH

I will have faith whatever may befall:
The wildest storm of winter will not last,
The passing present will become the past,
The future follow, with God over all.

He knows my strength; He knows my weakness too.
How could I think He does not know or care?
He will not send me more than I can bear;
He will not ask for more than I can do.

In faith, I feel His presence now and near, Discerning and supplying all my needs, And I remember it is love that leads—The perfect love that casteth out all fear.

-Charles Henry Macintosh

## Now Is the Time

GLENN CLAIRMONTE

OW IS THE TIME; all that you want is at hand, waiting only for you to accept it.

There is no reason except your own choice for the occurrence of any event in your experience. You may have what you want now, since all things reflect the nowness as well as the hereness of God. When any incident bobs up on your horizon, it is tangible proof of your expectation of it. If you wish to avoid a certain event, then lift your vision above it.

To an infinite mind the past, present, and future are all one. All ideas are finished and complete, and it is only a man-invented clock that ticks out the seconds in a slow drone.

The ancients endowed their gods with their own passions—wrath and jealousy, for instance. We, too, sometimes paint our failings upon the canvas of the universe around us. A harmless little sin like procrastination, if applied to the cosmic system, can turn out to be a vast delay for us. If we cure the habit of postponing little tasks, we can cure the mental attitude that produces delay in our affairs.

A great composer once said that he first heard his symphony as though it were one grand chord. Then he transcribed it note by note for the use of musicians and the hearing of the public. This ought to make us understand the way the Creator sees all eternity in a single flash—and the way we can

take whatever we are ready to use.

For our sake, the notes of the symphony are arranged like jewels on a string, to be heard in sequence instead of all at once. Now if a symphony can be presented bar by bar for our pleasure, surely all creation can be revealed to us in the same way. On your phonograph you can play the second movement of the symphony before you play the first, because you have this right of selection. This does not mean, however, that the true arrangement of the composition has been changed. Even as the composer suited his work to the convenience of the public, so the principle of law and order makes it possible for us to unfold our life in the way best suited to our purpose.

You may notice that the vine bears grapes, but cut the vine from its root and the grapes will wither. Your own fruits will ripen when you draw strength from Spirit; but break the connection with Spirit and your projects, like the grapes, will wither on the vine. Of ourselves, we are not strong enough to accomplish all that we want to do; that is the reason we open our heart to allow the Father in us to do the "works." To the Father, the fields are already ripe with harvest, and therefore we need not wait.

Often there is the illusion of delay. The girl who tried to "demonstrate" enough money to buy a new red dress for a party was annoyed at the seeming delay in receiving an expected check. She tried to force the issue by walking into the dress shop and trying on the dress. To her horror the mirror told her how unbecoming the dress was; it practically blotted out her natural charm. She thought: "Have I been try-

ing to demonstrate the wrong thing?" No. In reality she was trying to demonstrate a good appearance at the party. When she wore a lavender dress that had been hanging in her closet for several weeks she became the center of admiring glances. Her prayer had already been answered. In her case, she was protected because she had turned to God for the answer.

Another example comes to mind. A young man who was summoned to defend himself in a court action wrote to a spiritual counselor for help in solving his difficulty. Vaguely he expected that nothing could be done until the day of the trial, but he also felt that since he had placed the problem "on the knees of the gods" his part of the job was already done. Within a few hours he was notified that there had been a mistake, that he would not be required to appear in court.

Gratefully he reported this to the counselor, inclosing a check as payment for her services. Again he was surprised when the check was returned with a note:

"I did not receive your first letter and therefore did not treat your case. However, in writing the letter you turned to God and your problem was immediately solved. Your faith was the channel."

When Mrs. S—said, "You can't expect success this year because the stars caution you to wait," Mrs. J—replied, "But my Father owns the stars!" Her tone of voice showed that she was appealing to the highest court, and it was no accident that on that very day her success became apparent even to the doubting Thomases. It was present always and had

only to be drawn forth into visibility.

The fact that you are alive is proof that God is within you, God, the omnipresent, omnipotent, omniscient. Then why should you be lagging? This simple question is all the challenge you need to face if you want to discover that now is the time.

## TEACH US TO PRAY

Myrtle Shay

Teach us to pray, dear Lord, to pray, believing;
To pray Thy will be done, and praying, know
Thy will for us is happiness, not grieving,
Prosperity and health, not pain and woe.

Too long we've thought Thy will meant death and sadness;

Too long our doubts, our worries and our fears Have kept from us Thy loving gift of gladness Because we could not see it through our tears.

So long we've missed the fullness of Thy giving By asking for our blessings one by one, Failing to claim the whole of joyous living Because we dared not pray, "Thy will be done."

Teach us to pray, dear Lord, the trusting way.
To know our happiness is Thy delight.
To seek Thy loving guidance day by day
Teach us to pray, dear Lord, and pray aright.

# The Great Portent

#### ELIZABETH LANDEWEER

ANY YEARS AGO, I was chatting idly with an old friend, and He started to make a critical remark about a mutual acquaintance, then broke it off short.

"Go ahead," I urged, disappointed.
"I shouldn't even have mentioned it."

"Why not? The walls don't have ears."

"Don't forget, there's a third party in this room," he said, and quickly changed the subject.

I looked around me, but there was no one else present. What did he mean by a third party? Then in a flash I understood what my friend had implied.

However, it was not until I, too, began to measure my words and acts against the spiritual yard-stick of a divine third party that I fully grasped the meaning of what this man had said, and I have found it the most illuminating experience of my whole life. Day by day, almost imperceptibly, the sense of a hallowing presence increases until I feel it brightening the whole firmament. I believe this sense of dawning light is what Jesus had reference to when He said, "For as the lightning cometh forth from the east, and is seen even unto the west; so shall be the coming of the Son of man."

Sages and philosophers have always made reference to the miracle-working power that resides in what often has been termed the "practice of the Presence." Books have been written on the subject, men

of serene faith and unimpeachable logic have testified to their conviction that, to put it straightforwardly, we are not alone. But only that person who earnestly seeks to become perceptive of Spirit can know just what it means to bask in the reflected glow of that beloved Presence. Such a person feels that he actually knows God. He feels that he walks hand-inhand with the Christ, who lovingly reassures, "Lo, I am with you always."

Without this sense of walking alongside the Christ, I fail to see how we can keep things in a true perspective. We tend either to underestimate or overestimate men all along the line. Without an inner vision of essential Man, we can hardly know what it means to be men.

In a very real sense of the word, Christ is the cornerstone that upholds the Christian faith. We see Him as the bridge from man to man and the only criterion by which we can accurately gauge the potentialities of our own selfhood. It is a glorious experience to see Him reflected in the faces of others and shining from their eyes, but we can never fully appreciate His true stature until "with Browning's Saul we 'see the Christ stand'" quite apart from ourself or others in the fullness of His own divinity. Thus beholding Him and finding Him to be the ideal toward which mankind has always secretly yearned, the love for Him that is latent within our heart leaps up, and we exalt along with Emerson, "When a man becomes dear to me I have touched the goal of fortune "

One of the most important fields in which we can practice the Christ principles is in international

relations. Superficially we talk of tolerance, but only that person who is perceptive of Christ can know that mere tolerance of another's color or creed is the most insidious form of insult. Who are we that we should "tolerate" our brothers, when we share the flesh and blood of all men and they share ours? It is only when we turn to Christ as the bridge that we see all things and all peoples in their proper relationships. Even in our home life and in our community affairs, where we are dealing with persons close and dear to us, we often have dismal inharmony. Then what unspeakable joy and relief it is to see the loving yet impartial Christ step in and straighten out the crooked threads of our weaving.

Accepting Christ as our perfect pattern, we at once begin to grow in true humility of spirit. We learn what it is to pray for yet greater and greater humility, not in the sense that we are the underdog of God and feel abased and contrite, but because we see the almighty Power itself is plain, honest, true, all-wise. And, like that clear drop of dew at the heart of a rose, we come at last to find at the very heart of humility a magnificent and immaculate conception of our own selfhood.

We now begin to apprehend that faith is the imponderable force by which the Father Himself brings all things into being. With God, as with man, faith is the living substance of that which was but an impression or image in God-Mind at first. There can be no material substance without faith or the earth would still be without form and void.

We begin to see why praise and thanksgiving are required of us—certainly not because we are God's

"star boarders" or His "poor relations," but because praise and thanksgiving are innate characteristics of the Father's own mind. God is graciousness itself, and His every act is one of veritable grace. If we are to be like Him, then we, too, must learn the primary rudiments of graciousness involved in words and acts of thankfulness and praise. We learn first and foremost that we are to praise the priceless jewel of our own innate selfhood and from then on, we find that rendering thanks and praise just "comes naturally."

If we grant that Jesus accurately portrayed the Father to us, that, in fact, part of His mission among men was to represent and outpicture the Father, then it becomes easy for us to "see" the Father. In a sense, Jesus "showed" the Father to us. Thus, in beholding the life of Jesus, we can know what God is like and lose all fear that He is detached from the world and in no wise understanding of the ways of men. We come to know that He is our own true Father. We find Him to be the very wellspring of humanity.

When we think of Jesus' gathering the rosyfaced children onto His lap and into His arms, we feel all uncertainty dissolve in a flood of exquisite love and trust.

We see the lonely figure of Jesus standing in the twilight upon the rocky beach with the weary apostles plying their nets offshore. We can hear Him as He calls to them, "Children, have ye aught to eat?" We see the fishermen dragging in the nets and Jesus kindling a fire upon the beach, preparing the fish, and broiling them over the coals. Then we hear Him call to the apostles who are still busy with the

boats and nets, "Come and break your fast."

I think if we are ever in doubt as to God's real attitude of fatherliness toward His children, we have but to call up these and similar pictures in the life of Jesus in order to rid ourself of any feeling of

strangeness or fear.

