2020-06-21 Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?



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First Hymn

1. Hymn. 452

Brood o'er us with Thy shelt'ring wing,
'Neath which our spirits blend
Like brother birds, that soar and sing,
And on the same branch bend.
The arrow that doth wound the dove
Darts not from those who watch and love.

If thou the bending reed wouldst break
By thought or word unkind,
Pray that his spirit you partake,
Who loved and healed mankind:
Seek holy thoughts and heavenly strain,
That make men one in love remain.

Learn, too, that wisdom's rod is given For faith to kiss, and know; That greetings glorious from high heaven, Whence joys supernal flow, Come from that Love, divinely near, Which chastens pride and earth-born fear,

Through God, who gave that word of might Which swelled creation's lay:
"Let there be light, and there was light."
What chased the clouds away?
'Twas Love whose finger traced aloud A bow of promise on the cloud.

Thou to whose power our hope we give, Free us from human strife. Fed by Thy love divine we live, For Love alone is Life; And life most sweet, as heart to heart Speaks kindly when we meet and part.

Scriptural selection

1. John 1:1-5

- 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- ² The same was in the beginning with God.
- ³ All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.
- 4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.
- ⁵ And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

2. Ps. 112:4, 7

- 4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.
- ⁷ He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord.

3. Ps. 36:5-11

- ⁵ Thy mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.
- 6 Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep: O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.
- ⁷ How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
- 8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.
- ⁹ For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.
- 10 O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.
- 11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.

4. Ps. 119:154, 156, 159, 160

- 154 Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.
- 156 Great are thy tender mercies, O Lord: quicken me according to thy judgments.
- 159 Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O Lord, according to thy lovingkindness.
- 160 Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.

Second and Third Hymn

2. Hymn. 130

How wondrous is Thy mercy, Lord, How faithful is Thy kindness. Thou gav'st the treasure of Thy Word; That Word dispels all blindness. Thou holdest all things in Thy sight, For in Thy presence is no night, And in Thy light shall we see light.

Thy judgments are a mighty deep, Thy wisdom past all seeking; Thou watchest when we lie asleep, We trust us to Thy keeping. Thy love doth every blessing shower; It rests alike on man and flower: The whole creation owns Thy power.

3. Hymn. 482

God created us in His own image, All the universe is His creation too; He created us as His reflection, Filling us with wisdom, bold and true.

Life is made for living to the fullest, Spirit made us knowing who we truly are, Knowing how to see reality, Pure and innocent and free, Made in the likeness of our God.

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This clear view of man is perfect, Seen in all the radiance of light; Here we find our nature revealed, Spiritual and whole in God's sight.

Everything our Master Jesus taught us Showed the way to love each other dearly, When he healed the sick and freed the sinner, Seeing them in God's own light so clearly.

As we gain the perfect understanding That eternal Mind is the All-in-all, We shall come to see reality, Pure and innocent and free, Made in the likeness of our God.

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Benediction

Isa. 55:12 ye, 13

- 12 ... ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
- 13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Music selections

Prelude, collection and postlude: I Look to Thee, In Heavenly Love Abiding, Love, Everlasting Arms of Love, Holy Spirit, by Margaret Dorn, from her album "Hymns for

Prayer and Reflections"

<u>Hymn 130</u>: *How Wondrous Is Thy Mercy, Lord*, from the album "The Best Of Larry Groce"

<u>Solo</u>: *Creation*, with words by Mary Baker Eddy, arranged by Peter Link, from the album "Julia Wade - Solos"

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