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Lean on God

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

- The Bible

1. Prov. 3:5 lean

5 lean not unto thine own understanding.

2. Ps. 147:5

5 Great *is* our Lord, and of great power: his understanding *is* infinite.

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

1. SH vii:1-2

vii:1 To those leaning on the sustaining infinite, to-day is
big with blessings.

2. SH 138:25-26

The Christian can prove this to-day as
readily as it was proved centuries ago.

3. SH 2:31-32 God (to ;)

God is
“the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever;”

The Bible cont'd

3. Mic. 3:8 truly, 10, 11 (to ?)

8 truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of
might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.
10 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.
11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire,
and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the
LORD, and say, *Is* not the LORD among us?

4. Ps 121:1-8

1 I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
2 My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.
3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not
slumber.
4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5 The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade upon thy right hand.
6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time
forth, and even for evermore.

5. Heb. 11:1-3, 21

- 1 NOW faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
- 2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.
- 3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.
- 21 By faith Jacob, when he was a-dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, *leaning* upon the top of his staff.

6. Isa. 36:6, 7

- 6 Lo, thou trustest in the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in him.
- 7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is it* not he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and said to Judah and to Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar?

7. Ex. 3:7 1st the, 10-12 (to ;)

- 7 the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which *are* in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;
- 10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.
- 11 ¶ And Moses said unto God, Who *am* I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?
- 12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee;

8. Ex. 4:1-12

- 1 AND Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.
- 2 And the LORD said unto him, What *is* that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.
- 3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.
- 4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:
- 5 That they may believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee.
- 6 ¶ And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand *was* leprous as snow.

- 7 And he said, Put thine hand into thy bosom again. And he put his hand into his bosom again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and, behold, it was turned again as his *other* flesh.
- 8 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.
- 9 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour *it* upon the dry *land*: and the water which thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry *land*.
- 10 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I *am* slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.
- 11 And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?
- 12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

9. Ex. 32:28 1st the (to :), 29

- 28 the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses:
- 29 For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves to-day to the LORD, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day.

10. Gen. 22:17 1st in (to 1st ,)

- 17 in blessing I will bless thee,

11. Matt. 21:9-11 Blessed

- 9 Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.
- 10 And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this?
- 11 And the multitude said, This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.

12. Matt. 5:2-12 (to 2nd :)

- 2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,
- 3 Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4 Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
- 5 Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
- 6 Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
- 7 Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
- 8 Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
- 9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

- 10 Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 11 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.
- 12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven:

13. Prov. 3:5

- 5 ¶ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

14. Mal. 3:10

- 10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD 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.*

- Science and Health cont'd

4. SH 66:6-11

- 6 Trials teach mortals not to lean on a material staff, —
a broken reed, which pierces the heart. We do not
half remember this in the sunshine of joy
9 and prosperity. Sorrow is salutary. Through
great tribulation we enter the kingdom. Trials are
proofs of God's care.

Salutary sorrow

5. SH 10:22-23

Experience teaches us that we do not always receive the blessings we ask for in prayer.

6. SH 4:12

- 12 The habitual struggle to be always good is unceasing prayer. Its motives are made manifest in the blessings they bring, — blessings which, even if not
15 acknowledged in audible words, attest our worthiness to be partakers of Love.

7. SH 321:6

- 6 The Hebrew Lawgiver, slow of speech, despaired of making the people understand what should be revealed to him. When, led by wisdom to cast down his
9 rod, he saw it become a serpent, Moses fled before it; but wisdom bade him come back and handle the serpent, and then Moses' fear departed. In
12 this incident was seen the actuality of Science. Matter was shown to be a belief only. The serpent, evil, under wisdom's bidding, was destroyed through understanding

Fear of the
serpent
overcome

15 divine Science, and this proof was a staff upon which to
lean. The illusion of Moses lost its power to alarm him,
when he discovered that what he apparently saw was really
18 but a phase of mortal belief.

8. SH 170:10-13

The text, “Whosoever
liveth and believeth in me shall never die,” not only con-
12 tradicts human systems, but points to the self-sustaining
and eternal Truth.

9. SH 357:5-6

We sustain Truth, not by accept-
6 ing, but by rejecting a lie.

10. SH 325:7-9

Jesus
gave the true idea of being, which results in infinite bless-
9 ings to mortals.

11. SH 10:6-8

If good enough to profit by Jesus’ cup of
earthly sorrows, God will sustain us under these sor-
rows.

12. SH 43:21-26

21 Jesus rose higher in demonstration because of the cup
of bitterness he drank. Human law had condemned
him, but he was demonstrating divine Science.
24 Out of reach of the barbarity of his enemies,
he was acting under spiritual law in defiance of mat-
ter and mortality, and that spiritual law sustained him.

Divine victory

13. SH 44:20-21

Could it be called supernatural for the God of nature
21 to sustain Jesus in his proof of man’s truly derived power?

14. SH 46:20-24, 30 (only)

Jesus’ unchanged physical condition after what seemed
21 to be death was followed by his exaltation above all ma-
terial conditions; and this exaltation explained
his ascension, and revealed unmistakably a
24 probationary and progressive state beyond the grave.
30 His students then received the Holy Ghost.

Spiritual
ascension

15. SH 47:4

They no longer measured man by material
sense. After gaining the true idea of their glorified Master,

6 they became better healers, leaning no longer on matter,
but on the divine Principle of their work. The influx of
light was sudden. It was sometimes an overwhelming
9 power as on the Day of Pentecost.