We can rest assured that God is the very essence of those loving qualities with which we long have been familiar. He is the soul of fathering, mothering, fostering love—the lover nonpareil. No wonder the true Christian soon learns to pray that he may come to love God as God loves him. For as yet, we can but dimly conceive of a love that makes man the son of God and makes God, through Christ, the Son of man.

Sensing and yearning toward the great loving heart, it is small wonder that we look forward trustingly to the time when the love for the Father in the consciousness of man shall assert itself in the outer, or objective, world. Jesus told us to pray, "Thy kingdom come. . . . in earth, as it is in heaven." And those who are striving to stay close to the heart of the Father cannot help but feel that the time is even now at hand.

In a recently published article from the writings of Charles Fillmore we read, "Something is happening. All along the line are evidences of the birth of the Prince of Peace. A higher state of consciousness is bursting full-blown upon the whole race. It is everywhere, and those who are most open to its influx are being rewarded. The power is abroad in the earth, and it calls to men and to nations, 'Come up higher.'

"All this presages a new state of consciousness for the whole race. It is the beginning of the visible reign of the Christ, whose seed man was Jesus of Nazareth."

In the religious books now being published, we find the same underlying conviction: that the inner life of conscious communion with God, as practiced by the devout of all ages, is now beginning to bear the inevitable fruit. Something of tremendous import is indicated; at the very least, it seems certain that we are coming into what a recent essay refers to as a "total gospel." It is leaping the church walls; it is bursting the restrictive bonds of creed and dogma; and nothing can stop it.

The Son of God is walking the earth like a shepherd among His sheep. He who was and is to come is here now. He has always been among us, but mortal blindness has prevented us from getting more than occasional glints and gleams of His light-filled presence.

No longer may we know Him merely as the hallowed presence in the dim manger of our heart. He transcends us and all men. His hand is active in every facet of human endeavor. His thoughts are finding avenues of expression through every mind. His words are seeking and finding outlet on every tongue.

The world is in travail, as indeed it cannot help but be, for it is giving birth to the Son of man. Jesus said: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, that ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but when she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for the joy that a man is born into the world."

The Prince of Peace is indeed among us. He "cometh with the clouds" of man's confused and muddled perception, but the clouds are breaking apart and the skies are beginning to clear. Let every heart prepare room for Him, for He is even now coming into the range of vision of those whose eyes are "lifted up." The prophets are among us, even as they were of old.

When we ponder the testimony of Charles Fillmore and other inspired thinkers, we are reminded of the wise counsel of Ezekiel when he said, "And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument; for they hear thy words, but they do them not. And when this cometh to pass (behold, it cometh), then shall they know a prophet hath been among them."

## A PRAYER

Lord, let me see myself as Thou dost see; Not merely as I look to others' eyes, Nor even as I to myself appear. Lord, rather let me view Thy thought of me, That perfect image of divinity In which I am created, the true guise In which my soul shall go. Lord, show me clear That, thus beholding, I may mold in line With patterned symmetry of Thy design.

-Esther Lloyd Hage

## A MOTHER'S PRAYER

They are such little women,
My tall girls.
How fleet the years have been
Since golden curls
Were part of heaven on
My shoulder pressed,
And rose-leaf hands were wings
Against my breast!

And now they hurry so
Away from me,
Who must prepare them. Father,
Help me see
Where babies end and women
Really are,
That I may guide, but never
Dim, their star.

Give to me strength and courage—Humor too—For this momentous thing I have to do; And that no lasting sorrow Blur their eyes, O God of all the mothers, Make me wise!

-Dorothy Callaway

## The Kingdom of Right Relationships

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#### THE SEED

THIS PARABLE might be called the parable of spontaneous growth, or the vitality of the kingdom. Among the many beautiful and effective illustrations used by Jesus, the seed is one of the best. When one contemplates a seed in the palm of the hand, it seems incredible that it holds within its tiny self the power to grow to great proportions. A man drops a seed in the earth. This one simple action releases immense forces, for the little seed contains within it a part of the divine energy that created the universe. Sunshine and rain play a part in its growth. So do the chemicals and organisms in the soil, but these would have no effect upon the seed were it not for the secret force wrapped up within it. No one, not even the botanist, understands all that happens. It grows "he knoweth not how."

Also, when a seed is planted in the ground, powerful forces come to its aid, bringing to it just what it needs for growth, beauty, usefulness, flavor, and strength. Yes, a tiny thing may become a powerful thing.

The life in a seed may endure for centuries. An article in the London Times for May 23, 1942, told of this remarkable longevity in an incident that happened at the Natural History Museum in London

don. Dr. John Ramsbottom, keeper of the department of botany, told the story at a meeting of the Linnean Society. Some seeds of the Albizzia julibrissin (a plant allied to mimosa) became damp after the fire that damaged part of the museum in September, 1940. When the box containing them was opened in November, 1940, they were found to have germinated. Two were lost in an air raid, but one is still growing. The seeds were collected in China in 1793. They were still alive after being kept dry for 147 years! An experiment of Dr. Ramsbottom's proved that a seed retained life after being in a dry condition for 237 years.

A seed is like the kingdom of God because it has an inherent force, a spontaneity of growth within itself. Similarly, the kingdom within the heart of man is a seed that grows invisibly, silently, but surely. It is "God that giveth the increase." We can depend on this promise and go about our business, knowing that it will surely come to fruition.

Such seeds as love, kindness, compassion, understanding, and courage, dropped into a human heart carry with them a spark of God's own life. They are never lost or unproductive. Though it may seem that there are no immediate results, the seed once sown will sooner or later germinate. I have been amazed at the many proofs that I have had of this. A small seed of Truth that I planted in a receptive heart has taken root and grown into beauty, and, in its turn, has scattered other seeds in other hearts, and these also have borne much fruit. Never "weary in well-doing"; never allow yourself to become indifferent to the heart-hunger of others; never become dis-

couraged because you do not at once see the results of your seed-sowing. There is a higher vision, a more powerful force than yours, interested in the growth of that seed, watching with divine patience the tender shoots take root, seeing to it that, at the right time, it will come to full fruition.

One such seed is your silent example. There is a story told of a missionary bishop who was touring India examining candidates for baptism. He was a conscientious man and was determined that no one should be made a member of the church unless he was sure of what he was doing. So, at a gathering of these candidates, in the presence of the missionary who had been teaching them, he asked, "What is it to be a Christian?" Instead of some theological answer, a native pointed to the missionary and said with deep feeling, "To live like Mr. Smith."

I think that is the greatest tribute that can be paid to any man or woman. The greatest gift that one can bestow on humanity is to so live that others will feel within themselves the stirring of the seeds of love, wisdom, compassion, and understanding kindness that one's example has sown in their hearts. This is

being a true Christian.

Another colorful illustration drawn by Jesus is that of the leaven "which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till it was all leavened." No one knows just how this invisible leaven works, any more than one knows just how a seed grows in the dark soil. I placed a small portion of the leaven of Truth in the heart of a woman one day. She was bitter, disillusioned, and seemed to be anything but receptive. After she had left me, I quietly prayed,

asking God to open her spiritual eyes, that she might see herself as she truly was—the image of the divine love, wisdom, life, and purity that had created her. Several days later she returned. The instant I saw her radiant face, I knew that the "leaven" had worked, the seed had taken root. She told me that on her way home, after talking with me, she began to think of what I had told her about the Creator and His creation; about her own invisible beauty, and of her spiritual birthright as a child of God. It was then that she felt something within her, a quickening of her whole being. Her doubts and fears and depression seemed to fall away from her. On reaching home, she read the Unity books I had given her with new, enlightened eyes, finding comfort, strength, and inspiration where before she had seen only words.

At the beginning of each day, it is good to pray that we may be alert to opportunities to sow helpful, fruitful seeds in the hearts of others. A friendly smile, a kind, encouraging word, are good seeds. Sometimes silence is a good seed. When tempted to anger or impatience; when tempted to talk of disease, sickness, or any other negative thing; when others are destructively criticizing; in these and in many other cases, silence is the golden seed to be planted.

The kingdom of God moves through an orderly development to a resistless harvest. "First the blade, then the ear, then the full grain." Quietly and without haste or fuss, the moral and spiritual seeds within man unfold; the hidden, vital potentialities are uncovered; the beauty of Spirit blossoms forth from the mire of darkened and ignorant thinking. We

never know when a word from us, a seed sown in the right heart at the right time, may completely change a life for the better. Let us handle with care and with a great love this responsibility that our Father has given us. Let us pray every day:

Dear Father, help me to be alert and show me how to sow the right seed in the right heart at the right time. May my silent example be such that those feeling it may be led to know and love Thee better. Keep me from the unkind word, the indifferent attitude, the selfish outlook. May Thy love, Thy patience, Thy wisdom flow through me, sowing seeds of good wherever I may be. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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#### GLIMPSING THE INFINITE

This life would be barren indeed did we not glimpse the Infinite now and then.

It keeps the soul restive and alert with worthy dissatisfaction with ignoble things.

It gives incentive to higher and greater achievement. It opens the eyes to beauty, the ears to silent harmonies, and gives the spirit wings.

-Grace Madelon Frame

## The Way to Dominion

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#### FREEDOM

Paul Writes, "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free from the law of sin and of death." This is the law, then, that will liberate us from evil, that will free our human consciousness from its bondage to the suggestions of the flesh. It means that we can have the spirit of the life that was present in Christ Jesus. There is nothing else that will conquer the ills of humanity, lift it out of its bondage to false beliefs, and give it freedom.

Think what it would mean to have a spirit that is truly willing to be Christlike, to maintain the same attitude of superiority to the temptations of the world, to have the courage to conquer the suggestions of the flesh, and to claim our birthright as children of God; to have such a vision of the Christ as to hold us unswervingly to our divine goal. This was the spirit of the Master's life, and it is still the true ideal of Christianity.

We think it very trying when some physical discord or disability is not quickly healed. We do not realize that this healing may be calling for the sacrifice of some error that we have cherished through the years and that we are not willing to part with. We cannot expect to overcome the human with the divine without exchanging something for it; and this overcoming must go on until every element in

our human sense of things has been conquered by the divine. But we cannot experience this overcoming and still take the human along with us. Then a very pertinent and personal question is what are we sacrificing of the human for the sake of the divine.

