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Hymn 57

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(57) WELWYN Alfred Scott-Gatty

Father, to Thee we turn away from sorrow, Thou art the fountain whence our healing flows; Dark though the night, joy cometh with the morrow; Safely they rest who on Thy love repose.

Should fond hopes fail and skies seem dark before us, Should the vain cares that vex our days increase, Comes with its calm the thought that Thou art o'er us; Then we grow quiet, folded in Thy peace.

Naught shall affright us, on Thy goodness leaning; Low in the heart faith singeth still her song; Chastened and blessed we learn life's deeper meaning, Thus in our meekness Thou dost make us strong.

547: see also 238/239 and formerly Hymn 451

Hymn 451, 238, 239

JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER Adapted

(451) SHERWOOD

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O, sometimes gleams upon our sight, Through present wrong, th' eternal right; And step by step, since time began, We see the steady gain of man.

For all of good the past hath had Remains to make our own time glad, Our common, daily life divine, And every land a Palestine.

Through the harsh noises of our day, A low sweet prelude finds its way; Through clouds of doubt and creeds of fear A light is breaking, calm and clear.

Henceforth my heart shall sigh no more For olden time and holier shore: God's love and blessing, then and there, Are now and here and everywhere.

Hymn 117

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Reginald Heber*

(117) **NICAEA** John B. Dykes

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy, darkness cannot hide Thee, Though the eyes of sinful men Thy glory cannot see. Thou alone art holy, there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky and sea; Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

The Bible

1. Deut. 11:16

¹⁶ Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them;

2. Matt 7:15

15 ¶ Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

3. Matt 10:26 there, 27 (to :)

- 26 there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.
- 27 What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak ye in light:

4. Isa 29:15, 24

- ¹⁵ Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?
- ²⁴ They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine.

5. Lev. 19:31

31 ¶ Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I *am* the LORD your God.

6. Lev. 20:6 the, 7

- ⁶ the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a-whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.
- 7 ¶ Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I *am* the LORD your God.

7. Deut. 18:9-13

- 9 ¶ When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.
- 10 There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, *or* that useth divination, *or* an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch,
- 11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.
- 12 For all that do these things *are* an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.
- 13 Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God.

8. I Sam. 28:3-8, 11 Bring, 12, 15 (to 1st ,), 17 the Lord hath rent, 20 (to :)

- ³ ¶ Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land.
- ⁴ And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa.
- ⁵ And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart greatly trembled.
- 6 And when Saul inquired of the LORD, the LORD answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.
- ⁷ ¶ Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and inquire of her. And his servants said to

him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor.

- 8 And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me *him* up, whom I shall name unto thee.
- 11 bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel.
- 12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou *art* Saul.
- 15 ¶ And Samuel said to Saul,
- 17 the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, *even* to David:
- 20 Then Saul fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel:

9. Isa 9:2

2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

10. Isa 30:1 (to ;)

1 WOE to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me;

11. Job 5:8, 9

- 8 I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause:
- 9 Which doeth great things and unsearchable; marvellous things without number:

12. Luke 2:52

52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

13. Luke 11:14-19

- ¹⁴ ¶ And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.
- ¹⁵ But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.
- 16 And others, tempting *him*, sought of him a sign from heaven.
- 17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.
- 18 If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.
- 19 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast *them* out? therefore shall they be your judges.

14. Acts 5:12, 14, 15, 16 and they

- 12 ¶ And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.
- 14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)
- 15 Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid *them* on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.
- 16 and they were healed every one.

15. Acts 16:16-18

- 16 ¶ And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying:
- ¹⁷ The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.
- 18 And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.

16. Acts 19:11-16, 20

- 11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:
- ¹² So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.
- ¹³ ¶ Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.
- ¹⁴ And there were seven sons of *one* Sceva, a Jew, *and* chief of the priests, which did so.
- 15 And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?
- ¹⁶ And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.
- 20 So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

17. II Thess 2:7 the (to :), 8 then

- 7 the mystery of iniquity doth already work:
- 8 then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

18. Eph 6:10-12 my brethren

- 10 my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
- 11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
- 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.

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- 19. I Cor. 15:51 (to ;)
- 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery;

20. I Cor. 2:7 we

7 we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, *even* the hidden *wisdom*, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

21. Deut 13:18 thou

18 thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do *that which is* right in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

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

1. SH 201:14 (only)

Let us disrobe error.

2. SH 70:1-7

- 70:1 Mortal existence is an enigma. Every day is a mystery. The testimony of the corporeal senses
- cannot inform us what is real and what is delusive, but the revelations of Christian Science unlock the treasures of Truth. Whatever is false or sinful can
- 6 never enter the atmosphere of Spirit. There is but one Spirit.

