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Wings of faith

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

<u>Hymns (see lyrics below)</u>

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The Bible

1. Gen 1:20-22 God, 30, 31 (to 1st.)

- 20 God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.
- 21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.
- 22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.
- 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so.
- And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.

2. Deut. 32:9 the Lord's, 11, 12

- 9 the LORD's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.
- 11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:
- So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

3. Ruth 2:12

The LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.

4. Ps. 91:4 (to:)

4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust:

5. Prov. 27:8

8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so *is* a man that wandereth from his place.

6. II Sam 22:1, 2, 7, 11

- AND David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day that the
- ¹ LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:
- 2 And he said, The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;
- 7 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry *did enter* into his ears.
- And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind.

7. Job 37:23, 24 (to:)

- 23 *Touching* the Almighty, we cannot find him out: *he is* excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict.
- 24 Men do therefore fear him:

8. Job 38:1, 2

- 1 THEN the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,
- 2 Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?

9. Job 39:1 (to 1st?), 13, 26-28

- 1 KNOWEST thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth?
- 13 *Gavest thou* the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings and feathers unto the ostrich?
- 26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward the south?
- 27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?
- 28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.

10. Ps. 17:8

8 Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

11. Ps. 36:7

7 How excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

12. Ps. 55:6 I said

6 I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! *for then* would I fly away, and be at rest.

13. Ps. 57:1

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until *these* calamities be overpast.

14. Ps. 61:3 thou, 4 (to 1st.)

- 3 thou hast been a shelter for me, *and* a strong tower from the enemy.
- 4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings.

15. Ps. 63:7

Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

16. Ps. 84:3

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, *even* thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

17. Isa. 31:5

5 As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver *it*; *and* passing over he will preserve *it*.

18. Isa. 40:31 1st they (to 2nd;)

they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles;

19. Mal. 4:2 unto (to;)

2 unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings;

20. Matt. 8:18-27

- 18 ¶ Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side.
- 19 And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.
- And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air *have* nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.
- 21 And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.
- 22 But Jesus said unto him, Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.
- 23 ¶ And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him.
- And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep.
- 25 And his disciples came to *him*, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.
- And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

27 But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!

21. Matt. 23:37, 39

- O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *thou* that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under *her* wings, and ye would not!
- For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

22. Rev 12:1, 14, 16

- 1 AND there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:
- 14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.
- And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

23. Rev. 19:17

And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

24. Ps 11:1 Flee

1 Flee as a bird to your mountain?

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

1. SH 511:19-22, 28-16

Genesis i. 20. And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl

that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

The

fowls, which fly above the earth in the open firmament

- 512:1 of heaven, correspond to aspirations soaring beyond and above corporeality to the understanding of the incorporeal
- and divine Principle, Love.

Genesis i. 21. And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth

abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after

his kind: and God saw that it was good.

Spirit is symbolized by strength, presence, and power,

- and also by holy thoughts, winged with Love. These angels of His presence, which have the holiest charge, abound in the spiritual atmosphere of
- Mind, and consequently reproduce their own characteristics. Their individual forms we know not, but we do know that their natures are allied to God's nature; and
- spiritual blessings, thus typified, are the externalized, yet subjective, states of faith and spiritual understanding.

2. SH 55:15-16

15 Truth's immortal idea is sweeping down the centuries, gathering beneath its wings the sick and sinning.

3. SH 16:20-23

Only as we rise above all material sensuousness and sin, can we reach the heaven-born aspiration and spiritual consciousness, which is indicated in the Lord's Prayer and which instantaneously heals the sick.

4. SH 34:18-26

- Through all the disciples experienced, they became more spiritual and understood better what the Master had taught. His resurrection was also their resur-
- rection. It helped them to raise themselves and others from spiritual dulness and blind belief in God into the perception of infinite possibilities. They needed this
- quickening, for soon their dear Master would rise again in the spiritual realm of reality, and ascend far above their apprehension.

5. SH 35:14-18

They celebrate their

- Lord's victory over death, his probation in the flesh after death, its exemplification of human probation, and his spiritual and final ascension above matter, or the flesh,
- when he rose out of material sight.

6. SH 46:26-29

In his final demonstration, called the ascen-

sion, which closed the earthly record of Jesus, he rose above the physical knowledge of his disciples, and the material senses saw him no more.

7. SH 167:6-7

We apprehend Life in divine Science only as we live above corporeal sense and correct it.

