

i. 26. And God said, Let us make man in our
12 image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over
the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over
the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping
15 thing that creepeth upon the earth.

The eternal Elohim includes the forever universe.
The name Elohim is in the plural, but this plurality of
18 Spirit does not imply more than one God, nor Elohistic
does it imply three persons in one. It relates plurality
to the oneness, the tri-unity of Life, Truth, and Love.
21 "Let *them* have dominion." Man is the family name
for all ideas, — the sons and daughters of God. All that
God imparts moves in accord with Him, reflecting good-
24 ness and power.

Your mirrored reflection is your own image or like-
ness. If you lift a weight, your reflection does this also.
27 If you speak, the lips of this likeness move in Reflected
accord with yours. Now compare man before likeness
the mirror to his divine Principle, God. Call the mirror
divine Science, and call man the reflection. Then note
30 how true, according to Christian Science, is the reflection
1 to its original. As the reflection of yourself appears in
3 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;
6 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.

9 God fashions all things, after His own likeness. Life
is reflected in existence, Truth in truthfulness, God in
goodness, which impart their own peace and Love imparts
12 permanence. Love, redolent with unselfish- beauty
ness, bathes all in beauty and light. The grass beneath
our feet silently exclaims, "The meek shall inherit the
15 earth." The modest arbutus sends her sweet breath to
heaven. The great rock gives shadow and shelter. The
sunlight glints from the church-dome, glances into the
18 prison-cell, glides into the sick-chamber, brightens the
flower, beautifies the landscape, blesses the earth. Man,
made in His likeness, possesses and reflects God's domin-
21 ion over all the earth. Man and woman as coexistent

and eternal with God forever reflect, in glorified quality, the infinite Father-Mother God.

24 *Genesis* i. 27. So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them.

27 To emphasize this momentous thought, it is repeated that God made man in His own image, to reflect the divine Spirit. It follows that *man* is a generic Ideal man
30 term. Masculine, feminine, and neuter gen- and woman
ders are human concepts. In one of the ancient lan-
1 guages the word for *man* is used also as the synonym of
mind. This definition has been weakened by anthropo-
3 morphism, or a humanization of Deity. The word *an-*
thropomorphic, in such a phrase as "an anthropomorphic
6 God," is derived from two Greek words, signifying *man*
and *form*, and may be defined as a mortally mental at-
tempt to reduce Deity to corporeality. The life-giving
9 quality of Mind is Spirit, not matter. The ideal man
corresponds to creation, to intelligence, and to Truth.
The ideal woman corresponds to Life and to Love. In
12 divine Science, we have not as much authority for con-
sidering God masculine, as we have for considering
Him feminine, for Love imparts the clearest idea of
Deity.

15 The world believes in many persons; but if God is per-
sonal, there is but one person, because there is but one
God. His personality can only be reflected, Divine
18 not transmitted. God has countless ideas, and personality
they all have one Principle and parentage. The only
proper symbol of God as person is Mind's infinite ideal.
21 What is this ideal? Who shall behold it? This ideal
is God's own image, spiritual and infinite. Even eternity
can never reveal the whole of God, since there is no limit
24 to infinitude or to its reflections.