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## What Woodrow Wilson Thinks About Life, Death and Spirit Communication

Last year there was published in New York City by E. P. Dutton & Co., a book of Messages accredited to Woodrow Wilson received by Mrs. C. A. Dawson Scott, a well known English woman, Novelist and a practical writer. Mrs. Dawson Scott is an automatic writer and had already given to the world a book entitled "From Four" as a result of her automatic powers.

One day her hand wrote: "You have sent out thoughts and they have reached us." She asked who was communicating. The answer was, "Wilson." She did not appear to recognize any Wilson among her friends who might be a communicator. She turned to her address book . . . Weckbalm, Williams, Williamson but never a Wilson.

"You have read about me in the papers," the hand wrote. "What is your other name?" She asked.

"Woodrow Wilson."

Well, she did not believe it. "What made you come to me?" She asked.

"I am interested in what is taking place in the world I have left. I am interested in matters in which you are interested, in developments that may help to bring peace and good will. You are working for these things for which I also worked, he continued: "Ours is a tremendous opportunity. While other countries carry a load of outworn ideas and shocking superstitions, we travel light. It is my hope that we shall not fail to profit by this fact. I can no longer take part in the development of my country, but I am still interested. I look on believing that a great destiny awaits the great nation from which I sprang."

Mrs. Dawson Scott, though at first doubting the Wilson authorship, became fully convinced that Woodrow Wilson was the inspirer and author of the messages and thru her

hand the book of 165 pages entitled "Is This Wilson?" came into being and was afterwards printed.

In this article we shall give our Readers verbatim some passages from the book dealing with questions of human interest.

**"If you care to take them down you may expect a long series of talks with me. They should find a public in my country. Perhaps also in England; but it is mainly in America to which my heart is turned."**

Speaking of Spirit communication he declares the Spirit world is "on the look-out for minds which can accept dispassionately whatever is given, minds which shall be merely a receiving station for our 'wireless' and such are rare."

**"The brain should be alert, receptive, not drowsy. It should be a cup—if you like to call it so—into which we can pour our thoughts; but a cup made of living, coherent atoms. Life is movement and there is no such thing as stagnation."**

**"We have no power to reach you unless you are willing that we should. The desire must be mutual and the feeling reciprocal. Love is the strong attraction."**

**"We do not get all our information as to what is happening on earth from the newly dead or from your minds. Certain matters reverberate and we are able to catch the reverberations."**

**"If we could make the facts of our continued life universally known, could make them known as simple everyday facts and give you irreputable proof of our assertions, death would be robbed of its sting and the grave would no longer be a charnel house."**

**"In the spirit world a man comes to his maturity. That is, he seems to have reached it, but this may prove only another stage of growth, of evolution . . . We find ourselves possessed of greater powers than on earth, with blessed immunity from disease and poverty, from want and pain and loss. Whatever we most craved awaits us."**

**"I have admiration for the belief in the Scout Movement. I think it has bigger possibilities than has yet been realized, that it will radically change the existing system of education."**

**"It is only lately that I have become aware of the desire—a growing desire—to make known to my countrymen the truths I have discovered here." "The fact of survival, as a continuation in circumstances, specialized but similar, is, I would maintain the most important discovery man has yet made."**

“Essentially we are the same as we were.” “The body is not part of the man.”

“I want my new knowledge to reach you who worked with me, to pass beyond you and reach the world.”

Can a man on one plane make himself heard and seen by men on the other?

“A little more time devoted to it, a little more thought and work, and we shall have found the way to communicate with you, to talk with you heart to heart, and in the voices you know and recognize.”

### NEWS IN THE AIR

“In our world news is, as I told you, ‘in the air.’ If we turn our attention in any one direction we get the vibrations of that particular subject. We learn without newspaper help what is being done. We learn it absolutely and accurately.”

Wilson thinks any one familiar with his earthly writings ought to recognize the messages in this book as coming from him.

Contrasting the life of an athlete on the earth and in the Spirit world Wilson says:

“On earth the athlete is finished by the time he is middle-aged, comes to the end of his strength, is tired out. Here he is never tired, does not age, is able to go on developing his powers and discover in himself, new ones he did not know he possessed.

