FRANK H. LEONARD'S LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Innate Desire of the Whole Human Family is for Good, and the Treasure Sought for the Knowledge That God Is Love.

THE COMFORTER OF PROMISE

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The semi-annual lecture on Christian Science under the auspices of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass., was given by Frank H. Leonard, C. S. B., a member of the Board of Lectureship of that church, in the church edifice, Falmouth, Norway and St. Paul streets, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Every available seat in the auditorium was filed when the first reader, Judge Clifford P. Smith introduced the lecturer.

Judge Smith said:

"It is a testimony to the truth of Christian Science that it has drawn to its service such men and women as compose its board of lectureship. Those who have spoken from this platform in the last few years were formerly students, teachers, scholars, lawyers, judges, physicians or clergymen. Tonight we are to hear one who was formerly a city business man—a successful man of affairs in the largest American city. Before entering upon his present work he dealt in carloads and shiploads of coal and recognized nothing more to be desired than hard cash. Of the fact that his table of values has now been revised we shall doubtless get some glimpses as he speaks to us on Christian Science. It is now my privilege to introduce Mr. Frank H. Leonard of New York."

Mr. Leonard said:

The great interest in the world in the Christian Science movement finds its inception largely in the fact that innately the whole human family is seeking for what it deems to be treasure. With some this treasure seems to be gold and yet, when it has been acquired, it has been found to be a burden, a care rather than something of joy and happiness. It has been found to be the means of fastening selfishness on one, and in this do we see the fulfillment of the statement "The love of money is the root of all evil."

Another class of treasure seekers is the one which believes the most desirable of all things to be the deepest knowledge of all things that are human and material, and this class has found that a search confined simply to human knowledge leads one far astray from the most desirable of all things, for many who are leaders in the forum of human opinion believe that they have lost all faith and confidence in God and so, surely, have found their treasure turned into dross.

The treasure that the whole human family is seeking is not something that is afar off; it not something that may not be had now; but is something that the real man may not be separated from. The innate desire is for good and the treasure the whole human family consciously and unconsciously is seeking for is the realization that God is Love.

Way to the Light.

The realization that God is Love has seemed heretofore so transcendental as to be beyond the grasp of human consciousness, but, as we have grown in the realization of what God and Love are, we have come to know that without the mall would be darkness and hopelessness and the light that Christian Science has thrown upon Love is literally "the light" which "shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehendeth it not." Love, as Christian Science teaches it, is the manifestation of the very presence of God, and, in fact, is God. When we realize this we know there is nothing we may look for that is higher, greater or holier; and when in our search we find a little, faint perception of this love giving a litle dawning of the light, a little of the radiance of the infinite God, there comes in the heart a large happiness and freedom no words may express.

It has been rightly indicated that the Christian Scienctists are the happiest people in the world. We are the happiest people in the world because we are no longer afraid of God with that fear which means terror, but are filled with that fear which is the "beginning of wisdom" and is awe and reverence, and in this fear have we had it proven to us that God is Love and nothing less than Love. The human family sees all of the turmoil, wretchness and unhappiness with which it has to contend, hears its story on every side and, having been taught it is real, has grown into the belief that somewhere, somehow, for some purpose, the God who is Love has sent all of this to them in the hope and expectancy it will make them love God better than they could do if they simply realized that God is Love and Love alone.

Overcoming Evil With Good.

In many places the Bible speaks of the God of vengeance and hate and malice, but careful study will show us it is always evil that is bringing out the declaration that God is a God of vengeance, hate and malice, because evil, when it comes face to face with the God who is Love is rendered speechless, hopeless and helpless, is "cast out into outer darkness" wherein there is no light, no life, no activity, and wherein the real man, the man that God made in "his image and likeness," is not and never was.

