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Introduction

It is always a pleasure to greet my students.

Here today we gather anew to unfold the Science of Being, this Science of Mind, our own Being.

(Mis 174:6-15) Let us have a clearing up of abstractions. Let us come into the presence of Him who removeth all iniquities, and healeth all our diseases. Let us attach our sense of Science to what touches the religious sentiment within man. Let us open our affections to the Principle that moves all in harmony, -- from the falling of a sparrow to the rolling of a world. Above Arcturus and his sons, broader than the solar system and higher than the atmosphere of our planet, is the Science of mental healing.

(Mis 175:18-27, 32-3) Thus it can be seen that the Science of mental healing must be understood. There are false Christs that would "deceive the very elect," by instituting matter and its methods in place of God, Mind. Their supposition is, that there are other minds than His; that one mind controls another; that one belief takes the place of another. But this ism of today has nothing to do with the Science of mental healing which acquaints us with God and reveals the one perfect Mind and His laws.

But remember God in all thy ways, and thou shalt find the truth that breaks the dream of sense, letting the harmony of Science that declares Him, come in with healing, and peace, and perfect Love.

These statements of our Leader underly and present all that I am discussing with you today. As I review our experience in all ways, I am impressed with the opening statements just quoted. It is for this reason that I emphasize the Science of Being.

(Un 56:1 end Mind) The chaos of mortal mind is made the stepping-stone to the cosmos of immortal Mind.

Mortal mind would needlessly bind us to family, church, friends, nation. To dissolve the false bonding, we must see the nothingness of this lie that would separate us from all of these things. Life is so simple and harmonious when understood and lived according to the Science of Being or all-present good, the one and only good, God-being expressed. What appears as the abnormal is the reverse of harmonious being. "All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation."

Can there be more than all good? All Mind? No! But it is not just words, just stating facts. It is living it all the time, every hour, day, year, in every aspect of our Being.

The height, depth, breadth, and fourth dimension make your being world wide. As we do this we find ourselves emerging from each experience with a new look. The inside must be the same on the outside. The Science of Being cannot be applied, it is not a veneer. Veneer: something superficial; a superficial show; gloss, a valuable covering of that which is not valuable.

There is no such thing as applying Christian Science to a person, place, or thing. This is abstraction. We have to be it. We have to be what we know -- what we know of a person, place or thing. We do the changing, or establishing, not the person, place or things.

This way, we will not be deceived by things that look like good.

Do you consider the Science of Being something outside of yourself? It is not something you acquire. The Science of Being is the very life and existence of your God-being.

Begin with the perfection of yourself, everything of which you are conscious, everything from a grain of sand to man, dropping off that which is not true - as you would drop off a discarded garment. Thus, the glory of living and loving and true being is manifested.

Science of Being Introduction

Last year, we took the word Science which means exact knowledge. Being means perfection -- the fact of being in Christian Science. Christian Science is the exact knowledge of perfection. The Christian Science of Being in the textbook.

The Science of Being is not outside yourself, it is God being. The chapter Science of Being is devoted to this God-being -- the exact knowledge of perfection.

Life is not a happenstance

Science, which means exact knowledge and which the chapter Science of Being is devoted to, make strong demands on happiness. The chapter heading refers to Jesus. There is no excuse for deformity.

(S&H 270:22) The pride of priesthood is the prince of this world.

(S&H 276:12-14) The realization that all inharmony is unreal brings objects and thoughts into human view in their true light, and presents them as beautiful and immortal.

(S&H 279:16-21) In proportion as the belief disappears that life and intelligence are in or of matter, the immortal facts of being are seen, and their only idea or intelligence is in God. Spirit is reached only through the understanding and demonstration of eternal Life and Truth and Love.

The life and beauty are not in the thing, it is in the Mind perceiving it.

(S&H 272:280-19) The divine Principle of the universe must interpret the universe.

Where does the interpreting go on? Nothing out there. All is right at hand. Evil is hidden good. Evil backwards is **l i v e**. We are the perfection of being. We must withdraw into our own selves, the Science of our Being, restoring our Soul.

(John 12:32) And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

The Way we get into the Science of Being Jesus withdrew into his understanding. He was not tempted by person, place, or thing.

The Christian Science worker must take time to establish the Science of Being each day. There are less problems looming up if he does that. The Science of Being is already established! Be mindful of the Science of Being all the time, no matter how busy you are. We live forever. It is Truth that is easy, evil is hard.

(S&H 324:13-15) Be watchful, sober, and vigilant. The way is straight and narrow, which leads to the understanding that God is the only Life.

To realize that the way is straight and narrow, Mind must be realized as the cause of every effect. The way is narrow; we must watch the two extremes: disinterest and wrestling. I must be active within myself. Do not get into the wrong narrow way or into the complacency of your own opinion. Maintain the true idea of man, home, church, etc. Have deep draughts of inspiration. Be patient and do not get discouraged.

(S&H 60:2-3) Science inevitably lifts one's being higher in the scale of harmony and happiness.

Inevitable (Web) -- not avoidable. The manifestation of good is not avoidable.

(Ret 79:22;29) Be temperate in thought, word, and deed. Meekness and temperance are the jewels of Love, set in wisdom. Restrain untempered zeal. "Learn to labor and to wait." Of old, the children of Israel were saved by patient waiting.

"The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force," said Jesus. Therefore are its spiritual gates not captured, nor its golden streets invaded.

(Mess '02 - 19:15-20) To the burdened and weary Jesus saith: "Come unto me." O glorious hope! There remaineth a rest for the righteous, a rest in Christ, a peace in Love. The thought of it stills complaint; and the heaving surf of life's troubled sea foams itself away, and underneath is a deep-settled calm.

Mrs. Eddy would not have written that unless she had felt it in her own Science of Being. It must not be something getting better, but perfection appearing.

(Mis 359:23-26) The way is absolute divine Science; walk ye in it; but remember that Science is demonstrated in degrees, and our demonstration rises only as we rise in the scale of being.

Each thing in the right place as the Truth is persisted. Let go! As we discern a divine idea, it is here to stay.

(Isaiah 9:6) For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The might God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

It appeared concretely to Isaiah. An idea appears to you and when this happens, it is a divine event. Care for it! Do not leave it just to itself -- let it grow and expand. If we are constant, this begins to heal the time element. Just keep on reflecting it.

Right ideas must be seen as being born of Spirit. If we consider ourselves as matter, or consider others as thus, we are not understanding the Science of Being. We must understand Mind as the cause of every effect.

