Some Notes on True Vision

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MIND

S. & H. 121: 17-24

Astronomic unfoldings

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. Until rebuked by clearer views of the everlasting facts, this
- 21 false testimony of the eye deluded the judgment and induced false conclusions. Science shows appearances often to be erroneous, and corrects these errors by the simple
- rule that the greater controls the lesser.

S. & H. 284: 28-32

According to Christian Science, the only real senses of man are spiritual, emanating from divine Mind.

Thought passes from God to man, but neither sensation nor report goes from material body to Mind. The intercommunication is always from God to His idea, man.

S. & H. 263: 32-12

Mind's true camera

The fading forms of matter, the mortal body and ma-

- terial earth, are the fleeting concepts of the human mind.They have their day before the permanent facts and their
- 3 perfection in Spirit appear. The crude creations of mortal thought must finally give place to the glorious forms which we sometimes behold in the

- camera of divine Mind, when the mental picture is spiritual and eternal. Mortals must look beyond fading, finite forms, if they would gain the true sense of things.
- 9 Where shall the gaze rest but in the unsearchable realm of Mind? We must look where we would walk, and we must act as possessing all power from Him in whom we
- 12 have our being.

S. & H. 485 : 4-5

Error only ephemeral

Science declares that Mind, not matter, sees, hears, feels, speaks.

* S. & H. 487 : 6-12, M.H.

Exercise of Mind-faculties

There is more

Christianity in seeing and hearing spiritually than materially. There is more Science in the perpetual

- 9 exercise of the Mind-faculties than in their loss. Lost they cannot be, while Mind remains. The apprehension of this gave sight to the blind and hearing to the deaf cen-
- turies ago, and it will repeat the wonder.

S. & H. 488: 23-24

All faculties from Mind

Mind alone possesses all faculties, perception, and comprehension.

S. & H. 572: 19-12

In Revelation xxi. 1 we read: —

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first

21 heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

Man's present possibilities

The Revelator had not yet passed the transitional

stage in human experience called death, but he already saw a new heaven and a new earth. Through what sense came this vision to St. John? Not

- through the material visual organs for seeing, for optics are inadequate to take in so wonderful a scene. Were this new heaven and new earth terrestrial or celestial, mate-
- 1 rial or spiritual? They could not be the former, for the human sense of space is unable to grasp such a view.
- The Revelator was on our plane of existence, while yet beholding what the eye cannot see, that which is invisible to the uninspired thought. This testimony of Holy
- Writ sustains the fact in Science, that the heavens and earth to one human consciousness, that consciousness which God bestows, are spiritual, while to another, the
- 9 unillumined human mind, the vision is material. This shows unmistakably that what the human mind terms matter and spirit indicates states and stages of con-
- 12 sciousness.

S. & H. 151: 20-28

Man governed by Mind

Every function of the

- real man is governed by the divine Mind. The human mind has no power to kill or to cure, and it has no comtrol over God's man. The divine Mind that made man
- 24 maintains His own image and likeness. The human mind is opposed to God and must be put off, as St. Paul declares. All that really exists is the divine Mind and
- its idea, and in this Mind the entire being is found harmonious and eternal.

SPIRIT

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S. & H. 264: 13-15

Self-completeness

As mortals gain more correct views of God and man, multitudinous objects of creation, which before were invisible, will become visible.

S. & H. 476: 32-4

The kingdom within

Jesus beheld in Science the per-

- fect man, who appeared to him where sinning mortal man appears to mortals. In this perfect man the Saviour
- 3 saw God's own likeness, and this correct view of man healed the sick.

S. & H. 502: 9-14

Deflection of being

- 9 Spiritually followed, the book of Genesis is the history of the untrue image of God, named a sinful mortal. This deflection of being, rightly viewed, serves to
- suggest the proper reflection of God and the spiritual actuality of man, as given in the first chapter of Genesis.

S. & H. 281: 28-30

The true new idea

Our

false views of matter perish as we grasp the facts of Spirit.

S. & H. 323: 32-6

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Childlike receptivity

Willingness to become as a little child and

- to leave the old for the new, renders thought receptive of the advanced idea. Gladness to leave the false landmarks
- and joy to see them disappear, this disposition helps to precipitate the ultimate harmony. The purification of sense and self is a proof of progress. "Blessed are the
- 6 pure in heart: for they shall see God."

S. & H. 505: 20-22

Understanding imparted

Spiritual sense is the discernment of spiritual

21 good. Understanding is the line of demarcation between the real and unreal.

S. & H. 582: 1-2

1 BELIEVING. Firmness and constancy; not a faltering nor a blind faith, but the perception of spiritual Truth.

S. & H. 586: 3-6

- EYES. Spiritual discernment, not material but mental.
 Jesus said, thinking of the outward vision, "Having
- 6 eyes, see ye not?" (Mark viii. 18.)

Matt. 6:22

22The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

SOUL

S. & H. 91: 16-21

Absorbed in material selfhood we discern and reflect but faintly the substance of Life or Mind. The denial of

- material selfhood aids the discernment of man's spiritual and eternal individuality, and destroys the erroneous knowledge gained from matter or through what are termed
- 21 the material senses.

S. & H. 214: 5-8, 26-1

If Enoch's perception had been confined to the evidence

before his material senses, he could never have "walked with God," nor been guided into the demonstration of life eternal.

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The senses of Soul

How transient a sense is mortal sight, when a wound on

- the retina may end the power of light and lens! But the real sight or sense is not lost. Neither age nor accident can interfere with the senses of Soul,
- and there are no other real senses. It is evident that the body as matter has no sensation of its own, and there is no oblivion for Soul and its faculties. Spirit's senses are with-
- 1 out pain, and they are forever at peace.