16. SH 98:4-7

The prophet of to-day beholds in the mental horizon
the signs of these times, the reappearance of the Chris-
6 tianity which heals the sick and destroys error,
and no other sign shall be given.

Spiritual
foreshadowings

17. SH 202:26-8

24 We
27 admit that God has almighty power, is “a
very present help in trouble;” and yet we rely on a drug
or hypnotism to heal disease, as if senseless matter or err-
30 ing mortal mind had more power than omnipotent Spirit.

Common opinion admits that a man may take cold in
the act of doing good, and that this cold may produce
203:1 fatal pulmonary disease; as though evil could overbear
the law of Love, and check the reward for do-
3 ing good. In the Science of Christianity, Mind
— omnipotence — has all-power, assigns sure
rewards to righteousness, and shows that matter can
6 neither heal nor make sick, create nor destroy.

Sure reward of
righteousness

If God were understood instead of being merely be-
lieved, this understanding would establish health.

18. SH 112:16-22

From the infinite One in Christian Science comes one
Principle and its infinite idea, and with this infinitude
18 come spiritual rules, laws, and their demon-
stration, which, like the great Giver, are “the
same yesterday, and to-day, and forever;” for thus are
21 the divine Principle of healing and the Christ-idea charac-
terized in the epistle to the Hebrews.

Unchanging
Principle

19. SH 81:28-30

In Science, man’s immortality de-
pends upon that of God, good, and follows as a necessary
30 consequence of the immortality of good.

20. SH 143:21-27

You lean on
the inert and unintelligent, never discerning how this de-
prives you of the available superiority of divine Mind.
24 The body is not controlled scientifically by a negative
mind.

Mind is the grand creator, and there can be no power
27 except that which is derived from Mind.

21. SH 144:3-5

3 If Mind is foremost and superior, let us rely upon Mind,
which needs no cooperation from lower powers, even if
these so-called powers are real.

22. SH 91:5

6 Let us rid ourselves of the belief that man is separated
from God, and obey only the divine Principle, Life and
Love. Here is the great point of departure for all true
spiritual growth.

23. SH 201:14 Let

Let us disrobe error. Then, when
15 the winds of God blow, we shall not hug our
tatters close about us.

24. SH 239:12

Let it be understood that success in error is
defeat in Truth. The watchword of Christian Science
is Scriptural: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the
15 unrighteous man his thoughts."

25. SH 208:20-24

Let us learn
21 of the real and eternal, and prepare for the reign of
Spirit, the kingdom of heaven, — the reign and rule of
universal harmony, which cannot be lost nor remain
24 forever unseen.

26. SH 249:6-9

6 Let us feel the divine energy of Spirit, bringing us into
newness of life and recognizing no mortal nor
material power as able to destroy. Let us re-
9 joyce that we are subject to the divine "powers that be."

Renewed
selfhood

27. SH 246:27

27 Life is eternal. We should find this out, and begin the
demonstration thereof. Life and goodness are immortal.
Let us then shape our views of existence into
30 loveliness, freshness, and continuity, rather
than into age and blight.

True life eternal

28. SH 20:27-32

St. Paul wrote, "Let us
lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so
easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that

30 is set before us;” that is, let us put aside material self
and sense, and seek the divine Principle and Science of
all healing.

29. SH 556:1-2

That which is real, is sustained
by Spirit.

30. SH 248:29-32

Let unselfishness, goodness, mercy, justice,

30 health, holiness, love — the kingdom of heaven — reign
within us, and sin, disease, and death will diminish until
they finally disappear.

31. SH vii:1-2

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- Hymns

Hymn 57

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Adapted

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Father, to Thee we turn away from sorrow,
Thou art the fountain whence our healing flows;
Dark though the night, joy cometh with the morrow;
Safely they rest who on Thy love repose.

Should fond hopes fail and skies seem dark before us,
Should the vain cares that vex our days increase,
Comes with its calm the thought that Thou art o'er us;
Then we grow quiet, folded in Thy peace.

Naught shall affright us, on Thy goodness leaning;
Low in the heart faith singeth still her song;
Chastened and blessed we learn life's deeper meaning,
Thus in our meekness Thou dost make us strong.

Hymn 519

Lean on the sustaining infinite

And blessings will be yours

Lean not on person, place, or thing

Or economic laws.

But lean upon all-blessing God

Who will all needs supply
And give it to all abundant good
That money cannot buy.

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Let the healing reign of Truth and life
The reign of Love divine,
Be now established within me
To show Soul's clear design
Of Oneness, indivisible—
Of God and me as one--
As water is to ocean wave,
As sunbeam is to sun.

.
Love with a heart of tenderness
Your enemies and friends;
However hard this may appear
This quality just mends.
For Love is God in action true
A presence that is felt;
A healing and a saving power
That will all discord melt.

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So lean, and let, and love;
This is the balanced Way.
It's free from self-will, pressure stress;
It welcomes in God's day.
The leaning is so gentle;
The letting is so free.
And loving is the only way
To think, and speak and be.

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Hymn 53

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GALLIARD

JOHN DOWLAND

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Everlasting arms of Love
Are beneath, around, above;
God it is who bears us on,
His the arm we lean upon.

He our ever-present guide
Faithful is, whate'er betide;

Gladly then we journey on,
With His arm to lean upon.

From earth's fears and vain alarms
Safe in His encircling arms,
He will keep us all the way,
God, our refuge, strength and stay.

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