

Comparison

*1910/1911 Science and Health
with Key to the Scriptures
to the
1912 Science and Health
with Key to the Scriptures*

“I have passed through deep waters to preserve Christ's vesture unrent; then, when land is reached and the world aroused, shall the word popularity be pinned to the seamless robe, and they cast lots for it? God forbid! Let it be left to such as see God – to the pure in spirit, and the meek that inherit the earth; left to them of a sound faith and charity, the greatest of which is charity – spiritual love.”

Message to The Mother Church, 1901, page 26

The following section gives a clear comparison of the changes between the 1910/1911 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures and the 1912 Science Health with Key to the Scriptures. It is important to note that the changes in the 1912 Christian Science textbook occurred two years after Mary Baker Eddy's passing, December 3, 1910.

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KEY *to* THE SCRIPTURES

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FALMOUTH AND ST. PAUL STREETS

1911

The Last Three Testimonies of Fruitage

Mrs. Eddy's design is clearly apparent in Fruitage in the 1910/1911 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures. Please refer to page 20 for reproductions of these testimonies. The order of the testimonies is as follows:

- A Priceless Boon**, pg. 698: The testimony of a man healed by recognizing the *physical* aspect of his consciousness as stated in the scientific translation of mortal mind.
- Healed of Consumption and Asthma**, pg. 699: The testimony of a man awakened to the *moral* aspect of his divine being as stated in the scientific translation of mortal mind.
- A Grateful Testimony**, pg. 700: The testimony of a woman who demonstrated the *spiritual* reality of her divine being as stated in the scientific translation of mortal mind.

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The Bible is a new book to me. I now see what Jesus meant when he said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

My heart goes out in gratitude to Mrs. Eddy for the work she has done and is still doing for the world, and to God I am most grateful that He has guided me into the truth, that I may have life, and have it more abundantly. — Mrs. M. M., Chicago, Ill.

A PRICELESS BOON

I have long desired to express my gratitude for what Christian Science has done, through reading Science and Health, for me and my family. I was healed of profanity, the tobacco habit, and a bad temper, through the understanding that man is the image and likeness of God. I was also healed of kidney disease and rheumatism. What surprised me most, however, was this; I had had one finger thrown out of place some fifteen years

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A GRATEFUL TESTIMONY

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

This has been proven to me in every way. When Christian Science came to me, I was a wreck, physically, mentally, and financially; but since the reading of Science and Health turned my thought toward the light, I have found that, as far as I am willing to receive the word and live it, all comforts are supplied me. I am especially grateful for the spiritual help. I know that things which I did and thought last year I would not do or think this year, and am satisfied. Through the careful and prayerful study of Science and Health I have been lifted from sickness to health, from sorrow to peace, from lack to plenty, and, the most beautiful of all, from darkness to light. — Mrs. H. S. C., Seattle, Wash.

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before. It was crooked, but it became straight and useful. A bone in my foot had also been broken, leaving a bunch, which disappeared after I studied Christian Science and received class instruction. I am an entirely well man and for this I am very grateful. I am also glad that I have learned enough of Truth and Love to be able to heal others. I wish to express my thankful appreciation of our Leader, also of the *Sentinel* and the *Journal*. — N. R. F., Salina, Kans.

HEALED OF CONSUMPTION AND ASTHMA

It is a pleasure to acknowledge the great benefits which have come to me through Christian Science. It is nearly ten years since I began the investigation of the subject by borrowing a copy of Science and Health. I had become a hopeless sufferer from asthma, — the disease being so aggravated at times as to make breathing almost impossible. I was also a victim of that dread disease, consumption. It was hereditary, nearly all my family on both sides having passed away with it. I took up Christian Science very much as a drowning man catches at a straw. However, I was much interested as soon as I began to understand it, and having read the book nearly all my waking hours for a few weeks, I became so much better and so convinced of its truth, that myself and wife destroyed all the medicines in the home, and have never since used any remedy except Christian Science. I continued to study and to put into practice the teaching as best I knew, and was restored to health in a few months.

