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The Illuminati

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,
Who *is* this that darkeneth counsel by words without
knowledge?

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

Who hath 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 38:1-2, 47)

Mortal man has made a covenant with his eyes to belittle Deity
with human conceptions. In league with material sense, mortals
take limited views of all things. That God is corporeal or material,
no man should affirm.

The theory of three persons in one God (that is, a personal
Trinity or Tri-unity) suggests polytheism, rather than the one ever-
present I AM. "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord."

The everlasting I AM is not bounded nor compressed within the
narrow limits of physical humanity, nor can He be understood aright
through mortal concepts. The
precise form of God must be of small importance in comparison
with the sublime question, What is infinite Mind or divine Love?

Who is it that demands our obedience? He who, in the language
of Scripture, "doeth according to His will in the army of heaven, and
among the inhabitants of earth; and none can stay His hand, or say
unto Him, What doest Thou?"

The universe of Spirit is peopled with spiritual beings, and its
government is divine Science.

It is generally conceded that God is Father, eternal, self-created,
infinite. If this is so, the forever Father must have had children prior
to Adam. The great I AM made all "that was made." Hence man
and the spiritual universe coexist with God.

(*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary
Baker Eddy 255:11-15; 256:9-12, 19-23; 264:32-1; 267:8-12.)

Mary Baker Eddy sounded the bugle call to Truth's standard when she emancipated *herself* from the traditional *material* interpretation of the Word of God, the Holy Bible.

Down through the line of commutual thought, women have responded to the *divine* interpretation and are demanding emancipation from man-made laws and mental slavery.

Woman is rising to claim her prerogative to represent her creator, and execute the law of God — eternal Life, Love, and Truth. Panoplied in divine Love, as she advances in spiritual power, with the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God, in her hand, and the law of Christ's love under her tongue, she is going forth strong in faith and understanding to reveal the new heaven and the new earth, which shall be governed by the new man and the new woman controlled by the law of God. (*Reminiscences, Sermons, and Correspondence* by Augusta E. Stetson, C.S.D page 715)

There is in the City of New York, a Society called the Society for the Advancement of Atheism. Its President is a native American from the State of Kentucky, named Smith. Its Secretary is a young business man, the grandson of a Presbyterian minister. His name is Hopwood. It is the object of these two men, assisted by their associates, to spread the so-called doctrines of atheism through the length and breadth of America. Whether the growing manifestation of atheism in our colleges and schools, and elsewhere among our young people, is the result of the activities of this Society, I do not know. But, according to an article in the recent *World's Work*, the Society for the Advancement of Atheism, under the direction of these two men and their associates, is actively engaged in propagating the dogmas of atheism in America, and they have expressed themselves as amazed at the ease with which they are able to gain acceptance for their views.

The word Atheism comes from two Greek words, meaning without God. Therefore, one who is an atheist is one who disbelieves in the existence of God, or to express this in the positive way, who believes that there is no God. According to the Holy Bible such an one is a fool: "The fool hath said in his heart, *There is no God.*" (Psalm xiv., 1.) While Mr. Smith and his atheistical co-worker, Mr. Hopwood, laugh at this quotation from Scripture, the terrible indictment which this inspired saying implies remains a continual judgment against all who deny God and His government, through His Christ, in the earth.

With the birth of this Nation, the United States of America or The American Federal Republic, there appeared simultaneously in Europe, a Society called The Illuminati. This Society was organized and founded by a Jesuit priest named Adam Weishaupt, Professor of Canon Law in Germany. The chief tenet of the Society was atheism, the denial of God; end its object was to overthrow religion, government, and morality. The

subtleties of Jesuitism which in modern times has been and is today the chief support of Roman Catholicism, were all used in the endeavor to propagate the doctrines of the Society of the Illuminati. Taking the livery of Free Masonry, subverting it and using its system of signs, passwords and grips, the Society of the Illuminati spread throughout Germany and France. The French atheist, Voltaire, was one of its chief exponents; and the French Revolution which was founded upon atheism, was its fruit. It succeeded for a time in expelling the priestcraft from France; but being born of Roman Catholicism, in the words of Scripture, it returned like the dog to its vomit; and today we see the French Republic united to the Vatican by a new Concordat which the pope effected since the late War.

The Illuminati found its way to America, and its activities gave great concern and caused much trouble to the founders of the American Republic. Thomas Paine, the atheist of that period, who wrote *The Age of Reason*, was its chief exponent. Paine was the avowed enemy of Washington, of the American Republic and of all who had part in the founding of this Christian Nation, the United State of America. The chief tenet of The Illuminati was what they termed Deism; and they fastened this belief on all the founders of the American Republic. Paine sputtered out his atheistical poison until he became the most notorious character of that period. Later, he went to France, apparently for the purpose of increasing his atheistical stores; but he was thrown into a French prison where, tormented by his own curses which he heaped upon Washington and the American government, he died.