This and similar considerations are inseparably linked with the question of our Christian progress. We must face the age-long challenge of what we will give in exchange for our soul. In other words, what are we willing to give in exchange for the consciousness of a son of God? In proportion to their means, Truth students have the same material things that others have. They do not deny themselves the comforts and luxuries of the physical senses; they are not called upon to be ascetics. But somewhere in our journey Spiritward, we must be found giving less attention to lower things and becoming more simple in our material habits and demands. It follows that as the spiritual grows upon our thoughts and desires, we naturally take less pleasure in the purely physical senses and their attractions.

We all have much that needs to be exchanged for a larger and higher conception of life. We ask God to respond instantaneously to our appeal for physical aid, while we hold onto what Jesus called the "things that offend." Is this what we are offering God in exchange for our spiritual self?

Holiness is simply a consciousness or mode of life in which there is no place for evil. That is what divine life means—having only good in thought and speech, in motive and act. It means putting good into practice. We pray that God's kingdom may come into our heart as well as into the world; in other words, that the divine may be supreme in us. As this can be accomplished only by the surrender of the material beliefs that oppose it, we should neglect no opportunity to surrender them.

It may seem difficult for the human mind to adopt the divine point of view with reference to the problems of life, but there is no other effective remedy for its false beliefs. Difficulties in the path of spiritual progress should be a spur to greater effort, not an excuse for procrastination or for deserting the task. People do not as a rule abandon an attractive enterprise on the ground that there are obstacles in the way or that it calls for a determined and continued exercise of their powers. If the reward is worth while, they generally go through with it. And what could be more attractive or worth while than to gain dominion over the errors in ones life, to eliminate them finally, and to know them no more? Knowing all this, as we do, what is it that persuades or induces us to regard the remedy with only lukewarm enthusiasm or to treat it as a matter of convenience? Is it not that we listen to the wrong voices and obey the wrong impulses?

The influence is the same insidious one that through all human history has worked to reverse the best in men, to appeal to the latent possibilities for evil in his nature. Its effect is to override our active interest in the practice of Truth and to induce a careless attitude toward the most vital things in life. Its operation is usually so gradual that, unless we are constantly watchful of the trend of our thoughts, we may not realize our danger, and thus we may be lured unconsciously into difficulty.

The way to overcome this influence is to know that man as the image of God necessarily includes in himself the expression of unlimited harmony, activity, intelligence, and power, not as a solitary being but as a radiant center of divine completeness. If we recognize and acknowledge this to ourselves, we shall be turning our thoughts toward spiritual dominion instead of indulging a restless desire for the unreal and passing things in life.

Man is heir to unlimited capacities and resources and is endowed with a consciousness of infinite power. But how little we yet grasp of the meaning of infinity, although it is woven all through the teachings of Jesus, and without it creation would sometime come to an end. Sometime we must exchange the human sense of limitation for the divine truth of infinite power. It is not the reasoning of the human intellect but the logic of Truth that assures us of this. It should be apparent that God's offspring can be dependent upon nothing besides Him; and no person consciously dependent upon God, infinite power, can be limited in potential achievement. It is not conceivable that God could have a sense of limitation; and it follows that man, being the idea of God, infinite Mind, cannot be subject to limitation, otherwise he would be unlike his source. While we may not be demonstrating much of this divine lack of limitation, we should keep it before us as the truth of our being and the only ground of our thinking.

Because we are assured of the validity of this truth, we should be applying it to our individual experience of life. Even though we seem to be doing

so in terms of our experience in this present world, we should not base our thoughts on the testimony of the physical senses but on the divinity of all things real. Time is a dream of sense experience, and we need to guard against being drawn into accepting its conditions. This dream lays a burden of age upon everyone, and we must either intelligently disown it or submit to it. Wisdom prompts the former course, for the belief in age is a peg upon which are hung many uncomfortable conditions.

The belief in age is of course not merely a belief in the effect of the mere passing of years; it involves accumulated obedience to wrong thoughts of one kind or another, failure to fulfill resolves to be better, submission to wrong impulses, neglect of many opportunities for good. These are the burdens that a belief in age or time, not advancing years, lays upon mortals. We fall too easily into the general view regarding the influence of time upon our life.

It is never too early to take care of this error; above all do not wait to be aroused to the necessity of doing it by some unpleasant experience. It is our privilege to be constantly aware of the fact that we live our own life and think our own thoughts and that the future grows out of the present and the past. Careless or mischievous thinking and doing are not effaced by the passing of time; they bequeath to the future the burden of what they are, and this increasing burden is lifted only as we replace it with positive and active goodness and love.

Supersensible living means supersensible thinking, thinking above the demands and appeals of the personal senses, thinking inspired on the one hand by the consciousness that we were created superior to sickness, lack, and sin and on the other by an honest desire to work and watch for the dominion that is to be established in us. This desire should animate our conscious thinking. It should be our absorbing prayer, so that our spontaneous impulse is to use every opportunity to establish our dominion over error.

We are constantly faced with false testimony in our effort to grasp the spiritual reality of things. This testimony is presented to us on every hand, in regard to both ourselves and others as well as what is going on in the world, and everyone is faced by the question as to his attitude toward this false testimony. If we accept false testimony, our thoughts are guided toward it so that much weight is added on the side of false thinking. It is easy to fall into the habit of letting things pass for what they seem to be instead of challenging them with the truth and keeping our thinking on the right side.

To be free from the influence of false thinking means much more than refuting its claims. We must go further and take a constructive and vigorous stand for Truth, building it into our conscious life. We must unsee the false, oppose a positive attitude to its suggestions, and not slacken our opposition so long as any echo of its influence is mentally audible. Unless we deal with it in this radical way, error is liable to reassert itself in some other form. Remember always that the opposite of good has no power of itself and depends upon our thought for what it is to us.

Deliverance from error or evil is not an accident

or a chance event; it comes from an intelligent change of attitude toward life and its affairs in which good is given the supreme place. This naturally calls for the surrender of the human to the divine in our entire mental life. The vital question always is whether our thoughts are divine or human, whether they are the outcome of Truth or of error. Our resurrection to spiritual freedom will not come except as we definitely emerge from materiality.

In the allegory of the Garden of Eden, there is another tree besides the tree of false knowledge, and that is the tree of life. Real life is activity, intelligence, freedom, and perennial goodness. To partake of the tree of life is to be spiritually active and to be identified with all that is wholesome, helpful, and divine. In his letter to the Galatians, Paul names some of the fruits of this tree, such as "love, joy, peace, good temper, kindliness, generosity, fidelity, gentleness, self-control:-there is no law against those who practice such things" (Moffatt translation). Here we have two kinds of fruit to choose between, the one good, the other bad. We would not select decayed fruit for our table; and why should we select less than the best obtainable to be taken into our life consciousness. And the best is always obtainable.

Jesus said, "As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father; so he that eateth me, he also shall live because of me." As this cannot be taken in a material sense, it must refer to feeding on the spiritual idea or divine Truth that Jesus represented and to which His life was bearing witness. "Eateth me"—what could be more expressive or

significant! To have a keen appetite or hunger for divine things, for the Truth that came from heaven, as we have for the delectable things that we provide for our table; to have this same kind of hunger and relish for the bread of heaven, for the graces of Spirit, for the things that make man like God—this hunger should be natural and normal to the followers of Truth. We could all become better acquainted with the divine reality of things if we really wanted to. We could assimilate the conditions of heavenly-mindedness in our consciousness if we were desperately anxious to acquire them. It is foolish to accept more of the disappointment and discontent of this lower world before seeking the things of God with all our heart, and mind, and soul.

TO BE CONTINUED

#### HERITAGE

The earth is mine for heritage and I
A child of love. Why then should I deign
To lift a beggar's cup for alms, when sky
And sea bring riches to my door—of rain
And sun and light of stars; when wealth of field
And stream is ever mine, and mine, earth's yield?
I have drunk deeply of the cup supplied
By Him who carves the hills, directs the tide,
And hangs the stars upon the firmament.
Within this bounty shall my soul abide,
Partaking fully of its sacrament.

-Elizabeth E. Barnes

## I Meet My God in Silent Prayer

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# POWER AND DOMINION

#### ILLUMINATION

Spiritual power is the capacity of Being to produce an effect; it is your innate control over your thoughts and feelings. Pray for the quickening power of the all-knowing word from on high, which must precede your realization of dominion. "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit is come upon you." God is all-power. Power and dominion over every thought and feeling are given unto you by Spirit. Your prayers and aspirations should be pervaded by the spirit of power and authority.

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The breath of the Almighty is the inspiration of Spirit; the silent movement of God within your being. Jesus breathed upon His disciples and said, "Receive ye the Holy Spirit." The Holy Spirit bap-

Join with us in realizing the truth of this prayer: tism is the quickening of the spiritual nature, which is reflected in mind and body. Spiritual baptism takes on divinity; it is affirmative; it is positive. This inpouring of the Holy Spirit is the second baptism—the most precious gift of God—and comes to those who seek first His kingdom and His righteousness.

The illuminating power of the Holy Spirit breathes through me, and I am conscious of my divine authority.

#### **PROSPERITY**

Prosperity is based on the understanding that God, in the beginning, prepared abundant supply for all His children. However, God does not give us things; He gives us ideas that produce things.

The origin of all substance is the idea of substance. The substance idea is purely spiritual and can be apprehended only by the mind. Spiritual realization of divine substance enriches the soil or thought-substance of the mind. Jesus considered divine substance the treasure field in which He could find the fulfillment of His every need.

Bear in mind that there is the omnipresent law of prosperity. Enter into the very Truth of Being and observe this law. Realize that the Father is always with you and that you are in a "far country" only when you forget His presence. He is constantly giving you just what you acknowledge and accept under His law. The rules of the law are:

First, if you have thought of poverty as a reality deny it out of consciousness. Second, begin to build up brain cells that never heard about anything but God's abundance. Establish the consciousness that only good will be attracted to you and your life will be a perfect joy.