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The Changes in the Last Three Testimonies

Now examine the changes that occurred in Fruitage in the 1912 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures and every edition after this date. Please refer to page 22 for reproductions of these testimonies.

A Priceless Boon: removed

Healed of Consumption and Asthma: becomes the last testimony

A Grateful Testimony: switched from page 700 to 698, thus becoming the second to last testimony

Please note that Mrs. Eddy originally ended Fruitage with a testimony written by a woman. Now, Fruitage ends with a testimony written by a man.

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Breaking the Divine Order

In 1912, the order of the last two testimonies was changed without the consent of Mary Baker Eddy, thus breaking the divine order.

A Grateful Testimony by Mrs. H.S.C., Seattle, Wash.

Original Closing Testimony of 1910/1911 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures

Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures closes with the phrase “from darkness to light.”¹⁴ This is the main theme running throughout the entire textbook. As proved through the examples, the Christian Science textbook opens in darkness and ends in light. The former, darkness, being occupied by a male shepherd, the latter, light, attested to by a female benefactor. Mrs. Eddy completed the 1910/1911 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures with a testimony written by a woman (the female benefactor.)

Mary Baker Eddy is fulfilling the prophecy of Jeremiah 31:22, “...the Lord hath created a new thing in the earth, **A woman shall compass a man.**”

In the *Christian Science Journal*, May, 1885, she speaks of herself in this way:

“PROPHECY.

SHE existed from the beginning before all ages, and will not cease to exist throughout all ages: it is she who shall create in Heaven a light which shall never be extinguished; she shall rise in the midst of her people, and she shall be blessed over all those who are blessed by God, for she shall open the doors of the East, and the Desired of Nations shall appear. — Lily of Israel.”

Looking up the word “lily” in the *American Dictionary of the English Language*, by Noah Webster, 1884, one of the definitions states:

“That end of the compass-needle which should point to the north;-so called as often ornamented with the figure of a lily or fleur-de-lis.

But sailing further, it veers its *lily* to the west. *Browne*”

This supports the passage from Science and Health that declares:

“As the Psalmist saith, “Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.” It is indeed a city of the Spirit, fair, royal, and square. **Northward, its gates open to the North Star, the Word, the polar magnet of Revelation;** eastward, to the star seen by the Wisemen of the Orient, who followed it to the manger of Jesus; southward, to the genial tropics, with the Southern Cross in the skies, — the Cross of Calvary, which binds human society into solemn union; westward, to the grand realization of the Golden Shore of Love and the Peaceful Sea of Harmony.”

Science and Health, page 575

Mary Baker Eddy writes the following in the textbook:

“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, 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 lie 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.**”

Science and Health, page 565

*Healed of Consumption and Asthma by C.B., Webb City, Mo.
Switched with Last Testimony in the 1912 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*

The last sentence in the 1912 Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures reads as follows: “Thus I have progressed a little way in the knowledge of God, good, as revealed in Christian Science.”¹⁵ The first part of the sentence, “Thus I have progressed a little way...” is not consistent with the logic of divine Science. The Bible promises “Now are we the sons of God.”¹⁶ There is no progression to perfection.

Now, consider the definition of “knowledge” on page 590 in the Glossary: **“KNOWLEDGE.** Evidence obtained from the five corporeal senses; mortality; beliefs and opinions; human theories, doctrines, hypotheses; that which is not divine and is the origin of sin, sickness, and death; the opposite of spiritual Truth and understanding.”¹⁷

By ending the Christian Science textbook with the above statement, man has been placed back into the darkness of materiality. As stated in the “scientific statement of being” on page 468, it clearly emphasizes, “Therefore man is not material; he is spiritual.”¹⁸

“Mrs. Eddy’s Book is Mutilated, Say They”

Note the following newspaper article is the same year the changes in Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures occurred. Was there any connection between the switching of the last two testimonies and the mutilation of the Christian Science textbook within the same year? How many Christian Scientists, at that time, would have noticed a change in Fruitage?