In the First Edition, 'body' is defined as *reflex image of Soul*. (Jesus knew this). Thinking is God; body is idea of it.

(S&H 274:9-11) Ideas, on the contrary, are born of Spirit, and are not mere inferences drawn from material premises.

Science of Being -- Renaissance

(John 3:1-7) There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto hi, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God, Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man e born with he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water, and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit, is Spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

What does it mean to be be born again? It means to understand ourselves as divine Being, this is being born of water and Spirit. The water means washing away of false concepts (submergence into Spirit). It may look like us here today, but it is Spirit appearing as the "only I or Us."

Renaissance also means to appear again, -- to be restored to happiness. The good we had before Christian Science is coming again, is born again as divine Mind.

(Mess '00 4:11-5) Today people are surprised at the new and forward steps of religion, which indicate a renaissance greater than in the medieval period; but ought not this to be an agreeable surprise, in as much as these are the progressive signs of the times?

It should seem rational that the only perfect religion is divine Science, Christianity as taught by our great master; that which leaves the beaten path of human doctrines and is the truth of God and of man and the universe. The divine principle and rules of this Christianity being demonstrable, they are undeniable; and they must be found final, absolute, and eternal. The question as to religion is; Does it demonstrate its doctrines? Do religionists believe that God is ONE and ALL? Then whatever is real must proceed from God, from Mind, and is His reflection and Science. Man and the universe coexist with God in Science, and they reflect God and nothing else. In divine Science, divine Love includes and reflects all that really is, all personality and individuality, St. Paul beautifully enunciates this fundamental fact of Deity as the "Father of All."

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The good individuality, St. Paul beautifully states the fact of Deity as the "Father of all, and in you all." This scientific statement of the origin, nature and government of all things coincides the First commandment of the Decalogue, and leaves no opportunity for idolatry of aught besides God, good.

Nicodemus was a good man, He went to Jesus to learn more. Jesus showed him that human goodness was not enough. Nicodemus must be born again, or must see his relationship with God, to understand the Science of Being.

Everything in history must be born again -- re-interpreted. We must have the washing away of the human concept. Then, whatever is real appears and is God's (Mind's) reflection.

The belief in human goodness is a treacherous belief. There seem to be two kinds of goodness. A truthful statement such as a good man, etc., seen as divine Mind cannot be changed or altered for an instant. The Ten Commandments or Beatitudes do not change! God said it!

The Declaration of Independence was made by good men for Americans. But the renaissance for us is to see the scientific basis of it, and it is thus for the world. It has waned lately, and why? For lack of true understanding of it. Take it out of human goodness, and establish it as Mind.

It is vital that we understand that God is the mind of man in order that this may take place. The Declaration of Independence is the herald of Christian Science. It is your right thought taking place. Because we see this now it is true and remains unchanged.

Our Bill of Rights must make its renaissance. The United Nations would destroy the Constitution.

(My 292:3-4) All good that ever was written, taught, or wrought comes from God and human faith in the right.

Oneness -- the Science of Being -- Constitution
Monroe Doctrine
Laws of God

Pay attention to the tares. Skim off the scum -- socialism, communism -- coming to the surface. The crucial by which the dross drops away, revealing the oneness of being is staying with the Truth. Always remember that the Bible and Mrs. Eddy are our authority. Refer back to Mrs. Eddy for our decisions.

The foreign policy is very important, the Constitution, and the United nations is important to consider.

Science of Being - - Orders from Mrs. Eddy

(S&H 444:31-1) The teacher must make clear to students the Science of healing, especially its ethics, -- that all is Mind, and that the Scientist must conform to God's requirements.

(S&H 445:2-5, 8-15) Also, the teacher must thoroughly fit his students to defend themselves against sin, and to guard against the attacks of the would-be mental assassin, who attempts to kill morally and physically. No hypothesis as to the existence of another power should interpose a doubt or fear to hinder the demonstration of Christian Science. Unfold the latent energies and capacities for good in your pupil. Teach the great possibilities of man endued with divine Science. Teach the dangerous possibility of dwarfing the spiritual understanding and demonstration of Truth by sin, or by recourse to material means for healing. Teach the meekness and might of life "hid with Christ in God" and there will be no desire for other healing methods.

(448:19-23) Try to leave on every student's mind the strong impress of divine Science, a high sense of the moral and spiritual qualifications requisite for healing, well knowing it to be impossible for error, evil, and hate to accomplish the grand results of Truth and Love.

(449:28-32) A proper teacher of Christian Science improves the health and the morals of his student if the student practices what he is taught, and unless this result follows, the teacher is a Scientist only in name.

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Every Christian Scientist, every conscientious teacher of the Science of Mind healing, knows that human will is not Christian Science, and he must recognize this in order to defend himself from the influence of human will. He feels morally obligated to open the eyes of his students that they may perceive the nature and methods of error of every sort, especially any subtle degree of evil deceived and deceiving.

Show your student that mental malpractice tends to blast moral sense, health, and human life.

Mental malpractice is not out there. Illustration: human will.

(453:14-15) Teach your student that he must know himself before he can know others and minister to human needs.

(454:4-5, 14-17, 25-29) Teach your students the omnipotence of Truth, which illustrates the impotence of error ... He, who understands in a sufficient degree the Principle of Mind-healing, points out to his student error as well as Truth, the wrong as well as the right practice. ... Do not dismiss students at the end of the class term feeling that you have no more to do for them. Let your loving care and counsel support all their feeble footsteps, until your students tread firmly in the straight and narrow way.

(456:25-27) A Christian Scientist requires my work, Science and Health, for his textbook, and so do all his students and patients.

There is a necessity for Renaissance for these things today: The Gold Standard is the ability to evaluate. When we understand it, it will come about. In 1879 it was

off, then put back on -- thus the Mother Church appeared. Increase comes with return of the Gold Standard.

(Mis '00:223-2) Only last week I received a touching token of unselfed manhood from a person I never saw. But since publishing this page, I have learned it was a private soldier who sent to me, in the name of a first Lieutenant of the U.S. Infantry in the Philippine Islands, ten five dollar gold pieces smuggled in Pear's Soup. Surely it is enough for a soldier serving his country in that torrid zone to part with his soap, but to send me some of his hard earned money cost me a tear! Yes, and it gave me more pleasure than millions of money could have given.

(S&H 268:6-9) Belief in a material basis, from which may be deduced all rationality, is slowly yielding to the idea of a metaphysical basis, looking away from matter to Mind as the cause of every effect.

