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Wednesday, June 28, 2023

Hymns (see lyrics below)

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The Bible

1. Ps. 36:7, 8

- 7 How excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
- 8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.

2. Gen 2:10-14

- 10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.
- 11 The name of the first *is* Pison: that *is* it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold;
- 12 And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* bdellium and the onyx stone.
- 13 And the name of the second river *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.
- 14 And the name of the third river *is* Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river *is* Euphrates.

3. Gen. 15:18

- 18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:

4. Deut 1:6-8

- 6 The LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount:
- 7 Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto all *the places* nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates.
- 8 Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.

5. Deut 11:24

24 Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be.

6. Gen. 41:1-4, 14, 25-27, 35, 37

1 AND it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river.

2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed; and they fed in a meadow.

3 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and leanfleshed; and stood by the *other* kine upon the brink of the river.

4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

14 ¶ Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved *himself*, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

25 ¶ And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh *is* one: God hath shewed Pharaoh what he *is* about to do.

26 The seven good kine *are* seven years; and the seven good ears *are* seven years: the dream *is* one.

27 And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them *are* seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind shall be seven years of famine.

35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

37 ¶ And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.

7. Ps. 65:1 (to :), 9 (to 2nd :)

1 PRAISE waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion:

9 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, *which* is full of water:

8. Dan. 10:1 (to :), 2, 4, 5, 10, 11 (to :)

1 IN the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar;

2 In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks.

4 And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, which *is* Hiddekel;

5 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain man clothed

in linen, whose loins *were* girded with fine gold of Uphaz:

- 10 ¶ And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and *upon* the palms of my hands.
- 11 And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright:

9. Ezek 38:1

- 1 AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

10. Ezek 47:6-9 Son

- 6 Son of man, hast thou seen *this*? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river.
- 7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river *were* very many trees on the one side and on the other.
- 8 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: *which being* brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.
- 9 And it shall come to pass, *that* every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

11. Prov. 21:1 (to :)

- 1 THE king's heart *is* in the hand of the LORD, *as* the rivers of water:

12. Isa. 32:2 1st a

- 2 a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

13. Mark 1:1, 4, 9-11

- 1 THE beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God;
- 4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.
- 9 And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan.
- 10 And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him:
- 11 And there came a voice from heaven, *saying*, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

14. Mark 9:38-41 John

- 38 John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us.
- 39 But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.
- 40 For he that is not against us is on our part.
- 41 For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.

15. John 4:14 whosoever

- 14 whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

16. Acts 8:26-31 1st the, 35

- 26 the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.
- 27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,
- 28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.
- 29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.
- 30 And Philip ran thither to *him*, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?
- 31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.
- 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

17. Ps. 46:4

- 4 *There is* a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy *place* of the tabernacles of the most High.

18. Rev. 21:1 I, 2, 6 1st I

- 1 I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.
- 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
- 6 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

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

1. SH 593:14-17

RIVER. Channel of thought.

- 15 When smooth and unobstructed, it typifies the course
of Truth; but muddy, foaming, and dashing, it is a type
of error.

SH 578:5-7

[DIVINE LOVE] is my shepherd; I shall not want.

- 6 [LOVE] maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
[LOVE] leadeth me beside the still waters.

2. SH 505:16

Spirit imparts the understanding which uplifts con-
sciousness and leads into all truth. The Psalmist saith:

- 18 “The Lord on high is mightier than the noise
of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of
the sea.” Spiritual sense is the discernment of spiritual
21 good. Understanding is the line of demarcation between
the real and unreal. Spiritual understanding unfolds
Mind, — Life, Truth, and Love, — and demonstrates the
24 divine sense, giving the spiritual proof of the universe in
Christian Science.

Understanding
imparted

3. SH 133:8-10

In Egypt, it was Mind which saved the Israelites from
9 belief in the plagues. In the wilderness, streams flowed
from the rock, and manna fell from the sky.

4. SH 552:22

From a material source flows no remedy for sorrow,
sin, and death, for the redeeming power, from the ills

- 24 they occasion, is not in egg nor in dust. The
blending tints of leaf and flower show the
order of matter to be the order of mortal mind. The
27 intermixture of different species, urged to its utmost
limits, results in a return to the original species. Thus
it is learned that matter is a manifestation of mortal
30 mind, and that matter always surrenders its claims when
the perfect and eternal Mind is understood.

Persistence of
species

5. SH 9:17

- 24 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 sur-
render of all merely material sensation, affec-

- 21 tion, and worship. This is the El Dorado of Christianity.

Practical religion

It involves the Science of Life, and recognizes only the divine control of Spirit, in which Soul is our master, and material sense and human will have no place.

6. SH 559:23-31

When you

- 24 approach nearer and nearer to this divine Principle, when you eat the divine body of this Principle, — thus partaking of the nature, or primal elements, of Truth and Love,
27 — do not be surprised nor discontented because you must share the hemlock cup and eat the bitter herbs; for the Israelites of old at the Paschal meal thus prefigured this
30 perilous passage out of bondage into the El Dorado of faith and hope.

