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Church

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

CHURCH

Wed 3/14/18

-The Bible

1. Acts 20:28 (to 4th ,)

28 ¶ Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God,

2. I Cor. 14:12 forasmuch

12 forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual *gifts*, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church.

3. I Cor. 7:17 1st as

17 as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. And so ordain I in all churches.

4. II Chron. 3:1 Solomon, 2, 6 (to :), 10 in

- 1 Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in mount Moriah, where *the Lord* appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.
- 2 And he began to build in the second *day* of the second month, in the fourth year of his reign.
- 6 And he garnished the house with precious stones for beauty:
- 10 in the most holy house he made two cherubims of image work, and overlaid them with gold.

5. II Chron. 4:1

1 MOREOVER he made an altar of brass, twenty cubits the length thereof, and twenty cubits the breadth thereof, and ten cubits the height thereof.

6. II Chron. 6:1-6 (to ;), 7, 10

- 1 THEN said Solomon, The LORD hath said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.
- 2 But I have built an house of habitation for thee, and a place for thy dwelling for ever.
- 3 And the king turned his face, and blessed the whole congregation of Israel: and all the congregation of Israel stood.
- 4 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled *that* which he spake with his mouth to my father David, saying,
- 5 Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the land of Egypt I chose no city among all the tribes of Israel to build an house in, that my

name might be there; neither chose I any man to be a ruler over my people Israel:

- 6 But I have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there;
- 7 Now it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.
- 10 The LORD therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken: for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built the house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

7. Rom. 16:16

- 16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.

8. I Cor. 3:9-17 we

- 9 we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, *ye are* God's building.
- 10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.
- 11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
- 12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;
- 13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.
- 14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.
- 15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.
- 16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?
- 17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are.

9. Matt. 16:13-18

- 13 ¶ When Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?
- 14 And they said, Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.
- 15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?
- 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

- And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona:
17 for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is
in heaven.
- 18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will
build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

10. Mark 11:15-18 they

- 15 they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast
out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of
the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;
- 16 And would not suffer that any man should carry *any* vessel through the
temple.
- 17 And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be
called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of
thieves.
- 18 And the scribes and chief priests heard *it*, and sought how they might
destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people were astonished at
his doctrine.

11. Matt. 18:1-3, 15-20 1st if

- 1 AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the
greatest in the kingdom of heaven?
- 2 And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,
- 3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as
little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.
- 15 if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between
thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.
- 16 But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in
the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.
- 17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he
neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a
publican.
- 18 Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in
heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
- 19 Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching
any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which
is in heaven.
- 20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the
midst of them.

12. I Cor. 1:2, 3

- 2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in
Christ Jesus, called *to be* saints, with all that in every place call upon the
name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord
3 Jesus Christ.

13. Acts 15:40 Paul, 41

40 Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto
the grace of God.

41 And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.

14. Acts 16:1 (to 1st :), 4, 5

1 THEN came he to Derbe and Lystra:

4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to
keep, that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at
Jerusalem.

5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number
daily.

15. I Peter 2:1-5, 9 ye, 10 (to :)

1 WHEREFORE laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and
envies, and all evil speakings,

2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow
thereby:

3 If so be ye have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.

4 To whom coming, *as unto* a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but
chosen of God, *and* precious,

5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood,
to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

9 ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar
people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you
out of darkness into his marvellous light:

10 Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God:

- Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy

1. SH 583:12-19

12 **CHURCH.** The structure of Truth and Love; what-
ever rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle.

The Church is that institution, which affords proof of
15 its utility and is found elevating the race, rousing the
dormant understanding from material beliefs to the ap-
prehension of spiritual ideas and the demonstration of
18 divine Science, thereby casting out devils, or error, and
healing the sick.

2. SH 595:7

TEMPLE. Body; the idea of Life, substance, and in-

telligence; the superstructure of Truth; the shrine of
9 Love; a material superstructure, where mortals congregate for worship.

3. SH 136:1

136:1 Jesus established his church and maintained his mission
on a spiritual foundation of Christ-healing. He taught
3 his followers that his religion had a divine
Principle, which would cast out error and heal
both the sick and the sinning. He claimed no intelligence,
6 action, nor life separate from God. Despite the persecution this brought upon him, he used his divine power to save men both bodily and spiritually.

The Christ-mission

4. SH 41:14-18

The proofs of Truth, Life, and Love, which Jesus gave
15 by casting out error and healing the sick, completed his earthly mission; but in the Christian Church this demonstration of healing was early lost,
18 about three centuries after the crucifixion.

Healing early lost

5. SH 351:8

The author became a member of the orthodox Congregational Church in early years. Later she learned
9 that her own prayers failed to heal her as did the prayers of her devout parents and the church; but when the
12 spiritual sense of the creed was discerned in the Science of Christianity, this spiritual sense was a *present help*. It was the living, palpating presence of Christ, Truth, which
15 healed the sick.

6. SH 288:20-30

The chief stones in the temple of Christian Science are
21 to be found in the following postulates: that Life is God, good, and not evil; that Soul is sinless, not to be found in the body; that Spirit is not, and
24 cannot be, materialized; that Life is not subject to death; that the spiritual real man has no birth, no material life, and no death.

The chief stones in the temple

27 Science reveals the glorious possibilities of immortal man, forever unlimited by the mortal senses. The Christ-element in the Messiah made him
30 the Way-shower, Truth and Life.

The Christ-element

7. SH 35:20-25

We can
21 unite with this church only as we are new-born of Spirit, as we reach the Life which

Spiritual Eucharist

is Truth and the Truth which is Life by bringing forth
24 the fruits of Love, — casting out error and healing the
sick.

