

## 5 Spiritual Senses by Mary Baker Eddy Recorded in Blue book by Richard Oakes

### Definition of Spiritual Senses

Sight - spiritual discernment.

Hearing - spiritual understanding.

Feeling - divine consciousness.

Smell - intuition of character.

Taste - relish of Truth.

Abide in the 91st Psalm and know that such abiding is treatment and protection. There is nothing that can make laws or influence you. There is but one Mind and that is Love. Do not give life to evil by attaching it to a person or thing. It cannot live without a body. Man is immortal, one. There is but one infinite manifestation. No error can attach itself to man and why deceive ourselves by thinking it can do so? Every manifestation of life is ever-present and omnipresent good and this carries within itself all healing, sustaining. Know that the kingdom of heaven is within you and this is your armor.

If a person has a belief of consumption, the treatment should go far enough to destroy, or uncover, the belief in the reality of sexuality and the existence of material creative organs. Man is not a creator; he does not even assist in creation. The supposition that he does, or that any of the conditions or supposed facts that pertain to the subject of sex are true, is purely fictitious, a fragment of the dream from which we are awakening.

God made them male and female from the beginning but His creation was not physical. He made qualities. and formations of

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character shall ever remain thus, as the reflection of God, the Father and Mother of the universe; not that God is male and female in person, two in form, but as including in Himself all qualities of Mind.

When we understand this, we shall have no outlined personality but shall have mental individuality all the same. This is absolute Science, wherein there is but one Mind in the unity of masculine, feminine and neuter as Mind, as infinite Mind and not finite; here is the union again of man and woman, not personal but impersonal, not physical but mental, not finite but infinite. This must be so in the reflection of God,

for He is neither finite nor physical and if we would reflect God, we must become like Him in our consciousness. S. & H. is changing the belief that heart is matter and sustains life, to the understanding that 'God is our Life', that, 'In Him we live, move, and have our being'. This change of heart would deliver man from heart disease and advance Christianity a hundredfold. There is another heart in us that needs to be changed; namely, the human affections. Changed from selfishness to benevolence and love for God and man; changed so as to have but one God and to love Him supremely, and our brother man as ourselves. This change of heart will have its effect physically as well as spiritually, and heal disease sooner than burnt offerings or drugs. It is a good thing to mentally remind yourself daily that God is the only law-maker for man, morally, spiritually, and physically.

Do not attack hypnotism; do not take Scriptural authority for its identification, but allude to it briefly when you do speak of it, as you would to a ghost story. This will check its spread more than any other way would.

Have you had much experience with malpractice? There is none. The way I meet it is by keeping the First Commandment. Know there is no evil mind to intercept God and you.

No one can hurt me nor take from me anything that is good. I know no such thing as sin, suffering, want or disease, for I am a reflection of Life, Truth, and Love. I am never disappointed. The harmony of my being cannot be disturbed, because I live in the Infinite. We would better suffer for another's wrong-doing than to misjudge a person, and the student cannot (does not) always know who is sinning; but he can make sin, through Science-divine Science to himself nothing. Faith lifts up the aspirations to Principle for more light and spiritual love, and with the unfolding of Truth to the understanding which

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comes from desire and research, cross-taking and cross-bearing, to belief comes a return of blessings from Principle which controls all and will control it so as to be found right when judged by wisdom. For wisdom will restrain error when the time cometh for its solution by the understanding.

The real Christian Science compact is love for one another. This bond is wholly spiritual and inviolate. It should never be violated in thought or action even for the sake of maintaining the purity of the letter of Christian Science. For the spirit, the reflection of divine Love, is always more important than the letter. (See Miscellaneous Writings 91: 10.)

I saw the love of God encircling the universe and man, filling all space, and that divine Love so penneated my own consciousness that I loved with Christ-like

compassion everything I saw. This realization of divine Love called into expression the beauty of holiness, the perfection of being (S. & H. 253: 2) which healed and regenerated and saved all who turned to me for help.

My body is not a toxine factory; it is the substance of Love, the reflex of Soul. This omni-present Truth is an antidote, antitoxin to all poison, both internal and external.

What is the scientific realization of which sexual intercourse is the counterfeit? It is the recognition and realization through communion with God of man as a perfect, complete idea, masculine and feminine. That which is true of yourself as a complete reflection of Father~other God, is true of every individual in the universe and reveals God and His creation, perfect and eternal. Mortals are struggling for completeness and hope to find it through sexual intercourse; when in fact this desire is simply the divine idea, struggling to express itself in completeness. A recognition of this brings compassion, tenderness, and love for the poor struggling heart and conviction that there is no sin.

