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Listening

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Hymns: 20, 307, 175

Hymn 20

Hymn 20, 416

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PIXHAM

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Be true and list the voice within, Be true unto thy high ideal, Thy perfect self, that knows no sin, That self that is the only real.

God is the only perfect One: My perfect self is one with Him; So man is seen as God's own son, When Truth dispels the shadows dim.

True to our God whose name is Love, We shall fulfill our Father's plan; For true means true to God above, To self, and to our fellow-man.

Hymn 307

Hymn 304–309, 456

"FEED MY SHEEP"

MARY BAKER EDDY

(304)

GUIDANCE

LYMAN BRACKETT

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SHEPHERD

ALBERT F. CONANT

(306)

CONCORD

WILLIAM LYMAN JOHNSON

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LLANFAIR

ARR. FROM ROBERT WILLIAMS

(308)

EGERTON

G. THALBEN-BALL

(309)

BENEVOLENCE

E. NORMAN GREENWOOD

Shepherd, show me how to go O'er the hillside steep,
How to gather, how to sow,—
How to feed Thy sheep;
I will listen for Thy voice,
Lest my footsteps stray;
I will follow and rejoice
All the rugged way.

Thou wilt bind the stubborn will, Wound the callous breast,
Make self-righteousness be still,
Break earth's stupid rest.
Strangers on a barren shore,
Lab'ring long and lone,
We would enter by the door,
And Thou know'st Thine own;

So, when day grows dark and cold, Tear or triumph harms,
Lead Thy lambkins to the fold,
Take them in Thine arms;
Feed the hungry, heal the heart,
Till the morning's beam;
White as wool, ere they depart,
Shepherd, wash them clean.

Hymn 175

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VIOLET HAY

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HYFRYDOL

ROWLAND H. PRICHARD

Lo, He sent His Word and healed them, Still that Word of God is here. Still its tender healing message Speaks to every listening ear. Truth divine, that overcometh All the ills that seem to be, In our hearts Thy Word abiding, We may know Thee and be free.

Love divine, that faileth never, Still Thy presence and Thy power Mighty are to save and heal us, Guard and guide us every hour. Life divine, Thy Word proclaimeth All true being one with Thee. Sinless, fearless, whole, rejoicing, Now and through eternity.

The Bible

- 1. Ps 34:11 (to:)
- 11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me:

New Living Translation

Come, my children, and listen to me,

King James Version

- 2. Ps 49:1
 - 1 HEAR this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the world:
- 3. Ps 50:1
 - THE mighty God, *even* the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.
- 4. Proverbs 1:5-9
 - 5 A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

- To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.
- 7 ¶ The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.
- 8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
- 9 For they *shall be* an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

5. Deut 4:1, 2, 4-6 ye

- Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do *them*, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.
- Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *aught* from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.
- 4 ye that did cleave unto the LORD your God *are* alive every one of you this day.
- Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.
- 6 Keep therefore and do *them;* for this *is* your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people.

6. I Sam 3:1-6 the child (to 2nd .), 9, 10

- the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; *there was* no open vision.
- 2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was laid down in his place, and his eyes began to wax dim, that he could not see;
- And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God *was*, and Samuel was laid down *to sleep*;
- 4 That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here am I.
- 5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.
- 6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me.
- Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

7. Prov. 8:32

Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed *are they that* keep my ways.

8. Ezek. 1:3 (to;)

3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar;

9. Ezek. 3:10 Son, 12

- 10 Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.
- Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, *saying*, Blessed *be* the glory of the LORD from his place.

10. Prov. 1:33 whoso

whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

11. Matt 13:1, 9, 16 blessed, 17

- 1 THE same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.
- 9 Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.
- blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.
- 17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear *those things* which ye hear and have not heard *them*.

12. Luke 6:27-31 I say

- I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,
- 28 Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.
- And unto him that smiteth thee on the *one* cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloak forbid not *to take thy* coat also.
- 30 Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask *them* not again.
- And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.

13. John 5:24-26, 30

- Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.
- Verily, Verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.
- For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;
- 30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

14. John 6:45

45 It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

15. John 8:47 (to:)

47 He that is of God heareth God's words:

16. John 10:1-5, 14-16 (to;)

- VERILY, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.
- 2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
- 3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice; and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
- 4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.
- 5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.
- I am the good shepherd, and know my *sheep*, and am known of mine.
- 15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- 16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice;

17. Isa 30:21 thine

thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This *is* the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

19. Rev 13:9

9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

20. Rev 21:3-5 Behold (to 1st.)

- Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.
- 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
- 5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.

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

1. SH 323:28-32

The effects of Christian Science are not so much seen as felt. It is the "still, small voice" of Truth

uttering itself. We are either turning away from this utterance, or we are listening to it and going up higher.

2. SH 308:14

The Soul-inspired patriarchs heard the voice of Truth,

and talked with God as consciously as man talks with man.

3. SH 559:8-12

The "still, small voice"

- of scientific thought reaches over continent and ocean to the globe's remotest bound. The inaudible voice of Truth is, to the human mind, "as when a lion roareth."
- 12 It is heard in the desert and in dark places of fear.

4. SH 117:14-19

Ear hath not heard, nor hath lip spoken, the pure lan-

- guage of Spirit. Our Master taught spirituality by similitudes and parables. As a divine student he unfolded God to man, illustrating and demon-
- strating Life and Truth in himself and by his power over the sick and sinning.

