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"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free"

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Section One: "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free"

Isa 52:2 Ps 25:15, 16 Ps 51:10-12 Isa 65:17 behold, 18 Isa 58:6 John 8:28-36 SH 433:31-3 Christ Gal 5:1 Gal 5:13 brethren (to;) SH 227:21 Hymn 202 My 128:9–12 (to 1st .) II Cor 3:17 where, 18

Section Two: How are we thinking about thinking?

"Instead of the apprehensive or heavy feeling that we must somehow make an uninspired human mind know spiritual truths, we joyously catch the idea that we don't in fact have a mind that doesn't know. What we do have is Mind—the divine Mind that pervades all space, and is ours! Obediently, we begin to realize how natural it is to have spiritual light and inspiration. We see that this light is pouring through God's universe, and so it's perfectly natural to man to witness it. 'In thy light shall we see light,' the Psalmist says."

(Excerpt from "A new way to think," by Allison W. Phinney, Jr. – March 1984, The Christian Science Journal)

Isa 55:8, 9 Jer 29:11-13 Phil. 4:8 SH 204:23 SH 270:24-26 SH 216:11-14 SH 407:21 SH 259:1 SH 497:24 And SH 591:16 Ret 56:18-21 Ret 56: 22 SH 468:8-15 Phil. 2:5

Section Three: "Yet in my flesh shall I see God"

"Job said, 'In my flesh shall I see God.' Neither the Old nor the New Testament furnishes reasons or examples for the destruction of the human body, but for its restoration to life and health as the scientific proof of 'God with us.' The power and prerogative of Truth are to destroy all disease and to raise the dead — even the self-same Lazarus. The *spiritual* body, the incorporeal idea, came with the *ascension*." (*The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany, by Mary Baker Eddy, page 218:4*)

Job 19: 26 yet Job 23: 13 he, 14 Ps 103: 2, 3 Jer 30:17. 22 Mark 1:40-42 SH 320:24-3 My 217:23-15 Un 55:17 SH 45:22-4 SH 350:24 My 109:23 SH xi: 14-21

Section Four: Obedience is the test of love

"We spin our wheels with furious physical efforts until, and unless, we dispossess aggressive falsehood of its capacity to fascinate.

"The extensiveness of mental mesmeric influence, or animal magnetism, in human experience is exposed by scientific Christianity. We are not going backward to consider it, but forward. We are not being superstitious, but rational. The truth about animal magnetism does not engender fear, but courage and dominion. And understanding the subject is not heavy and negative but positive and freeing." (From "Is animal magnetism old-fashioned?" by Allison W. Phinney, Jr., July 1988, The Christian Science Journal)

Rom 6:16 II Cor 10:4, 5 Man 42:4 SH 103:18-23 (to 1st.) My 210:5-7 My 211:12-17 '01 14:19

'02 17:3

SH 496:1

SH 106:7

Mis 10:12

Ret 26:8

Section Five: "The discoverer of this Science could tell you of timidity..."

"The Discoverer of this Science could tell you of timidity, of self-distrust, of friendlessness, toil, agonies, and victories, under which she needed miraculous vision to sustain her, when taking the first footsteps in this Science.

"The ways of Christianity have not changed. Meekness, selflessness, and love are the paths of His testimony and the footsteps of His flock."

(Rudimental Divine Science, by Mary Baker Eddy, page 17:10–17)

Ret 31:9-19

Ret 23:1

Ret 24:12-21

Ret 10:11-18

Ret 31:28

SH 110:17

SH 329:32

Ret 30:1

Ret 30:17 St

Ret 94:25-28

SH 329:1

Section Six: No, we're not stuck with sin

"Vibrating like a pendulum between sin and the hope of forgiveness, — selfishness and sensuality causing constant retrogression, — our moral progress will be slow. Waking to Christ's demand, mortals experience suffering. This causes them, even as drowning men, to make vigorous efforts to save themselves; and through Christ's precious love these efforts are crowned with success."

(Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Mary Baker Eddy, page 22:3)

Matt 9:10-13

I Tim 1:15

Rom 7:18-20

Mis 109:8

Un 2:6

Ret 67:13

Mis 179:8

Mis 110:4

SH 26:19

SH 304:14

Section Seven: The new relevance of church

"Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, referred to the church in its visible structure as 'his form of godliness.' Some might assume this was an unworldly woman's description of what is necessarily a very human organization.

"But Christian Scientists understand that Mrs. Eddy meant exactly what she said and knew what she was saying. The crucial difference between a mere organizational grouping and the Church Mrs. Eddy founded is godliness. It was this godliness that brought the Church of Christ, Scientist, into being against impossible odds in the first place. It was this spiritual desire to give God and His meaning priority above every other consideration that developed such remarkable impulsion and growth."

(Excerpt from "The always new and ever-growing church" by Allison W. Phinney, Jr., September 1986, The Christian Science Journal)

My 301:5 SH 469:30-5 '01 34:26-28 I Tim 6:11-13 follow SH 35:19-25 2nd Our Gal 5:13, 14 Ret 87:15, Christian, 22 Pan 14:4 Pul 2:22-2 SH 34:29-32 SH 35:10, 25 '02 8:15-19 My 165:15

Section Eight: A time for blessing, not for punishment

"God does not reward benevolence and love with penalties; and because of this, we have the right to deny the supposed power of matter to do it, and to allege that only mortal, erring mind can claim to do thus, and dignify the result with the name of law: thence comes man's ability to annul his own erring mental law, and to hold himself amenable only to moral and spiritual law, — God's government. By so doing, male and female come into their rightful heritage, 'into the glorious liberty of the children of God."

(Miscellaneous Writings by Mary Baker Eddy, page 199:1)

Matt 5:1-10 My 228:18 SH 384:6-9 SH 385:7-18 Mis 118:24 Gen 32: 24-28 SH 323:32 My 165:15 Mis 206:24-26 Press Prov 10:22 SH vii:1-2

Section Nine: Some thoughts on Reflection

"Man and the universe coexist with God in Science, and they reflect God and nothing else. In divine Science, divine Love includes and reflects all that really is, all personality and individuality. St. Paul beautifully enunciates this fundamental fact of Deity as the 'Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

(Message to The Mother Church for 1900 by Mary Baker Eddy, page 4:26–1)

Gen 1:26, 27 I Cor 3:16 II Cor 6:16 Heb 8:10 Ezek 37:26, 27 John 14:10, 16, 17 Ret 56:18-24 Ret 57:15-17, 22 SH 102:9-15 SH 518:27 SH 301:5-13 SH 316:20

Section Ten: Being the spiritual watchers for our time

"In the garden of Gethsemane Christ Jesus asked his disciples to watch with him, to stay awake and pray. He was praying in the darkness to know the Father's meaning and purpose for him, to live his oneness with God, in spite of the world's surrounding, pressing insistence that *it* was all there was. He held guard for humanity over the divine reality he had seen, and this faithfulness led to resurrection and an unparalleled spiritual breakthrough or what might be termed 'morning' for mankind." (*From "Watch' for a spiritual morning" by Allison W. Phinney, Jr. May 28, 1984, Christian Science Sentinel*)

SH 47:31-14 My 12:22 My 232:12, 29-10 Can (to.) My 233:19 SH 367:17-29 Mis 110:4 '02 11:6 SH 570:18 Luke 10:19 Hymn 29