What is it that destroys a lie? The truth about which the lie is told. Does the truth destroy the lie because it has in itself a perception or conception of the lie? Absolutely no. The truth which is God is true. It is the whole Truth and nothing but the Truth and in it there is not the slightest evidence, knowledge or consciousness of a lie. To the lie truth is narrow, bigoted, arrogant, "the same yesterday, today and forever," and from everlasting onto everlasting shall we find eternal Truth, the Truth that makes man free; the same as it always has been, for it is God. Then when a lie comes face to face with the Truth which is God it cries out: "What have I to do with thee?" and the command, "Peace, be still, and know that I am God," obliterates the lie and leaves no evidence whatsoever of it.

Human fathers and mothers love every one of their children and surely God loves every one of His children. It stands to reason that as human fathers and mothers we would never think of presenting a temptation to our children, clothing it in so fascinating a garb as to make yielding to it almost certain and then punish the child for yielding to it; yet that is the charge brought against God. We have been told temptation is put into the world so our faith may be tried with the hope we may be able to resist and so gain eternal life with God.

Humanly speaking the endeavor to resist evil is almost hopeless. It surrounds us in such a multitude of forms that no matter which way we turn we find ourselves environed with evil tempting us in all directions and in all places, and we are beset and besieged with it until, hopeless and helpless, we yield and then are expected to receive punishment for yielding to something that God, who is Love, has placed before us.

Freedom in Knowing God.

Christian Science teaches us that God never had anything to do with evil in any form, that he does not know it, does not create it, never thinks it and never sees it, and in this knowledege do we find the germ of freedom that is working in the world today—the germ which the Christian Scientists have found and have accepted that they may have the ability to "stand in the fulness," the stature, and "the liberty of the sons of God." The promise is: "And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive" (Matt. xxi. 22). The prayer of the Christian Scientist is—and it is being really answered—that we may be freed from believing that God ever gives his children anything else than Love.

When Peter went with the Master at the time of his arrest as he stood among the servants of the high priest was charged with knowing Jesus the Christ, he said: "I never knew him." Was it God that tempted him to deny the Master? No, not for one instant was that temptation from God. It was a temptation from evil and when he yielded to it three times in succession he was yielding to the suggestion that temptation had been set before him by Truth and that it was Truth which caused him to fall, but when he heard the warning Jesus had told him should come, instantly the scales fell off from his eyes and he know there was no temptation from God, and in meekness, humility and sorrow did he turn his back on it and in that repentance and turning away, he became the "rock" upon which the Church is established.

We are finding that the God-love is a very practical thing, and are finding it a very necessary and effective thing in dealing with ourselves for we are beginning to realize the only enemy any person has may be quickly seen with the aid of a looking glass. When Jesus was no earth he was surrounded on all sides by those who called themselves and believed themselves to be his enemies. He knew, however, that they were not his enemies. He knew that by keeping his thought clean and pure and full of love and meekness and humility he shut the door of his thought against the temptation of anything unclean, unkindly and evil and was standing absolutely free among them.

Pilate asked Jesus, "Art thou King of the Jews?" and his response was: "Thou sayest." He knew in his own consciousness it was his knowledge and manifestation of the God-love which, standing in their midst, was so transsendental, so great and so precious they could not grasp it from a material standpoint and so believed it to be an enemy against their right and something they ought to destroy. It is impossible for us to grasp it from a material standpoint and so believed it to be an enemy against their rights and something they ought to destroy. It is impossible for us to grasp the spiritually of Christ's teaching from any other than a spiritual viewpoint.

The scribes and pharisees endeavored to grasp the Master's teachings from a materialistic viewpoint and so failed utterly to comprehend the message of freedom and peace he had for them. The same endeavor has 'continued from that day to this until the knowedge has been finally established amongst mankind, thru the ministry of Christian Science, that it never can succeed.