Man and the universe is ONE whole being.

(John 17:21-21) That they all maybe one; as thou, father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also maybe one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which though gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou has loved me.

The Science of Being cannot be demonstrated on "man among men" world out there. There is only I or Us, Mind, All, Good. As we look out upon the universe, we may think we see evil. But this is not true. From the basis of oneness and goodness, we disbelieve evil and maintain the Science of our Being.

(Mark 10:8) And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain but one flesh.

No human being makes a divine statement.

(Eccl 3:14-15) I know that whatsoever God doeth, it shall be forever; nothing can be put to it, nor anything taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him.

That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past

Summary

God is All. Do not wrestle with these false beliefs, but take time out to establish the Truth for yourself. Remember, the divine idea born with us is here to stay. A rebirth of the Constitution, etc., establishing the Science of Being. At the end of the Chapter of Science of Being

(S&H 340:16029) "Thou shalt have no other gods before me" 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; fulfills 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.

What do I believe when I believe I exist outside of God? Every belief that comes.

Unless you BE the one Mind, you lose the Science of it.

Accept God, Mind, as the Cause of every effect. This unifies men and nations. Right here and now it is going on. This is the Science of Being individually understood.

Now live it!

Fear

The understanding of the unreality of fear is a very important part of our work in bringing out the Science of our Being. We must heal ourselves of considering this phantom fear. Fear is half of any proposition. As Jesus said, (Luke 12:32) "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." Mrs. Eddy states in Science and Health . . .

(410:29-30) Christian scientific practice beings with Christ's keynote of harmony.

Fear in any degree is a denial of the wholeness of God. Fear limits.

(S&H 260:13-18) Science reveals the possibility of achieving all good, and sets mortals at work to discover what God has already done; but distrust of one's ability to gain the goodness desired and to bring out better and higher results, often hampers the trial of one's wings and insures failure at the outset.

There really is never any cause for fear. Fear is an outlaw, no matter what the sense testimony. There is no excuse for fear because it implies another power. Really, where fear attempts to enter, there is the presence of Love. We must BE that Love.

(S&H 594:1-11) Serpent (ophis, in Greek; nacash, in Hebrew.)
Subtlety; a lie; the opposite of Truth, named error; the first statement of mythology and idolatry; the belief in more than one God; animal magnetism; the first lie of limitation; finity; the first claim that there is an opposite of Spirit, or good, termed matter, or evil; the first delusion that error exists as fact; the first claim that sin, sickness, and death are the realities of life. The first audible claim that God was not omnipotent and that there was another power, named evil, which was as real and eternal as God, good.

This suggests that God has an opposer. If you believe this, you will be afraid. Moses' experience of throwing down the rod and it became a serpent. Strong's

Concordance gives (serpent experience) Moses was afraid of his experience and threw it down -- it became a serpent. He had to come back and handle it. (Taking it by the tail is where you can handle it.)

(S&H 321:8-11), 29-2) When, led by wisdom to cast down his rod, he saw it become a serpent, Moses fled before it; but wisdom bade him come back and handle the serpent, and then Moses' fear departed. And so it was in the coming centuries, when the Science of Being was demonstrated by Jesus, who showed his students the power of Mind by changing water into wine, and taught them how to handle serpents unharmed, to heal the sick and cast out evils in proof of the supremacy of Mind.

Here we see the necessity of facing evil beliefs of limitation, etc., or as Moses feared, forms of evil, which he thought were so. But it does not exist. It is interesting in understanding the unreality of fear to consider the word. Fear, contains the word ear; 'f' in front makes it fear. 'f' means to whisper. This implies hearing a whispering suggestion.

(Mis 119:1-3) If malicious suggestions whisper evil through the mind's tympanum, this were no apology for acting evilly.

Whether you hear evil outside yourself or whispering within, face this firmly with the understanding of infinity and say: "This is not my fear. I am not afraid." [*A lecturer used the analogy of a cloud observed in the sky is not "my cloud" as a fear as not being "my" fear.*]

Fear in any degree is a denial of the ALLNESS of consciousness. The basis of fear is a belief in limitation. Bicknell Young used to say; "If you could take the hand of Infinity and walk through the corridors of Divine Being, you would find nothing to fear."

(S&H 135:17-20) There is today danger of repeating the offence of the Jews by limiting the Holy One of Israel and asking; "Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?" What cannot God do?

Fear and limitation go hand in hand. If there were no belief in limitation, there would be no fear.

(S&H 489:2-8) When the unthinking lobster loses its claw, the claw grows again. If the Science of Life were understood, it would be found that the senses of Mind are never lost and that matter has no sensation. Then the human limb would be replaced as readily as the lobster's claw, not with an artificial limb, but with the genuine one.

In other words, the lobster did not know enough to be afraid. He was un-thinking. Without this lie of mortal mind "fear thinking," the real took place. (We get a whole new body every year.)

Some fear beliefs are:

•That something is lost. •That the past has influence on the present, or •that the future is uncertain. In any of these beliefs we know that limitation is always associated with fear.

Pain claims to have force and power. It is not just this minute that one is afraid of, but if the pain lasts, then what? Reverse that mental condition! Place all power and strength in God. Evil will come to an end. Do not put up with pain. Replace it with the power and strength of God.

Fear regarding supply: Enough for today, but if something doesn't happen, then what? How will I meet my obligations? If you KNOW you have enough for this minute, every minute will manifest sufficient.

In the 1929 crash a man owned a great deal of stock. He said to his Practitioner, "If the stock goes to 35, I'll be bankrupt. He was told, "That is not true, All that is based on the belief of limitation. Life is not finite. Everything good is infinite. Limitation is not actual." The stock went to 5, but he was not bankrupt. It takes Divine thinking to go places!

Every moment of the day, supply is unfolding or manifesting itself.

Error says the body's organs may be impaired. Truth says: Its substance is imperishable.

(Pul 2:27-4) How can we do this Christianly scientific work? By entrenching ourselves in the fact our true temple is no human fabrication, but the superstructure of Truth, reared on the foundation of Love, and pinnacled in Life. Such being its nature, how can our godly temple possibly be demolished, or even disturbed? Can eternity end? Can Life die? Can Truth be uncertain? Can Love be less than boundless?

