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Love for God Wednesday, May 31, 2023

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

<u>The Bible</u>

1. Lev. 19:34 I

34 I am the LORD your God.

- 2. Deut. 6:4-9 The
 - 4 The LORD our God *is* one LORD:
 - 5 And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.
 - ⁶ And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:
 - 7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.
 - 8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.
 - 9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

3. Deut. 10:12

12 ¶ And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

4. Deut. 11:1, 13-15

- 1 THEREFORE thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.
- ¹³ ¶ And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,
- 14 That I will give *you* the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.
- 15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full.
- 5. Deut. 30:16 I (to :)

- 16 I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply:
- 6. Deut. 5:6-9 (to :), 11, 12, 16
 - 6 ¶I *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.
 - 7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me.
 - 8 Thou shalt not make thee *any* graven image, *or* any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:
 - 9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them:
- 11 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
- 12 Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.
- 16 ¶ Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 7. Deut. 13:3 2nd the
 - 3 the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.
- 8. I Cor. 8:2 if, 3
 - ² if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.
 - 3 But if any man love God, the same is known of him.

9. John 8:1, 28, 42 If

- 1 JESUS went unto the mount of Olives.
- 28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am *he*, and *that* I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.
- 42 If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.

10. John 9:1-3, 5-7

- 1 AND as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth.
- 2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?
- 3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the

works of God should be made manifest in him.

- 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.
- ⁶ When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,
- 7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

11. Matt. 22:34-38 when

- 34 when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.
- 35 Then one of them, *which was* a lawyer, asked *him a question*, tempting him, and saying,
- 36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?
- ³⁷ Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.
- 38 This is the first and great commandment.

12. Matt. 25:31, 34-40

- ³¹ ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:
- ³⁴ Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
- ³⁵ For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:
- 36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.
- 37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed *thee*? or thirsty, and gave *thee* drink?
- 38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took *thee* in? or naked, and clothed *thee*?
- 39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?
- 40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me.
- 13. I John 4:16 he that, 19, 20, 21
- 16 he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.
- 19 We love him, because he first loved us.
- 20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that

loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

- 21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.
- 14. Rom. 8:28 we
- we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

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

1. SH 454:17-18

Love for God and man is the true

- ¹⁸ incentive in both healing and teaching.
- 2. SH 4:17-22

Simply asking that we may love God will never

- 18 make us love Him; but the longing to be better and holier, expressed in daily watchfulness and in striving to assimilate more of
- ²¹ the divine character, will mould and fashion us anew, until we awake in His likeness.

3. SH 9:17

Dost thou "love the Lord thy God with all thy

- 18 heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind"? This command includes much, even the surrender of all merely material sensation, affec-
- 21 tion, and worship. This is the El Dorado of Christianity. It involves the Science of Life, and recognizes only the divine control of Spirit, in which Soul is our master,
- ²⁴ and material sense and human will have no place.

4. SH 140:8-18

We

- 9 shall obey and adore in proportion as we apprehend the divine nature and love Him understandingly, warring no more over the corporeality, but rejoicing in the affluence
- of our God. Religion will then be of the heart and not of the head. Mankind will no longer be tyrannical and proscriptive from lack of love, — straining out gnats and
- 15 swallowing camels.

We worship spiritually, only as we cease to worship materially. Spiritual devoutness is the soul of Chris-

18 tianity.

5. SH 242:15-20 In

Watchfulness requisite

Practical religion

The true worship

15 In pa-

tient obedience to a patient God, let us labor to dissolve with the universal solvent of Love the adamant

18 of error, — self-will, self-justification, and self-love, which wars against spirituality and is the law of sin and death.

6. SH 366:12

- ¹² The physician who lacks sympathy for his fellowbeing is deficient in human affection, and we have the apostolic warrant for asking: "He that loveth
- not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" Not having this spiritual affection, the physician lacks faith in the divine
- 18 Mind and has not that recognition of infinite Love which alone confers the healing power. Such so-called Scientists will strain out gnats, while they swallow the camels
- ²¹ of bigoted pedantry.

7. SH 312:14-17

People go into ecstasies over the sense of a corporeal
Jehovah, though with scarcely a spark of love in their hearts; yet God *is* Love, and without Love,
God, immortality cannot appear.

