

Because Mind maintains in such a way that nothing ever needs to be corrected. Mind maintains the ideal status; it maintains its own creation. Thus “Mind heals” would be a translated sense of “Mind maintains.”

Heals is such an important concept in Christian Science that we should see its relationship to Mind. Exactly how is “Mind heals” a translated sense of “Mind maintains”? Why doesn’t Mrs. Eddy say “Spirit heals,” or “Principle heals”? Mind is first, and Mind is the creator of all ideas; how is that related to healing?

Healing means healing disease. What is disease? Mortal mind. Disease is the objectification of mortal mind. The fundamental issue of the whole textbook is that mortal mind is the cause, the originator, of all diseases. Of course, *only Mind is truly cause* or truly an originator. Therefore we have mortal mind as the counterfeit originator, the counterfeit mind, and its apparent effect, disease, is merely aggressive mental suggestion, hypnotic suggestion. To solve a negative problem—in this case the problem of disease—we simply replace the counterfeit, mortal mind, with the real, the divine Mind. Thus it follows the divine Mind must be the healer.

The Medicine of Mind

Because Mind is the healer we speak of the medicine of Mind. Why is Mind the medicine? Because “when thought is lost in the eminence of Mind,” as Mrs. Eddy once said, “the healing takes place.” Going to Mind and contemplating Mind and Mind’s idea is the medicine. All true conception is medicine. Medicine is

true conceptions, true ideas. Therefore healing at that point has to do only with Mind knowing its own ideas. That's the medicine. If I turn to Mind and contemplate what Mind knows about itself—that Mind knows only ideas—that's the medicine.

Therefore in a treatment we prescribe the medicine of Mind. This means we go out from Mind, we see what Mind has to say. We stick with Mind and contemplate only ideas. It is Mind contemplating the ideas of Mind, the ideas of Spirit, the ideas of Soul, of Principle, of Life, Truth, and Love. The disease came from mortal mind contemplating its own illusions, so the medicine of Mind is letting Mind contemplate its own ideas.

If the medicine is Mind, why is the remedy Truth? A medicine is only a remedy when the *right* medicine is applied. If a doctor just pulled out of his drawer any kind of medicine it might not be the remedy. It is the remedy when he pulls out the right medicine (or pills). Truth is the remedy, because Truth means knowing exactly the right idea, the specific idea. That's Truth; that's not Mind.

From this we can see how restricted Mind still is. At this point in our study, Mind is still restricted to one-seventh of the whole cake. Mind says, "I am the first, the first conceptual idea of being; I am only that which creates initially; I am the initiative of everything."

What Is the Remedy?

The power, activity, intelligence and influence of Mind is the medicine of Mind, but when we ask, "What