Spirit Life is infinitely more pleasant than earth life.

It is infinitely more pleasant, and at the same time more interesting than was the life on earth.”

“You cannot give the world any thing for which it is not ready. I was in advance of my time. . . . To those who stood behind me I shall always be grateful. They were not numerous enough to enable me to carry my points. . . . I was a pioneer in spiritual ideals, and the path I broke is already becoming a road.”

“What I have inadvertently discovered I want to pass on, not from any personal motive, but because the actual knowledge of the life to which mankind is hastening with consciousness is the supreme quality in life. Perceiving that man possesses it and that nature is without it, it would be of inestimable value to each individual. I am more inclined to think that man is divine than of nature as divine.”

“The impulse behind the actions of the financial Mag-nate and the common thief are largely similar. . . . On

reaching this world the Magnate will become as conscious of the inner meaning of his actions as the thief has always been."

### A PROPHECY

"Some day, says Mr. Wilson, a telephone will be invented suitable at one end for our rate of vibration, and at the other for yours. . . . Then, when a man gets here, his first reviving thought will be to let his friends know that he has arrived. . . . From the telephone is but a step to a broadcasting machine from which spirits can speak. The earth will then hear—will be unable to avoid hearing what we have to say."

Editors Note: Another book has been received by Mrs. Dawson Scott, purporting to be from Wilson. Watch the pages of "Reason" and the "Pulpit" for announcements regarding it.

B. F. AUSTIN

## THEY HAVE NOT DIED

I tell you they have not died,  
They live and breathe with you,  
They walk here at your side,  
They tell you things most true.  
Why dream of poppied sod?  
When you can feel their breath?  
When flowers and soul and God  
**Know** there is no death.

Death's but an open door,  
We move from room to room;  
There is one life, no more,  
No dying and no tomb.  
Why seek ye them above?  
Those that ye love most dear?  
The all of God is love,  
The all of God is here.

I tell you they have not died,  
Their hands clasp yours and mine,  
They are but glorified,  
They have become divine.  
They live, they know, they see!  
They shout with every breath!  
Life is Eternity,  
There is no death.

Gordon Johnstone.

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## Life After Death

Writing in the "Sheffield Telegraph and Star," Rev. Chas. L. Tweedale, Vicar of Weston, Otley, very trenchantly says:—

The old statement of Dr. Forbes Winslow to the effect that Spiritualism is a potent cause of lunacy, is, I see, again trotted out in the hope that it will divert men's attention from the truth. Dr. Forbes Winslow recanted and withdrew his statement at a public meeting in Merthyr Tydvil, and also in a private letter which still exists, and lastly in a book which he wrote upon the subject.

Statistics show that there are about one hundred times as many cases of lunacy due to religious mania as there are due to Spiritualism.

Enquiries directed to the Board of Lunacy Control recently elicited the reply that "They were unable to refer to any statistics which would apply to the statement that Spiritualism was a frequent cause of lunacy."

Statistics from the report of the Board of Lunacy for the years 1909-1911 show that an average of 26 clergy and 26 Nonconformist ministers were certified insane each year, an average of one a week, the proportion being 10.3 per 10,000, more than double that of the general population, which was 4.96 per 10,000. So much for this "Spiritualism and insanity" lie.

The statement that Spiritualism inculcates free love is another lie, extremely discreditable to those who circulate it. One might as reasonably say that Christianity inculcated free love because 1 Peter 5:14. The statement that all manifesting spirits are evil demons, is absurd and ignorant nonsense. The Greek word "daimon" meant originally a god, a higher power, a spiritual king. There are both good and bad spirits, just as there are good and bad men, but the good are always stronger than and superior to the bad. The early Church was faced with exactly the same problem, and St. John gives the injunction that we were to "try the spirits" (literally "test experimentally"), 1 John 4:1. Obviously the prophets and the Apostles are men, as we are (Acts 14:15), and just as liable to the alleged dangers of deceiving demons, so that if modern spirit manifestations are the work of deceiving demons, how do we know that the prophets and Apostles and the early Church were not, likewise, the sport of these deceiving demons.

