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## SOUL AND BODY.

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-- Golden Text --

I Thessalonians 5:23

23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Responsive Reading

I Corinthians 15:34-44,48-50

34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.

35 But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

36 Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:

37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain:

38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

39 All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.

40 There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.

42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:

43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

48 As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Section 1

Malachi 4:1,2,5

1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

2 #But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

5 #Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord:

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Matthew 17:12,13

12 But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of them.

13 Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.

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I Corinthians 14:2,3

2 For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort.  
I Corinthians 2:11,14

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

14 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.

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Acts 3:22,23

22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

1000 Chapter 4: Christian Science versus Spiritualism - 84:3-7,28

(Scientific foreseeing)

The ancient prophets gained their foresight from a spiritual, incorporeal standpoint, not by foreshadowing evil and mistaking fact for fiction, - predicting the future from a groundwork of corporeality and human belief.

(Scientific foreknowing)

All we correctly know of Spirit comes from

God, divine Principle, and is learned through Christ and Christian Science. If this Science has been thoroughly learned and properly digested, we can know the truth more accurately than the astronomer can read the stars or calculate an eclipse. This Mind-reading is the opposite of clairvoyance. It is the illumination of the spiritual understanding which demonstrates the capacity of Soul, not of material sense. This Soul-sense comes to the human mind when the latter yields to the divine Mind.

o2oo Chapter 7: Physiology - 167:3-6

(Health from reliance on spirituality)

If we rise no higher than blind faith, the Science of healing is not attained, and Soul-existence, in the place of sense-existence, is not comprehended.

oo4o Chapter 9: Creation - 265:31

(Decapitation of error)

The pains of sense are salutary, if they wrench away false pleasurable beliefs and transplant the affections from sense to Soul, where the creations of God are good, "rejoicing the heart." Such is the sword of Science, with which Truth decapitates error, materiality giving place to man's higher individuality and destiny.

ooo3 Chapter 14: Recapitulation - 477:19-25

(15) Question: What are body and Soul?  
ADAM = A so-called finite mind, producing other minds, thus making "gods many and lords many."

Topic: Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?

(Reflection of Spirit)

Question. - What are body and Soul?

Answer. - Identity is the reflection of Spirit, the reflection in multifarious forms of the living

intelligence of man, which is individualized, but not in matter. Soul can never reflect anything inferior to Spirit.

1oo0 Chapter 4: Christian Science versus Spiritualism - 98:4-7

(Spiritual foreshadowings)

The prophet of to-day beholds in the mental horizon the signs of these times, the reappearance of the Christianity which heals the sick and destroys error, and no other sign shall be given.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being (PLATFORM) - 339:5

(- MORTAL MIND - Sickness)

(-30- Divine pardon) Does not God's pardon, destroying any one sin, prophesy and involve the final destruction of all sin?

Section 2

Psalm 66:8,9

8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:

9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.

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Romans 8:12,13

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

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II Corinthians 5:6,8,10

6 Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 318:32

(Sickness as discord)

The body does not include soul, but manifests mortality, a false sense of soul. The delusion that there is life in matter has no kinship with the Life supernal.

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(A vacant domicile)

What evidence of Soul or of immortality have you within mortality? Even according to the

teachings of natural science, man has never beheld Spirit or Soul leaving a body or entering it. What basis is there for the theory of indwelling spirit, except the claim of mortal belief? What would be thought of the declaration that a house was inhabited, and by a certain class of persons, when no such persons were ever seen to go into the house or to come out of it, nor were they even visible through the windows? Who can see a soul in the body?

