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Subject: 10

MAN.

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-- Golden Text --

Proverbs 9:9

9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.

Responsive Reading

Ecclesiastes 8:1-9,11,12

1 Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.

2 I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that in regard of the oath of God.

3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.

4 Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?

5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and

judgment.

6 #Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man is great upon him.

7 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?

8 There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

9 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: there is a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

11 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

12 #Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:

Section 1

Psalm 112:4-7

4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

5 A good man sheweth favour, and

lendeth: he will guide his affairs
with discretion.

6 Surely he shall not be moved for
ever: the righteous shall be in
everlasting remembrance.

7 He shall not be afraid of evil
tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting
in the Lord.

Habakkuk 3:2,17-19(to .)

2 O Lord, I have heard thy speech,
and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy
work in the midst of the years, in
the midst of the years make known; in
wrath remember mercy.

17 #Although the fig tree shall not
blossom, neither shall fruit be in
the vines; the labour of the olive
shall fail, and the fields shall
yield no meat; the flock shall be cut
off from the fold, and there shall be
no herd in the stalls:

18 Yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will joy in the God of my salvation.

19 The Lord God is my strength, and
he will make my feet like hinds'
feet, and he will make me to walk
upon mine high places.

oo4o Chapter 9: Creation - 258:11-24

(Infinity's reflection)

Man reflects infinity, and this reflection is the
true idea of God.

God expresses in man the infinite idea forever
developing itself, broadening and rising higher

and higher from a boundless basis. Mind
manifests all that exists in the infinitude of Truth.
We know no more of man as the true divine
image and likeness, than we know of God.

The infinite Principle is reflected by the
infinite idea and spiritual individuality, but the
material so-called senses have no cognizance of
either Principle or its idea. The human capacities
are enlarged and perfected in proportion as
humanity gains the true conception of man and
God.

ooo2 Chapter 15: Genesis - 515:21(begin Man)-
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(Elohistic plurality) Man is the family name
for all ideas, - the sons and daughters of God. All
that God imparts moves in accord with Him,
reflecting goodness and power.

(Reflected likeness)

Your mirrored reflection is your own image or
likeness. If you lift a weight, your reflection does
this also. If you speak, the lips of this likeness
move in accord with yours. Now compare man
before the mirror to his divine Principle, God.
Call the mirror divine Science, and call man the
reflection. Then note how true, according to
Christian Science, is the reflection to its original.
As the reflection of yourself appears in the
mirror, so you, being spiritual, are the reflection
of God. 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.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 305:27

(Inverted images)

Because man is the reflection of his Maker, he
is not subject to birth, growth, maturity, decay.

These mortal dreams are of human origin, not divine.

Section 2

Ecclesiastes 9:11,12,14-16

11 I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

12 For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.

14 There was a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it:

15 Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city; yet no man remembered that same poor man.

16 Then said I, Wisdom is better than strength: nevertheless the poor man's wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard.

Revelation 14:1,5,9-11

1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him

an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

5 And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 409:20

(So-called superiority)

The real man is spiritual and immortal, but the mortal and imperfect so-called "children of men" are counterfeits from the beginning, to be laid aside for the pure reality. This mortal is put off, and the new man or real man is put on, in proportion as mortals realize the Science of man and seek the true model.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 322:3-9

(Standpoints changed)

When understanding changes the standpoints of life and intelligence from a material to a spiritual basis, we shall gain the reality of Life, the control of Soul over sense, and we shall perceive Christianity, or Truth, in its divine Principle. This must be the climax before harmonious and immortal man is obtained and his capabilities revealed.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 304:25

(Harmony natural) To be master of chords and discords, the science of music must be understood. Left to the decisions of material sense, music is liable to be misapprehended and lost in confusion. Controlled by belief, instead of understanding, music is, must be, imperfectly expressed. So man, not understanding the Science of being, - thrusting aside his divine Principle as incomprehensible, - is abandoned to conjectures, left in the hands of ignorance, placed at the disposal of illusions, subjected to material sense which is discord. A discontented, discordant mortal is no more a man than discord is music.