As I informed my air audience two weeks ago, a Society was organized in the City of New York, just after the Revolution, on the foundation of the Society of the Illuminati, as founded by Weishaupt. Its Constitution was almost identical with that of the European Illuminati. Its main purpose, according to the first provision of its Constitution was to overthrow religion and government. It had the strong support of Mr. de Witt Clinton, the nephew of the Roman Catholic governor of the State of New York. Its chief adviser was a Jesuit priest, who afterwards founded similar societies in Baltimore and Philadelphia. It gave much concern to the fathers of the Nation and caused a great deal of trouble throughout New England. In fact, so severely were its machinations felt in the Nation, that President Adams proclaimed a day of prayer and fasting — May 8, 1798 — that the Nation might lift its heart to God, to preserve it from the pernicious activities of certain evil forces which were at work to destroy the Nation.

Both the Illuminati and its progenitor, Jesuitism or Roman Catholicism, are in evidence today in the world. The various manifestations of Socialism, Communism, or Bolshevism, are the direct descendants of Illuminatism, and like it, they take refuge behind the mask of a false Free Masonry. The awful effects of Jesuitism, which is mental hypnotism or popery, the exact opposite of Christ and his sublime, divine teaching, are seen in the mental darkness and confusion which exist among the peoples of the world, the ignorance, poverty, crime, and disease, with its train of sorrow and death. The effects of Illuminatism or Bolshevism, the offspring of Jesuitism, are seen in the growing menace of atheism among our young people, and the wave of self-destruction which is sweeping, not only America, but all the world. While floods and tornadoes, earthquakes, fires, and pestilences appear, in these latter days, with amazing frequency and violence; while crime stalks through the land and our cities have

become veritable arsenals and battle-fields with armored cars flying through the streets, carrying money and armed guards prepared to resist with rifles, anticipated attempts of armed bandits to steal it; while Roman Catholicism, upheld and supported by its strong arm of Jesuitism, and its military arm of the knights of Columbus, arrogantly assumes to itself, even in its name, universal dominion, and the pope blasphemously arrogates to himself the place of God and of Christ on earth, while Bolshevism, both the ally and the enemy of popery, loudly proclaims its atheism and that there is no god; while the clergy of all denominations not only fail to emulate the works of Christ Jesus, but make no effort to learn how to do them, continue in the footsteps of papal priests, practising the dead rites of an ecclesiastical scholasticism, which today has become an anachronism, and should be and shall be cast out; it is small wonder that our young people, who should be the foundation of the coming glory of the American Federal Republic in this century of its full spiritual stature, turn aside from the contemplation of God and of Christ and allow themselves to become the easy prey of scheming men, who seek to thrust God and His Christ out of God's universe.

As an American and a Christian, I say to Charles Smith, the so-called President of the Society for the Advancement of Atheism, otherwise known as "Damned Souls," and to Freeman Hopwood, the so-called Secretary of this same Society, that there is a God, the only Creator of man and the universe, eternal Life and Love, infinite Mind, Life, Truth, Love, Spirit, Soul, Principle, the only Parent of spiritual man, and there is no other man. I say to Charles Smith and to Freeman Hopwood, in the name of the ever-present Christ, that Atheism has no place in America, for Christ, the eternal Son of God, rules America. "And the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." I say to Smith and to Hopwood awake and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light; or else, if you persist in resisting the Son of God, the eternal Christ, hear his judgment, "Depart from me." America belongs to God and to His Christ, and the man of sin has neither the authority nor the power to lead the young people of this Christian Nation into a denial of Him, whom to know aright is life eternal.

I say to Jesuitism and to Roman Catholicism, which it upholds, which teach that Christ has left the earth, and that the pope of Rome, a mortal who sits upon a man-made throne on the Tiber, is in the place of God and of His Christ; I say to Jesuitism and to popery which seek to convert America into a papal state; I say to Jesuitism and popery which constantly send out into the atmosphere of our free America, the hypnotic suggestions of evil in the form of sin, disease, poverty, ignorance, and death; I say to Jesuitism and popery, with all its priestcraft: You have nothing in Christ, you do not belong to America, nor in the Western Hemisphere. You are the dragon which is at war with Christ and the battle is in the air, the Battle of Armageddon, when Christ will appear the second time and the prophecy of John the Revelator will be fulfilled.

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought
against the dragon; and the dragon fought, and his angels,
And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in
heaven.

(Revelation 12:7 & 8)

I say to scholastic theology, the clergy of all denominations; awake and do the works of Christ, heal the sick, cleanse the sinner, raise the dead; or else take the rebuke of Christ Jesus:

I would thou wert either cold or hot.

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth.

(Revelation 12:15 & 16)

Let the Nation awake and prepare for the second appearing of Christ, which is imminent. Men say: We have had floods and tornadoes and disasters and pestilences ever since the world began; they have been from the days of the fathers. Yet our philanthropists, both big and little, pour out their money, and our men of science, their knowledge, in a vain effort to prevent the floods, or to lessen their toll of human life and treasure. Jesus plainly told his disciples:

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world of this time, no, nor ever shall be.