8. SH 358:29-5

Is it likely that church-members have more faith in
30 some Christian Scientist, whom they have perhaps
never seen and against whom they have been warned,
than they have in their own accredited and orthodox
359:1 pastors, whom they have seen and have been taught
to love and to trust?

3 Let any clergyman try to cure his friends by their
faith in him. Will that faith heal them? Yet Scien-
tists will take the same cases, and cures will follow.

9. SH 235:7-10

The teachers of schools and the readers in churches
should be selected with as direct reference to their
9 morals as to their learning or their correct
reading.

Teachers'
functions

10. SH 235:28

Clergymen, occupying the watchtowers of the world,
should uplift the standard of Truth. They should so raise
30 their hearers spiritually, that their listeners
will love to grapple with a new, right idea
and broaden their concepts. Love of Christianity, rather
236:1 than love of popularity, should stimulate clerical labor
and progress. Truth should emanate from the pulpit,
3 but never be strangled there. A special privilege is vested
in the ministry. How shall it be used? Sacredly, in the
interests of humanity, not of sect.

Clergymen's
duty

11. SH 142:18

18 As in Jesus' time, so to-day, tyranny and pride need to
be whipped out of the temple, and humility and divine Sci-
ence to be welcomed in. The strong cords of
21 scientific demonstration, as twisted and wielded
by Jesus, are still needed to purge the temples of their
vain traffic in worldly worship and to make them meet
24 dwelling-places for the Most High.

Temple cleansed

12. SH 136:32-138:1

Jesus patiently persisted in
137:1 teaching and demonstrating the truth of being. His stu-
dents saw this power of Truth heal the sick, cast out evil,
3 raise the dead; but the ultimate of this wonderful work
was not spiritually discerned, even by them, until after the

6 crucifixion, when their immaculate Teacher stood before
them, the victor over sickness, sin, disease, death, and
the grave.

Yearning to be understood, the Master repeated,
9 “But whom say ye that I am?” This renewed inquiry
meant: Who or what is it that is able to do the work, so
mysterious to the popular mind? In his rejection of the
12 answer already given and his renewal of the question,
it is plain that Jesus completely eschewed the narrow
opinion implied in their citation of the common report
15 about him.

With his usual impetuosity, Simon replied for his
brethren, and his reply set forth a great fact: “Thou
18 art the Christ, the Son of the living God!”
That is: The Messiah is what thou hast de-
clared, — Christ, the spirit of God, of Truth, Life, and
21 Love, which heals mentally. This assertion elicited from
Jesus the benediction, “Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-
jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee,
24 but my Father which is in heaven;” that is, Love hath
shown thee the way of Life!

Before this the impetuous disciple had been called
27 only by his common names, Simon Bar-jona, or son of
Jona; but now the Master gave him a spir-
itual name in these words: “And I say also
30 unto thee, That thou art Peter; and upon this rock [the
meaning of the Greek word *petros*, or *stone*] I will build
my church; and the gates of hell [*hades*, the *under-*
138:1 *world*, or the *grave*] shall not prevail against it.”

A divine
response

The true and
living rock

13. SH 28:9-11

9 While respecting all that is good in the Church or out
of it, one’s consecration to Christ is more on the ground
of demonstration than of profession.

14. SH 576:8-14

In Revelation xxi. 22, further describing this holy city,
9 the beloved Disciple writes: —

And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty
and the Lamb are the temple of it.

12 There was no temple, — that is, no material structure
in which to worship God, for He must be worshipped
in spirit and in love.

The shrine
celestial

15. SH 35:19-20 2nd Our Our

church is built on the divine Principle, Love.

- Hymns

Hymn 113

Hymn 113

FROM THE ARMENIAN LITURGY

TRANSLATED BY LEON TOURIAN, ADAPTED

(113)

ARMENIAN HYMN

Holiness becomes Thy house,
'Tis Thou who dost dwell in light;
Thou begirt with majesty,
Gird us with Truth,
And with Thy great might.

Send Thou forth Thy power and love,
In beauty of holiness;
We would here commune with Thee,
Eternal God,
Be Thou near to bless.

O supreme and perfect One,
O Lord, praise to Thee is due;
Clothe us in the grace of love,
Maintain Thy church
To Thy service true.

Hymn 176

Hymn 176

BASED ON THE DANISH OF

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(176)

CHURCH

LUDVIG M. LINDEMAN

Long hast thou stood, O church of God,
Long mid the tempest's assailing,
Founded secure on timeless rock
Rises thy light, never failing;
Shining that all may understand
What has been wrought by God's command,
O'er night and chaos prevailing.

Let there be light, and light was there,
Clear as the Word that declared it;

Healing and peace to all it gave,
Who in humility shared it.
Ah, they were faithful, they who heard,
Steadfast their trust in God's great Word,
Steadfast the Love that prepared it.

Let there be light, the Word shines forth,
Lo, where the new morning whitens;
O church of God, with Book unsealed,
How its page beacons and brightens.
Living stones we, each in his place,
May we be worthy such a grace,
While Truth the wide earth enlightens.

Hymn 537

O church of God, built on a firm foundation,
Standing secure amid the storms of life,
Where all may come to learn of true salvation
And find release from discord, pain, and strife.

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We hear the Word, in song and sermon spoken,
In silent prayer, we turn to God today;
Our humble hearts receive the blessed token
Of truth that guides us in the upward way.

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O Spirit, feed us with Your bread from heaven,
We drink of Your living waters and are free;
And every lesson which Your love hath given,
Oh, may we learn it with humility.

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We feel Your peace, Your arms of Love enfolding,
We lift our hearts in praise and gratitude.
We, from this hour, a glimpse of heaven beholding,
Go forward with our joy and strength renewed.