Truly those who use this wretched argument are "hoist with their own petard." This "devil" argument shows the practical bankruptcy of the modern religious opponents of

Spiritualism. With the words of Christ they shall be answered: "If I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out?" If modern spirit communications are all the work of deceiving devils or demons, whose works are all those manifestations recorded in the Bible, and what proof have we that they were not likewise the work of deceiving demons?

Spiritualism is fundamental to Christianity, and its facts and phenomena are to be found all through the Old and New Testaments, and are the golden thread running through the whole. Those who doubt this should read "Man's Survival Aftr Death," to be found in most public libraries.. To all who care to send me two penny stamps to defray postage, etc., I will send a book of 40 closely-printed pages setting forth the facts. Yours etc.,

Charles L. Tweedale.

Weston Vicarage, near Otley, Yorks.

## ANGEL MESSENGERS

SARAH PARKER THOMPSON

As the strains of hallowed music  
Fall so gently on my ear,  
The bright presence of my loved ones,  
Unto me is shown so clear.

Their soft hands, my brow, are fondling  
As their love about me clings,  
On my hair, their light carresses,  
Make my heart, like joy bells ring.

Their deep love has cleft the barrier,  
That has barred the way before,  
And our hearts receive the comfort,  
That for us they held in store.

Brighter are the rays of sunshine,  
When we know that they are near,  
E'en the stars up in the heaven,  
On our pathway, shine more clear.

Oh, how softly they do whisper,  
"We are with you, as of yore,  
We are walking still beside you,  
And will watch forever more.

'Till you too, shall join the angels,  
Here upon the higher plane,  
And you too shall then drift earthward,  
Softly singing this refrain:

"We are ever watching o'er you  
 Friends of earth, who are so dear,  
 Guiding with our larger vision,  
 That the way may hold no fear.

For the loved, from heaven's garden,  
 Watching o'er you as you sleep,  
 Will with joyous songs of greeting,  
 Lay heaven's flowers at your feet.

When your life on earth is finished,  
 And you enter heaven's gate,  
 We will be the first to greet you,  
 And for you will watch and wait."

Now the stars are shining brightly,  
 As the souls from earth draw near,  
 They can see the rays from heaven,  
 And their thought holds naught of fear.

For their loved ones wait to greet them,  
 As they near the other shore,  
 They have entered into spirit,  
 There to dwell forever more.

—From the Author's book "*Angel Messengers.*"

## ANCIENT SPIRITUALISM

The man who constantly contends against evil, morally and physically, outwardly and inwardly, may fearlessly face death, well asserted that radiant Spirits will lead him across the luminous bridge into a paradise of eternal happiness.—Zend-Avesta.

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The Soul is myself. The body is only my dwelling place. Death is not death; the Soul merely departs and the body falls.—Buddhist Scripture.

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Millions of Spiritual Beings walk the earth, both when we walk and when we sleep.—Hesiod.

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When thou shalt have laid aside the body thou shalt rise freed from mortality and become a God of the kindly skies.—Pythagoras.

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That which we call death is but a pause or suspension, and in truth a progress to life.—Seneca.

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I shall go not only to meet great men, but also my son. His Spirit, looking back upon me, departed to that place whither he knew that I should come, and he has never deserted me.—Cato.

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Is it not strange that after all I have said to convince you that I am going to the society of the happy you still think this body to be Socrates. To die and be released is better for me.—Socrates.

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The Soul of each of us is an immortal Spirit and goes to other immortals to give an account of its actions.—Plato.

I consider this world as a place never intended for a permanent abode, and I look on my departure from it as simply leaving an inn.—Cicero.

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In my Father's House are many Mansions.—Jesus.

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Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.—Jesus.