Here we have no limitation. If you believe the body to be matter, fear arises. Thus we have to reject this. What appears to be matter is a limited concept of infinity

(S&H 509:13-14, 16-17, 20-24) Spirit creates no other than heavenly or celestial bodies, but the stellar universe is no more celestial than our earth. ... God forms and peoples the universe. ... So -called mineral, vegetable, and animal substances are no more contingent now on time or material structures than they were when "the morning stars sang together." Mind made the "plants of the field before it was in the earth."

(No 26:24-25) Man is a celestial; and in the spiritual universe he is forever individual and forever harmonious. The belief that the greater can be in the lesser is an error that works ill.

But THIS is Life eternal, not shall be. Everything is Life eternally expressing itself. Where does eternity exist . . . in the thing or in Mind?

(S&H 467:19-28). This is the leading point in the Science of Soul, that Principle is not in its idea. Spirit, Soul, is not confined in man, and is never in matter. We reason incorrectly from effect to cause, when we conclude that matter is the effect of Spirit; but a priori reasoning shows material existence to be enigmatical. Spirit gives the true mental idea. We cannot interpret Spirit, Mind, through matter. Matter never sees, hears, nor feels.

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(S&H 113:18 only) God, Spirit, being all, nothing is matter.

Thus we see no limit to happiness, health, wealth, opportunity or accomplishment. Fear is a false emotion. It only seems real -- if we entertain it.

(S&H 391:32-8) Fear is the fountain of sickness, and you master fear and sin through divine Mind; hence it is through divine Mind that you overcome disease. Only while fear or sin remains can it bring forth death. To cure a bodily ailment, every broken moral law should be taken into account and the error be rebuked. Fear, which is an element of all disease, must be cast out to readjust the balance for God. Casting out evil and fear enables truth to outweigh error.

The nothingness of fear is important to see.

(S&H 586:11-12) Fear. Heat; inflammation; anxiety; ignorance; error; desire; caution.

Heat and inflammation indicate thought acting to opposition. Inter-action or twoness. A person expressing this thought is said to have a fever or to be inflamed over something.

(S&H 415:5-9) Inflammation as a mortal belief quickens or impedes the action of the system, because thought moves quickly or slowly, leaps or halts when it contemplates unpleasant things, or when the individual looks upon some object which he dreads.

Anxiety: Why should we be anxious if we are sure of Good? Sometimes we are anxious about a remark that might have been misunderstood; or that someone might be unkind; or anxious over our own or another's health; or over church problems; or anxious about supply or about the future, and so on. None of these arguments mean anything to infinity. Become conscious that error is not real. God, good, being supreme law could not allow any of the foregoing. Do not go to the other extreme and be disinterested. There is no place for disinterest in Christian Science. Know the counter-fact regarding each lying thought that presents itself. Hold to infinite Life -- not limited -- then fear diminishes.

Ignorance: Do you need intelligence? What is our concept of ourselves? Do we think we have a little limited mind with which we are trying to know infinite Truth? Ignore means to disregard willfully. If we disregard the One Mind as our Mind, this is ignorance.

Error: The belief that error exists and seems to be powerful is productive of fear. The slightest understanding of the finity of error and the infinity of good begins to unloosen fear.

Desire: Is your desire in opposition to your true being?

(S&H 1:11-14) Desire is prayer; and no loss can occur from trusting God with our desires, that they may be moulded and exalted before they take form in words and in deeds.

In other words, if we realize that God, Mind, is our Mind, we cannot want or lack anything. "Desire is prayer" and Mrs. Eddy tells us: "Jesus' prayers were deep and conscientious protests of Truth of man's likeness to his maker." The error of desire comes because we believe we lack something. If you fear that you will not have it, this is the belief of limitation. A realization of our own completeness takes the place of desire, our own divine Consciousness.

Caution: Not to be hasty, but not to fear to go forward or to stand for that which is right. Not to have an ungodly concept of oneself.

Sin: As the sinner awakens to his wrong doing, he becomes conscious of the destruction of error and believes he must be punished. But his separation from the error destroys the error. Nothing to do with him. No suffering needed. Only a change of consciousness. Love cannot be afraid.

(Mis 209)32-3) Divine Love, as unconscious as incapable of error, pursues the evil that hideth itself, strips off its disguise, and -- behold the result: evil, uncovered, is self-destroyed.

Truly, fear may be an angel entertained unawares. In reversing the claim, we find the wholeness of our Being.

(Proverbs 3:13, 19-25) Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. The Lord by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens. By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew. My son, let not them depart from thin eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion? So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck. Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and they foot shall not stumble. When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lieth down, and thy sleep shall be sweet. Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

(Mess '02 19:26-) The great Master triumphed in furnace fires. Then Christian Scientists, trust, and trusting, you will find divine Science glorifies the cross and crowns the association with our Savior in his life of Love. There is no redundant drop in the cup that our Father permits us. Christ walketh over the wave; on the ocean of events, mounting the billow or going down into the deep, the voice of him who stilleth the tempest saith, "It is I; be not afraid." Thus he bringeth us into the desired haven, the kingdom of Spirit; and the hues of heaven, tipping the dawn of everlasting day, joyfully whisper, 'No drunkards within, no sorrow, no pain; and the glory of earth's woes is risen upon you, rewarding, satisfying, glorifying thy unflinching faith and good works with the fullness of divine Love.

Upon This Rock

Jesus' statement "upon this rock . . ."

• from Matthew 16:13-18; •Strong's concordance -- rock = *petros* (both masculine and feminine)

It is on this completeness that Jesus built his church. The inception of the Mother Church is also built on this completeness.

(S&H 582:14-15) Bride. Purity and innocence, conceiving man in the idea of God;

This was the quality of Peter's thought of Jesus -- not a good human being, but the Son of God. Peter appeared as masculine man's perception of idea of God. This completeness.

(No 38:9-12) This divine mystery of Godliness was the rock of Truth, on which he built his church of the newborn, against which the gates of hell cannot prevail.

(S&H 138:1-9) In other words, Jesus purposed founding his society, not on the personal Peter as a mortal, but on the God power which lay behind the confession of the true Messiah.

It was evident to Peter that divine Life, Truth, and Love, and not a human personality, was the healer of the sick, and a rock, a firm foundation in the realm of harmony.

A study of the synonyms according to the subject under consideration . . . Life, Truth, Love -- completeness.

Contemplate purpose of Jesus; thought of church -- same as Mrs. Eddy's.

(S&H 583:12-19) Church. The structure of Truth and Love, whatever rests upon or proceeds from divine Principle.

