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HOMELAND

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O tender, loving Shepherd,
We long to follow thee,
To follow where thou leadest,
Though rough the path may be;
Though dark and heavy shadows
Enshroud the way with gloom,
We know that Love will guide us,
And safely lead us home.

We know, beloved Shepherd,
The path that thou hast trod
Leads ever out of darkness,
And on and up to God.
If from that path we wander,
And far astray we roam,
O, call us, faithful Shepherd,
And bring us safely home.

Throughout the way, dear Shepherd,
Thy strong hand doth uphold;
The weary ones, at nightfall,
Thou gently dost enfold.
And when to Truth's green pastures
With joy at length we come,
There shall we find, O Shepherd,
Our blest, eternal home.

Hymn 305

Hymn 304–309, 456

“FEED MY SHEEP”

MARY BAKER EDDY

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GUIDANCE

LYMAN BRACKETT

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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.

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Lo! As we follow after good,
 We find God's word is understood,
 So we prove Him,
 Praise and prove Him!
 Through us He does perform His will,
 To us His promises fulfil,
 For we love Him!
 Praise and love Him!
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O you to whom God's word is shown,
 Make all His promises your own,
 Rise and prove Him,
 Praise and prove Him!
 His mighty love and holy power
 Are here to bless us every hour,
 Let us love Him!
 Praise and love Him!
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Bible

1. I Pet. 3:12 the eyes, 13 who

- 12 the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord *is* against them that do evil.
- 13 who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?

2. Matt. 4:17-22 Jesus

- 17 Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
- 18 ¶ And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
- 19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.
- 20 And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.
- 21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son of* Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.
- 22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

3. John 1:43-47

- 43 ¶ The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me.
- 44 Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.
- 45 Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.
- 46 And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see.
- 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!

4. Mark 2:13-15 1st he

- 13 he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude resorted unto him, and he taught them.
- 14 And as he passed by, he saw Levi the *son* of Alphæus sitting at the receipt of custom, and said unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him.
- 15 And it came to pass, that, as Jesus sat at meat in his house, many publicans and sinners sat also together with Jesus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him.

5. Mark 3:7-11 Jesus, 14-19 (to :)

- 7 Jesus withdrew himself with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from Galilee followed him, and from Judæa,
- 8 And from Jerusalem, and from Idumæa, and *from* beyond Jordan; and they about Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they had heard what great things he did, came unto him.
- 9 And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him.
- 10 For he had healed many; insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him, as many as had plagues.
- 11 And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, Thou art the Son of God.
- 14 And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach,
- 15 And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils:
- 16 And Simon he surnamed Peter;
- 17 And James the *son* of Zebedee, and John the brother of James; and he surnamed them Boanerges, which is, The sons of thunder:
- 18 And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the *son* of Alphæus, and Thaddæus, and Simon the Canaanite,
- 19 And Judas Iscariot, which also betrayed him:

6. Mark 4:1, 36-41 when

- 1 AND he began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land.
- 36 when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships.
- 37 And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.
- 38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?
- 39 And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.
- 40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?
- 41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

7. Mark 8:34-38 (to .)

- 34 ¶ And when he had called the people *unto him* with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.
- 35 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.
- 36 For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?
- 37 Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
- 38 Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

8. Mark 10:17-22

- 17 ¶ And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?
- 18 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is none good but one, that is, God.*
- 19 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.
- 20 And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth.
- 21 Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and

thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.

9. Matt. 19:23, 27-30

23 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

27 ¶ Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?

28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29 And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

30 But many *that are* first shall be last; and the last *shall be* first.

10. John 8:12

12 ¶ Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

11. John 12:26

26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will *my* Father honour.

12. John 10:27

27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

13. Eph. 5:1, 2, 20

1 BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;

2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour.

20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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1. SH 4:5-9

3 To keep the com-
6 mandments of our Master and follow his
example, is our proper debt to him and the only
worthy evidence of our gratitude for all that he has

9 done.

2. SH 31:12-13, 14-17

12 First in the list of Christian duties, he taught his fol-
lowers the healing power of Truth and Love. It is the
15 living Christ, the practical Truth, which makes
Jesus “the resurrection and the life” to all who follow him
in deed.

3. SH 225:5

6 You may know when first Truth leads by the few-
ness and faithfulness of its followers. Thus it is that
the march of time bears onward freedom’s
banner. The powers of this world will fight,
9 and will command their sentinels not to let truth pass
the guard until it subscribes to their systems; but Science,
heeding not the pointed bayonet, marches on. There is
12 always some tumult, but there is a rallying to truth’s
standard.