When I was a boy at school my reader contained the story of two knights who met on a road one day, and, stopping to greet each other, observed suspended across the road a beautiful shield. After exchangeing salutations one of the knights remarked: "What a beautiful silver shield!" The other knight responded: "Surely it is beautiful, but it is not silver, it is gold." This started a controversy which finally led the knights to endeavor to destroy each other in order to settle the question as to which was right. Setting their lances in position they ran full tilt at each other but failed to do any damage. As they turned again to the assault they found themselves on opposite sides of the shield from which they had started and, glancing up, saw each had been right in his statement for the shield was silver on one side and gold on the other. They saw they had been looking at it from the wrong viewpoint to understand the other's view as to what is was made of. It is impossible to conceive of anything in Christ's teachings other than from the standpoint of his knowledge of God and his knowledge of Love which is his lesson as he learned it and left it for you and me to learn and live.

Knowing Christ Jesus.

The materialistic endeavor to comprehend the religion of Christ Jesus had led the world to believe that it were possible to gain this knowledge thru intellectual discernment and dissection. Failure has followed failure when based on this kind of endeavor, and always will, for we can discern the spiritual teaching of the Master only thru intelligent aceptance and demonstration. Our Master brought this out very convincingly when in a prayer of thanksgiving he said, "I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes." He also said, "Except ye become as a little child, ye shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven." We know full well he did not mean that adults must shrivel backward in stature and years until they again become little physical children before they could enter the kingdom of heaven, and Christ Science reveals to us that in that statement he was calling our attention absolutely to the mental attitude of the little child.

Why do we send a little child to school? Do we send it there that it may learn something new? No, but that its ignorance relative to things that already are may be eliminated. So when a child has been a short time in school a teacher comes to it and with a pencil puts down on paper, 1, and under it another 1, then, drawing a line underneath, puts under the line the figure 2, saying to the child, "One added to one makes two. Do you understand that?" The child instantly replies, "Yes."

As a matter of fact it does not understand it at all, for we never understand anything that we have not made our own thru actual individual labor and endear, but the child has intelligence enough to have faith in the source whence comes this information, and because it has this intelligence and faith it proceeds to demonstrate for itself that one added to one does make two and when it has accomplished that, has made that knowledge its own for all time.

We have an elder brother who came to this earth saying and doing all things necessary to turn us in the right direction that we might have salvation. It is intelligence on our part that we have faith in him as the source where not only statements but demonstrations of the power of the Word of God come from and so accept and prove our acceptance of our Master's teaching by doing the works he commanded us to do.

No Creed and No Dogma.

Christian Science is not endeavoring to establish a new standard of Christianity. It is rather, if anything, deploring the new standard of Christianity and turning thought to the old standard, the standard established by Christ himself.

The Rev. Lyman Abbott at one time said: "Creed, dogma and varying congregation were things unknown in Christ's time, having been tied on to religion in modern days."

Christian Science is without creed and without dogma. It is the antithesis of personal opinion and is an imploring appeal unto the sons of men to give up personal opinion and ideas as to the way Christ's religion should be established and go back to the way in which it was demonstrated by Jesus of Nazareth.

Christ Jesus established the standard of Christianity. He never took it down and no one else may, and he established the standard to which all of us must attain before we have a spiritual right to the designation of Christian or Christ-followers, when he said: "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father," and when he made that statement with the word of God he was healing the sick from all manner of disease, cleansing the leper, casting out evil, raising the dead, feeding the multitude with the fragments, disappearing from the multitude in one piece and apeparing before it in another, walking on the water, stilling the raging tempest with the word of command, finding Caesar's tribute in the fish's mouth and presenting himself amongst his disciples thru an unbroken wall.

These are the works that Jesus the Christ did, and it is not simply that I say so, neither is it because modern scientific Christianity in Christian Science primarily teaches this, but it is that Christ himself said if we believe on him we shall do the works that he does.

Then, according to the standard established by the Master, if we are not making progress toward the ability to do every one of the works he did we do not believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, no matter if our lips say we do we believe a thousand times a day, but rather do we belong to that class our Bible tells us that in the latter days shall cry: "Lord, Lord," and the response unto them shall be: "I know you not." Why? Because the works have not been done which prove Him to be the Lord and Master.