The Church is that institution which affords proof of its utility and is found elevating the race, rousing the dormant understanding from material beliefs to the apprehension of divine ideas the demonstration of divine Science, thereby casting out devils or error, and healing the sick.

Christ-Truth, Son of God, conscious knowing of oneness with Father.

(John 10:30) I and my Father are one.

Structure of Truth and Love . . . son and mother revealing the Father. Whatever rests upon . . . reflection, manifestation.

Jesus revealed the Father and Son, Mrs. Eddy revealed the Mother. Fulfilling of complete law. This brings out what Peter saw in Jesus and is why the gates of Hell cannot prevail.

Life the Father, Truth the Son, Love the Mother makes this complete.

(S&H 298:2-4) Life, Truth, and Love are the realities of divine Science. They dawn in faith and glow full-orbed in spiritual understanding.

Can you see why Jesus used Greek word *petros*? It referred to both his male and female being.

(S&H 517:10-14) Love. The ideal woman corresponds to Life and Love. In divine Science we have not so much authority for considering God masculine, as we have for considering Him feminine, for Love imparts the clearest idea of Deity.

God as Love -- mother -- includes Father and Son, All-in-all. One indivisible being, all-in-one has to be woman -- idea.

(S&H 107:1-6) In the year 1866, I discovered the Christ Science or divine laws of Life, Truth, and Love, and named my discovery Christian Science. God had been graciously preparing me during many years for the reception of this final revelation of the absolute divine Principle of scientific mental healing.

This statement is our final proof that neither God nor Church can be understood as only Father and Son; but that which would prevail needs woman.

(S&H 502:27-28) The creative Principle -- Life, Truth, and Love -- is God.

Is this Church out there? Does it belong only to Jesus, Peter, and Mrs. Eddy? No! We must bring it back to ourselves as the one Mind. Church is the demonstration of each one of us as the one consciousness. Your consciousness is Life, Truth, Love. Father, Son, Mother.

When you attend the church services, be sure you take church with you.

We have to live what we believe and know. Our religion is not a theory. It is Science. Not one among many, it is THE religion, THE science. It is God revealing Himself, Herself, forever and ever. To be real, it has to be lived.

(S&H 50:12-18) The appeal of Jesus was made both to his divine Principle, the God who is Love, and to himself, Love's pure idea. Had Life, Truth, and Love forsaken him in his highest demonstration? No -- they must abide in him and he in them, or that hour would be shorn of its mighty blessing for the human race.

Is this Life, Truth, Love abiding in us as we work?

The title of Mother Church, the First Church of Christ Scientist, is singular - individual. This points to Jesus as the first individual, but not ending there. He was the way-shower. It must be carried on as an individual, not church of Christ

Scientists. For something to be universal, it has to appear with the individual. The individual is the basis of the universal. Important to be individual.

Such individuality takes the responsibility that the world may understand God.

(Un 48:5-9) Do you believe in God? I believe more in Him than do most Christians, for I have no faith in any other than or being. He sustains my individuality, nay, more -- He is my individuality and my Life. Because He lives, I live.

Thus we find that individuality means God appearing. It is not person, or human. We must translate all activity back to God, Mind. You must understand true individuality to be the activity of God, Mind. There are many individuals in history who have proved this individuality to be Principle. Jesus, Paul, Peter, established the Christian era; Mrs. Eddy established the scientific era. Science of Being understood.

Martin Luther dared to stand without hate. He protested as Principle. One with God is a majority. They transcend mortal sense. This must be proved by each one of us. We establish true individuality by being it.

When we know something is true and we have seen, it is here to stay. Do not have any fear if others do not believe. We never falter because of opposition. Remember, it is not a personal responsibility. It is Principle-responsibility appearing as me.

Our seeming difficulty is this. We start enthusiastically knowing what is true. But we find others do not want it and do not care. There is where personal sense would enter. Do not think it must be taken by force. Know Truth is and it is here to stay. Only give up the opposition, don't fight it. We are divinely individual. So this cannot be done for us. You are the Scientist in that title.

Do you just serve the church or is it divine consciousness. Are you being the Peter quality perceiving both male and female?

(Mis 263:5-14) These two words in Scripture suggest the sweetest simile to be found in any language -- rock and feathers. "Upon this rock I will build my church;" "He shall cover thee with His feathers." How blessed it is to think of you as "beneath the shadow of a great rock in a weary land," safe in His strength, building on His foundation, and covered from the devourer by divine protection and affection. Always bear in mind that His presence, power and peace meet all human needs and reflect all bliss.

Church understood this way is Scientific Being. Not only refers to the church but daily living and your view of the universe. Church must be inside first.

(Mis 144:32-2) The church, more than any other institution, at present is the cement of society, and it should be the bulwark of civil and religious liberty

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(S&H) Late in the nineteenth century I demonstrated the divine rules of Christian Science. They were submitted to the broadest practical test, and everywhere, when honestly applied under circumstances where demonstration was humanly possible, this Science showed that Truth had lost none of its divine and healing efficacy, even though centuries has passed away since Jesus practiced these rules on the hills of Judea and in the valleys of Galilee.

“Where demonstration was humanly possible” seemed to bring doubt and contradict our leader. I noticed she said *humanly*, not *divinely*, possible.

To the state of thought, which rejects Truth, Jesus said to his disciples, “Go not unto the city and shake the dust from your feet.” . . . Jesus himself vacated certain places.

(S&H 373:5-9) It is easier to cure the most malignant disease than it is to cure sin. The author has raised up the dying, partly because they were willing to be restored, while she was struggled long, and perhaps in vain, to lift a student out of a chronic sin.

“Perhaps in vain.” Why is this so? For some time I have been finding out that these severe experiences seem to be a thought that says, “I will not change!”

(Mis 119:11-21) The nature of the individual, more stubborn than the circumstance, will be found arguing for itself, -- its habits, tastes, and indulgencies. This material nature strives to tip the beam against the spiritual nature; for the flesh strives against Spirit, -- against whatever or whoever opposes evil, -- and weighs mightily in the scale against man’s high destiny. This conclusion is not an argument either for pessimism or optimism, but is a plea for free moral agency, -- full exemption from all necessity to obey a power that should be and is found powerless in Christian Science.

We can see therefore that the purpose for such states of thought that seem to appear in our experience are to discourage the student, to make him feel that he cannot demonstrate the Science of his own Being.

You must understand this operation of evil, but do not stand aghast at it. Jesus’ only exception was Judas -- but Jesus knew . . .

