

2018-11-21 Glory to God

Wednesday



Holy Bible

1. Luke 2:14

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

2. Ps. 50:7 (to ;), 7 3rd I, 14, 15

Hear, O my people, and I will speak; ... I *am* God, *even* thy God. ... Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

3. Isa. 44:21–23 2nd O

O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me. I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee. Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done *it*: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.

4. Dan. 2:1, 2 (to king), 5 said (to .), 5 if, 10 (to :), 11–13, 16, 19–25, 27, 28 (to .), 36, 47, 48

And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him. Then the king ... said to the Chaldeans, ... if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill. ... ¶ The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: ... And *it is* a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh. For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise *men* of Babylon. And the decree went forth that the wise *men* should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain. ... Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation. ... ¶ Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven. Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his: And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding: He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what *is* in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him. I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and

might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast now made known unto us the king's matter. ¶ Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise *men* of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him, Destroy not the wise *men* of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation. Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, I have found a man of the captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation. ... Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise *men*, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king; But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. ... ¶ This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king. ... The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth *it is*, that your God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret. Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise *men* of Babylon.

5. Lev. 10:3 This (to .)

This *is it* that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified.

6. Luke 4:14

¶ And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

7. Luke 5:18–26 (to 2nd ,)

¶ And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought *means* to bring him in, and to lay *him* before him. And when they could not find by what *way* they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with *his* couch into the midst before Jesus. And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee. And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone? But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts? Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house. And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his own house, glorifying God. And they were all amazed, and they glorified God,

8. Eph. 1:3, 4

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ: According as he hath chosen us

in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:



Science and Health

1. SH 275:26 (only)

The true understanding of God is spiritual.

2. SH 17:14 God (only, to 5th,)

God is infinite, all-power, all Life, Truth, Love,

3. SH 258:1–6, 9

A mortal, corporeal, or finite conception of God cannot embrace the glories of limitless, incorporeal Life and Love. Hence the unsatisfied human craving for something better, higher, holier, than is afforded by a material belief in a physical God and man. ... Man is more than a material form with a mind inside, which must escape from its environments in order to be immortal. Man reflects infinity, and this reflection is the true idea of God.

Infinite
physique
impossible

Infinity's
reflection

4. SH 134:14–30

Man-made doctrines are waning. They have not waxed strong in times of trouble. Devoid of the Christ-power, how can they illustrate the doctrines of Christ or the miracles of grace? Denial of the possibility of Christian healing robs Christianity of the very element, which gave it divine force and its astonishing and unequalled success in the first century. The true Logos is demonstrably Christian Science, the natural law of harmony which overcomes discord, — not because this Science is supernatural or preternatural, nor because it is an infraction of divine law, but because it is the immutable law of God, good. Jesus said: “I knew that Thou hearest me always;” and he raised Lazarus from the dead, stilled the tempest, healed the sick, walked on the water. There is divine authority for believing in the superiority of spiritual power over material resistance.

Absence of
Christ-power

Basis of
miracles

5. SH 243:4

The divine Love, which made harmless the poisonous viper, which delivered men from the boiling oil, from the fiery furnace, from the jaws of the lion, can heal the sick in every age and triumph over sin and death. It crowned the demonstrations of Jesus with unsurpassed power and love. But the same “Mind . . . which was also in Christ Jesus” must always accompany the letter of Science in order to confirm and repeat the ancient demonstrations of prophets and apostles. That those wonders are not more commonly repeated to-day, arises not so much from lack of desire as from lack of spiritual growth.

Ancient
and modern
miracles

6. SH 261:31–7; 262:9

We should forget our bodies in remembering good and the human race. Good demands of man every hour, in which to work out the problem of being. Consecration to good does not lessen man's dependence on God, but heightens it. Neither does consecration diminish man's obligations to God, but shows the paramount necessity of meeting them. Christian Science takes naught from the perfection of God, but it ascribes to Him the entire glory. ...

Forgetfulness
of self

We cannot fathom the nature and quality of God's creation by diving into the shallows of mortal belief. We must reverse our feeble flutterings — our efforts to find life and truth in matter — and rise above the testimony of the material senses, above the mortal to the immortal idea of God. These clearer, higher views inspire the God-like man to reach the absolute centre and circumference of his being.

