

maintains?" Next we have to get a feeling of what "maintains" implies. We see that in order to maintain, Mind must be aware, awake; it must be intelligent, must have power and ability, must be unerring in its action. In this way we find that in order to maintain properly, the term maintain implies all the ideas we have listed under Mind. Then we know Mind maintains. This way of reasoning tells us that "Mind maintains" should be the last sentence in our reasoning instead of the first sentence.

Mind is Limitless

Mind is limitless, and here we need to be careful, because this is a term which also characterizes Soul. The limitless quality of *Mind* is through terms like fetterless, unsearchable, unfathomable. Limitlessness as a characteristic of Mind shows Mind to be limitless knowledge, limitless intelligence, limitless creative ability, limitless action, power, will, influence, etc. Limitless Mind includes all; it is within and without all things.

We can see that limitless is a term (among many others in the textbook) where we have to use judgment in deciding which kind of limitlessness is meant by the statement in the textbook. If the statement speaks of limitless substance, that would be Spirit or Life. In Soul we could have the limitless capacity of Soul. Truth is limitless while error is limited, *nothing*. Mrs. Eddy speaks of the limitless glories of incorporeal Life and Love.

Mind, likewise, is always limitless with reference to the qualities we studied under Mind, but in general the term "limitless" does not uniquely imply the qualities of

Mind, and for this reason limitless is not really typical for Mind. Looking at the synonym Life, for example, we have limitless Life, not limitless intelligence.

Unsearchable, on the other hand, is typically Mind. Why? Because unsearchable has to do with knowing. We don't talk about unsearchable substance, or unsearchable Life. Unsearchable has to do with seeking more "knowing," therefore unsearchable is typically the limitlessness of Mind. "The unfathomable Mind is expressed." Unfathomable also has to do with knowing, discovering, to have knowledge of. Such terms are geared into a qualified sense of limitlessness, the limitlessness of knowledge, and because knowledge is an idea of Mind, unfathomable and unsearchable are clearly Mind terms, while limitless probably belongs to Soul as much as to Mind.

ALL-in-all

Because Mind is the limitless creator of all ideas, Mind is that which initially establishes the whole realm of being, the realm of ideas which has no realm besides itself, and therefore Mind is All-in-all. All-in-all is the climax of Mind. This definition says, "I am All," plus "I am All-in-all." It means Mind is All as an infinite All, but it also means Mind is all, Mind is everything, manifested. All is infinite Mind infinitely manifested. The "All" is in everything. It is the All of all qualities, of all situations, of all opportunities, of all faculties, and so on. We get the tone of Mind as All-in-all.

When we come to *Spirit* we will give that All-in-all another touch, because there it becomes the *only*.