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The Future

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- Excerpts from the Bible, New Living Translation

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Psalms: My future is in your hands. (31:15)

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Jeremiah: For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. (29:11)

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- The Bible

1. Ps 31:15

15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

2. Prov 16:9

9 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

3. James 4:13-15

13 Go to now, ye that say, To-day or to-morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:

14 Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

15 For that ye *ought* to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.

4. Jer 29:11

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

5. Ps 22:30

30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

6. Ps 37:37

37 Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for the end of *that man is* peace.

7. Ps 102:18

18 This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

8. Gen 26:1-5

- 1 AND there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.
- 2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:
- 3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I swore unto Abraham thy father;
- 4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;
- 5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

9. Isa 46:10

- 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not *yet* done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

10. Gen 39:21-23 the

- 21 the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.
- 22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that *were* in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer *of it*.
- 23 The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing *that was* under his hand; because the LORD was with him, and *that* which he did, the LORD made *it* to prosper.

11. Gen 40:1-8; 41:16 God

- 1 AND it came to pass after these things, *that* the butler of the king of Egypt and *his* baker had offended their lord the king of Egypt.
- 2 And Pharaoh was wroth against two *of* his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.
- 3 And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph *was* bound.
- 4 And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they continued a season in ward.
- 5 ¶ And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which *were* bound in the prison.
- 6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, behold, they *were* sad.
- 7 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that *were* with him in the ward of his lord's house, saying, Wherefore look ye *so* sadly to-day?

8 And they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and *there is* no interpreter of it. And Joseph said unto them, *Do* not interpretations *belong* to God? tell me *them*, I pray you.

16 God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace.

12. Prov 24:14

14 So *shall* the knowledge of wisdom *be* unto thy soul: when thou hast found *it*, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off.

13. I Peter 5:6, 7

6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:

7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

14. Matt 26:64

64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

15. John 14:1-6 (to :), 16-20, 29

1 LET not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.

4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life:

16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

20 At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

29 And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

16. John 16:13

13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

17. I Tim 6:18, 19

18 That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;

19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

18. Eph 4:4

4 *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

19. Acts 26:16

16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

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

1. SH 39:18-27

18 “*Now*,” cried the apostle, “is the accepted time; behold, *now* is the day of salvation,” — meaning, not that now men must prepare for a future-world salvation, or safety, but that now is the time in which to experience that salvation in spirit and in life. Now is the time for so-called material pains and material pleasures to pass away, for both are unreal, because impossible in Science. To break this earthly spell, mortals must get the true idea and divine Principle of all that really exists and governs the universe harmoniously.

Present salvation

2. SH 459:8-11, 31

Judge not the future advancement of Christian Science by the steps already taken, lest you yourself be condemned for failing to take the first step. The Christian Scientist should understand and adhere strictly to the rules of divine metaphysics as laid down in this work, and rest his demonstration on this sure basis.

3. SH 84:3-22 (np)

3 The ancient prophets gained their foresight from a spiritual, incorporeal standpoint, not by foreshadowing evil and mistaking fact for fiction, — predict-

6 ing the future from a groundwork of corpo-
reality and human belief. When sufficiently advanced
in Science to be in harmony with the truth of being, men
9 become seers and prophets involuntarily, controlled not
by demons, spirits, or demigods, but by the one Spirit.
It is the prerogative of the ever-present, divine Mind, and
12 of thought which is in rapport with this Mind, to know
the past, the present, and the future.

Scientific
foreseeing

15 Acquaintance with the Science of being enables us to
commune more largely with the divine Mind, to foresee
and foretell events which concern the universal welfare,
to be divinely inspired, — yea, to reach the range of fetter-
18 less Mind.

To understand that Mind is infinite, not bounded by
corporeality, not dependent upon the ear and eye for
21 sound or sight nor upon muscles and bones
for locomotion, is a step towards the Mind-
science by which we discern man's nature and existence.
24 This true conception of being destroys the belief of spirit-
ualism at its very inception, for without the concession of
material personalities called spirits, spiritualism has no
27 basis upon which to build.

The Mind
unbounded

All we correctly know of Spirit comes from God, divine
Principle, and is learned through Christ and Christian
30 Science. If this Science has been thoroughly
learned and properly digested, we can know
the truth more accurately than the astronomer can read
85:1 the stars or calculate an eclipse. This Mind-reading
is the opposite of clairvoyance. It is the illumination of
3 the spiritual understanding which demonstrates the ca-
pacity of Soul, not of material sense. This Soul-sense
comes to the human mind when the latter yields to the
6 divine Mind.

Scientific
foreknowing

Such intuitions reveal whatever constitutes and per-
petuates harmony, enabling one to do good, but not
9 evil. You will reach the perfect Science of
healing when you are able to read the human
mind after this manner and discern the error you would
12 destroy. The Samaritan woman said: "Come, see a
man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this
the Christ?"

Value of intuition

15 It is recorded that Jesus, as he once journeyed with his
students, "knew their thoughts," — read them scientifi-
cally. In like manner he discerned disease and healed
18 the sick. After the same method, events of great mo-
ment were foretold by the Hebrew prophets. Our

Master rebuked the lack of this power when he said:

21 “O ye hypocrites! ye can discern the face of the sky;
but can ye not discern the signs of the times?”