(S&H 94:28-32) Our Master read mortal mind on a scientific basis, that of the omnipresence of Mind. An approximation of this discernment indicates spiritual growth and union with the infinite capacities of the one Mind.

Jesus said to Judas, “What thou doest, do quickly.” So -- we must recognize that the demand is for us to see the “infinite capacities.” The Truth which Jesus knew did not prevent Judas from doing what he set out to do. Jesus read mortal mind, but he did not let it deter him demonstration. Who can term Jesus’ way a failure? It seemed Judas could not meet his responsibility.

(S&H 339:11-19) A sinner can receive no encouragement from the fact that Science demonstrates the unreality of evil, for the sinner would make a reality of sin, -- would make

that real which is unreal, and thus heap up "wrath against the day of wrath." He is joining a conspiracy against himself, -- against his own awakening to the awful unreality by which he has been deceived. Only those, who repent of sin and forsake the unreal, can fully understand the unreality of evil.

I once read a statement by a man, having served fifty-three years in the penitentiary, who only wanted to get out of prison to "get the judge." His thought was still not awakened.

(S&H 329:26-31) If men understood their real spiritual source to be all blessedness, they would struggle for recourse to the spiritual and be at peace; but the deeper the error into which mortal mind is plunged the more intense the opposition to spirituality, till error yields to Truth.

There must not be a sense of defeat if you are not able to meet the person's need. Remember, God has never ceased to be good. God's ways are higher than human belief. This state of mind will bring peace to your thought. We must have a complete satisfaction that as we have done our best, the rest remains in God.

(Mis 158:19-23) All God's servants are minute men and women. As of old, I stand with sandals on and staff in hand, waiting for the watchword and the revelation of what, how, whether. Let us be faithful and obedient, and God will do the rest.

Teeth

These words are important: grasp, seize, masticate, contend. They define teeth. Now, these are the negative -- which are to be seen positively.

(UofG 9:2-4) Destroy the mental sense of the disease, and the disease itself disappears. Destroy the sense of sin, and sin itself disappears.

Turn the statement around: "Determine the spiritual, mental sense of a thing, and the thing itself appears."

The word *tooth* means to pierce or penetrate. From a spiritually mental point of view, one must penetrate the covering that error always presents and see its unreality. This all means internal fortitude.

Do not contend with your teeth! Use these four ideas spiritually: **grasp, seize, masticate, contend.**

(My 131:13-16) May apostate praise return to its first love, above the symbol, speak the spirit, speak the 'new tongue,' -- and may thought soar and Soul be.

Masticate: to bring into Truth, to come into contact with Truth. Otherwise, material belief replaces all else.

We know that mastication is to break up food and to swallow it for digestion; but first, we must get our teeth into (penetrate) it. It is necessary to translate everything into the spiritual, -- otherwise, material beliefs would replace all else.

(II Cor 10:5) Casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.

The formation of new teeth must be considered by the advancing Christian Scientist. Mind only is the cause of every effect.

(S&H 270:2-4) One only of the following statements can be true: 1) that everything is matter (or) 2) that everything is Mind.

This absolute understanding of eyes and teeth begins to improve the ones you have.

(S&H 247:3-7) I have seen age regain two of the elements it had lost, sight and teeth. A woman of eighty-five, whom I knew, had a return of sight. Another woman at ninety had new teeth, incisors, cuspids, bicuspid, and one molar.

What more do we need to start a rousing campaign for better eyes and teeth?

(S&H 507:28-29) Creation is ever appearing, and must ever continue to appear from the nature of its inexhaustible source.

Teeth should reappear, firm and hard, instead of wearing down from mastication.

(Exekial 18:2) What mean ye that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, the Fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

(Pul 80:11-15) Mrs. Eddy we have never seen, her book has many a time been sent us by interested friends, and out of respect to them we have fairly broken our mental teeth over its granite pebbles.

To prevent decay and to see why it is possible not to experience it, this definition is to be consistent . . . decay (Webster) "to pass gradually from one estate of soundness or perfection to one of imperfection; decline; to fail; to wear out, to deteriorate." Decay comes from within. Decay is really the lack of using spiritual qualities.

(S&H 323:17-18) If faithful over a few things, we shall be made rulers over many; but the one unused talent decays and is lost.

Health is the effect of Godly thinking. You know that, and so do I; but this way, you can grasp, sieze, contend, and masticate -- bring it to perfection. Put your teeth into it. They are functions of divine Mind expressed.

Eyes

There must be a greater effort to meet the teeth and eyes condition.

(S&H 586) Eyes: spiritual discernment, not material, but mental.

Discernment: (Web) to distinguish, to understand, detect, accuracy.
Accuracy: (Web) a mental refinement of thought that separates tares and wheat.

(S&H 275:31-32) Truth spiritually discerned is scientifically understood. It casts out error and heals the sick.

Who is doing the understanding? Me. (My universe has the power)

(S&H 505:20-22) Spiritual sense is the discernment of spiritual good. Understanding is the line of demarcation between the real and the unreal.

Discerning all things from a grain of sand up to man as perfect is perfect eyesight.
Discern: (Web) to understand mentally from within.

We need not heal the eye, but the thought.

Blurred: -seeing materially instead of spiritually.

Twenty-Twenty Vision: one focal point of seeing right spiritually.

Astigmatism: two focal points. Perfect seeing is from one focal point and that one is Spirit. A double point of view brings disagreement -- disillusion.

(S&H 301:24-29) Delusion, sin, disease, and death, arise from the false testimony of material sense, which, from a supposed standpoint outside the focal distance of infinite Spirit, presents an inverted image of Mind and substance with everything turned upside down.

Matter and Spirit never join. It has to be all Spirit or all matter. So, because all is Spirit, this is the only viewpoint. It is when we believe in matter that our vision is distorted.

Looking out from Mind, we see what Mind sees and knows and eyesight is perfect. Discerning reality is dematerializing everything.

Divinely male and female are one, not two. Do we see a good husband and a bad wife (or *vice versa*)? This is double seeing. But if we see it spiritually, the whole body is full of light.

(S&H 577:4-11) The lamb's wife presents the unity of male and female as no longer two wedded individuals, but as two individual natures in one; and this compounded spiritual individuality reflects God as Father-Mother, not as a corporeal being. In this divinely united spiritual consciousness, there is no impediment to eternal bliss -- to the perfectibility of God's creation.

Nearsightedness: the right fact is seeing spiritual things near at hand. Here and now.