Every victory over mortal limitations is followed by a realization of infinite supply. This thought stuff may be made active by holding the following prosperity prayer:

I am no longer anxious about finances. God is my all-sufficiency in all things. Abundance now manifests in my affairs.

#### HEALING

Health is the normal condition of man because man is the offspring of God, and God-Mind rests in a perpetual realization of health. Through this knowledge of Being, man is restored to divine harmony. He knows the Truth about himself and conforms to it in all his thinking.

The healing word has back of it the idea of perfect health. To contact the healing power, we move into the realm of ideas. When the zone of Spirit from which the healing word emanates is unobstructed, the consciousness is fed and the word is creative and re-creative. This is why the sayings of prophets and mystics have such enduring qualities. They are attached by invisible currents of life to the

one great Spirit.

"God is Spirit." The foundation of all healing is in understanding the character of God and man. Visible things are the product of and are controlled by an invisible force. The Spirit in man is man's supermind, called Christ. Through Christ we attain the glorious manhood and womanhood which God idealized for us. "Christ in you, the hope of glory." Christ in us is a fountain of spiritual life. When we acknowledge this, we feel the thrill of the more abundant life that the Christ in Jesus affirmed. "It is the Spirit that giveth life; the flesh profiteth nothing."

In the realization of your spiritual wholeness,

speak with us this healing word:

Springing into newness of life through Christ, I am harmonized and healed.

## You Can Remain Youthful

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Atthough old age is glamorized by poets and religion offers immortality as the ultimate reward, the fact remains that we prefer youth. Despite its complications, life is fun and worth preserving. But the fun is in direct ratio to the continuance of good health and physical faculties. To derive the fullest zest from living, we must retain a semblance of youth as others have done. At the age of one hundred and twenty, Moses said that his eyes were not dim nor his strength impaired. Noah in his five hundredth year built an ark the size of a modern cargo ship. What was their secret?

Before we learn how to avoid old age, let us examine its tendencies. In the first place, what causes the human body to lose the beauty of its maturity? Scientists see the changes in tissue and cells under the microscope, yet the causes for disintegration remain a mystery. And why do parts of one's body, for instance, the liver, the eyes, the nerves, or the brain, tend to age at various periods as though that particular organ ran by a faster clock? Persons who arrive at the century mark feel qualified to give the recipe for their attainment, yet such pronouncements are contradictory. One centenarian abstains from everything that another considers the joy of living. There is sufficient evidence to prove that one's living and eating habits are not the sole reason for longevity. A diet rich in proteins doubtlessly is beneficial in restoring physical cells. The Magyars in central Europe subsist largely on dairy products and among them the age of one hundred and twenty-five is not unusual.

Nor can hardships be blamed for a shorter life span. Many men have gone through the rigors and privations of warfare and yet attained ages over a hundred. At the last G.A.R. reunion one oldster of a hundred and eight was registered. No, there is something beyond the physical aspect that contributes to prolonged youth.

Past generations sought a fountain containing the waters of perpetual youth. Alchemists sought it in the test tube. Explorers searched the unknown hinterlands. The Spanish adventurer, Ponce de Leon, became famous in his search for the fabulous Fountain of Youth. At one time, the fountain was believed to be somewhere in the Bahamas. Later it was rumored to be located on the island of Bimini. Even though no exemplars of its rejuvenating powers were produced the search went on.

Since Sir James Jeans, the famed British physicist, made his statement that the universe appeared as the great thought of a mathematical thinker, the quest for long life has openly taken on a new aspect. The study of psychosomatics, with its proof of the influence of mind over bodily health and functions, has spurred the search. World War II produced countless cases of disabilities induced not by physical inability of the affected part to function properly but by the inability of the mind to will it. Everyone has read of the miraculous feats of cripples placed in an emergency that meant action or death. Bedridden

patients have gotten up, and wheel chairs have been abandoned. What can be accomplished in dire need can be performed in ordinary life if the right mental attitude is behind the effort.

The old concept that we are a body endowed with a mind is being replaced with the new belief that we are mind living in a body. We are part of the universal mind from which evolved the universe. The same force generating in us generates in plants and animals, something intangible beyond the reach of the finest microscope. Some magnificent law designed the cells of our body to function as miniatures in the master plan of the universe, small bodies rotating around a center. As far as science can push back the barriers of knowledge there is a revelation of power operating in smaller and smaller units. Matter is something that is indestructible. It can be transmuted from visible to invisible forms but it can never be destroyed. Therefore, something within each person is eternal.

There are three rules, or secrets, available to all who would prolong the best years of their lives.

The first rule is to remember that the body renews itself without the aid of the conscious mind. As cells wear out, they are replaced with new ones. A great intelligence within the body knows how to accomplish this when unhampered by worry from the conscious mind. The body renews and repairs its various parts at various intervals. Thigh bones require approximately a year, while the skin may be replaced in fourteen days. Generally speaking, it can be said that every nine months the body is entirely made over. Hence, we start out once a year with a

new body. Each year, we have a new chance.

The second secret for eternal youth is to find new mental interests. Never say you cannot paint or draw or play music. Just because you have never done these things does not mean that you are lacking in artistic talent. You may not paint a masterpiece that will sell for thousands of dollars, but you'll have fun trying. And as you branch into new fields, never compare your progress with that of a successful professional. If you do, you may become discouraged and even develop an inferiority complex. Whatever your work, it is your own self-expression and is a wonderful tonic for mind and body.

The third secret is to develop new spiritual values. Look at people not as they are but as they are trying to become. They may be far from their goal, but each one is trying to improve. Don't criticize. Close your eyes to what displeases you. There is quality in the lowliest deserving of admiration. Ask yourself if you could have done as well under similar circumstances. Radiate love. Nothing warms the heart so much as the feeling of being loved. When you give love it is bound to be returned and to kindle a glow in your own consciousness.

Thomas Edison once said that nobody dies; "they merely lay down their lives." Old age is not a matter of the years you have spent upon this earth. It is determined by your enthusiasm, your desire to face a new and exciting future instead of reflecting on past glories or mistakes. Our body renews itself to give us another chance. Our spirit is eternal. The world is resplendent in avenues to beckon our mind onward. So why grow old?

## "Truth Is Caught"

#### HELEN S. CARPENTER

In TIMES PAST, I have had a tendency to let my enthusiasm and zeal for helping people run away with my good judgment. My relatives, friends, and casual acquaintances did not always welcome the Unity literature I was determined they should have. While some were too polite to say so and met my efforts with indifference, others had no hesitancy in reminding me that if they wanted help they would ask for it. Consequently, I became a little more tactful and tried to use a little more discernment before I offered Unity literature.

Jesus said, "By their fruits ye shall know them." A sound and practical way to spread Unity is to live it. In other words, people's reluctance to accept Unity is often tempered by their interest in the results apparent in the one who uses Truth. If greater health is expressed in the body, more abundant prosperity and success are manifest in affairs, and a spirit of happiness and joy are constantly being radiated, people naturally want to know how they can attain like results.

Little did I realize what an adventure in Truth would come from my patronizing the beauty shop in a large department store in my home city. How little we know what work God has for us to do! All God's children are His representatives, His stewards in the world. Yet, it never occured to me, when this particular beauty shop was recommended, what widespread good was to come forth.

On my first visit, the operator assigned to me was pleasant and agreeable, and her work was entirely satisfactory. Although she found out in a roundabout way that I was interested in Unity, she showed no special interest. One day after I had patronized her for nearly a year, she mentioned a copy of UNITY magazine that she had read a number of years ago. It seemed to be an opening, and I asked if she would like a subscription. She gladly accepted the offer. From that day, a new life opened to her. From that small beginning, Truth practically revolutionized that beauty shop.

I shall call the operator my friend, for she became just that. Her daughter had a serious health problem. She had an infection in her arm, which had started from a small boil and had gone into the bone. She was fast losing the use of her arm, and my friend was alarmed. I recommended that she call Silent Unity, which she did, and soon her daughter was on the road to health. It was a miracle! The doctor's report had been discouraging, and when the healing began, as it naturally should after prayer and faith have been employed, my friend's joy knew no bounds.

Later she told me that even her own health had improved. "Formerly I consulted a doctor for every little ache and pain. Now I don't have those aches and pains, and I haven't felt the need of medicine for a long time," she said.

From that healing, which was witnessed by a number of girls, Unity spread in that shop. Each time I had an appointment instead of taking just one

magazine I took several for her to give to those she felt might be helped by them. I cautioned her to use wisdom in passing them out. If one of the girls showed some evidence of interest, well and good, but if not, there was no cause for discouragement. "Too many people want help to bother with those who don't want it," I told her. "But they need it here so badly," she would say. Nevertheless, she followed the advice and was rewarded.

Many problems confronted my friend, some were financial, some had to do with her grown children and their domestic affairs, and some dealt with harmony in the shop. One day, she greeted me with a broad smile: "I have a prosperity bank. I saw an advertisement in UNITY magazine and I sent for one. Already I have rented two of my apartments." The old saying "Truth is not taught, it is caught" is literally true. For Truth caught on, not only in the beauty shop but in other departments of the store.

In the company restaurant where she lunched, my friend told the waitresses about the bank plan and how it had helped her rent her apartments and increase her prosperity. "Write for a bank, and I will give you your first deposit to place in it, so you will be sure to get started on the right path," she told them. "I want everyone to know about the prosperity bank," she exclaimed enthusiastically to me. "By watching my thoughts and words and radiating happiness and joy to my customers, my friends, and my co-workers, I am making more money than I have in a long time. My son recently secured a job in an unexpected way. It was just the work he wanted, and now he has time to finish his

college education, and all because I am using the prosperity bank. I would no more think of neglecting my bank drill and dropping my coin in the bank than I would think of neglecting to eat."