4. SH 216:3-5

3 Who shall say that man is alive to-day, but may be dead
to-morrow? What has touched Life, God, to such
strange issues?

The serpent of
error

5. SH 150:18-7

18 The science (so-called) of physics would have one be-
lieve that both matter and mind are subject to disease,
and that, too, in spite of the individual’s pro-
test and contrary to the law of divine Mind.

Exploded
doctrine

21 This human view infringes man’s free moral agency; and
it is as evidently erroneous to the author, and will be to
24 all others at some future day, as the practically rejected
doctrine of the predestination of souls to damnation or
salvation. The doctrine that man’s harmony is gov-
27 erned by physical conditions all his earthly days, and that
he is then thrust out of his own body by the operation of
matter, — even the doctrine of the superiority of matter
30 over Mind, — is fading out.

The hosts of Æsculapius are flooding the world with
diseases, because they are ignorant that the human mind
151:1 and body are myths. To be sure, they sometimes treat
the sick as if there was but one factor in the case; but
3 this one factor they represent to be body, not
mind. Infinite Mind could not possibly create
a remedy outside of itself, but erring, finite, human mind
6 has an absolute need of something beyond itself for its
redemption and healing.

Disease mental

6. SH 158:12-15

The future history of material medicine may
correspond with that of its material god, Apollo, who was
banished from heaven and endured great sufferings
15 upon earth.

7. SH 374:17

Ignorance of the cause or approach of disease is no
18 argument against the mental origin of disease. You con-
fess to ignorance of the future and incapacity to preserve
your own existence, and this belief helps rather than
21 hinders disease. Such a state of mind induces sickness.
It is like walking in darkness on the edge of a precipice.
You cannot forget the belief of danger, and your steps
24 are less firm because of your fear, and ignorance of mental

cause and effect.

8. SH 375:15

All unscientific mental practice is erroneous and powerless, and should be understood and so rendered fruitless. The genuine Christian

18 Scientist is adding to his patient's mental and moral power, and is increasing his patient's spirituality while restoring him physically through divine Love.

9. SH 290:16-22

If the change called *death* destroyed the belief in sin, sickness, and death, happiness would be won at the mo-

18 ment of dissolution, and be forever permanent;

but this is not so. Perfection is gained only by perfection. They who are unrighteous shall be un-

21 righteous still, until in divine Science Christ, Truth, removes all ignorance and sin.

Future
purification

10. SH vii:22

A book introduces new thoughts, but it cannot make them speedily understood. It is the task of the sturdy

24 pioneer to hew the tall oak and to cut the rough

granite. Future ages must declare what the pioneer has accomplished.

11. SH 24:11-13, 15

He to whom "the arm of the Lord" is revealed will

12 believe our report, and rise into newness of life with regeneration. The time is not distant

when the ordinary theological views of atonement will undergo a great change, — a change as radical as that

18 which has come over popular opinions in regard to predestination and future punishment.

Radical changes

12. SH 546:1-5

The false belief that spirit is

now submerged in matter, at some future time to be emancipated from it, — this belief alone is mortal.

3 Spirit, God, never germinates, but is "the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever."

Mortality
mythical

13. SH 663:6 I, 31

663 I have proved God's

wisdom and goodness so often that I am willing and thankful to know my future is in His hands and that

all things must work out for the best. I have found a God whom I can love and worship with my whole

heart, and I now read my Bible with interest and understanding.

— R. D. F., Edinburgh,
Scotland.

14. SH 306:13

If Life or Soul and its representative, man, unite for a period and then are separated as by a law of divorce to be brought together again at some uncertain future time and in a manner unknown, — and this is the general religious opinion of mankind, — we are left without a rational proof of immortality. But man cannot be separated for an instant from God, if man reflects God. Thus Science proves man's existence to be intact.

15. SH 305:22-27

In the illusion of life that is here to-day and gone to-morrow, man would be wholly mortal, were it not that Love, the divine Principle that obtains in divine Science, destroys all error and brings immortality to light.

- Hymns
Hymn 391

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CHARLES H. BARLOW

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WAREHAM

WILLIAM KNAPP

Why search the future and the past?
Why do ye look with tearful eyes
And seek far off for paradise?
Before your feet Life's pearl is cast.

As deathless as His spirit free,
The Perfect lives and works today
As in the ancient prophets' lay,
Where there's an open eye to see.

Of all that was and is to come
The present holds the Mind and Cause;
For God lives in eternal laws,
And here today upholds His throne.

Then rise and greet the signs that prove
Unreal the ages' long lament;

The “one far-off divine event”
Is now, and that event is Love.

Hymn 234

Hymn 234, 235

WASHINGTON GLADDEN*

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MARYTON

H. PERCY SMITH

(235)

BROCKHAM

JEREMIAH CLARK

O Master, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way;
In peace that God alone can give,
With thee, O Master, let me live.

Hymn 291

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JOHN NEWTON*

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PASCHAL

LUDVIG M. LINDEMAN

Quiet, Lord, my froward heart,
Make me gentle, pure, and mild,
Upright, simple, free from art;

Make me as a little child,
From distrust and envy free,
Pleased with all that pleaseth Thee.

What Thou shalt today provide
Let me as a child receive,
What tomorrow may betide
Calmly to Thy wisdom leave;
'Tis enough that Thou wilt care,
Why should I the burden bear?

As a little child relies
On a care beyond its own,
Being neither strong nor wise,
Will not take a step alone,
Let me thus with Thee abide,
As my Father, Friend, and Guide.