

Monday May 17, 1926, 9:15 P.M. Address prepared by Janes P. B .Hyndman
(read by Mr. Ford, in Mr. Hyndman's absence from the City) from station
WHAP New York City on Americanism. Subject:

THE PYRAMID

Jesus said unto them . . . I proceeded forth and came
from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me . . .

Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.
(John 8: 42 & 58.)

The Great Pyramid of Gizeh, "In the midst of the land of Egypt," the oldest structure in the world, is the symbol of immortal man, made in the image and likeness of God. It is the emblem of the reverse of the Seal of the United States of America, which has never been cut. Christ Jesus, the great Exemplar of immortal man, while he seemed to appear in a world of mortals, through a human personality, called Jesus, yet he clearly taught that he had always existed, as the Son of God, even before Abraham. His teaching was resisted by the Jews, as well as by the Romans, of his day, to whom he said:

Why do ye not understand my speech? *even*
because ye cannot hear my word. (John 8:43.)

The prophets were seers; they were interpreters of the profound phenomenon, the problem of the existence of man as the son of God. Perceiving somewhat of the nature of God, His omnipotence, omniscience, and omnipresence, and the fact that God is eternal Life, Truth, and Love, the only Creator of the universe and man, they foresaw and foretold, that One should appear, among men, having a perfect understanding of this mighty spiritual fact of creation. Isaiah, in vivid and clear language, thus described the coming Messiah, or Christ:

His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, The
mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
(Isaiah 9:6.)

Again, Isaiah, who was the most profound and metaphysical of all the prophets, wrote:

In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the
midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof
to the LORD. And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto
the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt:
(Isaiah 19:19 & 20.)

Egypt is intimately associated with the history and life of the children of Israel, through all the centuries of their sojourn on the earth. Jacob, the founder of this great spiritual people, who were destined to lay the foundations of the indestructible Kingdom of God, "on earth as it is in heaven," went "down to Egypt, at the behest of his son Joseph. Joseph had been sold by his brethren, many years previously, to traders, who were going to Egypt; and, through a strange combination of circumstances, first found himself a prisoner in an Egyptian prison, and later the mightiest ruler of that land, exercising the full power of its Pharaoh. As the Israelites increased in Egypt, the Egyptians feared for their own civilization and oppressed them, until a deliverer came. Moses, who had been rescued from the general slaughter of Hebrew male children, and brought up in the Court of the Egyptian king, having been adopted by Pharaoh's daughter, led his people forth out of Egypt, and they entered upon a forty year journey through the wilderness, on their way to the promised land of Canaan. During this experience, Moses wrote the Ten Commandments on two tablets of stone, which he gave to his people for their guidance, and which have become the basis of law throughout the Christian world. Hence, he was named, the Lawgiver. It may be remarked here, that later, under Rehoboam, ten tribes revolted from the remaining two tribes of Judah and Benjamin, with Levi, who remained with King Rehoboam and were known as the Kingdom of Judah. These tribes rejoined the ten tribes, at the destruction of Jerusalem in the year A.D. 70. The Anglo-Saxon peoples are the direct descendants, through the Norsemen, of the ten tribes of Israel, the most powerful of whom Manasseh and Ephraim, represent respectively America and Britain.

Christ Jesus said of himself, in his relation to Moses and the prophets:

Think not that I am come to destroy the Law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. (Matthew 5:17 & 18.)

Within the past week, we have been informed, through the press, that a prominent Jewish teacher, in New York City, has denied the authority of every one of the Ten Commandments, and has asserted that the commandments of Moses are an anachronism, and without effect in the world to-day. In this, he incurs the condemnation of Christ Jesus.

Whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven. (Matthew 10:33.)

The most remarkable touch which Egypt, in her long history had made with the phenomenon of spiritual man, was when Joseph and Mary took Jesus into Egypt. The entire youth of Jesus, from the time that he was 12 years of age,

when he disputed with the doctors in the Temple at Jerusalem, was spent in Egypt. There is no record of Jesus' activities or interests, while he sojourned in Egypt for eighteen years: but, that he returned to his native land, filled with a profound knowledge and understanding of God, Spirit, and of the nature of his own mighty mission, we have abundant evidence. After a brief, but gigantic struggle in the wilderness, for forty days, with the devil and the wild beasts --- the mighty struggle with the carnal mind, or the "wild beast" of human nature, or mind of the flesh, which opposes itself to God — he rose above and beyond the fleshly embodiment, and began that marvellous spiritual career, which, in its perfect understanding and its spiritual power, instantly wiped out the false images of the carnal mind, in whatever form, and in whatever hour, they presented themselves to him.

A brief description of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh, will serve to point out its significant symbolism, as the type of spiritual, immortal man. The bibliography on this interesting structure is extensive, and may be consulted by anyone from the shelves of our public libraries. The most interesting, authoritative, and spiritual of the American pyramid authors, are Joseph A. Seiss, D.D., and Lt. (Prof.) Charles A. L. Totten.

In the paper on The Masonic Founders of America, it was stated that the Pyramid of Gizeh is the oldest Masonic symbol in the world. It is essentially a building, a peculiar and mighty building: and as such, it demands, among other requirements the exercise of the science of mathematics, (especially, geometry, trigonometry, and calculus) and the providing of a corner-stone.

Job is credited with having been the designer of the Pyramid at Gizeh, he having gone down to Egypt for that purpose. In the Book of Job, we read.:

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth?
declare if thou hast understanding.

Who laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who
hath stretched the line upon it:

Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who
laid the corner-stone thereof:

When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of
God shouted for Joy? (Job 33:1, -7.)