3. SH 254:26

24 What is there to strip off error's disguise?

4. SH 343:14

Jesus strips all disguise from error, when his teachings

- 15 are fully understood. By parable and argument he explains the impossibility of good producing evil; and he also scientifically demonstrates this great
- 18 fact, proving by what are wrongly called miracles, that sin, sickness, and death are beliefs — illusive errors which he could and did destroy.

5. SH 86:13-20

Mortals evolve images of thought. These may appear to the ignorant to be apparitions; but they are myste-

- rious only because it is unusual to see thoughts, though we can always feel their influence. Haunted houses, ghostly voices, unusual
- noises, and apparitions brought out in dark seances either involve feats by tricksters, or they are images and sounds evolved involuntarily by mortal mind.

6. SH 101:26

The infinite one Spirit

Proof from miracles

Images of thought

If animal magnetism seems to alleviate or to cure dis-

- 27 ease, this appearance is deceptive, since error cannot remove the effects of error. Discomfort under error is preferable to comfort. In no instance is the effect of
- 30 animal magnetism, recently called hypnotism, other than the effect of illusion. Any seeming benefit derived from it is proportional to one's faith in esoteric magic.

7. SH 571:22-31 (to 1st .)

Through trope and metaphor, the Revelator, immortal scribe of Spirit and of a true idealism, furnishes the

- 24 mirror in which mortals may see their own image. In significant figures he depicts the thoughts which he beholds in mortal mind. Thus he
- rebukes the conceit of sin, and foreshadows its doom.With his spiritual strength, he has opened wide the gates of glory, and illumined the night of paganism with the
- 30 sublime grandeur of divine Science, outshining sin, sorcery, lust, and hypocrisy.

8. SH 587:1-2

587:1 **GHOST.** An illusion; a belief that mind is outlined and limited; a supposition that spirit is finite.

9. SH 45:22

They who earliest saw Jesus after the resurrection and beheld the final proof of all that he had taught,

- 24 misconstrued that event. Even his disciples at first called him a spirit, ghost, or spectre, for they believed his body to be dead. His reply was:
- 27 "Spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have."The reappearing of Jesus was not the return of a spirit.He presented the same body that he had before his cru-
- 30 cifixion, and so glorified the supremacy of Mind over matter.

10. SH 352:5-32

Our Master declared that his material body was not

- spirit, evidently considering it a mortal and material belief of flesh and bones, whereas the Jews took a diametrically opposite view. To Jesus, not
- 9 materiality, but spirituality, was the reality of man's existence, while to the rabbis the spiritual was the intangible and uncertain, if not the unreal.
- Would a mother say to her child, who is frightened at imaginary ghosts and sick in consequence of the fear:"I know that ghosts are real. They exist,

and are to be feared; but you must not be

Pure religion enthroned

After the resurrection

Spirit the tangible

afraid of them"?

- Children, like adults, *ought* to fear a reality which can harm them and which they do not understand, for at any moment they may become its helpless victims; but instead of increasing children's fears by declaring
- 21 ghosts to be real, merciless, and powerful, thus watering the very roots of childish timidity, children should be assured that their fears are groundless, that ghosts
- 24 are not realities, but traditional beliefs, erroneous and man-made.

In short, children should be told not to believe in ghosts,

- 27 because there are no such things. If belief in their reality is destroyed, terror of ghosts will depart and health be restored. The objects of alarm will then vanish into noth-
- 30 ingness, no longer seeming worthy of fear or honor. To accomplish a good result, it is certainly not irrational to tell the truth about ghosts.
- 11. SH 353:13-14, 25-27

The age has not wholly outlived the sense of ghostly beliefs. It still holds them more or less.

The grave does not banish the ghost of materiality.

So long as there are supposed limits to Mind, and those

- 27 limits are human, so long will ghosts seem to continue.
- 12. SH 371:5-14

Disquisitions on disease have a mental effect similar

- to that produced on children by telling ghost-stories in the dark. By those uninstructed in Christian Science, nothing is really understood of material
- 9 existence. Mortals are believed to be here without their consent and to be removed as involuntarily, not knowing why nor when. As frightened children look everywhere
- 12 for the imaginary ghost, so sick humanity sees danger in every direction, and looks for relief in all ways except the right one. Darkness induces fear.

13. SH 30:26-28

If we have triumphed sufficiently over the errors of material sense to allow Soul to hold the control, we shall loathe sin and rebuke it under every mask.

14. SH 95:11

Error of any kind cannot hide from the law of God.

15. SH 542:7-8

Truth, through her eternal laws, unveils error.

Ghosts not realities

Ghost-stories inducing fear

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16. SH 275:20

Divine metaphysics, as revealed to spiritual understand-

- ing, shows clearly that all is Mind, and that Mind is
 God, omnipotence, omnipresence, omniscience,
 that is, all power, all presence, all Science.
- 24 Hence all is in reality the manifestation of Mind.

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