

## 2019-10-02 Righteous judgement



The readings are from our Pastor: The Holy Bible and the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures", by Mary Baker Eddy.



### The Holy Bible

#### 1. I Kings 3:8 thy, 9

... thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

#### 2. Isa. 9:2, 6, 7

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. ...

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

#### 3. Luke 2:52

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

#### 4. Luke 7:36–43, 48

¶ And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat. And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him: for she is a sinner. And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee.

And he saith, Master, say on. There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most? Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged. ...

And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

**5. Ps. 103:2–4, 10–12**

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; ...

He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

**6. Ps. 89:13–16**

Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand. Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face. Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy countenance. In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

**7. Prov. 3:5–7**

¶ Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. ¶ Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.

**8. Matt. 13:18, 19, 23**

¶ Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side. ...

But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

**9. Isa. 55:7**

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

**10. Prov. 9:6, 8–10 rebuke**

Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding. ...

... rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee. Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.

**11. Luke 6:31 as, 36, 37**

... as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise. ...

Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

**12. I John 4:7, 8, 12, 13, 16, 17**

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. ...

No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. ...

And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

**13. Deut. 31:8**

And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

**14. John 7:24**

Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.



## Science and Health

**1. SH 458:32-1**

Christianity causes men to turn naturally from matter to Spirit, as the flower turns from darkness to light.

**2. SH 78:28**

Spirit blesses man, but man cannot “tell whence it cometh.” By it the sick are healed, the sorrowing are comforted, and the sinning are reformed. These are the effects of one universal God, the invisible good dwelling in eternal Science.

**3. SH 475:23–5**

And God said: “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.”

Man is incapable of sin, sickness, and death. The real man cannot depart from holiness, nor can God, by whom man is evolved, engender the capacity or freedom to sin. A mortal sinner is not God's man. Mortals are the counterfeits of immortals. They are the children of the wicked one, or the one evil, which declares that man begins in dust or as a material embryo. In divine Science, God and the real man are inseparable as divine Principle and idea.

Man  
unfallen

**4. SH 289:8**

A wicked mortal is not the idea of God. He is little else than the expression of error. To suppose that sin, lust, hatred, envy, hypocrisy, revenge, have life abiding in them, is a terrible mistake. Life and Life's idea, Truth and Truth's idea, never make men sick, sinful, or mortal.

Wickedness  
is not man

**5. SH 476:21–22**

Learn this, O mortal, and earnestly seek the spiritual status of man, which is outside of all material selfhood.

**6. SH 542:3, 19–21**

Material beliefs would slay the spiritual idea whenever and wherever it appears. Though error hides behind a lie and excuses guilt, error cannot forever be concealed. Truth, through her eternal laws, unveils error. Truth causes sin to betray itself, and sets upon error the mark of the beast. Even the disposition to excuse guilt or to conceal it is punished. The avoidance of justice and the denial of truth tend to perpetuate sin, invoke crime, jeopardize self-control, and mock divine mercy. ...

Murder brings  
its curse

... Let Truth uncover and destroy error in God's own way, and let human justice pattern the divine.

Retribution  
and remorse

**7. SH 447:20–27**

Expose and denounce the claims of evil and disease in all their forms, but realize no reality in them. A sinner is not reformed merely by assuring him that he cannot be a sinner because there is no sin. To put down the claim of sin, you must detect it, remove the mask, point out the illusion, and thus get the victory over sin and so prove its unreality.

**8. SH 452:12–14**

When error confronts you, withhold not the rebuke or the explanation which destroys error.

**9. SH 448:28–2**

It is Christian Science to do right, and nothing short of right-doing has any claim to the name. To talk the right and live the wrong is foolish deceit, doing one's self the most harm. Fettered by sin yourself, it is difficult to free another from the fetters of disease. With your own wrists manacled, it is hard to break another's chains.

Adherence to  
righteousness

**10. SH 130:26–2; 131:3–7, 10**

If thought is startled at the strong claim of Science for the supremacy of God, or Truth, and doubts the supremacy of good, ought we not, contrariwise, to be astounded at the vigorous claims of evil and doubt them, and no longer think it natural to love sin and unnatural to forsake it, — no longer imagine evil to be ever-present and good absent? Truth should not seem so surprising and unnatural as error, and error should not seem so real as truth. ... There is no error in Science, and our lives must be governed by reality in order to be in harmony with God, the divine Principle of all being.