8. SH 319:21-1

- ²¹ The divine Science taught in the original language of the Bible came through inspiration, and needs inspiration to be understood. Hence the misappre-
- 24 hension of the spiritual meaning of the Bible, and the misinterpretation of the Word in some instances by uninspired writers, who only wrote
- 27 down what an inspired teacher had said. A misplaced word changes the sense and misstates the Science of the Scriptures, as, for instance, to name Love as merely
- 30 an attribute of God; but we can by special and proper capitalization speak of the love of Love, meaning by that what the beloved disciple meant in one of his epistles,

320:1 when he said, "God is love."

9. SH 340:4-29

- 28 This text in the book of Ecclesiastes conveys the Christian Science thought, especially when the word
- 6 duty, which is not in the original, is omitted: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole
- 9 duty of man." In other words: Let us hear the con-

The true physician

Vain ecstasies

Scriptures misinterpreted clusion of the whole matter: love God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole of man in His image and likeness. Divine Love is infinite. Therefore all that really exists is in and of God, and manifests His love.

"Thou shalt have no other gods before me." (Exodus xx. 3.) The First Commandment is my favorite text. It demonstrates Christian Science. It inculcates the triunity of God, Spirit, Mind; it signifies that man shall have no other spirit or mind but God, eternal good, and that all men shall have one Mind. The divine Principle of the First Commandment bases the Science of being, by which man demonstrates health, holiness, and life eternal. One infinite God, good, unifies men and nations; constitutes the brotherhood of man; ends wars; fulfils the Scripture, "Love thy neighbor as thyself;" annihilates pagan and Christian idolatry, — whatever is wrong in social, civil, criminal, political, and religious codes; equalizes the sexes; annuls the curse on man, and leaves nothing that can sin, suffer, be punished or destroyed.

10. SH 566:1-9

- ^{566:1} As the children of Israel were guided triumphantly through the Red Sea, the dark ebbing and flowing tides
- of human fear, as they were led through the wilderness, walking wearily through the great desert of human hopes, and anticipating the promised
- ⁶ joy, so shall the spiritual idea guide all right desires in their passage from sense to Soul, from a material sense of existence to the spiritual, up to the glory prepared for
- 9 them who love God.

11. SH 444:4-6

"All

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things work together for good to them that love God," is the dictum of Scripture.

12. SH 16:7-11, 24, 27 (only), 29 (only), 31 (only)

- 30 Our Master taught his disciples one brief prayer, which we name after him the Lord's Prayer. Our Mas-
- 9 ter said, "After this manner therefore pray ye," and then he gave that prayer which covers all human needs.
- ²⁴ Here let me give what I understand to be the spiritual sense of the Lord's Prayer:
- 27 Our Father-Mother God, all-harmonious,

Spiritual guidance

The prayer of Jesus Christ

Adorable One. Thy kingdom is come; Thou art ever-present.

13. SH 17:2, 5 (only), 7 (only), 10, 14

- 17:1 Enable us to know, as in heaven, so on earth, God is
- omnipotent, supreme.
 Give us grace for to-day; feed the famished affections;
 And Love is reflected in love;
 And God leadeth us not into temptation, but delivereth
 - us from sin, disease, and death.
- 12 For God is infinite, all-power, all Life, Truth, Love, over

15 *all, and All.*

Hymn Lyrics

Hymn 180

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(180) **CHARITY** C. F. Jaehnigen

Love the Lord thy God: Love is staff and rod For heart and soul and mind. In this command forever strong, To silence thoughts of wrong All laws fulfillment find.

Here we rest content: Good from God is sent Where seeds of Love are sown. Who as himself his neighbor loves, By constant purpose proves His neighbor's good his own.

They whose every thought Still from Love is sought, In Soul, not flesh, abide. Love's presence gives a joy untold: Now may we all behold The Spirit and the bride.

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Praise, I will praise You, Lord, with all my heart.

O God, I will tell the wonders of Your ways, And glorify Your name. Praise, I will praise You, Lord, with all my heart. In You I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

Love, I will Love You, Lord, with all my heart. O God, I will tell the wonders of Your ways, And glorify Your name. Love, I will Love You, Lord, with all my heart. In You I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

Serve, I will serve You, Lord, with all my heart. O God, I will tell the wonders of Your ways, And glorify Your name. Serve, I will serve You, Lord, with all my heart. In You I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

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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!

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