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Gratitude

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

The Bible

1. I Thess 5:18

18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

2. Rev 11:17 We

17 We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.

3. Isa 25:1, 4

1 O LORD, thou *art* my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful *things*; *thy* counsels of old *are* faithfulness and truth.

4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones *is* as a storm *against* the wall.

4. Isa 26:3, 4 (to 1st :)

3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind *is* stayed on *thee*: because he trusteth in thee.

4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever:

5. Isa 40:28-31

28 ¶ Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding.

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.

6. I Chronicles 29:11-13

11 Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is* *thine*; thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

12 Both riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.

13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

7. Phil 4:18 I have (to :), 19 my

18 I have all, and abound:

19 my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

8. Ps 9:1, 2

1 I WILL praise *thee*, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.

2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.

9. Ps 92:1-4

1 *It is a good thing* to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:

2 To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night,

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound.

4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.

10. Ps 100:4, 5

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *and* into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name.

5 For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; and his truth *endureth* to all generations.

11. Ps 105:1

1 O GIVE thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people.

12. Ps 107:15

15 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

13. Ps 121:1-8

1 I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

2 My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade upon thy right hand.

6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

- 7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
- 8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

14. Ezekiel 34:11, 15, 16 (to :)

- 11 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, *even* I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.
- 15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.
- 16 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up *that which was* broken, and will strengthen that which was sick:

15. Matt 4:23 Jesus

- 23 Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

16. Matt 5:1, 2, 6

- 1 AND seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:
- 2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,
- 6 Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

17. Matt 6:31, 32 for your, 33

- 31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?
- 32 for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.
- 33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

18. Luke 17:11-19

- 11 ¶ And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.
- 12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off:
- 13 And they lifted up *their* voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.
- 14 And when he saw *them*, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.
- 15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,
- 16 And fell down on *his* face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.
- 17 And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where *are* the nine?

- 18 There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.
 19 And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

19. Eph. 3:9 make, 21 (to 1st .)

- 9 make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:
 21 Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end.

20. Ps 23:1-6

- 1 THE LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want.
 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

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

1. SH 2:23 (only, to ?), 26-28 Shall

- God is Love. Can we ask Him to be more? Shall
 27 we plead for more at the open fount, which is pouring forth more than we accept?

2. SH 3:22-30

- Are we really grateful for the good already received? Then we shall avail ourselves of the
 24 blessings we have, and thus be fitted to receive more.
 Gratitude is much more than a verbal expression of thanks. Action expresses more gratitude than speech.
 27 If we are ungrateful for Life, Truth, and Love, and yet return thanks to God for all blessings, we are insincere and incur the sharp censure our Master pronounces on hypocrites.
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3. SH 257:24-27

- Who hath found finite life or love sufficient to meet the demands of human want and woe, — to still the desires, to satisfy the aspirations?
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4. SH 113:3

The letter

of Science plentifully reaches humanity to-day,
but its spirit comes only in small degrees. The vital part,
6 the heart and soul of Christian Science, is Love. With-
out this, the letter is but the dead body of Science, —
pulseless, cold, inanimate.

5. SH 96:15-18

The breaking up of mate-
rial beliefs may seem to be famine and pestilence, want
and woe, sin, sickness, and death, which assume new
18 phases until their nothingness appears.

6. SH 4:3

3 What we most need is the prayer of fervent desire
for growth in grace, expressed in patience, meekness,
love, and good deeds. To keep the com-
6 mandments of our Master and follow his
example, is our proper debt to him and the only
worthy evidence of our gratitude for all that he has
9 done. Outward worship is not of itself sufficient to
express loyal and heartfelt gratitude, since he has
said: “If ye love me, keep my commandments.”

Efficacious
petitions

7. SH 9:17

Dost thou “love the Lord thy God with all thy
18 heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind”?
This command includes much, even the sur-
render of all merely material sensation, affec-
21 tion, and worship. This is the El Dorado of Christianity.
It involves the Science of Life, and recognizes only the
divine control of Spirit, in which Soul is our master,
24 and material sense and human will have no place.

Practical religion

8. SH 2:8-17

God is not moved by the breath of praise to do more
9 than He has already done, nor can the infinite do less
than bestow all good, since He is unchang-
ing wisdom and Love. We can do more for
12 ourselves by humble fervent petitions, but the All-lov-
ing does not grant them simply on the ground of lip-
service, for He already knows all.

Deity
unchangeable

15 Prayer cannot change the Science of being, but it
tends to bring us into harmony with it. Goodness at-
tains the demonstration of Truth.

9. SH 15:25-30

Christians rejoice in secret beauty and bounty, hidden
from the world, but known to God. Self-forgetfulness,
27 purity, and affection are constant prayers.
Practice not profession, understanding not
belief, gain the ear and right hand of omnipotence and
30 they assuredly call down infinite blessings.