"Mrs. Eddy's Book is Mutilated, Say They" New York Sun, April 18, 1912

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**MRS. EDDY'S BOOK IS
MUTILATED, SAY THEY**

**Christian Scientists Complain
That New Edition is Awry
in Several Respects.**

OMISSIONS POINTED OUT

And Repetitions Too—Mrs. Stetson Admits Finding Distortions in Her Copy.

Considerable indignation is being expressed among Christian Scientists in New York and neighboring cities, in which a new edition of Mrs. Eddy's "Science and Health" has been circulated, over what they term mutilations of the original text.

In the edition in question, published in Boston recently, pages 65 to 69, containing the chapter on "Marriage" are missing; pages 70 to 80, containing part of the chapter on "Christian Science versus Spiritualism," are also lacking, and other deletions are noted. Particularly among the followers of Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson is the feeling of dissatisfaction against the directors of the Mother Church being voiced.

"Yes," admitted Mrs. Stetson when questioned by a SUN reporter last night at her home, "I have seen a copy of a recent issue of the Christian Science text book, 'Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures,' which appears in a most

confused, distorted condition. The last five pages of the chapter on 'Marriage' are left out, the first eleven pages of the chapter entitled 'Christian Science Versus Spiritualism' are omitted. Besides this the chapter on 'Animal Magnetism Unmasked' is twice repeated in the book. Also of the chapter on 'Science, Theology and Medicine' there are five pages twice inserted.

"Altogether there is a marked evidence of great lack of spiritual alertness and eternal vigilance in guarding this book from the 'enemy of good' who would part the 'seamless garment and cast lots for its vesture.' More spirituality is needed to protect this work.

"The argument of those not conversant with the operation of spiritual thought force which governs harmoniously all who obey the law of God may be that this is a blunder of the binder," she said in reply to further questions. "But who is responsible for the binder? And who sends out and sells these mutilated copies of Mrs. Eddy's book? Our beloved leader was a safe custodian for the God inspired work, 'Science and Health, With Key to the Scriptures,' and under her watchful, spiritual care the evil one failed to enter and make chaotic its sacred pages.

"The attempt of the enemy has been laid bare in this egregious blunder in the text book.

"The hour will strike when the scriptural record of the nobleman who left his stewards with orders to execute and who went on a far journey will again be repeated. On his return he found them beating the men servants and the maidens and he appointed them their reward.

"It is a matter of regret that this sore neglect and lack of spiritual understanding which insures vigilance and order has occurred," Mrs. Stetson concluded. "But the true followers of Mrs. Eddy will cling more closely to truth and patiently wait the hour when Christ will reappear and resume the government of his people. The King shall come to His kingdom and again rule and reign with love, wisdom, equity and right."

“An Important Statement”

The article, “An Important Statement,” on page 27, is found in *The Christian Science Journal*, February 1955. The Christian Science Board of Directors stated that there were only two changes made in Fruitage. It has been shown in this document that three changes took place.

At the end of the article it states, “...there can never be any need of divergence from what she [Mary Baker Eddy] thus did and directed.” Since the changes occurred two years after Mrs. Eddy’s passing, how was the authority for the three changes obtained and why the divergence from her orders?

It is interesting to note that Peter denied Jesus three times. That is exactly what the Christian Science Board of Directors did when the Science and Health was changed. They denied the Revelator of Truth to this age three times.

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AN IMPORTANT STATEMENT

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IN view of inquiries received from time to time and some current misinformation, we believe the Field will be glad to have the following statement concerning the books of our beloved Leader, Mary Baker Eddy.

Since her passing in 1910 no change whatever has been made in anything which she has written. The text of all her writings as published remains today exactly as she left it, and will, of course, be preserved permanently in this form.

The changes which have appeared in her books since her passing, changes in typography and bindings to keep them abreast of the times, and a few others—none of them altering her own words—have all been due to specific instructions from her or policies firmly established by her.