The Measure of Knowledge.

One of an inquiring frame of mind might say, "I do not see any Christian Scientists walking on the waters today." The reply would be, humanly be, "No." But what does that prove? Does it prove that the Master made a mistake wittingly or unwittingly when he said that if we believed on him we should do the works he did! Or does it prove rather a failure on the part of his followers to be absolutely obedient unto him!

If we should go into a school and investigate the matter we would find that at least 30 per cent of the students of mathematics return incorrect answers to at least 60 per cent of the problems they are endeavoring to solve. Would we conclude from this showing there was something the matter with mathematics and that they should be eliminated from the school course, or would we instantly realize the necessity for better study on the part of the students in order that right answers might be obtained? The Christian Scientists have never claimed that with their present grasp of the scientific operatoin of the law of God they have overcome the universal belief in sin, disease and death; nor have they ever claimed that they heal every case coming to them for treatment.

If one wishes to cross the road what is the first necessary thing to be done? The first thing to be done is to desire to get on the other side, and the next is to take the first step in that direction. You cannot take the second step, the fifth step nor the tenth step first. You must take the first step first, and the Christian Scientists are taking the first steps in that journey which leads out from "darkness into light," from sense into soul.

Leading us in that way is the Wayshower, the one who has been "in all points tempted like as we are" but has met and destroyed all temptation, who has done all of the works that I have enumerated and has said that if we believe on him we shall also do them. Christian Scientists know, because they are accomplishing the solution of present day problems, the only necessity is continued study, obedience and progress to bring the ultimate accomplishment of all things.

Christian Scientists believe in universal salvation. We do not believe that this great problem of eternity is to be solved in a few brief years beset on all sides by temptation and great odds, but know that either thru "kicking against the pricks" until we are tired and wreathed and turn like weary children to the outstretched arms of the father or else thru the scientific use of the Word of God as our Master used it, we shall go on working on the problem of salvation until he have acomplished it; for our Bible teaches, "They shall all know me (God) from the least of them unto the greatest of them." "This is life eternal" (John xvii.3)—to know God. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.

Need of Intelligent Faith.

What the world needs is real intelligent faith, not blind faith, for blind faith leads one simply to the door of hope, closes it in one's face, puts a question mark upon it, and leaves one hopeless and helpless without light or a guide in the darkness. We need faith that has a reason for its existence.

Consider what our bible tells us faith accomplishes. It tells us if one has "faith as a grain of mustard seed," the smallest seed known in the seed kingdom, "he shall say unto this mountain, go hence, and it shall be so unto him." (Matt. xxi. 21). Does the world at large believe that statement is really true? If one should be seen by the sons of men standing before a mountain with uplifted hand saving unto it, "In the name of the Almighty God I command three: go hence," would those who witnessed it raise their voices in a song of thanksgiving unto God that such faith had been found in all the land, or rather would they look around to see if his keeper was in sight?

When it comes to real abiding steadfast faith in the promises of the Bible, we are very much like the old lady who read the statement I have just quoted in her Bible and said, "That fits my case exactly, for in my back yard is a sandpile that for forty years has stood where I need a truck garden and I am going to put that statement to test this very night." So she got down on her knees and prayed all night that the sand pile might be removed and cast into the sea where it would harm no one. When dawn came she arose from her knees and going to the window looked out and saw the sand pile in the same old place, and as she saw it, said: "There, that is just what I expected." The painful point of this story is that no one in this audience anticipated I would say: as she looked from out the window she saw her faith justified and the sand pile gone; showing that every one of us is tainted with the same unbelief she manifested when she said: "There, that is just what I expected."

When we come to the place where we have grown intelligent enough to have real abiding faith, it will move mountains, whether they call themselves mountains of rock and earth, mountains of sin, mountains of suffering or mountains of woe, and will "make straight every crooked path," and plain the "way of the Lord."

Christian Science Redemptive.