Seraphic symbols

Fellowship with Christ

8. SH 262:9

We cannot fathom the nature and quality of God's creation by diving into the shallows of mortal belief. We must reverse our feeble flutterings — our efforts to find

life and truth in matter — and rise above the testimony of the material senses, above the mortal to the immortal idea of God. These clearer, higher views inspire the God-

like man to reach the absolute centre and circumference of his being.

9. SH 98:15-18

Beyond the frail premises of human beliefs, above the loosening grasp of creeds, the demonstration of Christian Mind-healing stands a revealed and practical

18 Science.

10. SH 220:8-14

Instinct is better than misguided reason, as even nature declares. The violet lifts her blue eye to greet the early spring. The leaves clap their hands as nature's untired worshippers. The snowbird sings and soars amid the blasts; he has no catarrh from wet feet, and procures a summer residence with more ease than a nabob.

11. SH 298:25-17

Angels are not etherealized human beings, evolving animal qualities in their wings; but they are celestial visitants, flying on spiritual, not material, pinions. Angels are pure thoughts from God, winged with Truth and Love, no matter what their individualism may be. Human conjecture confers upon angels its own forms of thought, marked with superstitious outlines, making them human creatures with suggestive

^{299:1} feathers; but this is only fancy. It has behind it no more reality than has the sculptor's thought when he carves

his "Statue of Liberty," which embodies his conception of an unseen quality or condition, but which has no physical antecedent reality save in the artist's own ob-

6 servation and "chambers of imagery."

My angels are exalted thoughts, appearing at the door of some sepulchre, in which human belief has buried

- its fondest earthly hopes. With white fingers they point upward to a new and glorified trust, to higher ideals of life and its joys. Angels
- are God's representatives. These upward-soaring beings never lead towards self, sin, or materiality, but guide to

Revelation of Science

Thoughtangels

Our angelic messengers

the divine Principle of all good, whither every real individuality, image, or likeness of God, gathers. By giving earnest heed to these spiritual guides they tarry with us, and we entertain "angels unawares."

12. SH 574:6-3

- And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride,
- 9 the Lamb's wife.

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This ministry of Truth, this message from divine Love, carried John away in spirit. It exalted him till he became conscious of the spiritual facts of being and the "New Jerusalem, coming down from God, out of heaven," — the spiritual outpour-

- ing of bliss and glory, which he describes as the city which "lieth foursquare." The beauty of this text is, that the sum total of human misery, represented by
- the seven angelic vials full of seven plagues, has full compensation in the law of Love. Note this, that the very message, or swift-winged thought, which poured
- forth hatred and torment, brought also the experience which at last lifted the seer to behold the great city, the four equal sides of which were heaven-bestowed and
- 24 heaven-bestowing.

Think of this, dear reader, for it will lift the sackcloth from your eyes, and you will behold the softwinged dove descending upon you. The very

- winged dove descending upon you. The very circumstance, which your suffering sense deems wrathful and afflictive, Love can make an angel
- 30 entertained unawares. Then thought gently whispers:
- 575:1 "Come hither! Arise from your false consciousness into the true sense of Love, and behold the Lamb's
- wife, Love wedded to its own spiritual idea."

13. SH 323:6

- Through the wholesome chastisements of Love, we are helped onward in the march towards righteousness, peace, and purity, which are the landmarks
- of Science. Beholding the infinite tasks of truth, we pause, — wait on God. Then we push onward, until boundless thought walks enraptured, and concep-
- tion unconfined is winged to reach the divine glory.

14. SH 261:27-30

Vials of wrath and consolation

Spiritual wedlock

A bright outlook

Fixing your gaze on the realities supernal, you will rise to the spiritual consciousness of being, even as the bird which has burst from the egg and preens its wings for a skyward flight.

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In Love divine all earth-born fear and sorrow Fade as the dark when dawn pours forth her light; And understanding prayer is fully answered, When trustingly we turn to God aright.

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And as on wings of faith we soar and worship, Held by God's love above the shadows dim, Hushed in the grandeur of a heart's awakening, Unfolds a joy unknown till found in Him.

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Then in this radiant light of adoration, We know that man beloved is in God's care, Not wrapped in fear nor bowed with tired labor, But satisfied, complete, divinely fair.

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#455 Lyrics: Mary Baker Eddy

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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,

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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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There is a presence walks with us On every pathless way, A light outshining midday sun However dark the day.

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We reach our hand—and feel God near; We cry—and She replies. We open eyes that sense had dimmed; We stretch our wings and rise

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Above the mist, above the dark, Above the threats of fear, Upheld by Love that never fails And is forever near.

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We cannot stray beyond Love's care, For Love does fill all space; And where we go the path is marked By angels of Love's grace.

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