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Preparation of the Heart

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

- The Bible

1. Jer 31:33 this

33 this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

2. I Sam. 7:3 prepare (to :)

3 prepare your hearts unto the LORD, and serve him only:

3. Ps. 10:17

17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:

4. Ps. 51:1, 6 (to :), 10

1 HAVE mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts:

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

5. Job 11:13, 15 thou shalt be

13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him;

15 thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear:

6. I Kings 3:5-12 (to ;)

5 ¶ In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

6 And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as *it is* this day.

7 And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I *am but* a little child: I know not *how* to go out or come in.

8 And thy servant *is* in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.

9 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?

10 And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing.

- 11 And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment;
- 12 Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart;

7. I Kings 4:29

- 29 ¶ And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that *is* on the sea shore.

8. Isa. 38:3 Remember (to 1st .)

- 3 Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight.

9. Ps. 73:26 God

- 26 God *is* the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

10. Ps. 31:24

- 24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

11. Prov 16:1

- 1 THE preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, *is* from the LORD.

12. Acts 28:25-31 when

- 25 when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,
- 26 Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:
- 27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.
- 28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and *that* they will hear it.
- 29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.
- 30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,
- 31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

13. Luke 24:13-32

- 13 ¶ And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem *about* threescore furlongs.
- 14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened.
- 15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.
- 16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.
- 17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?
- 18 And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?
- 19 And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:
- 20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.
- 21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done.
- 22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre;
- 23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.
- 24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.
- 25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:
- 26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?
- 27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.
- 28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further.
- 29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.
- 30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to them.
- 31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.
- 32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

14. Deut 5:29

29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

15. I Kings 8:61

61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

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

1. SH 365:31-2

The poor suffering heart needs its rightful nutriment, such as peace, 366:1 patience in tribulation, and a priceless sense of the dear Father's loving-kindness.

2. SH 8:28-30

We should examine ourselves and learn what is the affection and purpose of the heart, for in this way 30 only can we learn what we honestly are.

3. SH 587:23-24

HEART. Mortal feelings, motives, affections, joys, and 24 sorrows.

4. SH 366:30-31

30 If we would open their prison doors for the sick, we must first learn to bind up the broken-hearted.

5. SH 19:17-24

Every pang of repentance and suffering, every effort 18 for reform, every good thought and deed, will help us to understand Jesus' atonement for sin and aid its efficacy; but if the sinner continues to pray 21 and repent, sin and be sorry, he has little part in the atonement, — in the *at-one-ment* with God, — for he lacks the practical repentance, which reforms the heart and enables 24 man to do the will of wisdom.

6. SH 322:9-13

It is highly important — in view of the immense work to be accomplished before this recognition of divine Science can come — to turn our thoughts

Searching
the heart

Efficacious
repentance

12 towards divine Principle, that finite belief may be prepared to relinquish its error.

7. SH 333:19-23

Throughout all generations both before and after the Christian era, the Christ, as the spiritual idea, — the reflection of God, — has come with some measure of power and grace to all prepared to receive Christ, Truth.

8. SH 66:6-7

6 Trials teach mortals not to lean on a material staff, — a broken reed, which pierces the heart.

9. SH 265:31-2

The pains of sense are salutary, if they wrench away false pleasurable beliefs and transplant the affections from sense to Soul, where the creations of God are good, “rejoicing the heart.”

Decapitation of error

10. SH 361:25-28

A germ of infinite Truth, though least in the kingdom of heaven, is the higher hope on earth, but it will be rejected and reviled until God prepares the soil for the seed.

11. SH 213:3-5

Of a man it has been said, “As he thinketh in his heart, so is he;” hence as a man spiritually *understandeth*, so is he in truth.

12. SH 241:27-30

The baptism of Spirit, washing the body of all the impurities of flesh, signifies that the pure in heart see God and are approaching spiritual Life and its demonstration.

13. SH 46:5

In the walk to Emmaus, Jesus was known to his friends by the words, which made their hearts burn within them, and by the breaking of bread. The divine Spirit, which identified Jesus thus centuries ago, has spoken through the inspired Word and will speak through it in every age and clime. It is revealed to the receptive heart, and is again seen casting out evil and healing the sick.

Spiritual interpretation

14. SH 312:14-17

People go into ecstasies over the sense of a corporeal

15 Jehovah, though with scarcely a spark of love in their
 hearts; yet God *is* Love, and without Love,
 God, immortality cannot appear.

15. SH 113:5-6

The vital part,
 6 the heart and soul of Christian Science, is Love.

16. SH 451:14-16

Man walks in the
 15 direction towards which he looks, and where his treasure
 is, there will his heart be also.

17. SH 258:31-1

Through spiritual sense you can discern the heart of
 divinity, and thus begin to comprehend in Science the
 259:1 generic term *man*.

18. SH 208:17

John Young of Edinburgh writes: “God is the father
 18 of mind, and of nothing else.” Such an utterance is
 “the voice of one crying in the wilderness” of human
 beliefs and preparing the way of Science. 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.

19. SH 521:12-17 We

12 We
 should look away from the opposite supposition that man
 is created materially, and turn our gaze to the spiritual
 15 record of creation, to that which should be engraved on
 the understanding and heart “with the point of a diamond”
 and the pen of an angel.

20. SH 568:26-30

24 A louder song, sweeter
 27 than has ever before reached high heaven,
 now rises clearer and nearer to the great heart of Christ;
 for the accuser is not there, and Love sends forth her
 30 primal and everlasting strain.

21. SH 34:13-17

If all who seek his commemoration
 through material symbols will take up the cross, heal
 15 the sick, cast out evils, and preach Christ, or Truth,
 to the poor, — the receptive thought, — they will bring
 in the millennium.

22. SH 45:16 (only)

Glory be to God, and peace to the struggling hearts!

-Hymns: 601, 453, 544

601

With one accord in one place,
In joyful praise to God's grace,
We join together in one divine embrace.

A rushing mighty Spirit
Descends from heaven, hear it:

"I have touched your heart
And made whole your heart,
Now go walk in My light."

All can hear of it,
Hearts revealing it,
Gently moved by Your might.

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Of one accord, of one Mind,
Our healing mission we find.
We pray together – our lives in worship bind.

The Comforter is with us;
Its presence here assures us:

"I am guiding you
And uniting you
Through the love of God's Son."

I am blessing you;
I am healing you;
I am making you one."

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453, "Love" by Mary Baker Eddy

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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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544

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth;
Where charity stands watching
And faith holds wide the door,
The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,
And Christmas comes once more.

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How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given;
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear his coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meekness will receive him, still
The dear Christ enters in.