Trustworthy
beneficence

10. SH 234:4

Whatever inspires with wisdom, Truth, or Love — be

it song, sermon, or Science — blesses the human family
 6 with crumbs of comfort from Christ's table,
 feeding the hungry and giving living waters to
 the thirsty.

Crumbs of
 comfort

11. SH 501:1-10

501:1 Scientific interpretation of the Scriptures prop-
 erly starts with the beginning of the Old Testa-
 3 ment, chiefly because the spiritual import of
 the Word, in its earliest articulations, often
 seems so smothered by the immediate context as to
 6 require explication; whereas the New Testament narra-
 tives are clearer and come nearer the heart. Jesus il-
 lumines them, showing the poverty of mortal existence,
 9 but richly recompensing human want and woe with
 spiritual gain.

Spiritual
 interpretation

12. SH 568:24-25

24 For victory over a single sin, we give thanks and mag-
 nify the Lord of Hosts.

13. SH 329:5

A little leaven leavens the whole lump. A little under-
 6 standing of Christian Science proves the truth of all that
 I say of it. Because you cannot walk on the
 water and raise the dead, you have no right to
 9 question the great might of divine Science in these direc-
 tions. Be thankful that Jesus, who was the true demon-
 strator of Science, did these things, and left his example for
 12 us. In Science we can use only what we understand. We
 must prove our faith by demonstration.

Imitation of
 Jesus

14. SH 518:15-19

The rich in spirit help the poor in
 one grand brotherhood, all having the same
 Principle, or Father; and blessed is that man who seeth
 18 his brother's need and supplieth it, seeking his own in
 another's good.

15. SH 180:25-27

When man is governed by God, the ever-present
 Mind who understands all things, man knows that with
 27 God all things are possible.

16. SH 181:29 (only)

“Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

17. SH 140:4-13

That God is a corporeal being, nobody can truly affirm.
 The Bible represents Him as saying: “Thou canst not
 6 see My face; for there shall no man see Me,
 and live.” Not materially but spiritually we
 know Him as divine Mind, as Life, Truth, and Love. We
 9 shall obey and adore in proportion as we apprehend the
 divine nature and love Him understandingly, warring no
 more over the corporeality, but rejoicing in the affluence

God invisible to
 the senses

12 of our God. Religion will then be of the heart and not of
the head.

18. vii:1-2

vii:1 To those leaning on the sustaining infinite, to-day is
big with blessings.

19. SH 67:23-24

Grace and Truth are potent beyond all other
24 means and methods.

20. SH 494:15 The (only)

15 The miracle of grace is no miracle to Love.

21. SH 583:12

12 **CHURCH.** The structure of Truth and Love; what-
ever rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle.

22. SH 577:32-5, 16

In the following Psalm one word shows, though faintly,
578:1 the light which Christian Science throws on the Scriptures
by substituting for the corporeal sense, the incorporeal
3 or spiritual sense of Deity: —

PSALM XXIII

[DIVINE LOVE] is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of
my life; and I will dwell in the house [the consciousness]

18 of [LOVE] for ever.

Hymns: 146, 3, 537

146

In God I find a precious gift
That knows no fear, no feud,
That glows so still, serene and pure:
The gift of gratitude.

It brightens all the paths of earth,
Reflecting Truth and right,
For gratitude doth steadfastly
Abide in heavenly light.

With confidence it hails each task,
With courage undismayed,
For naught against Infinity
Can ever be arrayed.

In seamless gratitude I weave
A silent, healing prayer,
With shining threads of ceaseless joy;
For man is God's great heir.

A grateful heart a garden is,
Where there is always room
For every lovely, Godlike grace
To come to perfect bloom.

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A grateful heart a fortress is,
A staunch and rugged tower,
Where God's omnipotence, revealed,
Girds man with mighty power.

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A grateful heart a temple is,
A shrine so pure and white,
Where angels of His presence keep
Calm watch by day or night.

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Grant then, dear Father-Mother, God,
Whatever else befall,
This largess of a grateful heart
That loves and blesses all.

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537

O church of God, built on a firm foundation,
Standing secure amid the storms of life,
Where all may come to learn of true salvation
And find release from discord, pain, and strife.

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We hear the Word, in song and sermon spoken,
In silent prayer, we turn to God today;
Our humble hearts receive the blessed token
Of truth that guides us in the upward way.

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O Spirit, feed us with Your bread from heaven,
We drink of Your living waters and are free;
And every lesson which Your love hath given,
Oh, may we learn it with humility.

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We feel Your peace, Your arms of Love enfolding,
We lift our hearts in praise and gratitude.
We, from this hour, a glimpse of heaven beholding,
Go forward with our joy and strength renewed.