My friend's enthusiasm for the prosperity bank plan was shared by the two maids who operated the supply room in the beauty shop. Both girls studied UNITY magazine and Daily Word, which I gave them, and in time requested banks. "Money that used to be spent for cigarettes now goes into my pros-perity bank, and would you believe that my desire to smoke completely left me when I started the drill!" one of the girls told me. "My husband wrote for a bank, and since he's been practicing the drill, he is making more money than he ever made before. Instead of squandering our money over the week ends, as we used to do, a sizable amount goes into our savings account for the business we want to buy. Wonderful things are happening to me, and for the first time in our life, my husband and I are completely happy," she added.

The other girl told me of her adventure in using the prosperity bank. "My brother-in-law was an alcoholic. He wanted to be free of the drink habit; yet he was not able to overcome the desire. Consequently, he was ill and discouraged. I told him to write for a bank and to follow each step of the drill and to remember that God was his help in every need. Today he is free from drink, studying and praying and working with all his heart to be respected and honored again by his friends and family. He attends church every Sunday, something he never did be-

fore."

The Daily Word lesson for each day is pinned on the wall in the supply room as a constant reminder to the operators who come for their supplies that these two girls are contributing their share toward the peace and harmony of the shop. Each operator is privileged to read the lesson for the day, and several do.

Both girls were so grateful and enthusiastic that they offered to pay me for bringing Unity to them. But my adventure in serving my fellow men has brought me greater recompense than money. The realization that I am God's representative, that He needs me, His humble servant, is beyond any financial reward. Jesus knew the great good that is ours when we open our heart and our hands to give of what we have. "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over . . . For with what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again."

Giving and sharing is the only way to receive added blessings. We may feel that we have little to give, but if we will obey the impulse to give when opportunity presents itself, the promise God made to us will be richly fulfilled in our life. "Prove me now herewith, saith Jehovah of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

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I will fear no evil, for thou art with me.—PSALMS

# Sunday LESSONS

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# Lesson 6, May 6, 1951

UNITY SUBJECT—Love Leads to Strength.

INTERNATIONAL SUBJECT—Israel's Great King.
—II Sam. 5:1-5; 8:15; I Chron. 22:17-19.

1. Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

2. In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was thou that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and Jehovah said to thee, Thou shalt be shepherd of my people Israel, and thou shalt be prince over Israel.

3. So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a convenant with them in Hebron before Jehovah: and they anointed David king

over Israel.

4. David was thirty years old when he began to reign,

and he reigned forty years.

- 5. In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.
- 15. And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed justice and righteousness unto all his people.
- 17. David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, saying,

18. Is not Jehovah your God with you? and hath he not given you rest on every side? for he hath delivered the inhabitants of the land into my hand; and the land

is subdued before Jehovah, and before his people.

19. Now set your heart and your soul to seek after Jehovah your God; arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of Jehovah God, to bring the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of Jehovah.

#### GOLDEN TEXT-

One thing have I asked of Jehovah, that will I seek after:

That I may dwell in the house of Jehovah all the days of my life,

To behold the beauty of Jehovah, And to inquire in his temple.

---PSALMS 27:4.

SILENT PRAYER—The strength of my life is in the assurance of the Spirit of truth dwelling within me, which I now express.

The perfecting of love in the heart and soul, like the development of other qualities, is a process of growing that requires time and practice to make it a permanent asset to character. Before David came to the throne of Judan his struggles were almost continuous. He was at war throughout his reign, sometimes with the heathen tribes that remained in Canaan and, at other times, with rebellious subjects such as Absalom, who tried to take the kingdom from Him. The struggle in which the higher self prevails and the soul is established in divine love requires unremitting vigilance.

In the beginning, David was anointed king of the

house of Judah only. The name Judah means "praise Jehovah," and it is through praise that love is established in consciousness. God is love, and His kingdom is "within you," in the depths of subconsciousness. David learned to praise Jehovah, as amply evidenced in the Psalms.

However, it is not enough merely to praise God. We must learn to be at peace with our neighbors. If we are proud of our ability to fight and to defeat our adversary, we are a long way from the kingdom. We cannot be anointed king over Judah until we are willing to praise the good wherever it makes itself manifest, and we must keep our mind open to perceive good everywhere. David saw good in Saul, though Saul hated him. No one can be worthy of greatness until he gives up pettiness and littleness of spirit and develops generosity, which is one aspect of spiritual principle.

It was in Hebron that the men of Judah came and anointed David king over them. The name Hebron means "joined together, friendship, brotherhood." This gathering of the men at Hebron for the purpose of acknowledging their king represents our conscious recognition that love shall reign supreme in consciousness. Love, henceforth, shall feed our thoughts (the people) and shall be prince over Israel.

Love reigns supreme over the realities of life, as David reigned over all Israel. Love of God leads us to do what is just and right and to keep our thoughts in divine order ("David executed justice and right-eousness unto all his people.")

Peace springs from love and draws its strength and power from this source. "David commanded

all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son." Divine love, when quickened in us, gives us confidence and the assurance of well-being. "Is not Jehovah your God with you? and hath he not given you rest on every side?" Given authority over our thoughts, love subdues all strife, discord, and inharmony, leaving instead harmony and unity. "The land is subdued before Jehovah, and before his

people."

To set our heart and soul to seek after Jehovah is to turn the strength of our desire to the things of God. The longer love is held in the heart and developed by faithful expression, the stronger it grows. The law of growth applies to it. Every faculty that is exercised in harmony with divine law increases in strength and power. "Arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of Jehovah God." As we develop the power of spiritual truth, we learn to express it in mind, body, and affairs. The body then becomes a fitting temple of the living God, "the house that is to be built to the name of Jehovah."

#### QUESTIONS

1. Does the law of growth apply to love?

- 2. In order that the higher self may prevail and the soul be established in divine love, what is required?
- 3. Besides praising God, what else should we do?
- 4. Does the habit of seeing good everywhere help us to be worthy of the kingdom?
- 5. In this lesson, what represents our conscious recognition that love shall reign supreme in consciousness?
- 6. What does the love of God lead us to do?

### Lesson 7, May 13, 1951

### UNITY SUBJECT-Union or Disunion.

INTERNATIONAL SUBJECT—National Corruption and Decay.—I Kings 12:20; 16:23-28, 30; Amos 6:1-6.

20. And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was returned, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.

23. In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to reign over Israel, and reigned twelve years:

six years reigned he in Tirzah.

24. And he bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two talents of silver; and he built on the hill, and called the name of the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, the owner of the hill, Samaria.

25. And Omri did that which was evil in the sight of Jehovah, and dealt wickedly above all that were before

him.

- 26. For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sins wherewith he made Israel to sin, to provoke Jehovah, the God of Israel, to anger with their vanities.
- 27. Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might that he showed, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

28. So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in

Samaria; and Ahab his son reigned in his stead.

- 30. And Ahab the son of Omri did that which was evil in the sight of Jehovah above all that were before him.
- 1. Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and to them that are secure in the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel come!
- 2. Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the

Philistines: are they better than these kingdoms? or is their border greater than your border?

3. —Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the

seat of violence to come near;

4. That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;

5. That sing idle songs to the sound of the viol; that

invent for themselves instruments of music, like David;

6. That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief oils; but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.

#### GOLDEN TEXT-

Righteousness exalteth a nation;
But sin is a reproach to any people.

—Prov. 14:34.

SILENT PRAYER—In Christ, all my powers are united, and I work to achieve the unity of Spirit in the bond of peace.

The power that resides in joint action and accord has been demonstrated in our age as never before. It has convinced many that all the nations make up "one world" and that they must work together instead of striving among themselves for individual ascendancy. Except when put to divisive uses, the discoveries of science tend to unite all nations into one. World War II proved that there is strength in unity—the threat of wholesale defeat united the Allies into a working union of such effectiveness that it won victory over a highly organized and well-prepared enemy. The United Nations, organized and operating for the establishment of the peaceful and harmonious relations

among all nations, is a similar step toward the victory of world-wide amity and accord.

The universal welfare will be served only as the nations learn to work together and live peaceably as a community of peoples. This is the obvious conclusion from the dire experiences of the last war.

Before universal unity can be achieved, there must be national unity. Each nation must learn to co-ordinate its powers, join its forces, achieve internal peace and prosperity. Until this is done, it cannot go far along the road to international accord.

National unity also has an antecedent condition. That condition is unity of the individual. The divided mind leads to failure, as is illustrated by the division of Solomon's well-knit empire into the separate kingdoms of Israel and Judah under Rehoboam. Conversely, the unified mind achieves dominion over life, self-mastery, a life that expresses both peace and power. He who is master of his faculties has learned to fuse his objective and subjective interests into one, so that they fall into accord. The divided mind is represented by the kingdoms of Israel and Judah from the time of Jeroboam onward. The objective consciousness is Jeroboam, the subjective Rehoboam. Omni and Ahab, later kings of Israel express the negative qualities of the objective consciousness ("did that which was evil in the sight of Jehovah").

If the nations are to become one world in cooperative effort, as they are one by virtue of being on the same planet, a center of unification is necessary, for oneness cannot exist without a center. This center is a common will and understanding. A common understanding alone is not sufficient, for the will to act as one world must be present also. While, from present indications, this community of will and understanding may seem impossible of realization, we need not despair. Inspired leaders can open the eyes of the world and fire the hearts of mankind to act as one. The world awaits the coming of such leaders, and every Truth student can help to hasten the day by affirming their coming as being fulfilled here and now. "Now is the day of salvation."

A center or focus of energy necessary for the nation that would co-ordinate its divergent forces and become a power for good. The Federal Government has always been accounted such a center, because of the scope of its political power and authority.

It is when we come to the individual that we reach the crux of the whole matter. There again, a center or focus of power is found to be necessary. The center here is the I AM. Through the instrumentality of the I AM, the individual integrates himself with his ideals as a nucleus. The ideals may be high or low, but they must possess heart and mind completely. Service to humanity is a high ideal; the gaining and exercising of power over others is a low one, but both have led men to exert themselves mightily and to centralize their inner powers and resources.