All evil  
unnatural

When once destroyed by divine Science, the false evidence before the corporeal senses disappears. ... The central fact of the Bible is the superiority of spiritual over physical power.

**11. SH 192:4–9, 19–31**

We are Christian Scientists, only as we quit our reliance upon that which is false and grasp the true. We are not Christian Scientists until we leave all for Christ. Human opinions are not spiritual. They come from the hearing of the ear, from corporeality instead of from Principle, and from the mortal instead of from the immortal. ...

... In Science, you can have no power opposed to God, and the physical senses must give up their false testimony. Your influence for good depends upon the weight you throw into the right scale. The good you do and embody gives you the only power obtainable. Evil is not power. It is a mockery of strength, which ere long betrays its weakness and falls, never to rise.

The one  
real power

We walk in the footsteps of Truth and Love by following the example of our Master in the understanding of divine metaphysics. Christianity is the basis of true healing. Whatever holds human thought in line with unselfed love, receives directly the divine power.

**12. SH 6:3–5**

Divine Love corrects and governs man. Men may pardon, but this divine Principle alone reforms the sinner.

**13. SH 323:6–9**

Through the wholesome chastisements of Love, we are helped onward in the march towards righteousness, peace, and purity, which are the landmarks of Science.

A bright  
outlook

**14. SH 326:3–5, 12–14**

If we wish to follow Christ, Truth, it must be in the way of God's appointing. Jesus said, "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also." ...

We must forsake the foundation of material systems, however time-honored, if we would gain the Christ as our only Saviour.

**15. SH 367:10**

This is what is meant by seeking Truth, Christ, not "for the loaves and fishes," nor, like the Pharisee, with the arrogance of rank and display of scholarship, but like Mary Magdalene, from the summit of devout consecration, with the oil of gladness and the perfume of *gratitude*, with tears of repentance and with those hairs all numbered by the Father.

Gratitude  
and humility

**16. SH 444:16–19**

Let us be faithful in pointing the way through Christ, as we understand it, but let us also be careful always to "judge righteous judgment," and never to condemn rashly.

Charity  
to those  
opposed



**Hymns**

**1. Hymn. 460**

Come, O fount of every blessing, / Tune our hearts to sing Your grace. / Streams of mercy never ceasing, / Call for songs of deepest praise. / While the truth of life's perfection / Fills our hearts with joy and love, / Teach us ever to be faithful, / May we still Your goodness prove. /

Come, O fount of every vision, / Lift our eyes to what will come. / See the lion and the young lamb / Dwell together in Your home. / Hear the cries of war fall silent, / Feel our love glow like the sun. / When we all serve one another, / Then our heaven is begun. /

Come, O fount of inspiration, / Turn our lives to higher ways. / Lift our gloom and desperation, / Show the promise of this day. / Help us bind ourselves in union, / Help our hands tell of our love. / With Your grace, O fount of justice, / Earth be fair as heaven above.

**2. Hymn. 163**

Jesus, what precept is like thine: / Forgive, as ye would be forgiven; / If heeded, O what power divine / Would then transform our earth to heaven. /

So from our hearts must ever flow / A love that will all wrong outweigh; / Our lips must only blessings know, / And wrath and sin shall die away. /

For it is Mind's most holy plan / To bring the wanderer back by love; / Then let us win  
our brother man, / And glorify our God above.

**3. Hymn. 590**

To God compose a song of joy; / To God make melody, / Whose arm of strength does  
wondrous things, / Whose hand brings victory! /

Before the nations God reveals / A just and righteous will, / With steadfast love and  
faithfulness / God loves all people still. /

In every corner of the earth, / God comes to save and free; / Break forth with shouts of  
holy joy; / All lands, make melody. /

Let seas in all their fullness roar; / Sing, people of all lands; / Let mountains join and  
shout for joy; / Let rivers clap their hands. /

The God of justice comes to save; / Let earth make melody; / For God will judge with  
righteousness / And rule with equity.