S. & H. 263: 28-31

A sensual thought, like

an atom of dust thrown into the face of spiritual im-

30 mensity, is dense blindness instead of a scientific eternal consciousness of creation.

S. & H. 315: 11-20

The true sonship

The opposite and false views of the people hid from

their sense Christ's sonship with God. They could not

- discern his spiritual existence. Their carnal minds were at enmity with it. Their thoughts
- were filled with mortal error, instead of with God's spiritual idea as presented by Christ Jesus. The likeness of God we lose sight of through sin, which beclouds the spir-
- itual sense of Truth; and we realize this likeness only when we subdue sin and prove man's heritage, the liberty

S. & H. 258: 21-24, 31-1

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human capacities are enlarged and perfected in proportion as humanity gains the true conception of man and

24 God.

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God's man discerned

Through spiritual sense you can discern the heart of divinity, and thus begin to comprehend in Science the generic term *man*.

S. & H. 585: 9-11

- 9 ELIAS. Prophecy; spiritual evidence opposed to material sense; Christian Science, with which can be discerned the spiritual fact of whatever the material senses behold;
- the basis of immortality.

PRINCIPLE

Psalm 36:9

9For with thee *is* the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.

John 5: 19

19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

Ret. 76: 23-26

He who gains the God-crowned summit of Christian Science never abuses the corporeal personality, but uplifts it. He thinks of every one in his real quality, and sees each mortal in an impersonal depict.

S. & H. 330: 13-15

The deific supremacy

Eye hath neither seen God nor His image and likeness. Neither God nor the perfect man

15 can be discerned by the material senses.

S. & H. 300: 28-32

The divine reflection

The universe reflects and expresses the divine substance or Mind; therefore God is seen only in the spiritual universe and spiritual man, as the sun is seen in the ray of light which goes out from it. God is revealed only in that which reflects Life, Truth, Love, —

S. & H. 560 : 22-30

Persecution harmful

Abuse of the motives and religion of St. Paul hid from view the apostle's character, which made him equal to

24 his great mission. Persecution of all who have spoken something new and better of God has not only obscured the light of the ages, but has been fatal

- 27 to the persecutors. Why? Because it has hid from them the true idea which has been presented. To misunderstand Paul, was to be ignorant of the divine idea he
- 30 taught.

* S. & H. 561:8-9

Espousals supernal

The Revelator

9 beheld the spiritual idea from the mount of vision.Purity was the symbol of Life and Love.

S. & H. 304: 16-19

Harmony natural

Harmony is produced by its Principle, is controlled by it and abides with it. Divine Principle is the Life

of man. Man's happiness is not, therefore, at the disposal of physical sense.

LIFE

S. & H. 380: 32-1

Ignorance of our rights

Every law of matter or the body, supposed to govern

1 man, is rendered null and void by the law of Life, God.

S. & H. 516: 4-8

Reflected likeness

The substance, Life, intelligence, Truth, and Love, which constitute Deity, are reflected by His creation;

and when we subordinate the false testimony of the corporeal senses to the facts of Science, we shall see this true likeness and reflection everywhere.

S. & H. 262: 14-16

These clearer, higher views inspire the God-

15 like man to reach the absolute centre and circumference of his being.

S. & H. 264: 13-15

Self-completeness

As mortals gain more correct views of God and man, multitudinous objects of creation, which before were

invisible, will become visible.

S. & H. 507: 28-29

Ever-appearing creation

Creation is ever appearing, and must ever continue to appear from the nature of its inexhaustible source.

S. & H. 561: 16-20

Divinity and humanity

John saw the human and divine coincidence, shown in the man Jesus, as divinity embracing humanity in Life and its demonstration, — reducing to human perception and understanding the Life which is God.

TRUTH

Gen. 32:30

30 And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

Gen. 33:10

10 And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me.

S. & H. 295: 16-24

Goodness transparent

The manifestation of God through mortals is as light passing through the window-pane. The light and the

- 18 glass never mingle, but as matter, the glass is less opaque than the walls. The mortal mind through which Truth appears most vividly is that
- one which has lost much materiality much error in order to become a better transparency for Truth. Then, like a cloud melting into thin vapor, it no longer hides
- 24 the sun.

Matt. 7:1-5

<u>1</u>Judge not, that ye be not judged. <u>2</u>For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. <u>3</u>And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? <u>4</u>Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam *is* in thine own eye? <u>5</u>Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

S. & H. 518: 15-19

Assistance in brotherhood

The rich in spirit help the poor in one grand brotherhood, all leaving the same Principle, or Father; and blessed is that man who seeth his brother's need and supplieth it, seeking his own in another's good.

S. & H. 593: 4-5

PROPHET. A spiritual seer; disappearance of material sense before the conscious facts of spiritual Truth.

LOVE

S. & H. 248: 3-4

Love's endowment

3 Love never loses sight of loveliness. Its halo rests upon its object.

S. & H. 260: 7-12

Spiritual discovery

The conceptions of mortal, erring thought must give way to the ideal of all that is perfect and eternal. Through

- 9 many generations human beliefs will be attaining diviner conceptions, and the immortal and perfect model of God's creation will finally be seen as
- the only true conception of being.

* S. & H. 503: 14-15

Spiritual harmony

and the light of ever-present Love illumines

15 the universe.

** S. & H. 519:25

Resting in holy work

God rests in action.

S. & H. 577: 19-27

The city of our God

This city

of our God has no need of sun or satellite, for Love

- 21 is the light of it, and divine Mind is its own interpreter.

 All who are saved must walk in this light. Mighty
 potentates and dynasties will lay down their honors
- 24 within the heavenly city. Its gates open towards light

and glory both within and without, for all is good, and nothing can enter that city, which "defileth. . . . or maketh a lie."

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