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 300:26-28

(The divine reflection) The theory that soul, spirit, intelligence, inhabits matter is taught by the schools. This theory is unscientific.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being (PLATFORM) - 336:32-4

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

(-25- Man reflects the perfect God)

XXV. God is individual and personal in a scientific sense, but not in any anthropomorphic sense. Therefore man, reflecting God, cannot lose his individuality; but as material sensation, or a soul in the body, blind mortals do lose sight of spiritual individuality.

o1oo Chapter 8: Footsteps of Truth - 216:28

(Personal identity)

When you say, "Man's body is material," I say with Paul: Be "willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord." Give up your material belief of mind in matter, and have but one Mind, even God; for this Mind forms its own likeness. The loss of man's identity through the understanding which Science confers is impossible; and the notion of such a possibility

is more absurd than to conclude that individual musical tones are lost in the origin of harmony.

### Section 3

Psalm 56:11,13

11 In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death: wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?

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Matthew 10:28

28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Matthew 5:30

30 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

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Luke 16:19,23-25

19 #There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:

23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham

afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

o2oo Chapter 7: Physiology - 196:11

(Sin destroyed through suffering)

"Fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell," said Jesus. A careful study of this text shows that here the word soul means a false sense or material consciousness. The command was a warning to beware, not of Rome, Satan, nor of God, but of sin. Sickness, sin, and death are not concomitants of Life or Truth. No law supports them. They have no relation to God wherewith to establish their power. Sin makes its own hell, and goodness its own heaven.

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 405:29

(Cumulative repentance)

The pains of sinful sense are less harmful than its pleasures. Belief in material suffering causes mortals to retreat from their error, to flee from body to Spirit, and to appeal to divine sources outside of themselves.

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 390:4

(Ultimate harmony)

We cannot deny that Life is self-sustained, and we should never deny the everlasting harmony of Soul, simply because, to the mortal senses, there is seeming discord. It is our ignorance of God, the divine Principle, which produces apparent discord, and the right understanding of Him restores harmony. Truth will at length compel us all to exchange the pleasures and pains of sense for the joys of Soul.

#### Section 4

#### Psalm 19:7

7 The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

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#### Romans 7:22,23

22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

#### Romans 8:22,23,31

22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

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#### Luke 21:19,22,28

19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.

#### 1000 Chapter 4: Christian Science versus Spiritualism - 98:7-8

(Spiritual foreshadowings)

Body cannot be saved except through Mind.

#### 0300 Chapter 6: Science, Theology, Medicine - 119:27

(The sun and Soul)

As astronomy reverses the human perception of the movement of the solar system, so Christian Science reverses the seeming relation of Soul and body and makes body tributary to Mind. Thus it is with man, who is but the humble servant of the restful Mind, though it seems otherwise to finite sense. But we shall never understand this while we admit that soul is in body or mind in matter, and that man is included in non-intelligence. Soul, or Spirit, is God, unchangeable and eternal; and man coexists with and reflects Soul, God, for man is God's image.

o3oo Chapter 6: Science, Theology, Medicine - 122:29-3

(Ptolemaic and psychical error)

Our theories make the same mistake regarding Soul and body that Ptolemy made regarding the solar system. They insist that soul is in body and mind therefore tributary to matter. Astronomical science has destroyed the false theory as to the relations of the celestial bodies, and Christian Science will surely destroy the greater error as to our terrestrial bodies.

oo4o Chapter 9: Creation - 257:6

(Matter is not substance)

The theory that Spirit is not the only substance and creator is pantheistic heterodoxy, which ultimates in sickness, sin, and death; it is the belief in a bodily soul and a material mind, a soul governed by the body and a mind in matter. This belief is shallow pantheism.

o1oo Chapter 8: Footsteps of Truth - 210:11

(Jesus' disregard of matter)

Knowing that Soul and its attributes were forever manifested through man, the Master healed the sick, gave sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, feet to the lame, thus bringing to light the scientific action of the divine Mind on human minds and bodies and giving a better understanding of Soul and salvation. Jesus healed sickness and sin by one and the same metaphysical process.