Christian Science is Theology, Science Philosophy, and therapeuties. The question may be asked what relation each of these phases bears to each other and which comes first relatively. The work of Christian Science is redemptive and therefore elemental. God during all eternity has builded all things that really are. No one phase of Christian Science is greater than any other and singly and collectively its teachings stand with man inside the door of hope, the changeless Word of God.

Recognition of God heals the sick. The knowledge that God is Mind is eternal salvation. The theology of Christian Science turns us absolutely to God as the only, the omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent. All in All. The science of Christian Science turns us to God as the only Lawmaker and Lawgiver.

The philosophy of Christian Science takes man beyond the human concept into the shekiuah where "Jesus has passed before us," away from the finite misconception and into the infinite knowledge of God. The therapeutics of Christian Science heal the sick by making one realize that God is Good and nothing can come from Good except good, for cause and effect most agree.

Until one has been a Christian Scientist and has felt fall from him the shackles of doubt and fear and unbelief, until one has found and felt the cleansing from hate, malice, jealousy, rage, self-love, self-will, self-justification and self-complacency, one has never known what it means to be free. To be free and to know that God is, eliminates the possibility of anything else really being.

Christian Science teaches that "all is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation." (Science and Health, p. 468). We are told to pray for the Mind which was also in Christ Jesus. Christian Science teaches that God is Mind. Teaching that God is infinite Mind is simply saying God is omniscent.

To say that God is the source of all knowledge is to say the same of intelligence, and to say God is the source of all intelligence is to say that He is all the Mind there is and no other conclusion can be reached logically. The Christian Science teaching that God is the one and only Mind is not, therefore, new, being simply the complement of the Bible teaching that he is omniscent.

Do not mistake my meaning to be that what we term mortal or personal mind is God, for the belief in personal mind is the cause of all the wretchedness, murder, hate, jealousy, malice, war, dishonesty and untruthfulness the world has ever known in its history. This belief in minds many is the belief in gods many and leads to a belief of utter lack of individual responsibility in all things, the inability to discern what is good and what is evil and finally to the belief that evil is more potent than good and is man's matser.

Spirit All Power.

The Bible teaches "to be carnally minded is death but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." The carnal mind is that which the Christian Scientists characterize as mortal mind. The spiritual mind is absolutely "the mind which was also in Christ Jesus" working thru him to do and accomplish all of the things which were done in his ministry, glorifying God. When we are intelligent enough to realize the truth of this statement we will cease our endeavor to justify ourselves and seek rather to justify God in all His changeless glory and majesty, and go on growing in grace till the light shall dawn in our consciousness, bringing us the realization here is no will, no way, no law save God's, and the result of this faithfulness will be the attainment of the kingdom of God and His righteousness which our Bible teaches us are within—not within a human frame but within a right knowledge of God.

The majority of those who are Christian Scientists today became such originally not so much because they wanted to as because they had to. They were miserably, wretchedly, desperately, hopelessly sick, had tried every human means to gain their health and had found no relief, and so turned unto God and there found the fulfillment of promise and were made free. I myself belong to this class, for, born with an incurable organic disease, I never found relief from suffering until I turned unto God.

The decree of dissolution had been pronounced against me when Christian Science was brought to me by a relative who had been healed thru its ministry and I found indeed that "man's extremity is God's opportunity." After three months treatment by a Christian Science practitioner, our family physician again examined me and stated I was as perfect a physical specimen as he had ever examined in his professional career. That examination took place in the month of March, 1885, and from that day to this, Christian Science, as revealed to the world thru Mrs. Eddy, has met every diseased condition that has presented itself, has destroyed it and left me free.

The Discoverer and Founder.