Oh, may the light that is never dim so encompass you, that no night is there. May His angels hold thee in their power, and Songs of Science be heard in the intuitions of thought, till your life is in tune with the rhythm of God.

There is no mental, moral, physical, or financial paralysis in God's kingdom. The world is mentally and morally paralyzed to the Truth of being and this must be handled in every case. Our treatments must be universal as well as individual.

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To teach students in class without teaching them how to handle animal magnetism, is like sending soldiers into battle with brass buttons and braid but with no ammunition for their muskets. This is a mental age. Malpractice would dominate, and unless Christian Scientists are awake to it and alert, it would hold back Christian Science for centuries. If students come to me with their thoughts full of worldliness, self, pride, hate, materiality, etc., although I have so much to give them, it all stops here (she said, pressing her hand to her throat); but if they cleanse their thoughts of all these things, then I can just pour it out upon them.

It is good to be afflicted, to drink in the experience by which we are made meet for the Master's crown; Love is in itself a purifier, and if we reach its glorious behest we must be purified in the process. Thirty years I have been in the fiery furnace and the dross has dropped away from the gold through agony. But 'if we suffer with him we shall also reign with him'.

Your Father is rich and will not deprive you of one good thing, but will add continually to your storehouse of blessings; everything belongs to God, then it is yours now as His reflection, for there is no debt in divine Love.

Oh! that personality and materiality were made the point of attack by all who desire to be Christian Scientists. Pull down the strongholds and we would have healers worth having. Spiritualization of thought is what the cause demands and I see little growth in that direction.

Could we but fill our consciousness with the thought that every individual idea of God is as fixed in its place in divine Mind as the steadfast stars in their orbits, it would help to dispel the illusion that any of God's children is out of a position, displaced, out of line with the source of supply. No one of that universe, which is unseen and eternal, is ever out of place, for God is without variableness or shadow of turning, and His ideas reflect His stability. Malicious animal magnetism cannot through any claim of business necessity or policy move me either internally or externally. It cannot change my habitation, for I inhabit infinity, eternity. I dwell in the realm of unending bliss, in a house not made with hands high in the heavens of Life, Truth, and Love. I live in the atmosphere of purity, peace and plenty, and in the sunshine of Love and joy. My home has

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an everlasting foundation. There is no limit to its beauty and pleasantness; and infinite Love conducts my home. There is but one home-maker; one home beautiful; one builder; one habitation. For in Him we live and move and have our being.' Principle gives every good and perfect gift. Principle gives all; is the only source and cause of all good.

Exclude time and place from thought-think only of here and now. Whatever is mine, is mine now; nothing can come between me and that supply-neither time nor space. Supply is, therefore, here and now. God cannot be impoverished; man cannot be impoverished: Nothing can come between me and my perfect supply; there is nothing that can take it away from me, for there is but one power, all harmonious, beautiful. I know poverty is an error that Truth destroys.

Declare continually your own perfection and freedom, and let the true and divine idea destroy the mesmerism that argues that you are sad and unhappy. This idea is your Saviour. To know that 'all things work together for good to them that love God', even when every material evidence points to the appearance that evil is in control of a situation or condition, is to abide unshaken in a spiritual composure that the world cannot take away. Through faith and patience we inherit the promise of Him who cares for us as a shepherd does his flock. We do not have to look forward to the

end of an erroneous experience; we do not have to say. 'When? When?' for evil is nothing, and has no power, activity nor representative NOW.

There are no hindrances, interruptions, personalities, conditions or circumstances that can make inactive or suspend the law of Spirit. I cannot be mesmerized to doubt the power of Truth over this and every other error. I know that I have confidence in all my treatments; I know how to handle all error and handle it instantly. All that I need to know in handling error is revealed to me, for it is God who handles the case, and it is God who gives all right ideas. Do not repeat the lies. Return good for evil. Let us forgive and love our enemies. This is our duty; this is the rule in Christian Science. Oh! let us keep it inviolate, and be on God's side. Remember this, dear ones.

Human nature is a keyboard; animal magnetism plays upon it. If there is a silent key, there can be no sound. If we faithfully handle error we shall be a silent key.

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The divine law of Life, Truth and Love is a law of instant and complete expulsion and elimination of all poisons and impurities from the system. Why? Because the floodtides of divine Life, Truth and Love are pouring and surging through consciousness, uplifting, purifying, nourishing, healing, elevating, sustaining and energizing mankind. Everything that comes to me today brings me a blessing. There is no mortal mind to see me today or know me today; or think it can through any of its so-called laws of malpractice rob me of all good or hinder me from being conscious here and now of my birthright which is dominion.