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Mother Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Hymns (see lyrics below)

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The Bible

- 1. Isa. 66:13 (to ;)
- 13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you;

2. Prov. 1:8

8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

3. Prov. 4:3 I

3 I was my father's son, tender and only *beloved* in the sight of my mother.

4. Prov. 6:20-23 forsake

- 20 forsake not the law of thy mother:
- 21 Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.
- 22 When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and *when* thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.
- 23 For the commandment *is* a lamp; and the law *is* light; and reproofs of instruction *are* the way of life:

5. Ex. 2:1-10 there (to :)

- 1 there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi.
- 2 And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he *was a* goodly *child*, she hid him three months.
- 3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid *it* in the flags by the river's brink.
- 4 And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.
- ⁵ ¶ And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash *herself* at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.
- 6 And when she had opened *it*, she saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This *is one* of the Hebrews' children.

- 7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?
- 8 And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.
- 9 And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give *thee* thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.
- 10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses:

6. Prov. 23:25

25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

7. II Tim. 1:2, 7 God

- 2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- 7 God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

8. I Kings 17:1, 9, 17-23 it

- 1 AND Elijah the Tishbite, *who was* of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, *As* the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.
- 9 Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which *belongeth* to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.
- 17 it came to pass after these things, *that* the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.
- 18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son?
- 19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed.
- 20 And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?
- 21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again.
- 22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.

23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.

9. Ps. 113:2, 9

- 2 Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.
- 9 He maketh the barren woman to keep house, *and to be* a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the LORD.

10. Luke 1:15 1st he

- 15 he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.
- 11. Luke 2:11 unto, 21, 42-47 when, 50, 51
- 11 unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
- 21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.
- 42 when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.
- 43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not *of it*.
- 44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among *their* kinsfolk and acquaintance.
- 45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.
- 46 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.
- 47 And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.
- 50 And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.
- 51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.
- 12. Matt. 19:19 (to :)
- 19 Honour thy father and *thy* mother:
- 13. I John 4:8 2nd God, 10, 11
 - 8 God is love.
- 10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his

Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

14. Isa. 66:13 (to ;)

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

1. SH 16:26

Our Father which art in heaven, 27 *Our Father-Mother God, all-harmonious*,

2. SH 592:16-17

MOTHER. God; divine and eternal Principle; Life, Truth, and Love.

3. SH 60:8

A mother's affection cannot be weaned from her

9 child, because the mother-love includes purity and constancy, both of which are immortal. Therefore maternal affection lives on under whatever difficulties.

4. SH 236:12

- 12 A mother is the strongest educator, either for or against crime. Her thoughts form the embryo of another mortal mind, and unconsciously mould
- it, either after a model odious to herself or through divine influence, "according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount." Hence the importance
- 18 of Christian Science, from which we learn of the one Mind and of the availability of good as the remedy for every woe.

5. SH 359:20

- 18 From Puritan parents, the discov-
- 21 erer of Christian Science early received her religious education. In childhood, she often listened with joy to these words, falling from the lips of her
- 24 saintly mother, "God is able to raise you up from sickness;" and she pondered the meaning of that Scripture she so often quotes: "And these signs shall follow them
- 27 that believe; . . . they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

6. SH 154:16-2

195:1 If a child is exposed to contagion or infection, the

A mother's responsibility

mother is frightened and says, "My child will be sick." The law of mortal mind and her own fears govern her child more than the child's mind governs itself, and they produce the very results which might have been prevented through the opposite understanding. Then it is believed that exposure to the contagion wrought the mischief.

That mother is not a Christian Scientist, and her affections need better guidance, who says to her child: "You look sick," "You look tired," "You need rest," or "You need medicine."

Such a mother runs to her little one, who thinks she has hurt her face by falling on the carpet, and says, moaning more childishly than her child, "Mamma knows you are hurt." The better and more successful method for any mother to adopt is to say: "Oh, never mind! You're not hurt, so don't think you are." Presently the child forgets all about the accident, and is at play.

7. SH 192:32-4

I was called to visit Mr. Clark in Lynn, who had been 193:1 confined to his bed six months with hip-disease, caused by a fall upon a wooden spike when quite a boy. On enter-

³ ing the house I met his physician, who said that the patient was dying.

8. SH 193:9-18 The (to 2nd .), 21-28

The dew of death was on his brow. I went to his bedside. In a few moments his face changed; its death-pallor gave place to a natural hue. The eyelids

- 12 closed gently and the breathing became natural; he was asleep. In about ten minutes he opened his eyes and said: "I feel like a new man. My suffering is all gone."
- ¹⁵ It was between three and four o'clock in the afternoon when this took place.

I told him to rise, dress himself, and take supper with his family. He did so.The diseased condition had continued there ever since the injury was received in boyhood.

- ²⁴ Since his recovery I have been informed that his physician claims to have cured him, and that his mother has been threatened with incarceration in an insane asylum
- ²⁷ for saying: "It was none other than God and that woman who healed him."