Truth’s ordeal

4. SH 9:25

Are you willing to leave all for Christ, for Truth, and
so be counted among sinners? No! Do you really desire
27 to attain this point? No! Then why make long
prayers about it and ask to be Christians,
since you do not care to tread in the footsteps of our
30 dear Master? If unwilling to follow his example, why
pray with the lips that you may be partakers of his
nature? Consistent prayer is the desire to do right.
10:1 Prayer means that we desire to walk and will walk in
the light so far as we receive it, even though with bleed-
3 ing footsteps, and that waiting patiently on the Lord,
we will leave our real desires to be rewarded by Him.

The chalice
sacrificial

5. SH 26:1-9

26:1 While we adore Jesus, and the heart overflows with
gratitude for what he did for mortals, — treading alone
3 his loving pathway up to the throne of
glory, in speechless agony exploring the way
for us, — yet Jesus spares us not one individual expe-
6 rience, if we follow his commands faithfully; and all
have the cup of sorrowful effort to drink in proportion
to their demonstration of his love, till all are redeemed
9 through divine Love.

Individual
experience

6. SH 40:25-7

Our heavenly Father, divine Love, demands that all
men should follow the example of our Master and his
27 apostles and not merely worship his personal-

ity. It is sad that the phrase *divine service*
has come so generally to mean public worship instead of
30 daily deeds.

Service and
worship

The nature of Christianity is peaceful and blessed,
but in order to enter into the kingdom, the anchor of
41:1 hope must be cast beyond the veil of matter into the
Shekinah into which Jesus has passed before us; and
3 this advance beyond matter must come
through the joys and triumphs of the right-
eous as well as through their sorrows and afflictions.
6 Like our Master, we must depart from material sense
into the spiritual sense of being.

Within the veil

7. SH 37:16-17, 25

When will Jesus' professed followers learn to emulate
him in *all* his ways and to imitate his mighty works? Chris-
tians claim to be his followers, but do they follow him in
27 the way that he commanded? Hear these imperative com-
mands : "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!*"

8. SH 5:14-15 (to 2nd .), 30-32

Saints and sinners get their full award, but not always
15 in this world. The followers of Christ drank his cup.
We should
follow our divine Exemplar, and seek the de-
struction of all evil works, error and disease included.

9. SH 54:10

That he might liberally pour
his dear-bought treasures into empty or sin-
12 filled human storehouses, was the inspiration of Jesus'
intense human sacrifice. In witness of his divine com-
mission, he presented the proof that Life, Truth, and
15 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
18 understood neither his words nor his works. They
would not accept his meek interpretation of life nor
follow his example.

10. SH 142:4

Anciently the followers of Christ, or Truth, measured
Christianity by its power over sickness, sin, and death;
6 but modern religions generally omit all but one
of these powers, — the power over sin. We

Two claims
omitted

must seek the undivided garment, the whole Christ, as our
 9 first proof of Christianity, for Christ, Truth, alone can
 furnish us with absolute evidence.

11. SH 324:19

Paul was not at first a disciple of Jesus but a perse-
 21 cutor of Jesus' followers. When the truth first appeared
 to him in Science, Paul was made blind,
 and his blindness was felt; but spiritual
 24 light soon enabled him to follow the example and teach-
 ings of Jesus, healing the sick and preaching Christian-
 ity throughout Asia Minor, Greece, and even in imperial
 Rome.

Paul's
 enlightenment

12. SH 349:8

We propose to follow the Master's
 9 example. We should subordinate material law to spirit-
 ual law. Two essential points of Christian Science are,
 that neither Life nor man dies, and that God is not the
 12 author of sickness.

13. SH 326:3-5

3 If we wish to follow Christ, Truth, it must be in the
 way of God's appointing. Jesus said, "He that believeth
 on me, the works that I do shall he do also."

Loving God
 supremely

14. SH 317:11-15

These blessed benedictions rest upon
 12 Jesus' followers: "If the world hate you, ye know that
 it hated me before it hated you;" "Lo, I am with you
 always," — that is, not only in all time, but in *all ways*
 15 and conditions.

15. SH 192:27-29

27 We walk in the footsteps of Truth and Love by follow-
 ing the example of our Master in the understanding of
 divine metaphysics.

16. SH 54:8 Who (only)

Who is ready to follow his teaching and example?

17. SH 178:32-4

Whoever reaches the understanding of Christian Science
 179:1 in its proper signification will perform the sudden cures
 of which it is capable; but this can be done only by
 3 taking up the cross and following Christ in the daily
 life.

18. 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

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