A question often asked is, what position do the Christian Scientists accord to Mrs. Eddy? Do they place Mrs. Eddy on the same plane with Christ? Do they consider her a mediator? It happens that I have something I have been carrying in my pocket for a good many years that answers the question in Mrs. Eddy's own words a great deal better than I could possibly answer it. This is a little article written by Mrs. Eddy herself and printed in the New York World Feb. 1, 1895, in which she writes this:

"There never was, is not now and never can be but one God, one Christ, one Jesus of Nazareth. Whoever in any age expresses most of the spirit of truth and love, the principle of God's idea, has most of the spirit of Christ, o fthat Mind which was in Christ Jesus. If Christian Scientists find in my writings and example a greater degree of this spirit than in others, they can justly declare it. But to think or speak of me in any manner as a Christ is sacreligious."

It does not seem possible there is any one who believes that the Christian Scientists have ever thought of the Leader of our movement as Christ. The meekness and humility of our Leader in pointing us always away from her and to Christ as our Shepherd should have, before now, settled this question everlastingly. Christ? No. Jesus of Nazareth? No. But one of the meekest and most humble followers our Master ever had on the surface of this earth.

Striving not for personal advancement, striving not for personal glory, capable of having an adulation that would exceed anything in this world if she desired it, Mrs. Eddy has abjured everything of the kind, and has said: "Look away from me, and unto Christ." She watches, strives and prays in season and out of season to have more of that Mind in her which was also in Christ Jesus, in order that she may emulate the example he has set for us, and so prove unto the whole world the truth of Christ's teachings so that man may read as he runs, and the veriest child may understand and know God and his Christ. And because thru this Comforter, thousands have been raised out of sickness, ruin, pain and death, do we give to the one who made this possible, the love and devotion to which she is justly entitled.

The position Mrs. Eddy occupies is that of a channel, a channel of grace that has been so cleansed and so purified by striving, watching and praying that thru her has come into this world the Comforter, that our Master promised he would send, and that should never leave us comfortless; the Comforter that is in our midst today, binding up broken hearts, healing us from all disease and delivering us from all of our iniquities.

Love; Not Worship.

It has been said that we Christian Scientists worship Mrs. Eddy, and that statement has gone hand in hand with the belief that we have placed her on a plane with Christ. Christian Scientists do not worship Mrs. Eddy or any other person, for the instant personal worship enters into consciousness that selfsame instant one ceases to be a Christian Scientist. No, we do not worship her, but we do love her. We love her with a love that transcends any that may be described. We love her for her self-sacrifice.

We give our allegiance to Mrs. Eddy, and she occupies the position of Leader in our Cause, because to her first came the efficacy of Christian Science. Then she left friends, relatives, everybody, and secluded herself that she might study to find out the law that was back of what Jesus had accomplished on earth. She grew to the absolute knowledge that those things were not exceptional, not occasional, but were the manifestation of God's law, and realized when that law was known, those self-same things, would be accomplished by every man, woman and child on the face of the earth. Never was one so blessed and so wonderfully cared for as was she while she communed with God in those years.

The result of her communion? It has meant to me personally, the difference between a dead boy in Brookline, Mass., many years ago, and a live man now. It has meant the difference between a wrong comprehension of God which engendered hate, and a right comprehension of Him which has made me desire nothing on earth so much as to be found good enough to speak the word unto those who are seeking light, in order that they too may partake of Christ's cup, and be one with our elder Brother in the knowledge and light of God.

Do we put the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," which Mrs. Eddy has written on a plane with the Bible? No, we do not, and never have. There is just one Bible and that Bible is the Holy Bible that is used, loved and revered by Christians all over the globe. Our churches use no other than the King James version, because in that old text we have found sufficient food to sustain us and lead us on the journey out of darkness into light.

Only Thing Worth Knowing.

The Christian Science text book is exactly what it is called—a text book. Webster's definition of a text book is "a book containing the leading principles of a science," and that is just what the Christian Science text book is. It is the text book about the only thing that is worth knowing, and that is, knowledge of God, of Truth, which our Bible teaches us makes man free. I have met people who have said, "I have read that book thru from cover to cover and do not understand it at all. As far as I am concerned there is nothing in it for me."

