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Heaven Wednesday, July 20, 2022

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<u>Hymn #140</u>

If on our daily course, our mind Be set to hallow all we find, New treasures still, of countless price, God will provide for sacrifice.

Old friends, old scenes, will lovelier be, As more of heaven in each we see; Some softening gleam of love and prayer Shall dawn on every cross and care.

New mercies, each returning day, Around us hover while we pray; Old fears are past, old sins forgiven, New thoughts of God reveal our heaven.

<u>Hymn #561</u>

Our heavenly Father-Mother Love abiding, We worship You, We praise Your holy name, Teach us Your children evermore to love You; Your will be done in earth as heaven today. Teach us Your children evermore to love You; Your will be done in earth as heaven today.

O give us grace to meet the coming morrow; Forgive our debts as others we forgive. You never lead Your children to temptation Deliver us from evil and from sin. Yours in the kingdom, Yours the power and glory, World without end, forevermore, Amen.

<u>Hymn #557</u>

Our Father-Mother, Your will be done, Our Father-Mother, Your will be done. Our Father-Mother, Your will be done. Our Father-Mother, Your will be done. Our Father-Mother, Your will be done.

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Our Father in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Father in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Father in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Father in heaven, Your kingdom come.

Our Mother in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Mother in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Mother in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Mother in heaven, Your kingdom come. Our Mother in heaven, Your kingdom come. Yours is the power and glory, God. Yours is the power and glory, God.

Readings from our Pastor, The Holy Bible and the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy

The Bible

- 1. Gen 1:1, 8 (to 1st .), 31 (to 1st .)
 - 1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
 - 8 And God called the firmament Heaven.
- 31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good.

2. Ps 19:1 (to ;)

1 THE heavens declare the glory of God;

3. Gen 28:10-13 Jacob, 16, 17 this is

- $_{10}\;$ Jacob went out from Beer–sheba, and went toward Haran.
- 11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.
- 12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.
- 13 And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;
- ¹⁶ ¶ And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew *it* not.
- 17 this *is* none other but the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven.

4. Isa 65:17

¶ For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall ¹⁷ not be remembered, nor come into mind.

- 5. 2 Kings 2:1, 2, 7-11 and they
 - 1 AND it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.
 - 2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Beth–el. And Elisha said *unto him, As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Beth–el.
 - 7 and they two stood by Jordan.
 - 8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped *it* together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground.
 - 9 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee.
 And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.
- ¹⁰ And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: *nevertheless*, if thou see me *when I am* taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be *so*.
- 11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, *there appeared* a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

6. Job 16:19 1st my

19 my witness is in heaven, and my record is on high.

7. Job 22:12 (to ?)

12 *Is* not God in the height of heaven?

8. Matt 11:25

25 ¶ At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

9. Matt 13:45 the kingdom, 46, 47 the kingdom, 51-53

- 45 the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:
- ⁴⁶ Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.
- 47 the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:
- 51 Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto

- ⁵² the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure *things* new and old.
- ⁵³ ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.
- 10. Luke 8:4-15
 - 4 ¶ And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:
 - 5 A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.
 - 6 And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.
 - 7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.
 - 8 And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.
 - 9 And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?
- 10 And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.
- 11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.
- 12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.
- ¹³ They on the rock *are they*, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.
- ¹⁴ And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection.
- 15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep *it*, and bring forth fruit with patience.

11. Luke 13:18-21

- ¹⁸ ¶ Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?
- 19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.
- 20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?
- 21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

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12. Luke 10:17-19, 20 2nd rejoice

- 17 ¶ And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.
- 18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.
- 19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
- 20 rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

13. Luke 17:20, 21

- 20 ¶ And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:
- 21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.
- 14. Mark 16:17, 18, 19 then
- 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;
- 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.
- 19 then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.
- 15. Mal. 3:10 prove
- 10 prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall* not *be room* enough *to receive it*.

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

- 1. SH 587:25-27
 - **HEAVEN.** Harmony; the reign of Spirit; government by divine Principle; spirituality; bliss; the atmosphere
- of Soul.

2. SH 91:1

- 91:1 The Revelator tells us of "a new heaven and a new earth." Have you ever pictured this heaven and
- ³ earth, inhabited by beings under the control of supreme wisdom?

3. SH 6:14-16

To reach

15 heaven, the harmony of being, we must understand the divine Principle of being. 12 Heaven is not a local-

ity, but a divine state of Mind in which all the

- 15 manifestations of Mind are harmonious and immortal, because sin is not there and man is found having no righteousness of his own, but in posses-
- 18 sion of "the mind of the Lord," as the Scripture says.

5. SH 479:18

- ¹⁸ "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep."
- 21 (Genesis i. 1, 2.) In the vast forever, in the Science and truth of being, the only facts are Spirit and its innumerable creations. Darkness and chaos
- 24 are the imaginary opposites of light, understanding, and eternal harmony, and they are the elements of nothingness.

6. SH 16:20-23, 26

Only as we rise above all material sensuousness and

21 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.

Our Father which art in heaven,

27 Our Father-Mother God, all-harmonious,

7. SH 17:1

17:1 Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Enable us to know, — as in heaven, so on earth, — God is
3 omnipotent, supreme.