The mightiest ideal that the human heart can conceive of is the ideal of God. Around this, as a focal point, rally forces that are potent to transform our life and our world. The folly of selfishness and self-centered living ends in division and disaster; whereas, sacrificial service to humanity eventually

results in the unifying of the human race under the standard of the Christ.

#### QUESTIONS

- 1. How has the strength that resides in union been demonstrated?
- 2. How can the universal welfare be promoted?

3. What must precede universal accord?

4. What condition must be established before national unity can be realized?

5. What do the separate kingdoms of Israel and

Judah represent?

6. What will be the true center of the one world that prophets and statesmen have foretold and visualized?

### Lesson 8, May 20, 1951

UNITY SUBJECT—A Demonstration of the Power of Spirit.

INTERNATIONAL SUBJECT—Religious Revival in a Nation's Life.—II Kings 18:1-7; Isa. 31:1-3.

1. Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz

king of Judah began to reign.

2. Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Abi the daughter of Zechariah.

3. And he did that which was right in the eyes of Jehovah, according to all that David his father had done.

- 4. He removed the high places, and brake the pillars, and cut down the Asherah: and he brake in pieces the brazen serpent that Moses had made; for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it; and he called it Nehushtan.
  - 5. He trusted in Jehovah, the God of Israel; so that

after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah,

nor among them that were before him.

6. For he clave to Jehovah; he departed not from following him, but kept his commandments, which Jehovah commanded Moses.

7. And Jehovah was with him; whithersoever he went forth he prospered: and he rebelled against the king of

Assyria, and served him not.

1. Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help, and rely on horses, and trust in chariots because they are many, and in horsemen because they are very strong, but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek Jehovah!

2. Yet he also is wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words, but will arise against the house of the evil-doers, and against the help of them that work

iniquity.

3. Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit: and when Jehovah shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall stumble, and he that is helped shall fall, and they all shall be consumed together.

#### GOLDEN TEXT-

Be still, and know that I am God:

I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.

-Psalms 46:10.

SILENT PRAYER—I rely upon the Spirit of God within me to cope with my problems and emergencies.

Materiality is the brazen idol of every age, including the present one. Hoshea, the king of Judah, mentioned in today's lesson text, was weak in the power of Spirit, though not so weak as his predecessors. His name means "salvation, help," but he used his power in negative ways. Contrasted with

him is Hezekiah, king of Judah ("power of Jehovah"), who represents the expression of spiritual strength in the executive power of the mind. Abi, his mother, exerted a spiritual influence over her son. The name Abi means "Jah is father," and she brought to bear that in consciousness which Hezekiah represents; namely, faith in God as the expression of spiritual strength.

Spiritual strength can be expressed in various ways. Hezekiah expressed it first by expelling all who worshiped idols and by breaking down the idols and abolishing the trappings of their polyglot religion. Hezekiah also broke up the brazen serpent that Moses had made in the wilderness when the Children of Israel had no water and cried unto Jehovah for it.

According to an old proverb, "there's safety in numbers." This material philosophy is in direct contradiction of the experience that comes to one by way of spiritual Truth. Mere numbers, lacking the power of spiritual conviction, are of little importance, whereas, the faith that one's efforts are reinforced by the power of the Most High brings invincible courage. Gideon's three hundred men, selected out of the original thirty-odd thousand, scattered the host of the Midianities, which were "as locusts for multitude," because the battle cry "The sword of Jehovah and of Gideon" made them supremely fearless.

The material consciousness (Egypt) is a deceptive guide. Those who go down into the realm of material thought for help, who rely on mere physical vitality (horses) to carry them through to safety,

are doomed to disappointment. Those who trust in chariots (the body activities), because these subconscious forces seem unfailingly constant, deceive themselves. He who would realize true strength and power to bring his good to pass must keep in mind the Holy One of Israel (the highest concept of the spiritual life) in the midst of him.

No common bond exists between materiality and spirituality. When the one enters, the other goes out of mind. The two cannot exist together. "The Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit: and when Jehovah shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall stumble, and he that is helped shall fall, and they all shall be consumed together." The ditch is heaped high with such helpers and helped—all alike, blind. Those who can point out the path plainly have had their inner eyes opened to discern good from evil and their hearts turned to love the good and leave the evil to disappear of itself.

We stumble when we come upon a situation with which we are incapable of dealing. Usually we try first to meet it with our own strength, but we find this insufficient to our need. Our age, in common with all other ages in history, is filled with unsolved problems and half-worked puzzles. Until we find the full solution to these, until we find and fit all the pieces into the puzzle of existence, we have no real understanding of our own destiny. Full understanding cannot be gained through material channels, for these are not connected with the higher nature of man.

#### QUESTIONS

1. What is the effect of power when used in negative ways?

2. What have we come to associate with faith in God as expressed in spiritual strength?

3. What form of faith brings us invincible courage?

4. Is the material consciousness (Egypt) a safe guide?

5. When, in a metaphysical sense, do we stumble?

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## Lesson 9, May 27, 1951

UNITY SUBJECT—The Thoughts of God.

## INTERNATIONAL SUBJECT—God Chastens His People.—Jer. 29:1, 4-14.

1. Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders of the captivity, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon.

4. Thus saith Jehovah of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all the captivity, whom I have caused to be carried

away captive from Jerusalem unto Babylon:

5. Build ye houses, and dwell in them; and plant gar-

dens, and eat the fruit of them.

6. Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters: and multiply ye there, and be not diminished.

7. And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captive, and pray unto Jehovah for

it; for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

8. For thus saith Jehovah of hosts, the God of Israel: Let not your prophets that are in the midst of you, and your diviners, deceive you; neither hearken ye to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.

9. For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I

have not sent them, saith Jehovah.

10. For thus saith Jehovah, After seventy years are accomplished for Babylon, I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

11. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith Jehovah, thoughts of peace, and not of evil,

to give you hope in your latter end.

12. And ye shall call upon me, and ye shall go and pray

unto me, and I will hearken unto you.

13. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall

search for me with all your heart.

14. And I will be found of you, saith Jehovah, and I will turn again your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith Jehovah; and I will bring you again unto the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

GOLDEN TEXT—Ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

—Jer. 29:13.

SILENT PRAYER—Divine patience upholds me, and I stand firm on the promise that through devotion I shall find God.

No subject can be mastered without study, application, and close interest. Likewise, divine love and wisdom are not to be acquired without aspiration and effort. To aspire to become conscious of the deep truths of life is to become aware of God, to meditate on Him, and to commune with Him. Those who have long been strangers to the spiritual center of consciousness (Jerusalem) and who are immersed in sense confusion (Babylon) can turn back to the thoughts of God and regain their peace of mind and their hold on the inner realities of being.

Jeremiah's letter to the captives in Babylon contains advice that might well be heeded today by all who are captives of sense confusion. It is advice that will restore them to consciousness of peace, freedom, and security; it is intensely practical advice. The captives were told to build houses and live in them, plant gardens and eat the fruits, rear families and increase rather than diminish. In every way, they were to deport themselves as normal people. Furthermore, they were to act as good, loyal subjects rather than captives. They were to seek the peace of Babylon and even pray to Jehovah for it. Subversive conduct on the part of the captives was not even hinted at. A person whose thoughts are centered on faith in God knows a deeper peace of mind than one whose whole cast of thought is materialistic or atheistic.

When the tenor of life is materialistic and given over to sense confusion, it is vain to expect a sudden transition from sense to spiritual consciousness without a corresponding change in the person's thinking. Hope is one of the Godlike faculties of our nature, but hope that has no foundation more firm than vague desire is not likely to be realized. "Let not your prophets that are in the midst of you, and your diviners, deceive you; neither hearken ye to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed." By the disregard of the laws of our well-being, we "cause to be dreamed" the fantasies that plague us day by day. Often, their source is no higher than indigestion or worry over some situation in our life that calls for clarification.

For the captives, prayer and aspiration toward

freedom became complete, and after the years of activity were accomplished, delivery came. "After seventy years are accomplished for Babylon, I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place." The thoughts of God are "thoughts of peace, and not of evil," thoughts that bring hope and cheer.

Complete devotion is rewarded with fruition. Those who seek God with all their hearts find God and are provided for from the bounty of the Infinite. Those who returned from the Babylonian Captivity were filled with zeal for God, but, in many respects, it was mistaken zeal. It found its outlet in loyalty to ordinances and in strict conformity to the letter of the law, with little understanding of the spirit back of the law, of which freedom is a part. The God that the captives found was not the God of Truth, but the God of captivity. Two or three generations of bondage had conditioned them for partial understanding of the nature of God rather than for communion with a loving Father, and when at last they returned to Jerusalem, it was to a ruined city that they had to rebuild by patient toil before they could live in it.

Loving-kindness is eternal, and its attracting power is always operative. Those whose thoughts are turned toward God feel the attraction of Truth and respond to it. Those who are outside the realm of Truth in consciousness are unaware of its attraction. To be loved with an everlasting love is the blessed state of a son of God. To respond with reciprocal love in the degree possible to the creature is the high privilege bestowed upon mankind by

## our loving, heavenly Father.

#### QUESTIONS

- 1. How can we understand divine love and wisdom?
- 2. In what practical ways is sense confusion dissipated and overcome?
- 3. Does any material gain compensate for the loss of peace and divine order in class strife and economic wars?
- 4. How is peace of mind firmly established?
- 5. What class of signs or presentiments should we ignore?
- 6. Are our findings conditioned by our consciousness?

## PERFECT SIGHT

When my dull eyes shall opened be, With clearer vision I shall see God in each rock, in earth's green sod; Each bush will be aflame with God.

When my dull eyes shall opened be, Each flowing brook, each green-robed tree, Will speak to me of nature's Lord And bring to me His holy word.

When my dull eyes shall opened be, The Christ in all men I shall see— Oh, hasten Thou the glorious day When with God vision I can say, "I see!"