Section 5

I Corinthians 6:19,20

19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which

is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's. I Corinthians 12:12,13

12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

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Philipians 3:20,21

20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

o3oo Chapter 6: Science, Theology, Medicine - 125:12

(Corporeal changes)

As human thought changes from one stage to another of conscious pain and painlessness, sorrow and joy, - from fear to hope and from faith to understanding, - the visible manifestation will at last be man governed by Soul, not by material sense. Reflecting God's government, man is self-governed. When subordinate to the divine Spirit, man cannot be controlled by sin or

death, thus proving our material theories about laws of health to be valueless.

ooo3 Chapter 14: Recapitulation - 493:26-4

(22b) Question: ...and show how it is to be healed?

ADAM = The usurper of Spirit's creation, called self-creative matter.

Topic: God the Preserver of Man

(Mind destroys all ills)

Any sense of soul in matter is not the reality of being.

If Jesus awakened Lazarus from the dream, illusion, of death, this proved that the Christ could improve on a false sense. Who dares to doubt this consummate test of the power and willingness of divine Mind to hold man forever intact in his perfect state, and to govern man's entire action? Jesus said: "Destroy this temple [body], and in three days I [Mind] will raise it up;" and he did this for tired humanity's reassurance.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 325:20

(Consecration required)

Paul had a clear sense of the demands of Truth upon mortals physically and spiritually, when he said: "Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." But he, who is begotten of the beliefs of the flesh and serves them, can never reach in this world the divine heights of our Lord. The time cometh when the spiritual origin of man, the divine Science which ushered Jesus into human presence, will be understood and demonstrated.

oo3o Chapter 10: Science of Being - 316:7

(Jesus as mediator)

Christ, Truth, was demonstrated through Jesus

to prove the power of Spirit over the flesh, - to show that Truth is made manifest by its effects upon the human mind and body, healing sickness and destroying sin.

oo1o Chapter 12: Christian Science Practice - 428:8

(Vision opening)

To divest thought of false trusts and material evidences in order that the spiritual facts of being may appear, - this is the great attainment by means of which we shall sweep away the false and give place to the true. Thus we may establish in truth the temple, or body, "whose builder and maker is God."

Section 6

Psalm 25:1,20

1 Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

20 O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee.

Numbers 21:6-9

6 And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

7 #Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.



8 And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

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John 3:14,15

14 #And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

John 12:32

32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

3000 Chapter 2: Atonement and Eucharist - 45:28

(After the resurrection) The reappearing of Jesus was not the return of a spirit. He presented the same body that he had before his crucifixion, and so glorified the supremacy of Mind over matter.

2000 Chapter 3: Marriage - 60:2,29-31

(Permanent obligation) Science inevitably lifts one's being higher in the scale of harmony and happiness.

(Spiritual concord)

Soul has infinite resources with which to bless

mankind, and happiness would be more readily attained and would be more secure in our keeping, if sought in Soul.

0200 Chapter 7: Physiology - 200:2

(Homer and Moses)

Pagan worship began with muscularity, but the law of Sinai lifted thought into the song of David. Moses advanced a nation to the worship of God in Spirit instead of matter, and illustrated the grand human capacities of being bestowed by immortal Mind.

0300 Chapter 6: Science, Theology, Medicine - 114:23-27

(Causation mental)

Christian Science explains all cause and effect as mental, not physical. It lifts the veil of mystery from Soul and body. It shows the scientific relation of man to God, disentangles the interlaced ambiguities of being, and sets free the imprisoned thought.

0030 Chapter 10: Science of Being - 302:26

(Definition of man)

Man's true consciousness is in the mental, not in any bodily or personal likeness to Spirit. Indeed, the body presents no proper likeness of divinity, though mortal sense would fain have us so believe.

0002 Chapter 15: Genesis - 520:30

(Growth is from Mind)

Spirit acts through the Science of Mind, never causing man to till the ground, but making him superior to the soil. Knowledge of this lifts man above the sod, above earth and its environments,

to conscious spiritual harmony and eternal being.

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