o2oo Chapter 7: Physiology - 173:17

(Man not structural)

Anatomy declares man to be structural. Physiology continues this explanation, measuring human strength by bones and sinews, and human life by material law. Man is spiritual, individual, and eternal; material structure is mortal.

oo4o Chapter 9: Creation - 265:10

(Godward gravitation)

This scientific sense of being, forsaking matter for Spirit, by no means suggests man's absorption into Deity and the loss of his identity, but confers upon man enlarged individuality, a

wider sphere of thought and action, a more expansive love, a higher and more permanent peace.

Section 3

Habakkuk 2:2,4-6

2 And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

4 Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

5 #Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, he is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people:

6 Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his! how long? and to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!

Proverbs 21:6,12,21

6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.

12 The righteous man wisely considereth the house of the wicked: but God overthroweth the wicked for their wickedness.

21 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour.

I Peter 4:3,4,7

3 For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:

4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you:

7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

o3oo Chapter 6: Science, Theology, Medicine - 131:6-10

(The error of carnality)

When once destroyed by divine Science, the false evidence before the corporeal senses disappears. Hence the opposition of sensuous man to the Science of Soul and the significance of the Scripture, "The carnal mind is enmity against God."

ooo3 Chapter 14: Recapitulation - 489:19-30

(21) Question: Do the five corporeal senses constitute man?

ADAM = Life's counterfeit, which ultimates in death.

Topic: Ancient and Modern Necromany, alies Mesmerism, and Hypnotism, Denounced

(Decalogue disregarded) Who dares to say that the senses of man can be at one time the medium for sinning against God, at another the medium for obeying God? An affirmative reply would contradict the Scripture, for the same fountain sendeth not forth sweet waters and bitter.

(Organic construction valueless)

The corporeal senses are the only source of evil or error. Christian Science shows them to be false, because matter has no sensation, and no organic construction can give it hearing and sight nor make it the medium of Mind. Outside the material sense of things, all is harmony. A wrong sense of God, man, and creation is non-sense, want of sense.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being (PLATFORM) - 337:6

(- MORTAL MIND - That which neither exists in Science nor can be recognized by the spiritual sense)

(-25- Man reflects the perfect God)

Sensualism is not bliss, but bondage. For true happiness, man must harmonize with his Principle, divine Love; the Son must be in accord with the Father, in conformity with Christ. According to divine Science, man is in a degree as perfect as the Mind that forms him. The truth of being makes man harmonious and immortal, while error is mortal and discordant.

o1oo Chapter 8: Footsteps of Truth - 201:9

(Practical preaching)

Passions, selfishness, false appetites, hatred, fear, all sensuality, yield to spirituality, and the superabundance of being is on the side of God, good.

Section 4

Hebrews 12:12,13

12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;

13 And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

James 5:16

16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

I Peter 2:1,2,13-15

1 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

13 Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;

14 Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

15 For so is the will of God, that

with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 404:26

(Sin or fear the root of sickness)

Healing the sick and reforming the sinner are one and the same thing in Christian Science. Both cures require the same method and are inseparable in Truth. Hatred, envy, dishonesty, fear, and so forth, make a man sick, and neither material medicine nor Mind can help him permanently, even in body, unless it makes him better mentally, and so delivers him from his destroyers. The basic error is mortal mind. Hatred inflames the brutal propensities. The indulgence of evil motives and aims makes any man, who is above the lowest type of manhood, a hopeless sufferer.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 327:1

(Conversion of Saul)

Reform comes by understanding that there is no abiding pleasure in evil, and also by gaining an affection for good according to Science, which reveals the immortal fact that neither pleasure nor pain, appetite nor passion, can exist in or of matter, while divine Mind can and does destroy the false beliefs of pleasure, pain, or fear and all the sinful appetites of the human mind.