-Fannie Herron Wingate

# Silent UNITY

The illuminating power of the Holy Spirit breathes through me, and I am conscious of my divine authority.

The Society of Silent Unity, founded more than fifty

years ago, is the healing department of Unity School, ministering without seeing them, to those who need help.

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Our Silent Unity group numbers some hundred consecrated workers who are devoting their lives to God's work for humanity. They are proving daily that physical, financial, mental, and spiritual difficulties can be overcome by righteous prayer. Even though everything else may have failed, we shall pray with you, for we have faith that "with God all things are possible."

We pray with you and also instruct you how to pray to the Father in secret in order that you may help yourself. Silent Unity is praying always, and your co-operation in prayer is of mutual benefit. Do not hesitate to write to us for help because your problem is personal. All correspondence is confidential.

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These testimonials come from persons who have been healed by the power of Spirit. Those who wish to gain inspiration from someone whom God has healed may write, in care of the Unity School Editorial Department, to givers of these testimonials. Each letter must be unsealed and give the initials and address of the person to whom it is to be forwarded; also the name and date of the periodicals in which the testimonial appeared.

# Filled with Plenty

SOME time ago I wrote you for help regarding the sale of my sister's house which my husband listed for sale with the firm for which he works.

He advertised the house, held "open house" on it for weeks, and we just could not find a buyer.

Finally in order to get my sister out of her financial difficulties we took over the loan ourselves and rented the house. This may sound as if I did not get the help I was asking for, but I did get it in "full measure."

For many years I have looked at the little house when visiting my sister and thought of how pretty it would be if painted up and made attractive with a little color. And all the time it was for sale I wished that I could buy it and have it for income, as a rental house. Out of a clear sky my husband said, "I don't see why we can't take that house over and rent it." So you see no one could buy the house because I was the rightful owner.

We rented it to one of the boys who works at the office where my husband works. These new renters are painting the interior at their expense, in colors that I could not have chosen better if I had selected them myself. Thank you again for your help.—Mrs. W. G. W., California.

I THANK YOU sincerely for your help through the

prosperity drill.

The business in my store picked up amazingly. I did not hesitate to make adjustments for lost shirts in my laundry, and in all but one case so far the lost shirt turned up. It became a game with me. "I'll pay for the loss and then the shirt will appear."

Other forms of the flow of prosperity to meet my needs became prevalent. Seemed as though I would ask and it would be given; unexpected gifts and loving service were bestowed on me.—M. B.,

Ohio.

# He Shall Have Abundance

Your helpful prayers were answered soon after I

received my prosperity bank.

My husband worked for a large organization and was laid off with several hundred employees. It was truly a miraculous demonstration when he was called back to work long before anyone else. Since then he hasn't lost a day even in the face of more layoffs and unemployment and we know it is only through divine help that this is so.—Mrs. A. P., California.

IT IS TEN years since I received my first prosperity bank. Since that time I have never missed a day in depositing ten cents to send to you for use in helping others. When I first started ten cents was really

more than I could afford. But I knew that as I gave to others so would I receive. How true that has been. The greatest blessing to myself and to others is the change that has come to me in my thought habits. Countless blessings of every kind have come to me and mine.—A. G., California.

## Father, I Thank Thee

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This is to express my deepest appreciation for what you have done for me and to acknowledge gladly the power, the wisdom, and the love of the God that guides us all.

Three weeks ago, when I wrote to you for help. I was where I never had thought I could be-at rock bottom. Not only was I low in my material affairs but I seemed to have lost the ability to contact our loving Father, to whom I have constantly turned for many years.

I never lost faith in God's bounty; only in myself, in my ability to receive. With your help I am again on the upward path. Not since I wrote to you has anyone told me I am too old to work.—E. T.,

California.

I WANT to thank you for your many kindnesses to me. I have been benefited by your treatments. Many things I see in a more spiritual light. Much good has come to me. I was compelled to move, and began to worry about it, but immediately the thought came to me: "There is a right place for everyone in God's world. I was not able to go out and find a room. My sister and cousin kindly offered to help me. This

room is much better than my other room.—A. L. T., Washington.

INCLOSED is one dollar for the renewal of my UNITY subscription. What a great help I get from its pages. It always seems to have the answer I need, especially when I am not very well. Thank you and God bless all friends in Unity.—Mrs. A. P., Ohio.

# His Truth Is a Shield

THE INCOME TAX problem that I spoke to you about was straightened out this morning within ten minutes after my husband entered the collector's office. For days I had held in my mind the thought: "We paid our taxes once and God does not will it that we

pay them again."

The payment we had made was sent to the wrong office and they had neglected to put my husband's account number on his canceled check. While my husband was in the collector's office this morning I stayed in the car and read the Daily Word lesson for today. I said, "Nothing is impossible for God; divine order is now established in my husband's mind, body, and affairs by the power of the indwelling Christ." Thank you, dear friends. Thank you so much for your help.—V. M. R., New Jersey.

THIS FALL I wrote you that we had bought a small, inexpensive but very comfortable home, and I asked you to pray that our little, humble place might be blessed. Last week we had the worst sleet storm that Illinois has experienced in fifteen years, and I have always feared storms. There are huge old elm trees

all around our little house, and Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock the trees began falling. One tree fell in the drive where we always leave our car. But that night my husband had loaned the car to a fellow workman, who had no other way of getting home!

The tree fell directly in the spot where we would have had our car, bringing electric light wires and telephone wires with it. People marveled when they saw how the trees lay all around our small place just as if we had put them there, doing no damage to our roof whatsoever. I went to sleep hearing them fall and cracking all around us, but I said over and over: "I have no fear, for God and love and truth are here." So again I want to thank you for teaching me what to do and say in a time like this.—Mrs. O. S. S., Illinois.

## My Help Cometh from Jehovah

UNITY, which I order through the London center, always carries a helpful message and keeps up a very high standard of inspiration. When the three of us here have read them, they are passed on. I can trace them through several hands and do not know where they finish. A lady in the north of Scotland who received a copy of UNITY from me when in a most despondent condition through ill-health and the sudden passing of her husband was greatly comforted. She is now reading UNITY regularly. Her health has greatly improved, and she has employment at work she likes with an income that keeps her and her ten-year-old son very comfortably. It is really a wonderful service to humanity that the writers of those

articles are doing, and we can never know how farreaching the effect really is.—H. L. F., Scotland.

I WISH to say that I have derived a great deal of good from observing your Lessons in Truth Week this year. I bought the book long ago, then left it at the home of a friend and had not read it for years, thinking it was rated as a book for beginners. As I had been reading UNITY magazine and other metaphysical literature for quite a long time I thought I was ready for somewhat advanced reading. Well, I was surprised to find that every page in Lessons in Truth had a very definite and helpful message for me. I read it through in the appointed time. Now I am reading it through again slowly and carefully. I am marking and memorizing portions of it. I hope you will continue the observance of Lessons in Truth Week.—Mrs. B. L. K., New Mexico.

# Unto Us a Child

WHAT A wonderful, sweet baby we have! I am so happy that I wrote asking you to pray with me during my pregnancy, since everything couldn't be better.

The doctor was planning on many complications, but I just kept my mind on God and repeated continually, the affirmations you sent, and the whole procedure worked wonderfully.

During labor, I didn't suffer at all. My husband

is also happy that everything turned out so well.

The doctor was really "surprised" at the short, easy birth. I felt wonderful afterward and have continued to feel that way. I thank God and Silent Unity again and again.—Mrs. J. M., California.

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# Letters of Myrtle Fillmore A COLLECTION

Myrtle Fillmore, mother of the Unity movement, throughout the years of her ministry corresponded with thousands of people, for her advice was eagerly sought, and she counted it a joy and privilege to help others with problems similar to those which she herself had solved. Extracts from her letters are presented in *Letters* 

of Myrtle Fillmore.

In this book, you will find Mrs. Fillmore's ideas about prayer, healing, development of the faculties, the subconscious, and other deep phases of Truth, which she was highly fitted to impart. On the other hand, the everyday things of life delighted her, and you glimpse the feminine side of her in her shy admission that she did not get to keep house as much as she liked. Her exalted attitude toward maternity proclaimed the warm mother heart in her, and her advice to married people, with which this book closes, is a living testimony to the loving qualities that endeared Myrtle Fillmore to everyone whose life touched hers.

(Letters of Myrtle Fillmore, recommended for Mother's Day giving, is a \$1 Unity book.)

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## Germans Use Prosperity Bank

Some months ago, Unity announced the publication of Tagesworte, an issue of Daily Word in German. This publication contained thirty especially selected lessons translated into the German language and so prepared that the booklet could be used for any thirty days of the year.

Because of the great success of Tagesworte, permission was subsequently asked by Frau Käthe Blenkner to publish a regular monthly edition of Daily Word in Germany, where she resides. This permission was granted, and Unity now sends copies of Daily Word lesson material to Frau Blenkner three months in advance. The lessons are translated into German and printed so that the German edition of Daily Word, called "Das Tägliche" Wort," reaches its subscribers

in Germany at the same time the English version reaches its subscribers here in the United States.

Copies of the original Tagesworte are still available through Unity headquarters, but those wishing to subscribe for the monthly "Das Tägliche Wort" may do so by writing to Frau Blenkner in Germany. In order that her work of publishing this German translation may be supported, it has been made possible for German friends to request a Prosperity Bank from Unity School, Lee's Summit, Missouri, U. S. A., and to save for subscriptions while receiving the benefit of the prayers of Silent Unity. At the end of the 7-week Bank drill, the money thus saved can be sent direct to Frau Käthe Blenkner, Bad Godesberg-Lannesdorf, Post Mehlem, Lindstrasse 16, Germany, British Zone, or by Postscheckkonto Köln (Cologne) 119 296 (for UNITY) for either "Das Tägliche Wort" or other Unity literature.

# "Gray-Clad" Enjoys Good Business



Unity's magazine for business people is daily proving itself a valuable help to men and women in all walks of life. The following letter comes to us from a "grayclad" in a State prison, who receives Good Business through Unity's Silent-70 Department.