7. SH 454:22

Wait patiently for divine Love to move upon the waters of mortal mind, and form the perfect concept.

- 24 Patience must “have her perfect work.”

8. SH 585:16

EUPHRATES (river). Divine Science encompassing the universe and man; the true idea of God; a type
18 of the glory which is to come; metaphysics taking the place of physics; the reign of righteousness. The atmosphere of human belief before it accepts sin, sickness, or
21 death; a state of mortal thought, the only error of which is limitation; finity; the opposite of infinity.

9. SH 587:3-4

- 3 **GIHON** (river). The rights of woman acknowledged morally, civilly, and socially.

10. SH 588:5-6

- 6 **HIDDEKEL** (river). Divine Science understood and acknowledged.

11. SH 593:1-2

- 593:1 **PISON** (river). The love of the good and beautiful, and their immortality.

12. SH 540:9

- 15 The muddy river-bed must be stirred in order to purify the stream. In moral chemicalization, when the symptoms
12 of evil, illusion, are aggravated, we may think in our ignorance that the Lord hath wrought an evil; but we ought to know that God’s law uncovers so-called sin and its

effects, only that Truth may annihilate all sense of evil
and all power to sin.

13. SH 239:23-9

Mortal mind is the acknowledged seat of human mo-
tives. It forms material concepts and produces every
discordant action of the body. If action pro-
ceeds from the divine Mind, action is harmo-
nious. If it comes from erring mortal mind, it is discord-
ant and ends in sin, sickness, death. Those two opposite
sources never mingle in fount or stream. The perfect
Mind sends forth perfection, for God is Mind. Imper-
fect mortal mind sends forth its own resemblances, of
which the wise man said, "All is vanity."

Nature voices natural, spiritual law and divine Love,
but human belief misinterprets nature. Arctic regions,
sunny tropics, giant hills, winged winds,
mighty billows, verdant vales, festive flowers,
and glorious heavens, — all point to Mind, the spiritual
intelligence they reflect. The floral apostles are hiero-
glyphs of Deity. Suns and planets teach grand lessons.
The stars make night beautiful, and the leaflet turns nat-
urally towards the light.

Antagonistic
sources

Some lessons
from nature

14. SH 246:5

The perfect and immortal are the eternal
likeness of their Maker. Man is by no means a material
germ rising from the imperfect and endeavoring to reach
Spirit above his origin. The stream rises no higher than
its source.

15. SH 234:4-8

Whatever inspires with wisdom, Truth, or Love — be
it song, sermon, or Science — blesses the human family
with crumbs of comfort from Christ's table,
feeding the hungry and giving living waters to
the thirsty.

Crumbs of
comfort

16. SH 12:31

In divine
Science, where prayers are mental, *all* may avail them-
selves of God as "a very present help in trouble."
Love is impartial and universal in its adaptation and
bestowals. It is the open fount which cries, "Ho,
every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters."

17. SH 254:24-31

- 24 If you venture upon the quiet surface of error and are
in sympathy with error, what is there to disturb the waters?
What is there to strip off error's disguise?
- 27 If you launch your bark upon the ever-agitated but
healthful waters of truth, you will encounter storms.
Your good will be evil spoken of. This is the
- 30 cross. Take it up and bear it, for through it
you win and wear the crown.

The cross and
crown

Hymns Lyrics

Hymn 80

Hymn 80

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EISENACH

JOHANN H. SCHEIN

God is our refuge and defense,
In trouble our unfailing aid;
Secure in His omnipotence,
What foe can make our heart afraid?

There is a river pure and bright,
Whose streams make glad the heavenly plains;
Where, in eternity of light,
The city of our God remains.

Built by the word of His command,
With His unclouded presence blest,
Firm as His throne the bulwarks stand;
There is our home, our hope, our rest.

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Glorious things of you are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken,
Formed you for its own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake your sure repose?
By salvation's walls surrounded
You may smile at all your foes.

Round each habitation hovering,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering,
Showing that the Lord is near.

Thus deriving from their banner,
 Light by night, and shade by day,
 Safe they feed upon the manna,
 Which God gives them when they pray.

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 See, the streams of living waters,
 Springing from eternal Love,
 Well supply thy sons and daughters,
 And all fear of want remove.
 None can faint, while such a river
 Ever shall their thirst assuage.
 Grace, which like the Lord, the giver,
 Never fails from age to age.

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Make channels for the streams of Love,
 Where they may broadly run;
 And Love has overflowing streams,
 To fill them every one.

But if at any time we cease
 Such channels to provide,
 The very founts of love for us
 Will then seem parched and dried.

For we must share, if we would keep
 That blessing from above;
 They cease to have who cease to give:
 Such is the law of Love.