Suppose one should come to you and say, "When I was a boy I had little opportunity for schooling and so never knew anything about mathematics. In recent years I have found that this is a serious handicap, so determined about six months ago I would learn what there is to mathematics. With this determination I went into a store and bought an arithmetic, and algebra, a geometry, trigonometry and calculus. In my desire to start aright I looked thru the books until I found a place when it said 'plane geometry' and as I was looking for something plain, determined I would start my investigation there. I found it was dense and solid and abstract. I thought I had better begin with the little book they call the arithmetic and so for five hours a day for the last six months have been reading these text books and I don't know a bit more about mathematics today than I did when I started. Therefore, as far as I am concerned there is nothing in mathematics for me."

Suppose another who never had studied anything other than English should say, "I bought a German reader in a store the other day and took it home for an evening's enjoyment. After dinner I sat down with the book and starting at the first page, went thru page after page trying to find a sentence I could read. Then I tried to find a word and then a letter, and there was not an a, b or c in the whole book from one end to the other. So, as far as I am concerned, there is nothing in German." Would you think either statement a manifestation of intelligence or intellectuality?

What would your attitude be toward one who would make either of these statements? You would say, "You might read the text books of mathematics from now until the end of time and never know whether one statement made therein was true or otherwise, but take a problem arising in any one of them, put it down, take the rule under which it is to be worked out, and when you have worked it out rightly obtaining the correct answer, you will know by reason of your demonstration that the teaching is true, and based on that demonstration will be the complete realization that all of mathematics is demonstrable.

The Christin Scientists have been studying the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures" in conjunction with their Bible for years. They have taken every problem of daily living as it has arisen, they have applied the rule, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." They have taken the light that has come thru the Christian Science text book and wherein they have been obedient, loyal to the teaching of the Bible as demonstrated by the Master, they have brought out the right answer and have proven Christ's Christianity to be scientifically demonstrable by all who believe on him.

Christian Science teaches us that the God-love is our shepherd and that this realization frees men from all want of every kind, that God-love is the shepherd which maketh us "to lie down in green pastures" of fulfilled promises, the shepherd which leadeth us "beside the still waters" of the "river of eternal life," the shepherd which "prepareth a table" before me in the presence of mine enemies, teaching us that our enemies are not the brethren, but the wrong thoughts we have held and clung to about God. It teaches us that this same Love is the Love which "maketh us to dwell in the house of the Lord forever," "abiding in the secret place of the Most High," "under the shadow of the Almighty," and then comes the full noon-tide glory of the realization that "this is the day of our Lord."

The kingdom of Heaven is attained. His will is "done in earth, as it is in Heaven," and in the realm of the real, the realm of God, we stand now in the fulness, the liberty and the "stature of the fulness of Christ," perfect, even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect."

Page 497, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy.

"The following is a brief exposition of the important points, or religious tenents of Christian Science:"

1. As adherents of Truth, we take the inspired Word of the Bible as our sufficient to eternal Life.

2. We acknowledge and adore one supreme and infinite God;—we acknowledge one Christ—His Son Jesus Christ; the Holy Ghost, or Divine Comforter; and man as his image and likeness.

3. We acknowledge God's forgiveness of sin in the destruction of sin, and the spiritual understanding that evil is unreal, hence, not eternal. But the belief in sin is punished, so long as it lasts.

4. We acknowledge Jesus' atonement as the evidence of divine, efficacious Love, unfolding man's unity with God through Jesus Christ the Wayshower.

5. We acknowledge that man is saved through Christ, thru Truth, Life and Love as demonstrated by the Galilean Prophet in the healing of the sick and the overcoming of sin and death. Also, that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection served to elevate faith and understanding to perceive eternal Life, the allness of Spirit and the nothingness of matter.

6. We solemnly promise to strive, watch, and pray for that Mind to be in us which was also in Christ Jesus; to love one another, and to be meek, merciful, just and pure.

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