"Renew my subscription to Good Business? Why, of course! I don't know how I'd get along without this wonderful periodical. It is with a deep sense of my obligation to you, who make it available to me, that I hasten to request that you continue sending Good Business my way. In fact, I attribute the peace of mind, the new attitude I have assumed toward society and toward the sentence imposed on me, to the influence your publications have exerted on my life. Regarding Good Business, I cannot let this opportunity pass without telling you how much I enjoyed Mrs. West's 'Prosperity's Ten Commandments' and Clinton E. Bernard's inspiring 'Without Visible Means of Support.' These are just two of the many, many interesting, instructive, inspiring articles that have helped me."

Good Business teaches that Christianity is not only the wisest basis for business but also sound economy. A year's subscription is just \$1.

## Lift Up Your Voice

Religious music has a softening, uplifting influence



wherever it is heard, and the world needs more of it today. A book that contains the words and music to many of the most inspired hymns is *Unity Song Selections*, a collection of 309 spiritual sopes including songs of

love, healing, consecration, prosperity, peace, and bless-

ing.

One section of this book is devoted to Sunday-school songs, another to responsive readings for use in special Easter, Thanksgiving, and



New Year's programs. In it you will also find *The Prayer* of Faith set to music.

If someone in your home plays the piano, you will enjoy many happy hours with Unity Song Selections and will also find it useful in Sunday school classes or church services.

Unity Song Selections is a beautifully bound hymnbook with a green Keratol cover and gilt-stamped title. It is priced at \$1 a copy. Order yours from Unity School of Christianity, Lee's Summit, Missouri.

# Summer Reading for Children

Now is the time to think about providing the "little folks" in the family with

good books for summer enjoyment. Especially recommended for this purpose is Unity's newest book for children, Crybaby Kangaroo, by Georgia Tucker Smith, which youngsters 4 to 8 years of age are sure to love. A friend in Maryland writes:

"We have just been introduced to Georgia Tucker Smith's delightful stories. My little five-year-old never tires of them, and has adopted the prayer at the close of Crybaby Kangaroo. It is, I believe, the first prayer to make her feel she is actually talking to God."

Each of the eleven stories in Crybaby Kangaroo is written in a charming rhymed-prose style that captivates the fancy of imaginative boys and girls. The book is dedicated by its author "To my son



Jim, and to all children who believe that animals really talk to one another in a language of their own."

Amusingly illustrated in color, Crybaby Kangaroo will bring hours of happiness for the reasonable price of \$1.

## More Praise for YOU Magazine

Since its beginning last November, Unity's newest magazine YOU—for teenagers—has met with an overwhelmingly enthusiastic reception on the part of both young people and adults. One mother of a teen-ager writes:

"Recently, I wrote asking you for a sample copy of YOU. The copy came in just a few days, and after looking it over very carefully, I want to congratulate you on this outstanding teen-age magazine. I have worked for many years with junior-high boys and girls in both the public schools and in the Youth Fellowship of our church. I love them and am always looking for ways and materials that will help guide them during their impressionable years into the way of truth and highest endeavor. I feel that your magazine YOU goes a long way toward accomplishing such a goal. It is excellent and within the vocabulary and age level of teenagers. I am particularly impressed with 'Between the Lines'; I hope this will be a regular feature. I know so many young people who are eager to make the Bible their guide, who want to read it regularly, and yet have great

difficulty in understanding what they read. I believe "Between the Lines" will be of unusual help and value.

"I am inclosing a check for \$3 for three one-year subscriptions for YOU. One is for my own daughter, who is 14 years old. After looking over the sample copy of YOU, she asked if we could subscribe for it. The other two are for teen-age boys. This summer, at a junior-high camp at which I was Counselor, these boys decided to make Jesus' way their way. I believe YOU will help them."

In addition to its spiritualeducation features (which are nonsectarian) YOU magazine presents both fact and fiction stories that appeal to young people, a craft page for hobbyists, a Youth Counselor's column where they may write for advice on personal problems, a Tri-Crostic puzzle page for mental stimulation and vocabulary building, and numerous other features of general interest. The current issue of YOU presents another true story in the "Musical Stardust" series about well-known musicians who live by and recommend Christian principles as the basis for success. This month's "star" is Frankie Laine, a vocalist who is a teen-age favorite.



# Sunday School at Home

In many rural communities, a place to send the children to Sunday school is not always easily accessible. For this reason, many parents follow the practice of giving their youngsters a basic training in religious education at home, relying, for guidance, on the UNITY

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LEAFLET.

UNITY SUNDAY-SCHOOL LEAFLET is a weekly, 4-page nonsectarian paper containing Sunday-school lessons for adults and children of all ages. These lessons are based on the International Sunday School Lessons and are especially suitable for giving children a basic religious training at home. The LEAF-LET comes to your home on the subscription plan for \$1 a year. Lessons are mailed monthly, together with a separate 4-page Teachers' Section containing many suggestions and helps for the teacher in presenting the lessons.

If you should like to have a free sample copy of the UNITY SUNDAY-SCHOOL LEAFLET for examination, we shall be glad to send it to you. Address your request, or

subscription order, to

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# The Premier Edition

OF THE BOOK OF THE YEAR

# THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH

WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE

# Have You Ordered Your Copy?

If you have not already done so, now is the time to order your copy of the book that is bound to be the most soughtafter volume since Unity's LESSONS IN TRUTH. This is the new book THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH, which is being published in connection with the Charles and Myrtle Fillmore Commemoration Program this summer.

The publication date of the premier edition of this book, written by James Dillet Freeman and telling the authentic and inspiring story of the founding and growth of the Unity movement, is being planned to coincide with the dedication of the Charles and Myrtle Fillmore Bridge at Unity headquarters in June. The premier edition will be an especially valuable addition to your Unity library in that it will be an "advance-order-only" edition. The owner's name will be stamped in gold on the cover of the book. It will also be personally autographed by Lowell Fillmore, eldest son of the founders of Unity School and now its president.

THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH will comprise over 300 pages, will be printed on fine book paper and handsomely bound in durable brown Keratol. It will include color-picture inserts of Unity headquarters as well as a number of in-

formative articles written by Charles Fillmore.

The premier edition of THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH will be priced at \$5 a copy. By sending your order before June 10th, you will be entitled to receive a copy of the premier edition. By sending your order at once, you will help Unity to finance the considerable expense of bringing out this new book and also aid Unity to determine how many copies to print. When ordering this special premier edition, be sure to state clearly how you wish your name to appear on the cover of your copy.

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# Across the Nation ...

## Readers of DAILY WORD Say:

"A copy of DAILY WORD came into my hands by chance, and it has helped me so much more than I can ever tell you! The writer, or writers, of these beautifully inspiring thoughts will never realize how this deeply penetrating guidance helps those who are floundering in confusion and uncertainty. It was meant to come my way some day, and it did come when I needed it most; so may I express my thanks for such a wonderful gift to humanity. It shall be my pleasure to tell others of this wonderful help."—Mrs. W. V., Louisiana.

"Isn't it wonderful how a little magazine like DAILY WORD can put so much hope, courage, and understanding into one's life?"—Mrs. E. K., Wisconsin.

"I want to tell you how much DAILY WORD has meant to me and also to my sister and married niece. We each have our separate homes and our own copies of DAILY WORD, and feel it is a vital part of our lives. I especially want to speak of the beautiful covers each month; the articles and poems are wonderful, too, and the dollar doesn't even begin to cover its real worth!"—Miss B. B., California.

"DAILY WORD might well be called 'Daily Food,' for it is the answer to that beloved prayer 'Give us this day our daily bread.' "—Mrs. E. B., New York.

DAILY WORD is a small monthly magazine containing a prayer meditation for each day of the month, also special articles and poems. The subscription price is \$1 yearly.

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# THAN MATERIAL SUCCESS

If you demand infinitely more of life than material success, if you sincerely desire your highest good, begin now to realize that you can bring your highest good into being by learning God's laws, then thinking and acting in accord with them.

If you would like to prosper to a greater degree, you will find

benefit and assistance in the Unity Prosperity Bank plan, which has helped thousands to learn and practice God's laws of prosperity. The Bank plan includes an individual blessing to use when you place a coin in the Bank each day for seven weeks as evidence of your faith in God's willingness to prosper you. The amount you save may be used for UNITY gift subscriptions for your friends.



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# Here Is Your Invitation

## to Take Part in Unity's 1951 Summer Truth-Demonstration Program

How to let go of negative thoughts and establish instead the consciousness of faith in God is the theme of Unity's 1951 Summer Truth-Demonstration Program. The purpose of the program, based on the Unity book GOD IS THE ANSWER, by Dana Gatlin, is to help you put into everyday practice the precepts you have learned thus far in your study of Truth.

Whether you are a beginning or an advanced Truth student, you are cordially invited to join with us during these summer months as we make anew the thrilling discovery that God is the answer to every human problem.

All you need in order to take part in this program is the book GOD IS THE ANSWER and a copy of the auxiliary booklet "Unity's Truth-Demonstration Program for the Summer of 1951." The book GOD IS THE ANSWER is priced at \$1 and may be ordered from your local Unity center or direct from Unity headquarters. The auxiliary booklet "Unity's Truth-Demonstration Program for the Summer of 1951" will be included free with each book ordered, or it will be sent to you without charge at your request if you already have a copy of GOD IS THE ANSWER.

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# Now Comes Spring

Rowena Cheney

A strange new warmth pervades the air And birds are singing everywhere; Once more a grateful heart would bring Its joy . . . to meet returning spring.

The magic cycle has been run:
The summer's hoard of golden sun
Ignited autumn's brilliant pyre
Which fused and flamed with static fire.
Then earth was decked with diadems
Of pearls and crystals—winter's gems.

And now comes spring in robes of rain To wake a sleeping world again, And chant anew, with quickened breath, "Behold! Rejoice! There is no death!"