## Progress ~ A continuous opportunity to begin anew

ABEL. Watchfulness; self-offering; surrendering to the creator the early fruits of experience. [Pg 579]

ASHER (Jacob's son). Hope and faith; spiritual compensation; the ills of the flesh rebuked. [Pg 581]

ARK. Safety; the idea, or reflection, of Truth, proved to be as immortal as its Principle; the understanding of Spirit, destroying belief in matter [Pg 581]

BAPTISM. Purification by Spirit; submergence in Spirit. [Pg 581]

CHRIST. The divine manifestation of God, which comes to the flesh to destroy incarnate error. [Pg 583]

CHURCH. The structure of Truth and Love; whatever rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle. The Church is that institution, which affords proof of its utility and is found elevating the race, rousing the dormant understanding from material beliefs to the apprehension of spiritual ideas and the demonstration of divine Science, thereby casting out devils, or error, and healing the sick. [Pg 583]

CREATOR. Spirit; Mind; intelligence; the animating divine Principle of all that is real and good; self-existent Life, Truth, and Love; that which is perfect and eternal; the opposite of matter and evil, which have no Principle; God, who made all that was made and could not create an atom or an element the opposite of Himself. [Pg 583]

DAY. The irradiance of Life; light, the spiritual idea of Truth and Love. "And the evening and the morning were the first day." (Genesis i. 5.) The objects of time and sense disappear in the illumination of spiritual understanding, and Mind measures time according to the good that is unfolded. This unfolding is God's day, and "there shall be no night there." [Pg 584]

YEAR. A solar measurement of time; mortality; space for repentance. "One day is with the Lord as a thousand years." (II Peter iii. 8.) One moment of divine consciousness, or the spiritual understanding of Life and Love, is a foretaste of eternity. This exalted view, obtained and retained when the Science of being is understood, would bridge over with life discerned spiritually the interval of death, and man would be in the full consciousness of his immortality and eternal harmony, where sin, sickness, and death are un-known. Time is a mortal thought, the divisor

of which is the solar year. Eternity is God's measurement of Soulfilled years. [Pg 598-599]