In the 1911 printing of the Manual of The Mother Church, for example, the words "and Branch Churches" were added to the titles on pages 120 and 127 over the order of services for our churches and the order of exercises for the Sunday School. This printing of the Manual went to press in 1910, in Mrs. Eddy's lifetime, and the changes mentioned were authorized personally by her, although they did not appear in finished books until after her passing. The corresponding title over the order of service for Thanksgiving Day had already appeared in the 1910 edition of the Manual. Actually, these changes only made a further record of rules and practices which had long been in effect.

A policy established by Mrs. Eddy was followed in making two changes in the

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whereas the protection of a trademark, if renewed as required, is permanent in virtually all countries. The trademarks will always identify and protect books regularly authorized and published under the arrangements made by Mrs. Eddy.

One other such change was the inclusion in the English editions of the Church Manual in 1925 of a Topical Index. Mrs. Eddy had always sought to make what she wrote as accessible to students as possible, as illustrated by her provision of the Concordance to Science and Health, and earlier by indexes in the textbook itself. In accordance with that precedent, her publishers provided the Concordance to her other writings after

chapter on Fruitage in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" after her passing. In 1907 circumstances had come to light which convinced Mrs. Eddy that one of the testimonies which she had placed in this chapter should not be retained, and she instructed her publisher to remove it and to put in another which she had selected. She instructed him similarly in regard to another testimony in the chapter in 1909, that time asking him, however, to choose the one to be inserted.

At intervals after 1910, the attention of the publishers was called to similar circumstances regarding two other testimonies in the chapter—circumstances not previously known to Mrs. Eddy or her publishers—which made these testimonies as definitely unsuitable as those Mrs. Eddy herself had removed. With the approval of The Christian Science Board of Directors one of these testimonies was replaced, and the other removed without replacement. No words of Mrs. Eddy's were involved. The second and last change in the chapter was made in 1925.

Mrs. Eddy took great care to protect the copyrights on her books. For similar reasons, the Trustees under the Will of Mary Baker Eddy, her publishers, have adopted what are known as trademarks for her books and have registered them in many countries. The trademarks are the cross and crown emblem and Mrs. Eddy's signature in facsimile. This action was taken because copyrights are limited as to duration, and differently limited in different countries,

her passing. It was thought in still later years that an index in the Manual would be another such convenience, but after the index had been there some years, a survey showed that it had been little used, and therefore in 1951 it was dropped.

The Directors of The Mother Church and the Trustees under the Will, like other Christian Scientists, cherish every detail of Mrs. Eddy's writings as she left them, and all the provisions she made for the care of her books. All this, it is clear, came through her own demonstration of the Science she discovered and taught, and there can never be any need of divergence from what she thus did and directed.

“The Divine Order of Christian Science”

The topic of the divine order of Christian Science has been a subject of debate for many years. This is an article by Ira O. Knapp, one of Mary Baker Eddy's most beloved students. The spiritual significance of this article will be of interest to any serious student of the Science of Christianity.

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God to the pulling down of strongholds."**

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THE DIVINE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

IRA O. KNAPP.

ALL the logic and reason of the ages concerning Life and Being, is valueless unless its superstructure is based upon divine revelation. In the divine order of revelation, the world, at this stage of progress, is indebted to Christian Science, as revealed in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker G. Eddy, for shedding spiritual Light upon the footsteps of Truth, heavenward. This revelation reopens the way of salvation as taught and demonstrated by Jesus Christ, who has said "No man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Biblical history of divine revelations, of prophetic visions and their fulfillment, of the demonstrations of healing the sick and destroying sin and death, — all acknowledge one and the same God; otherwise they would not be true to Truth, or express the divine order that Truth demonstrates.

