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Unity in Christ

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

The Bible

1. Ps 133:1

- 1 BEHOLD, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell together in unity!

2. Deut. 7:6 thou, 7, 9

- 6 thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that *are* upon the face of the earth.
- 7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye *were* the fewest of all people:
- 9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he *is* God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;

3. Judg 7:1-4 Gideon (to :), 5-7, 9, 12 (to :), 16-18, 20, 21

- 1 Gideon, and all the people that *were* with him, rose up early, and pitched beside the well of Harod: so that the host of the Midianites were on the north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.
- 2 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that *are* with thee *are* too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.
- 3 Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, Whosoever *is* fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.
- 4 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people *are* yet *too* many; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there:
- 5 So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.
- 6 And the number of them that lapped, *putting* their hand to their mouth, were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water.
- 7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the *other* people go every man unto his place.
- 9 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.

- 12 And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the valley like grasshoppers for multitude;
- 16 And he divided the three hundred men *into* three companies, and he put a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and lamps within the pitchers.
- 17 And he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be *that*, as I do, so shall ye do.
- 18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that *are* with me, then blow ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, *The sword* of the LORD, and of Gideon.
- 20 And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow *withal*: and they cried, The sword of the LORD, and of Gideon.
- 21 And they stood every man in his place round about the camp: and all the host ran, and cried, and fled.

4. Eph. 2:4-6 God

- 4 God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
- 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)
- 6 And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:

5. John 13:31 Jesus

- 31 Jesus said, Now is the Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in him.

6. John 15:1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 12, 13

- 1 I AM the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.
- 2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every *branch* that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
- 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
- 5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
- 7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
- 12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.
- 13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

7. Rom 8:28 we, 35, 37-39

- 28 we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

- Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or
35 distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that
loved us.
38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor
principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,
39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us
from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

8. Eph 4:1-7, 13

- 1 I THEREFORE, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy
of the vocation wherewith ye are called,
2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one
another in love;
3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
4 *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of
your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
6 One God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and through all, and in you
all.
7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the
gift of Christ.
13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son
of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness
of Christ:

9. Mark 10:9

- 9 What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

10. James 5:13-16

- 13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing
psalms.
14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let
them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:
15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up;
and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.
16 Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may
be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

11. Phil 2:1-3, 5

- 1 If *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if
any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

- 2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be like-minded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind.
- 3 *Let nothing be done* through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.
- 5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

12. I Cor 1:10

- 10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

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

1. SH 202:3

- 3 The scientific unity which exists between God and man must be wrought out in life-practice, and God's will must be universally done.

2. SH 18:3-5

Jesus of Nazareth taught and demonstrated man's oneness with the Father, and for this we owe him endless homage.

Divine oneness

3. SH 269:5

- 3 Jesus' demon-
- 6 strations sift the chaff from the wheat, and unfold the unity and the reality of good, the unreality, the nothingness, of evil.

4. SH 136:1-6

- 136:1 Jesus established his church and maintained his mission on a spiritual foundation of Christ-healing. He taught
- 3 his followers that his religion had a divine Principle, which would cast out error and heal both the sick and the sinning. He claimed no intelligence, action, nor life separate from God.
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The Christ-mission

5. SH 271:1-5

- Christ's
- Christianity is the chain of scientific being reappearing
- 3 in all ages, maintaining its obvious correspondence with the Scriptures and uniting all periods in the design of God.

6. SH 467:9

- 9 It should be thoroughly understood that all men have one Mind, one God and Father, one Life, Truth, and Love.

Mankind will become perfect in proportion as this fact
 12 becomes apparent, war will cease and the true brother-
 hood of man will be established. Having no other gods,
 turning to no other but the one perfect Mind to guide
 15 him, man is the likeness of God, pure and eternal, hav-
 ing that Mind which was also in Christ.

7. SH 340:15

15 “Thou shalt have no other gods before me.” (Exodus
 xx. 3.) The First Commandment is my favorite text.
 It demonstrates Christian Science. It inculcates the tri-
 18 unity of God, Spirit, Mind; it signifies that man shall
 have no other spirit or mind but God, eternal good, and
 that all men shall have one Mind. The divine Principle
 21 of the First Commandment bases the Science of being, by
 which man demonstrates health, holiness, and life eternal.
 One infinite God, good, unifies men and nations; con-
 24 stitutes the brotherhood of man; ends wars; fulfils the
 Scripture, “Love thy neighbor as thyself;” annihilates
 pagan and Christian idolatry, — whatever is wrong in
 27 social, civil, criminal, political, and religious codes;
 equalizes the sexes; annuls the curse on man, and leaves
 nothing that can sin, suffer, be punished or destroyed.

8. SH 506:10-11

Through divine Science, Spirit, God, unites under-
 standing to eternal harmony.

9. SH 58:2

Unity of
 3 spirit gives new pinions to joy, or else joy’s drooping
 wings trail in dust.

10. SH 91:5

Let us rid ourselves of the belief that man is separated
 6 from God, and obey only the divine Principle, Life and
 Love. Here is the great point of departure for all true
 spiritual growth.