(S&H 509) Knowing the Science of creation in which all is Mind and its ideas, Jesus rebuked the material thought of his fellow countrymen.

"You can discern the face of the sky, but can ye not discern the signs of the times?" How much more should we seek to apprehend the spiritual ideas of God, than to dwell on the objects of sense! To discern the rhythm of Spirit and to be holy, thought must be purely spiritual.

(Mis 66:16-21) To reach the summit of Science, whence to discern God's perfect ways and means, the material sense must be controlled by the higher spiritual sense, and Truth be enthroned, while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen.

There is no division between far-sightedness and near-sightedness. They two aspects of one thing.

Farsightedness: A universal sense of things.

(Mis 347:9-12) They who discern the face of the skies cannot always discern the mental signs of the times, and peer through the opaque error. Where my vision begins and is clear, theirs grows indistinct and ends.

Jesus said the Comforter will come and confirm all things

(S&H 587:9-12) Elias. Prophecy; spiritual evidence opposed to material sense; Christian Science, with which can be discerned the spiritual face of whatever the material senses behold; the basis of immortality. ... Elias truly shall first come and restore all things. (Matt 17:11))

The faulty sense of far-sightedness (not being properly far-sighted) is sometimes disinterest in things within our own horizon, putting things off to be solved at a later date or by someone else. We must see this Truth as universally true (a universal sense of far-sightedness)

The faulty sense of near-sightedness is not being able to distinguish spiritual truths at hand.

(Mess '02 9:30-16) Whatever enlarges man's faculties for knowing and doing good, and subjugates matter, has a fight with the flesh. Utilizing the capacities of the human mind uncovers new ideas, unfolds spiritual forces, the divine energies, and their power over matter, molecules, space, time, mortality; and mortals cry out, "Art thou come hither to torment us before the time?" then dispute the facts, call them false or in advance of the time, and reiterate, let me alone. Hence the footprints of the reformer are stained in blood. Reverend Hugh Black writes truly; "The birthplace of a civilization is not in Athens, but Calvary.

When the human mind is advancing above itself towards the Divine, it is subjugating the body, subduing matter, taking steps outward and upward. This upward tendency of humanity will finally gain the scope of Jacob's vision, and rise from sense to Soul, from earth to heaven.

The substance of the eyes: If we think it is material, we are in for all the beliefs of material eyes. But if we know it is spiritual, then it could not express itself materially. We must not have a double viewpoint. The Science of being expressed as all is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation is our basis.

(S&H 143:13-25) Sometimes the human mind uses one error to medicine another. Driven to choose between two difficulties, the human mind takes the lessor to relieve the greater. On this basis, it saves from starvation by theft, and quiets pain with anodynes. You admit that mind influences the body somewhat, but you conclude that the stomach, blood, nerves, bones, etc. hold the preponderance of power. Controlled by this belief, you continue in the old routine. You lean on the inert and unintelligent, never discerning how this deprives you of the available superiority of divine Mind. The body is not controlled scientifically by a negative mind.

Let us remind ourselves that eyesight is spiritual discernment and this cancels the belief that things are material.

Being must be complete . . . Himself, Herself. Because we have two eyes, it does not mean two focal points. We see as Mind sees for actually it is the one Mind seeing. When we see male and female one, this is perfect vision, the science of perfect being, our being.

Vaccine

This is a difficult subject, because of human goodness, the belief that there is good outside of God. However, the Christian Scientist sticks to his text, hews to the line and lets the chips fall. He puts all in the hands of God and is clad in the panoply of Love.

Vaccine is mortal mind's concept of prevention. This is being done in an effort to dispel or temper fears. However, we have to be true to the science of our being and see because vaccine is not based on true Science, it can be dangerous.

- human goodness
- mortal mind concept of prevention
- anything which is not true Science can be dangerous.

Note Mrs. Eddy's recommendation for prevention:

(S&H 400:12-15) Eradicate the image of disease from the perturbed thought before it has taken tangible shape in conscious thought, alias the body, and you prevent the development of disease.

There is no science to drugs. Drugs overlook the patient's thoughts. The only science is the Science of being. Now, we must see through many inventions of the human mind, endeavoring to give good, but not from God, but through human good.

About Infectious Diseases:

(My 344:21-6) Then as to the laws, -- the health laws of the States on the question of infectious and contagious diseases. How does Christian Science stand as to them?"

"I say, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesars. We cannot force perfection on the world. Were vaccination of any avail, I should tremble for mankind; but, knowing it is not, and that the fear of catching smallpox is more dangerous than any material infection, I say: Where vaccination is compulsory, let your children be vaccinated, and see that your mind is in such a state that by your prayers, vaccination will do the children no harm. So long as Christian Scientists obey the laws, I do not suppose their mental reservations will be thought to matter much. But every thought tells, and Christian Science will overthrow false knowledge in the end.

The hidden factor is the nature of the individual. We must see the true nature. As long as people are using drugs, so long are they putting off the reason for physical

disorder. We must lean on the kingdom of God within. Everything in our life must be measured by the Truth, Life and Love, whether the condition is social, civil, religious. Mrs. Eddy has given us the answer.

(Mis 79:5-9) The grand verities of Science will sift the chaff from the wheat, until it is clear to human comprehension that man was, and is, God's perfect likeness, that reflects all whereby we can know God. In Him we live, move, and have our being.

Mrs. Eddy's notes to her class: There is only mental vaccination. I would take the point of Spirit, whose edge is Truth, and pick the human affections, then inoculate with divine Love, circulating through the system of thought, and the liability of contagious disease, sin or sickness will cease.

(My 345:7-19) What is your attitude to science in general? Do you oppose it?

Not, with a smile, if it is really science

Well, electricity, engineering, the telephone, the steam engine -- are those too material for Christian Science?

No; only false science -- healing by drugs. I was a sickly child. I was dosed with drugs until they had no effect on me. The doctors said I would live if the drugs could be made to act on me. Then homeopathy came like blessed relief to me, but I found that when I prescribed pellets without any medication, they acted just the same and healed the sick. How would I believe in a science of drugs?

Star

Star: self-illuminous body. The star is a symbol.

(S&H 575:13-14) Spiritual teaching must always be by symbols.

I am living the science of my own Being: a self-illuminous body.

The Christian Scientist is alone (all-one) with his sense of things.

(Un 42:24-2) Truth, defiant of error or matter, is Science, dispelling a false sense and leading man into the true sense of selfhood and Godhood, wherein the mortal does not develop the immortal, nor the material the spiritual, but wherein true manhood and womanhood go forth in the radiance of eternal being and its perfection, unchanged and unchangeable.