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## HOW A SPIRITUALIST VIEWS DEATH

By B. F. AUSTIN

When in the quiet course of nature I am come  
To that evnt in life which men call death—  
And in their childish fear and ignorance have dreaded  
As an ill most dire—and lay me down  
To rest this wearied frame and tottering limbs  
In Nature's loving arms, let no one mar  
The holy hush and quiet of that blest hour  
With any moans of grief, or sad, disturbing sounds of woe;  
Let no one think that I set out alone  
To journey, as a stranger, through a land unknown  
Without a guide or welcoming voice or hand,  
**For I go unto mine own; mine own shall come to me,**

And let no friends of mine who still remain  
As tenants of these failing frames of clay,  
Don dark and dismal garb of grief,  
As though great loss had come to them or me,  
Or some calamity had fallen on one they loved;  
For I shall then be with mine own  
From all the ills of mortal life set free.  
Rather deck the home as for a festival,  
Ope wide the doors and windows all and let  
A flood of God's sweet sunshine fill the house,

And flowers, flowers, flowers everywhere  
Breathe their rich perfumes on the holy air  
And charm the sense of all beholders there.  
Let soft melodious sounds of joyous music  
Float out on the ambient air, and stealing upward  
Join in sweetest harmony with songs  
The angels then shall sing to me,  
As I set sail upon that unknown sea—  
For why should not the joy bells ring in melody  
**When I go to mine own and mine do come to me?**

And let the bier be decked in sweet simplicity,  
And simple, plain attire clothe this house of clay  
In which I dwelt as guest so many a day.  
And for an ornament—say a rose  
Or a bunch of valley lilies on the breast.  
And if some friend, to whom I gave  
A way-side cup of water or a word  
That cheered him on his pilgrimage,  
May care to pluck a flower and cast it on the bier  
I shall be glad I have not lived and loved in vain while here

But let no fulsome words be said,  
Nor any priest prate loudly of an angry God,  
Or judgment dire, or gulf of separation  
From the ones I loved—defaming thus  
The great God of love who made the flowers  
And all things sweet and beautiful for man,  
And decked with glory all the earth and heaven,  
And whose great arms of love embrace us all.

But if some friend under love's sweet sway  
 May choose to stand beside the tomb, and say:  
 "We buried but the body here to-day,  
 The soul passed on to higher, nobler life."  
 I shall be greatly pleased.  
 And if he choose to add a simple word  
 Of greeting and of farewell, let it be thus:—

"Good night, old body, and a kind good bye."  
 But to the joyful spirit, now on high,  
 And all victorious over death and pain:  
 "All hail! Good morning, Friend, God speed you  
 On your upward way! May angels take your hand  
 And lead you to the heights of that blest land."  
 This shall please me much to hear,  
 For I shall then be with mine own; mine own shall then have  
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Tommy: "Ma, how old is that lamp?"

Mother: "About three years old, I guess."

Tommy: "Turn it down, ma, it's too young to smoke."

## OLD PAL

To you, old pal, I say,  
 We've spent together many a day  
 In quest of peace.  
 Those sacred hours when we are blest,

When those we love give us their best—  
 Across the space.  
 We've learned as we walked down the road,  
 The things we spurn, which seem a load,

Are lessons true.  
 In mercy let us judge each soul,  
 Teach them by faith life's not the goal—  
 It's just beyond.

Within our hearts let love abide,  
 And when the quiet eventide we see,  
 We'll meet, old pal, beyond the bar,  
 And, dear, it wont seem very far, to you and me.

—Mrs. Wm. D. Van Sielon.

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## THEY "JIS" COME OUR WAY

### ARE LOOKS DECEIVING?

"You look like an idiot," thundered the disgusted man to his swell son, just returned from college. "You grow more and more like a conceited, hair-brained, helpless idiot." Just then an acquaintance of the old gentleman entered the office and saw the youth.

"Hellow, Charlie! back, eh?" exclaimed the visitor. "You're looking more like your father every year."

"Yes," said Charlie, "that's just what the governer's been telling me."

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### A BORN LEADER

It was the custom of the congregation of our suburban village churches to repeat the Twenty-third Psalm in concert, and Mrs. Armstrong's habit was to keep about a dozen words ahead all the way through. A stranger was asking one day about Mrs. Armstrong. "Who," he inquired, "was the lady who was already by the 'still waters' while the rest of us 'were lying down in the green pastures'?"

—Selected.

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## A NEW ONE, ANYHOW

"Judge, you ought to let me off this time."

"But, you acknowledged you were going fifty miles an hour."

"It was this way, Judge. I'm an aviator and very absent-minded. I thought I was in my air bus instead of a motor car. When I glanced at the speedometer and saw I was traveling only eight miles an hour I got panic-stricken and stepped on the gas to keep from going into a tail spin."

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