11. SH 304:3-17

3 It is ignorance and false belief, based on a material
 sense of things, which hide spiritual beauty and good-
 ness. Understanding this, Paul said: “Nei-
 6 ther death, nor life, . . . nor things present,
 nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor
 any other creature, shall be able to separate us from
 9 the love of God.” This is the doctrine of Christian
 Science: that divine Love cannot be deprived of its

Man inseparable
 from Love

manifestation, or object; that joy cannot be turned into
 12 sorrow, for sorrow is not the master of joy; that good can
 never produce evil; that matter can never produce mind
 nor life result in death. The perfect man — governed
 15 by God, his perfect Principle — is sinless and eternal.

Harmony is produced by its Principle, is controlled
 by it and abides with it.

12. SH 522:10

Existence, separate from divinity, Science
 explains as impossible.

13. SH 112:16

From the infinite One in Christian Science comes one
 Principle and its infinite idea, and with this infinitude
 18 come spiritual rules, laws, and their demon-
 stration, which, like the great Giver, are “the
 same yesterday, and to-day, and forever;” for thus are
 21 the divine Principle of healing and the Christ-idea charac-
 terized in the epistle to the Hebrews.

Unchanging
 Principle

14. SH 45:16

Glory be to God, and peace to the struggling hearts!
 Christ hath rolled away the stone from the door of hu-
 18 man hope and faith, and through the reve-
 lation and demonstration of life in God, hath
 elevated them to possible at-one-ment with the spiritual
 21 idea of man and his divine Principle, Love.

The stone rolled
 away

15. SH 35:19-25 2nd Our

Our
 church is built on the divine Principle, Love. We can
 21 unite with this church only as we are new-
 born of Spirit, as we reach the Life which
 is Truth and the Truth which is Life by bringing forth
 24 the fruits of Love, — casting out error and healing the
 sick.

Spiritual
 Eucharist

16. SH 444:4, 10-20

“All
 things work together for good to them that love God,” is
 6 the dictum of Scripture.
 Step by
 step will those who trust Him find that “God is our refuge
 12 and strength, a very present help in trouble.”

Students are advised by the author to be charitable
 and kind, not only towards differing forms of religion
 15 and medicine, but to those who hold these dif-

Charity to those
opposed

fering opinions. Let us be faithful in pointing
the way through Christ, as we understand it,
18 but let us also be careful always to “judge righteous judgment,” and never to condemn rashly. “Whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.”

17. SH 205:22-27

Redemption
from selfishness

When we realize that there is one Mind, the divine law
of loving our neighbor as ourselves is unfolded;
24 whereas a belief in many ruling minds hinders man’s normal drift towards the one Mind, one God, and leads human thought into opposite channels
27 where selfishness reigns.

18. 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
15 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
18 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.

19. SH 469:20-21, 25-5

We can have but one Mind, if
21 that one is infinite.

The sole
governor

We lose the high signification of omnipotence, when
after admitting that God, or good, is omnipresent and
27 has all-power, we still believe there is another power, named *evil*. This belief that there is more than one mind is as pernicious to divine theology
30 as are ancient mythology and pagan idolatry. With
470:1 one Father, even God, the whole family of man would be brethren; and with one Mind and that God, or good,
3 the brotherhood of man would consist of Love and Truth, and have unity of Principle and spiritual power which constitute divine Science.

20. SH 470:16-18

The children of God have but one Mind. How
can good lapse into evil, when God, the Mind of man,
18 never sins?

21. SH 519:17

How shall we declare Him, till,
18 in the language of the apostle, “we all come in the unity

of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto
 a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the ful-
 21 ness of Christ”?

22. SH 577:9-11

9 In this divinely united spiritual consciousness, there is no
 impediment to eternal bliss, — to the perfectibility of
 God’s creation.

Hymns 509, 431, 597

509

In Christ there is no East or West,
 in Christ no South or North;
 But one great family of love
 Throughout the whole wide earth.

.
 In Christ shall pure hearts everywhere
 Their true communion find;
 God’s service is the golden cord
 Close-binding humankind.

.
 In Christ now meet both East and West,
 In Christ meet South and North;
 One joyous, true community
 Throughout the whole wide earth.

431

A holy air is breathing round,
 A fragrance from above:
 Be every thought from sense unbound,
 Be every action love.

.
 O God, unite us heart to heart,
 In sympathy divine,
 That we be never drawn apart,
 To love not Thee nor Thine;

.
 But by the life of Jesus taught,
 And all his gracious word,
 Be nearer to each other brought,
 And nearer Thee, O Lord.

597

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 Where charity and love abide,
 We know that God is there,
 And Christ has gathered us as one
 To love the living God.

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 Where charity and love abide,
 Christ’s love lives in our hearts,

And we, through works and words sincere,
Love all as he loved us.

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Where charity and love abide,
We faithfully keep watch
That strife, confusion, may not hide
Our unity in Christ.

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Where charity and love abide,
We find our life through Christ,
And know a joy immense and good,
Forever one with God.

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