And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here *is* Christ, or, there; believe *it* not.

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

(Matthew 24:15, 20-24, 27)

There is today no excuse for anyone to say that there is no God, neither for anyone to acknowledge a mortal man as God, or as God's stead, or Christ's stead, on the earth; neither is there any excuse for the clergy of our scholastic churches to fail to emulate Christ Jesus in his mighty works, or to excuse themselves by saying, that Jesus did them by some supernatural power with which God endowed him, to the exclusion of ordinary men. These works of healing the sick, cleansing the sinner, and raising the dead, have been performed in Christian Science for more than half a century. Mary Baker Eddy discovered Christian Science in the year 1866, and founded it as a

permanent system of religion and therapeutics on this planet, to the exclusion of all other so-called systems of healing and scholasticism. For seventeen years, Augusta E. Stetson, C. S.D., Mrs. Eddy's student, has proclaimed to all the world that Mary Baker Eddy never died, and that she will reappear in proof of her teaching that: "There is no death." Mrs. Stetson has unflinchingly held the fort of Christian Science during these years of calumny, persecution, and crucifixion, in the firm conviction that her great Leader, Mary Baker Eddy, will not fail her, but that she will reappear victor over so-called death and the tomb — a concrete and steel casing placed twelve feet underground, or twice the usual depth, — in confirmation of her last words, "God is my Life." Since God never dies, but is eternal Life, the Author and Source of all life, Mrs. Eddy's statement, which she wrote upon a piece of paper, "God is my Life," plainly means that Mary Baker Eddy lives, because she lives in God, and she will demonstrate this mighty truth just as Christ Jesus did two thousand years ago by appearing to her true followers and to all who have spiritual eyes to behold her. She will prove that "Death is the illusion," and that "Life is real." (Mary Baker Eddy.) All of this, and infinitely more than this, Mrs. Stetson has freely published throughout the length and breadth of America, and indeed to the uttermost parts of the earth through her books, which have been bestowed freely upon public libraries and individuals in almost every country of the world. Today, Augusta E. Stetson, C.S.D., proclaims from her pulpit of the air the great truths of Christ Science, and calls to a sleeping world to awake and prepare for the on-coming Christ, who will soon reappear.

It is too late in this twentieth century for pigmy men to shout, "There is no God." It is too late in these last days when Christ is soon to "come again, even as ye have seen him go," for popes and priests to declare, that a mere man is God, or is Christ, on the earth. It is too late in this latter age, when the healing works of Christ Jesus are freely repeated, under the very eyes of the people, for scholastics to weakly assert that the healing power was bestowed only upon a supernatural Christ, and is not applicable in our day; it is too late for our college presidents and teachers to lead our young men and women into dry-as-dust and atheistical realms of material knowledge, and even into paths of open sin, and the flouting of our laws, as at least one well-known college president almost within range of my natural voice essays to do — when the science of Christ is an open book to this generation, and all, as Christ Jesus said, "may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."

There is a God, the great I AM, the Author and Creator, of the universe and man in His image, eternal Mind, Life, Truth, Love, Principle, the only Source of being. Just as Galileo discovered the truth about the rotation of the earth around the sun, and uncovered the error in regard to it, so Mary Baker Eddy has in these last days proclaimed the truth about God and man in His image and likeness. In inspired language, she has proclaimed that we live in a mental, spiritual universe, and that every object is a mental phenomenon. She has reduced matter — flesh, blood and bones — to a belief merely, which must be dissolved to the human consciousness and is unknown to God. In fulfilment of the first, the primal prophecy in holy Scripture, she, the woman, has put her heel on the head of the serpent, lust, and will crush out its seeming life, and free the nations which St. John in his Revelation says have all been deceived by the dragon. I close with the following quotation from Augusta E. Stetson, C.S.D.:

There is a problem before the world that has never been solved. The Bible has been a sealed book. Mrs. Eddy has opened this seal and given to the world the Key to the hidden treasures of the Word of God, and man's unity with his Maker. She has unmasked the forces of so-called evil which compose the carnal mind, namely --- belief of life in matter, which is so-called sin, fear, malice, hatred, revenge, envy, hypocrisy, etc., that have deceived the whole world. With the power of the Word of God (our spiritual consciousness), we are freeing ourselves and humanity from these false forces and are teaching the Truth which sets free from sin, sickness, and death. The human contest is for spiritual dominion which God has given to the Christ-man. The materially minded do not comprehend spiritual facts. Paul says: "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned." (I Corinthians 2:14.)

The conflict will not cease until victory rests on the side of immutable Truth. Man is immortal. Mortal man is a myth, which will disappear when man awakes to the truth of his being — that he is not material, but spiritual, an emanation of divine Mind. For this mental Messiah I am contending.

(Reminiscences, Sermons, and Correspondence by Augusta E. Stetson, C.S.D., from pages 642 & 647-648).