5. SH 38:21-30

Jesus experienced few of the pleasures of the physical

Childlike receptivity

The miracles of Jesus

senses, but his sufferings were the fruits of other people's sins, not of his own. The eternal Christ,

- his spiritual selfhood, never suffered. Jesus mapped out the path for others. He unveiled the Christ, the spiritual idea of divine Love. To those buried in the
- belief of sin and self, living only for pleasure or the gratification of the senses, he said in substance: Having eyes ye see not, and having ears ye hear not; lest ye should un-
- derstand and be converted, and I might heal you.

6. SH 292:19-21

Explaining the origin of material man and mortal mind, Jesus said: "Why do ye not understand my speech?

Even because ye cannot hear my word.

7. SH 54:8-18

Who is ready to follow his teaching and example? All

- 9 must sooner or later plant themselves in Christ, the true idea of God. That he might liberally pour his dear-bought treasures into empty or sin-
- filled human storehouses, was the inspiration of Jesus' intense human sacrifice. In witness of his divine commission, he presented the proof that Life, Truth, and
- Love heal the sick and the sinning, and triumph over death through Mind, not matter. This was the highest proof he could have offered of divine Love. His hearers
- understood neither his words nor his works.

8. SH 213:16-29

Sound is a mental impression made on mortal belief. The ear does not really hear. Divine Science reveals sound as communicated through the senses of Soul—through spiritual understanding.

Mozart experienced more than he expressed. The
rapture of his grandest symphonies was never heard. He
was a musician beyond what the world knew.
This was even more strikingly true of Bee-

- thoven, who was so long hopelessly deaf. Mental melodies and strains of sweetest music supersede conscious sound. Music is the rhythm of head and heart.
- Mortal mind is the harp of many strings, discoursing either discord or harmony according as the hand, which sweeps over it, is human or divine.

Material pleasures

Inspiration of sacrifice

Music, rhythm of head and heart

9. SH 256:9

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The theory of three persons in one God (that is, a personal Trinity or Tri-unity) suggests polytheism, rather than the one ever-present I AM.

Tritheism impossible

"Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord."

10. SH 571:10-12 (to .)

Who is telling mankind of the foe in ambush? Is the informer one who sees the foe? If so, listen and be wise.

11. SH 8:28-21 (to 1st.)

We should examine ourselves and learn what is the affection and purpose of the heart, for in this way

- only can we learn what we honestly are. If a friend informs us of a fault, do we listen patiently to the rebuke and credit what is said? Do we not
- 9:1 rather give thanks that we are "not as other men"?

 During many years the author has been most grateful
- for merited rebuke. The wrong lies in unmerited censure, in the falsehood which does no one any good.

The test of all prayer lies in the answer to these

- questions: Do we love our neighbor better because of this asking? Do we pursue the old selfishness, satisfied with having prayed for some-
- thing better, though we give no evidence of the sincerity of our requests by living consistently with our prayer? If selfishness has given place to kindness,
- we shall regard our neighbor unselfishly, and bless them that curse us; but we shall never meet this great duty simply by asking that it may be done. There is
- a cross to be taken up before we can enjoy the fruition of our hope and faith.

Dost thou "love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind"? This command includes much, even the surrender of all merely material sensation, affec-

tion, and worship.

12. SH 235:28

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Clergymen, occupying the watchtowers of the world, should uplift the standard of Truth. They should so raise their hearers spiritually, that their listeners will love to grapple with a new, right idea and broaden their concepts. Love of Christianity, rather

Searching the heart

Summit of aspiration

Practical religion

Clergymen's duty

- 236:1 than love of popularity, should stimulate clerical labor and progress. Truth should emanate from the pulpit,
- 3 but never be strangled there. A special privilege is vested in the ministry. How shall it be used? Sacredly, in the interests of humanity, not of sect.

13. SH 271:26-5

Those, who are willing to leave their nets or to cast

- 27 them on the right side for Truth, have the opportunity now, as aforetime, to learn and to practise Christian healing. The Scriptures contain it.
- The spiritual import of the Word imparts this power. But, as Paul says, "How shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be
- 272:1 sent?" If sent, how shall they preach, convert, and heal multitudes, except the people hear?
- The spiritual sense of truth must be gained before 3 Truth can be understood. This sense is assimilated only as we are honest, unselfish, loving, and meek.

14. SH 585:1-2

585:1 **EARS.** Not organs of the so-called corporeal senses, but spiritual understanding.

15. SH 505:4-25

Genesis i. 6. And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from

6 the waters.

> Spiritual understanding, by which human conception, material sense, is separated from Truth, is the firmament.

- The divine Mind, not matter, creates all identities, and they are forms of Mind, the ideas of Spirit apparent only as Mind, never as mindless matter
- nor the so-called material senses. 12

Genesis i. 7. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters

15 which were above the firmament: and it was so.

> Spirit imparts the understanding which uplifts consciousness and leads into all truth. The Psalmist saith:

- "The Lord on high is mightier than the noise 18 of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea." Spiritual sense is the discernment of spiritual
- good. Understanding is the line of demarcation between

Modern evangel

Spirituality of Scripture

Spiritual firmament

Understanding imparted

the real and unreal. Spiritual understanding unfolds

Mind, — Life, Truth, and Love, — and demonstrates the

divine sense, giving the spiritual proof of the universe in Christian Science.

16. SH 354:23-25

The night of materiality is far spent, and with

the dawn Truth will waken men spiritually to hear and to speak the new tongue.

17. SH 89:20-21

- 18 Spirit,
- God, is heard when the senses are silent.

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