(S&H 29:32-1) Jesus was the offspring of Mary's self-conscious communion with God.

Self-conscious: self-illuminous, conscious of self as being divine Mind made manifest.

The star heralded the birth of Jesus.

(Mis 320:9-30) The star that looked lovingly down on the manger of our Lord lends its resplendent light to this hour: the light of Truth to cheer, guide, and bless man as he reaches forth for the infant idea of divine perfection dawning upon human imperfection -- that calms man's fears, bears his burdons, beckons him on to Truth and Love and the sweet immunity these bring from sin, sickness, and death.

This reference gives new meaning to

(S&H Pref vii: 1-12) To those leaning on the sustaining infinite today is big with blessings. The wakeful shepherd beholds the first faint beams, ere cometh the full radiance of a risen day. So shone the pale star to the prophet-shepherd; yet it traversed the night, and came where, in cradled obscurity, lay the Bethlehem babe, the human herald of Christ, Truth who would make plain to benighted understanding the way of salvation through Christ Jesus, till across a night of error should dawn the morning beams and shine the guiding star of being. The Wisemen were led to behold and to follow this day star of divine Science lighting the way to eternal harmony.

--Twelve Stars

This star is the way to eternal harmony. When we begin to see this, evil disappears and one is crowned with twelve stars.

(S&H 562:11-21) The spiritual idea is crowned with twelve stars. The twelve tribes of Isreal with all mortals -- separated by belief from man's divine origin and the true idea, -- will through much tribulation yield to the activities of the divine Principle of man in the harmony of Science. These are the stars in the crown of rejoicing. They are the lamps in the spiritual heaven of the age, which show the workings of the spiritual idea by healing the sick and the sinning, and by manifesting the light which shines "unto the perfect day" as the night of materialism wanes.

The twelve tribes typify a belief of life separate from God, but as we understand our wholeness, our self-illuminosity, this becomes a star in the crown of rejoicing.

(Mis 340:26-29) The lives of great men and women are miracles of patience and perseverance. Every luminary in the constellation of human greatness, like the stars, comes out in the darkness to shine with the reflected light of God.

(Mis 360:6-15) Great only as good, because fashioned divinely, were those unpretentious yet colossal characters, Paul and Jesus. Theirs were modes of mind cast in the moulds of Christian Science: Paul's by the supremely natural transforming power of Truth; and the character of Jesus, by his original sonship with God. Philosophy never has produced, nor can it reproduce, these stars of the first magnitude -- fixed stars in the heavens of Soul. When shall earth be crowned with the true knowledge of Christ?

-- Christ and Christmas

The star in Christ and Christmas is descriptive of the light or understanding, which Jesus brought to earth.

(Rev 22:116) I Jesus have sent mine angels to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

(Gen 1:2-3) And the earth was without form, and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.
And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

Self-luminosity must be seen overcoming a belief in life separate from God.

(S&H 26:12-14) The realization that all inharmony is unreal brings objects and thoughts into human view in their true light, and presents them as beautiful and immortal.

The star shines 360 degrees of its own being. Not just in one direction.

(S&H 2203:32-1) God is at one the centre and circumference of being.

(Ps 26:9) For with thee is the fountain of life: in they light shall we see light.

Star: all inclusive divine consciousness. It is the science of Being in which everything expresses God or Mind.

-- America

The star is used to describe the mission of America. Consider the flag, in which a new star is added to represent each new state. It represents the individual freedom of each state. The flag is the banner of dawn: "by the dawn's early light."

(Po 78:7-9) Shades of our heroes! the Union now is one
the star whose destiny none may outrun.

Firmament. Spiritual understanding; the scientific line of demarcation between Truth and error, between Spirit and so-called matter.

The star is the pivotal point of the nations coming together.

(S&H 48:7-9) There was no response to that human yearning, and so Jesus turned forever away from earth to heaven, from sense to Soul.

(S&H 565:13-28) The impersonation of the spiritual idea had a brief history in the earthly life of our Master; but "of his kingdom there shall be no end," for Christ, God's idea, will eventually rule all nations and peoples -- imperatively, absolutely, and finally, with divine

Science. This immaculate idea, represented first by man and, according to the Revelator, last by woman, will baptize with fire; and the fiery baptism will burn up the chaff of error with the fervent heat of Truth and Love, melting and purifying even the gold of human character. After the stars sang together and all was primeval harmony, the material life made war upon the spiritual idea; but this only impelled the idea to rise to the zenith of demonstration, destroying sin, sickness, and death, and to be caught up unto God -- to be found in its divine Principle.

Conclusion

My 182:29-2 to ;

May this beloved church adhere to its tenets, abound in the righteousness of Love, honor the name of Christian Science, prove the practicality of perfection, and press on to the infinite uses of Christ's creed, namely, -- "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all they heart, and with all they soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind;

My 285:8-10

Whatever adorns Christianity crowns the great purposes of life and demonstrates the Science of being.

My 184:23-28

Your rural chapel is a social success quite sacred in its results. The prosperity of Zion is very precious in the sight of divine Love, holding unwearied watch over a world. Isaiah said: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, . . . that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!"

Pan 11:13-16

The Christian Scientists' Pastor. True, I have made the Bible, and "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," the pastor for all the churches of the Christian Science denomination, but that does not make it impossible for this pastor of ours to preach!

Ret 26:17-30

Jesus of Nazareth was a natural and divine Scientist. He was so before the material word saw him. He who antedated Abraham, and gave the world a new date in the Christianera, was a Christian Scientist, who needed no discovery of the Science of being in order to rebuke the evidence. To one "born of the flesh," however, divine Science must be a discovery. Woman must give it birth. It must be begotten of spirituality, since none but the pure in heart can see God, -- the Principle of all things pure; and none but the "poor in spirit" could first state this Principle, could know yet more of the nothingness of matter and the allness of Spirit, could utilize Truth, and absolutely reduce the demonstration of being, in science, to the apprehension of the age.

See to it that we are not discouraged over seeming delays. We are all living together.

Ret 21:13-20

It is well to know, dear reader, that our material, mortal history is but the record dreams, not of man's real existence, and the dream has no place in the Science of being. It is "as a tale that is told," and "as the shadow when it declineth." The heavenly intent of earth's shadows is to chasten the affections, to rebuke human consciousness and turn it gladly from a material, false sense of life and happiness, to spiritual joy and true estimate of being."