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 407:6

(Universal panacea)

Man's enslavement to the most relentless masters - passion, selfishness, envy, hatred, and revenge - is conquered only by a mighty struggle. Every hour of delay makes the struggle more severe. If man is not victorious over the

passions, they crush out happiness, health, and manhood. Here Christian Science is the sovereign panacea, giving strength to the weakness of mortal mind, - strength from the immortal and omnipotent Mind, - and lifting humanity above itself into purer desires, even into spiritual power and good-will to man.

Section 5

I Peter 2:21,22,25

21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

II Corinthians 13:4,5

4 For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

Romans 8:10,11

10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the

Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

oo4o Chapter 9: Creation - 259:6

(God's man discerned)

In divine Science, man is the true image of God. The divine nature was best expressed in Christ Jesus, who threw upon mortals the truer reflection of God and lifted their lives higher than their poor thought-models would allow, - thoughts which presented man as fallen, sick, sinning, and dying. The Christlike understanding of scientific being and divine healing includes a perfect Principle and idea, - perfect God and perfect man, - as the basis of thought and demonstration.

o1oo Chapter 8: Footsteps of Truth - 244:7

(Deformity and perfection)

If we were to derive all our conceptions of man from what is seen between the cradle and the grave, happiness and goodness would have no abiding-place in man, and the worms would rob him of the flesh; but Paul writes: "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death."

3oo0 Chapter 2: Atonement and Eucharist - 52:19

(Saviour's prediction)

The "man of sorrows" best understood the nothingness of material life and intelligence and

the mighty actuality of all-inclusive God, good. These were the two cardinal points of Mind-healing, or Christian Science, which armed him with Love. The highest earthly representative of God, speaking of human ability to reflect divine power, prophetically said to his disciples, speaking not for their day only but for all time: "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also;" and "These signs shall follow them that believe."

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 395:6

(Divine authority)

Like the great Exemplar, the healer should speak to disease as one having authority over it, leaving Soul to master the false evidences of the corporeal senses and to assert its claims over mortality and disease. The same Principle cures both sin and sickness. When divine Science overcomes faith in a carnal mind, and faith in God destroys all faith in sin and in material methods of healing, then sin, disease, and death will disappear.

Section 6

II Peter 1:2-8,10,11

2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious

promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Revelation 22:3,4

3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

4 And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

ooo3 Chapter 14: Recapitulation - 469:30-6

(10) Question: What is Mind?
ADAM = Nothingness.
Topic: Man

HEAVEN. Harmony; the reign of Spirit;
government by divine Principle; spirituality;
bliss; the atmosphere of Soul.

ooo1 Chapter 16: The Apocalypse - 576:23

(The sole governor)

With one Father, even God, the whole family of man would be brethren; and with one Mind and that God, or good, the brotherhood of man would consist of Love and Truth, and have unity of Principle and spiritual power which constitute divine Science. The supposed existence of more than one mind was the basic error of idolatry.

ooo3 Chapter 14: Recapitulation - 467:9

(05) Question: What are the demands of the Science of Soul?
ADAM = The opposite of good,- of God and His creation.
Topic: Love

(Two chief commands) It should be thoroughly understood that all men have one Mind, one God and Father, one Life, Truth, and Love. Mankind will become perfect in proportion as this fact becomes apparent, war will cease and the true brotherhood of man will be established. Having no other gods, turning to no other but the one perfect Mind to guide him, man is the likeness of God, pure and eternal, having that Mind which was also in Christ.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 295:5-8

(Mortals unlike immortals)

God creates and governs the universe, including man. The universe is filled with spiritual ideas, which He evolves, and they are obedient to the Mind that makes them.

587:25 Chapter 17: Glossary
(HEAVEN)

(The shrine celestial)

In divine Science, man possesses this recognition of harmony consciously in proportion to his understanding of God.

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