This one God, who is Life, Truth, and Love, implies one Intelligence and the unity and scientific order of all that reflects God. The Scriptures declare there is a "first and last" in the order of Being; therefore, there must also be a "first and last" in the order of revelation of spiritual thoughts and things upon the earth. Spiritual

thoughts and things are spiritually discerned. The prophet must have discerned the things of God when he said, "Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them show unto them." No one can prophetically show the things to come without the spiritual guidance of immutable Truth, which reveals an invariable rule of rightness. No more can man reason rightly without the intelligent and scientific Principle, or Truth, revealing absolute rightness.

In the order of revelation, this seems to be the day of scientific acknowledgment; but the true understanding of Science must reflect immutable Truth and Life, which reveal all things spiritual in the footsteps of scientific order. This is indicated in the order of creation, as recorded in the first chapter of Genesis. God's work, though perfect, was not finished in one day or period of revelation, nor did the last appear first. If God is what the Scriptures declare and imply, — the spiritually intelligent "All-in-all," — then every thought or thing in the image of Truth and Life, must reflect the heavenly harmony and scientific unity which unite the "first and the last" in perfect oneness of Being. Jesus said, "I and my Father are one," and "who are my brethren?" but "whosoever shall do the will of my Father?" His day of revelation, however, did not appear before the promises and prophecies which foretold the coming period of his wonderful demonstrations.

"In the faith of Abraham," as the Scriptures record it, dwelt the living "promises of God;" but Abraham saw their fulfillment afar off, "For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." In the spiritual light of this living "seed" of faith which was and is to people the whole earth in righteousness, — for its very beginning was accounted for righteousness, — may we not follow the footsteps of Truth, and the demonstrations thereof? This constantly revealing seed of faith is spiritually discernible through Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, David, and all the prophets, revealing in the divine order the greater Light, — the long-expected Messiah which they continually foretold.

This Christ idea appeared, to human consciousness in the manner that history records. Jesus must have manifested the Christ idea of perfect manhood in the Christly enlightened human faith in one God and Father. He came in the divine order of revelation to fulfill all that was written of him in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the Psalms. This prophetic child — this seed of living faith in the one God — was humanized to appear as a child born of a virgin, and to suffer, for a season, the misconceptions of mortal man, in order to destroy forever the false belief that man, or manhood, is ever born of the flesh, or ever had a material

father or mother. For he said to all generations of men: "Call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven." Mortal material birth and death must, therefore, disappear in the order in which the revelation of his life destroyed sickness, sin, and death. For he said, "I am the way, the Truth, and the Life."

This prophetic child of God was sent to the "lost sheep of the house of Israel." Lost, because they claimed Abraham as their father and the law of Moses as their guide, while they, in their blind beliefs of life and manhood in the flesh, knew not the faith of Abraham; neither did they keep the spiritual law of Moses. If they had truly and spiritually known Abraham, Moses, and Elias, they would necessarily have known this child of prophecy in the order of divine revelation. (See John, 5:46, 47 and 8:56.) "For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" "Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad."

From his first appearance on earth, to the completion of his Christly demonstrations of healing and saving from the false claims of sin and death, Jesus was repeating the order of creation and divine revelation. In the beginning God said, "Let there be light: and there was light." Christ Jesus, the son of God, also said, "I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." But the command of the inspired word is, that we must enter in at the strait gate, and follow the straight and narrow way of scientific rightness; because this does not deviate from, the Christian and scientific order in which Truth and Life unfold every idea of manhood.

This is the birth of the true manhood in Christ Jesus, which dawns in the light of faith and unfolds in the footsteps and divine order of revelation; thereby eliminating in its order the unscientific and material darkness and disorder of the flesh, — sin, sickness, and death. "But every man in his own order: Christ the first fruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the end, . . . for he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet." Paul also writes, "But now we see not yet all things put under him." At this time, the humanized fleshly Jesus had disappeared. Hence Paul's spiritual conception of Christ Jesus appears to be that he is "made an high priest forever after the order of Melchisedec, . . . without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life." Therefore, Paul saw that "unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin [the flesh] unto salvation," from the flesh and all it includes.