Children's ailments

Mind cures hipdisease Does God send sickness, giving the mother her child for the brief space of a few years and then taking it away

- ²¹ by death? Is God creating anew what He has already created? The Scriptures are definite on this point, declaring that His work was *finished*,
- nothing is new to God, and that it was *good*.Can there be any birth or death for man, the spiritual image and likeness of God? Instead of God sending
- 27 sickness and death, He destroys them, and brings to light immortality. Omnipotent and infinite Mind made all and includes all. This Mind does not make mistakes
- 30 and subsequently correct them. God does not cause man to sin, to be sick, or to die.
- 10. SH 331:26-1 Life

Life, Truth, and Love constitute the triune Person

- 27 called God, that is, the triply divine Principle, Love. They represent a trinity in unity, three in one, — the same in essence, though multi-
- 30 form in office: God the Father-Mother; Christ the spiritual idea of sonship; divine Science or the Holy Comforter. These three express in divine Science the threefold, essen-
- 332:1 tial nature of the infinite.
- 11. SH 332:4-5 Father-Mother

Father-Mother is the name for Deity, which indicates His tender relationship to His spiritual creation.

12. SH 335:25-26 Mind

Mind is the divine Principle, Love, and can produce nothing unlike the eternal Father-Mother, God.

13. SH 478:30

- 30 *Mortal man* is really a self-contradictory phrase, for man is not mortal, "neither indeed can be;" man is im-
- 479:1 mortal. If a child is the offspring of physical sense and not of Soul, the child must have a material, not a spirit-
- ³ ual origin. With what truth, then, could the
 Scriptural rejoicing be uttered by any mother,
 "I have gotten a man from the Lord"? On the con-
- 6 trary, if aught comes from God, it cannot be mortal and material; it must be immortal and spiritual.

14. SH 507:3-7

- 6 Spirit duly
 - feeds and clothes every object, as it appears in the line of spiritual creation, thus tenderly expressing the father-

Birth and death unreal

Divine trinity

Immortal birthright hood and motherhood of God. Spirit names and blesses all.

15. SH 516:21-23

Man and woman as coexistent and eternal with God forever reflect, in glorified quality, the infinite Father-Mother God.

16. SH 530:5

In divine Science, man is sustained by God, the divine

- 6 Principle of being. The earth, at God's command, brings forth food for man's use. Knowing this, Jesus once said, "Take no thought for your life,
- 9 what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink," presuming not on the prerogative of his creator, but recognizing God, the Father and Mother of all, as able to feed and clothe
- 12 man as He doth the lilies.

17. SH 562:3-7 (to 1st .)

As Elias presented

the idea of the fatherhood of God, which Jesus afterwards manifested, so the Revelator completed this

- ⁶ figure with woman, typifying the spiritual idea of God's motherhood.
- 18. SH 256:7-8

Love, the divine Principle, is the Father and Mother of the universe, including man.

19. SH 519:9-11

⁹ Thus the ideas of God in universal being are complete and forever expressed, for Science reveals infinity and the fatherhood and motherhood of Love.

Hymn Lyrics

523, see also Hymn 174

Hymn 174

MARIA LOUISE BAUM

(174) CONSOLATION

F. Mendelssohn, Arr.

Like as a mother, God comforteth His children; Comfort is calm, that bids all tumult cease; Comfort is hope and courage for endeavor, Divine providence

Infinity measureless Comfort is love, whose home abides in peace.

Love is true solace and giveth joy for sorrow,— O, in that light, all earthly loss is gain; Joy must endure, Love's giving is forever; Life is of God, whose radiance cannot wane.

O holy presence, that stills all our demanding, O love of God, that needs but to be known! Heaven is at hand, when thy pure touch persuades us, Comfort of God, that seeks and finds His own.

540, see also Hymn 207

Hymn 207–212

Mother's Evening Prayer Mary Baker Eddy

(207) **MORECAMBE** Frederick C. Atkinson, arr. by A. F. Conant

(208) BENEDICTION (ELLERS) Edward J. Hopkins

(209) EXPECTATION Andreas P. Berggreen

(210)

LIMPSFIELD ANDREW FREEMAN Music by permission of Andrew Freeman

(211)

PRESENCE Percy Whitlock

(212)

SONG 22 ORLANDO GIBBONS *Music from the Yattendon Hymnal:* By permission of Mrs. Bridges and the Oxford University Press O gentle presence, peace and joy and power; O Life divine, that owns each waiting hour, Thou Love that guards the nestling's faltering flight! Keep Thou my child on upward wing tonight.

Love is our refuge; only with mine eye Can I behold the snare, the pit, the fall: His habitation high is here, and nigh, His arm encircles me, and mine, and all.

O make me glad for every scalding tear, For hope deferred, ingratitude, disdain! Wait, and love more for every hate, and fear No ill,—since God is good, and loss is gain.

Beneath the shadow of His mighty wing; In that sweet secret of the narrow way, Seeking and finding, with the angels sing: "Lo, I am with you alway,"—watch and pray.

No snare, no fowler, pestilence or pain; No night drops down upon the troubled breast, When heaven's aftersmile earth's tear-drops gain, And mother finds her home and heav'nly rest.

Hymn 76

Hymn 76

JOHANNES HEERMANN From the Swedish translation of Jakob Boëthius and Johan O. Wallin, adapted

(76) GRACE Per U. Stenhammar

God is known in loving-kindness, God, the true, eternal good; Zion, ne'er will He forsake thee, Trust His Father-Motherhood. Can a mother leave her children? Can unchanging Love forget? Though all earthly friends betray thee, Lo, His arm enfolds thee yet.

Every prayer to Him is answered, Prayer confiding in His will; Blessedness and joy are near thee, Hear His gentle Peace, be still. Hear His voice above the tempest: I have not forsaken thee; In My hand thy name is graven, I will save both thine and thee.

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