Every line, angle, and measurement of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh is mathematical and symbolical — a fact which does not apply to any other of Egypt's 75 pyramids. The word pyramid is traced by Dr. Seiss, from the ancient Coptic words, pyramid, meaning division, having the same meaning as the word peres in Daniel's interpretation of the handwriting on the wall; and from met, meaning, ten. Putting these words together, we have **yr = met**, meaning the division of ten. The number five, indeed, appears in a remarkable

number of a significant symbolical instances, in the construction of the pyramid. This structure has five corners, one at each conjunction of the four sides of the base, and one at the peak. It has five sides, four on the outside surface, and the base, upon which the pyramid rests. Throughout the interior measurements, the number five occurs in a remarkable and prominent manner, as pointed out by Dr. Selss. The basis of measurement of the Great Pyramid is the axis of the earth, that imaginary line between the poles, around which the earth revolves. This is a straight line. In this line, Moses based his measurements, and he was commanded by God to: "See that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount." The cubit, which was the unit of the Mosaic system of measurement, is directly interchangeable with the Anglo-Saxon inch, which is the unit of measurement of the two great Anglo-Saxon peoples. Sir John Herschel, in commenting on the spiritual interpretation put upon the Great Pyramid of Gizeh by John Taylor, used Taylor's findings in his papers on the standard of British measures, ever against the falsely founded system of metres, originated by the French infidels and communists for the purpose of overthrowing Anglo-Saxon civilization and Christianity.

The Great Pyramid is the symbol of the war between good and evil, and points to the salvation of mankind from the bondage of sin. Prof. Piazzzi Smyth, of Edinburgh, Astronomer Royal for Scotland, says: At midnight of the autumnal year, at the time of the completing of the Great Pyramid, (in the year 1170 B.C.), and hence at the true beginning of the year, as still preserved in the traditions of many nations, the Pleiades were distributed over the meridian of the Great Pyramid, with Alcyone, (in Taurus) precisely on the line. The Pleiades represent or symbolize salvation, and Alcyone, the chief of the seven stars of this group, the throne of God. At that time, the dragon star, a dragonis, was visible in the heavens, at its lower culmination, as the polar star, by an observer in the downward leading passageway, used as a telescope, which passageway is symbolical of the downward gravitation of sin: and this view of the dragon star was coincident with the position of Pleiades on the Pyramid's meridian. From this passageway, at a certain symbolical distance from the face of the Pyramid's side there branches an upward leading passageway which leads to the King's Chamber, representative of the "many mansions" which Christ Jesus afterwards declared were in his Father's house, and one of which he said he would prepare for each of his disciples --- that spiritual understanding which "gives us power to become the sons of God."

The Great pyramid stands literally "in the midst of the land of Egypt," and exactly in the center of the earth's surface between the equator and the pole. It is just north of the 30th parallel of latitude, which, allowing for the flattening of the earth's surface at the poles, brings the mighty structure midway between the equator and the pole. It stands on a cliff, at the conjunction of the delta of the Nile, overlooking the sandy desert to the sea, the branches of the Nile forming, as radii, an arc of a circle at the shore line, of which the Pyramid is the center, thus separating upper and lower Egypt. It is the only building in the

world which is correctly oriented, that is, set in an almost accurate relation to the points of the compass .

To those who care to follow symbolism of this most interesting and instructive structure, the Great Pyramid, in its higher mathematics and more intricate and involved spiritual meaning, I recommend Dr. Seiss' book, "A Miracle in Stone," and Lt. (Prof.) Charles A. L. Totten's work, "Our Race."

In the year 1866 Mary Baker Eddy discovered Christian Science. In this Science is revealed, the marvellous coincidence of God and man in the image and likeness of God, and the nothingness of a so-called man in the image of Adam. Mrs. Eddy says, on pages 107 and 121 of *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*:

This apodictical Principle points to the revelation of Immanuel, "God with us," — the sovereign ever-presence, delivering the children of men from every ill "that flesh is heir to."

The earth's diurnal rotation is invisible to the physical eye, and the sun seems to move from east to west, instead of the earth from west to east. . . . The sun is the central stillness, so far as our solar system is concerned, and the earth revolves about the sun once a year, besides turning daily on its own axis

As thus indicated, astronomical order imitates the action of divine Principle; and the universe, the reflection of God, is thus brought nearer the spiritual fact, and is allied to divine Science as displayed in the everlasting government of the universe.

In November, 1903, Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, C.S.D., Mrs. Eddy's student, whom Mrs. Eddy sent to New York City, in 1886, with the request to establish, in that City, the Christianity of Christian Science, dedicated her church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, New York City, to her Leader, Mary Baker Eddy, placing in its corner-stone a loving tribute from her Leader, Mary Baker Eddy, which reads:

Pleasant View, Concord, N.H.

To Mrs. A. E. Stetson —

Beneath this corner-stone, in the silent sanctuary of earth's sweet songs, paeans of praise and records of Omnipotence, I leave my name with thine in unity and love.

Mary Baker Eddy.

December 30, 1899.

This beautiful church was built by Mrs. Stetson and her students — no others contributing one cent towards its construction --- at a cost of \$1,250,000, all of which was paid before the church was dedicated. In the design of this building Mrs. Stetson was led to specify that the steeple should be an obelisk, capped by a pyramid. This unusual design was a shock in some quarters, but Mrs. Stetson was firm in her realization that she was divinely led in the choosing of it. Thus, the noble structure, reared in the heart of the metropolis of the American Federal Republic, that monumental spiritual nation which is to destroy the works of the dragon throughout the Western Hemisphere, and in all the world, and to witness the second appearing of Christ — this structure symbolizes immortal spiritual, man, made in the image and likeness of God.

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