Jesus indicated to his disciples that it was expedient for them that he go away, but that the Father (in the order of revelation) would send another "Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost" or "Spirit of Truth" that abideth forever. This "Spirit of Truth" characterized more completely their demonstrations of healing after his material disappearance. Let us follow by the light of this "Spirit of Truth," in the footsteps of these promises and prophecies, up to the wonderful revelation of Jesus Christ to his beloved disciple St. John. Here, the individual Jesus is not manifested in the flesh yet the revelation declares that, "I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches," closing with the declaration, "I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star." The star of faith that led the wise men, in Wisdom's way, to the Bethlehem babe is now leading on to a greater revelation of spiritual unity and oneness; even to the New Jerusalem, or heavenly harmony, — that perfect and spiritual universe and man, whose father and mother is God. This book of Revelation, given to St. John while still in the flesh, confirms that spiritual and scientific relation between the perfect idea of Christ, unseen to the senses, and the spiritual teachings and demonstrations of the Christ idea, all the way from the faith of Abraham to the complete revelation of spiritual manhood, and the spiritual universe, which is typically represented to St. John as the "New Jerusalem."

This book of Revelation was sealed with seven seals; and no man was found worthy to unloose the seven seals, but the "Lion of the tribe of Juda," the "Root of David." This root of David — this spiritual idea — is seen as "a Lamb as it had been slain;" that is, slain to human sense, all along the ages. This lamb with seven horns and seven eyes typically represents "the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth." The divine order is exemplified in this revelation or opening of the seals, from the first to the last. In the opening of the seventh seal, there were seven angels which stood before God, and they were given seven trumpets which were to be sounded in their order. "But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets."

The "little book" which was open in the hand of this angel, was given to St. John to eat; and this is typically described in a few unmistakable words to those who follow in the footsteps of this revelation. Here then we have a "little book" within this book of seven seals. But who should be found worthy to give this "little book" to a waiting world? A long night of materialism has darkened this world since this typical and prophetic revelation was given to St. John. Yet, in the divine order of fulfillment on earth, this "little book" would be opened to the world and known only as we "eat it," — understand it spiritually. We cannot successfully deny that this "little book" is found in the revelation and demonstration of Christian Science,

and is therefore a sign of the times to mark the divine order of revelation, — indicating that ignorance of God's way of salvation is no longer an excuse for believing in the reality of sin, sickness, and death.

"Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," is what it claims to be, — a key to unlock the rich treasures of this book of Revelation and all the other books of the Bible. As we understand the teachings of this book, Science and Health, and prove them by healing the sick and destroying sin, then and not till then is the great mystery of God revealed or "finished, as He hath declared to His servants the prophets."

God does not forbid us to know Him in the Christian and Scientific way of healing, which Christian Science teaches and demonstrates. It was by these very revelations or signs of healing the sick and destroying the false claims of sin and death, that all the holy prophets and Jesus Christ and all his disciples knew Him, and loved Him; for "God is Love."

This Christ ideal of Truth and Love, in Christian Science, is again, sent, apparently to the "lost sheep of the house of Israel." Lost, because all Christendom claim to be followers of the faith of Jesus Christ, but have not done the healing works of Christ.

"The prayer of faith shall save the sick." In the footsteps of Christian progress, "faith without [healing] works is dead." We cannot cling to the dead past and obey the demands of the Christ idea, which is ever marching on to "greater works" in this divine order of revelation. This revelation, from the faith of Abraham to the "New Jerusalem" — the city that hath spiritual foundations, "whose builder and maker is God" — always acknowledges and reveals the one God or changeless Principle. This divine Principle, ever guiding the sons of men in the footsteps of the one and only way of salvation, exposes and destroys the opposing claims of sin, sickness, and death. But in the divine order, "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death."

Christian watchmen of this day, can tell us what the "signs of promise" are, and their fulfillment, as found in the understanding and demonstration of the advancing footsteps of the Christ idea in Christian Science. In fact, we find in Christian Science the fulfillment of the prophecy concerning the second coming of the Christ idea. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."