7. SH 322:26–29; 323:6–18 (to ;)

The sharp experiences of belief in the supposititious life of matter, as well as our disappointments and ceaseless woes, turn us like tired children to the arms of divine Love. ... Through the wholesome chastisements of Love, we are helped onward in the march towards righteousness, peace, and purity, which are the landmarks of Science. Beholding the infinite tasks of truth, we pause, — wait on God. Then we push onward, until boundless thought walks enraptured, and conception unconfined is winged to reach the divine glory. In order to apprehend more, we must put into practice what we already know. We must recollect that Truth is demonstrable when understood, and that good is not understood until demonstrated. If “faithful over a few things,” we shall be made rulers over many;

Uses of
suffering

A bright
outlook

Need and
supply

8. SH 324:4, 13–15; 325:10, 26

The purification of sense and self is a proof of progress. “Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.” ... Be watchful, sober, and vigilant. The way is straight and narrow, which leads to the understanding that God is the only Life. ... In Colossians (iii. 4) Paul writes: “When Christ, who is our life, shall appear [be manifested], then shall ye also appear [be manifested] with him in glory.” When spiritual being is understood in all its perfection, continuity, and might, then shall man be found in God's image. The absolute meaning of the apostolic words is this: Then shall man be found, in His likeness, perfect as the Father, indestructible in Life, “hid with Christ in God,” — with Truth in divine Love, where human sense hath not seen man. ... The time cometh when the spiritual origin of man, the divine Science which ushered Jesus into human presence, will be understood and demonstrated.

Indestructible
being

9. SH 3:22–24

Are we really grateful for the good already received? Then we shall avail ourselves of the blessings we have, and thus be fitted to receive more.

10. SH 14:31–5; 15:14–15, 20–22, 28–30

“When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and, when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.” So spake Jesus. The closet typifies the sanctuary of Spirit, the door of which shuts out sinful sense but lets in Truth, Life, and Love. ... In order to pray aright, we must enter into the closet and shut the door. ... We must “pray without ceasing.” Such prayer is answered, in so far as we put our desires into practice. ... Practice not profession, understanding not belief, gain the ear and right hand of omnipotence and they assuredly call down infinite blessings.

Trustworthy
beneficence

11. SH 45:16 (only, to ,)

Glory be to God,



Hymns

1. Hymn. 249:1-2

O, when we see God's mercy / Widespread in every place / And know how flows
the fountain / Of His unbounded grace, / Can we withhold a tribute, / Forbear a
psalm to raise, / Or leave unsung one blessing, / In this our hymn of praise? // Our
gratitude is riches, / Complaint is poverty, / Our trials bloom in blessings, / They
test our constancy. / O, life from joy is minted, / An everlasting gold, / True
gladness is the treasure / That grateful hearts will hold. //

2. Hymn. 72:1-2

Glory be to God on high, / God whose glory fills the sky; / Peace on earth to man is
given, / Man, the well-beloved of heaven. / Gracious Father, in Thy love, / Send
Thy blessings from above; / Let Thy light, Thy truth, Thy peace / Bid all strife and
tumult cease. // Mark the wonders of His hand: / Power no empire can withstand; /
Wisdom, angels' glorious theme; / Goodness one eternal stream. / All ye people,
raise the song, / Endless thanks to God belong; / Hearts o'erflowing with His praise,
/ Join the hymns your voices raise. //

3. Hymn. 374:1-3

We thank Thee and we bless Thee, / O Father of us all, / That e'en before we ask
Thee / Thou hear'st Thy children's call. / We praise Thee for Thy goodness / And
tender, constant care, / We thank Thee, Father-Mother, / That Thou hast heard our
prayer. // We thank Thee and we bless Thee, / O Lord of all above, / That now Thy
children know Thee / As everlasting Love. / And Love is not the author / Of
discord, pain and fear; / O Love divine, we thank Thee / That good alone is here. //
We thank Thee, Father-Mother, / For blessings, light and grace / Which bid
mankind to waken / And see Thee face to face. / We thank Thee, when in anguish /
We turn from sense to Soul, / That we may hear Thee calling: / Rejoice, for thou art
whole. //

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