8. SH 242:9

- 9 There is but one way to heaven, harmony, and Christ in divine Science shows us this way. It is to know no other reality — to have no other conscious-
- ness of life than good, God and His reflection, and to rise superior to the so-called pain and pleasure of the senses.

9. SH 196:18-19

Sin makes its own hell, and goodness its own heaven.

10. SH 35:30-1

30 The design of Love is to reform the sinner. If the sinner's punishment here has been insufficient to re-

Salvation and probation

Chaos and darkness

The one only way

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form him, the good man's heaven would be a hell to 36:1 the sinner.

11. SH 266:20-21

The sinner makes his own hell by doing evil, and the saint his own heaven by doing right.

12. SH 36:24-29

It is useless to suppose that the

wicked can gloat over their offences to the last moment and then be suddenly pardoned and pushed into heaven,

27 or that the hand of Love is satisfied with giving us only toil, sacrifice, cross-bearing, multiplied trials, and mockery of our motives in return for our efforts at well doing.

13. SH 37:25-4

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tians claim to be his followers, but do they follow him in

- 27 the way that he commanded? Hear these imperative commands : "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect!" "Go ye into all the world,
- 30 and preach the gospel to every creature!" "*Heal the sick*!"

Why has this Christian demand so little inspiration

- 38:1 to stir mankind to Christian effort? Because men are assured that this command was intended only for a par-
- 3 ticular period and for a select number of followers.

14. SH 47:31

During his night of gloom and glory in the garden, Jesus realized the utter error of a belief in any possi-

- 48:1 ble material intelligence. The pangs of neglect and the staves of bigoted ignorance smote him sorely. His stu-
- dents slept. He said unto them: "Could ye not watch with me one hour?" Could they not watch with him who, waiting and struggling in voice-
- less agony, held uncomplaining guard over a world?
 There was no response to that human yearning, and so
 Jesus turned forever away from earth to heaven, from
- 9 sense to Soul.

15. SH 57:24-30

The wintry

blasts of earth may uproot the flowers of affection, and scatter them to the winds; but this severance

27 of fleshly ties serves to unite thought more closely to God, for Love supports the struggling heart until it ceases Jesus' teaching belittled

Gethsemane glorified to sigh over the world and begins to unfold its wings for

30 heaven.

16. SH 109:32-12

The three great verities of Spirit, omnipotence, omni-110:1 presence, omniscience, — Spirit possessing all power,

- filling all space, constituting all Science, contradict
 forever the belief that matter can be actual.
- These eternal verities reveal primeval existence as the radiant reality of God's creation,
- 6 in which all that He has made is pronounced by His wisdom good.

Thus it was that I beheld, as never before, the awful

- 9 unreality called evil. The equipollence of God brought to light another glorious proposition, — man's perfectibility and the establishment of the kingdom of heaven on
 12 conthermology
- 12 earth.

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17. SH 174:17

The thunder of Sinai and the Sermon on the Mount are pursuing and will overtake the ages, rebuking in

- their course all error and proclaiming the kingdom of heaven on earth. Truth is revealed. It needs only to
- 21 be practised.

18. SH 208:20-24

Let us learn

- 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 248:29-32

Let unselfishness, goodness, mercy, justice,

30 health, holiness, love — the kingdom of heaven — reign within us, and sin, disease, and death will diminish until they finally disappear.

20. SH 254:31-32

Pilgrim on earth, thy home is heaven; stranger, thou art the guest of God.

21. SH 263:7-10

When mortal man blends his thoughts of existence with the spiritual and works only as God works,

9 he will no longer grope in the dark and cling to earth because he has not tasted heaven.

God's allness learned

- 24 Perfect and infinite Mind enthroned is heaven.
- 23. SH 506:8 (only), 10-12

Genesis i. 8. And God called the firmament Heaven.

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Through divine Science, Spirit, God, unites understanding to eternal harmony. The calm and exalted

- 12 thought or spiritual apprehension is at peace.
- 24. SH 560:10-15

Heaven represents harmony, and divine Science interprets the Principle of heavenly harmony. The great

- 12 miracle, to human sense, is divine Love, and the grand necessity of existence is to gain the true idea of what constitutes the kingdom of
- 15 heaven in man.

25. SH 562:11

The spiritual idea is crowned with twelve stars. The twelve tribes of Israel with all mortals, — separated by belief from man's divine origin and the true

- idea, will through much tribulation yield to
- 15 the activities of the divine Principle of man in the harmony of Science. These are the stars in the crown of rejoicing. They are the lamps in the spiritual heavens
- of the age, which show the workings of the spiritual idea by healing the sick and the sinning, and by manifesting the light which shines "unto the perfect day" as the night
- 21 of materialism wanes.

26. SH 122:1-7

- 122:1 The evidence of the physical senses often reverses the real Science of being, and so creates a reign of discord, —
- 3 assigning seeming power to sin, sickness, and death; but the great facts of Life, rightly understood, defeat this triad of errors, contradict their false
- 6 witnesses, and reveal the kingdom of heaven, the actual reign of harmony on earth.



Exalted thought

True estimate of God's messenger

Spiritual idea crowned

Opposing testimony