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Regeneration of the Body by the Resurrection of the Mind

## FLAME



*"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea."—Rev. 21:1.*



There was no more sea.  
Then the new earth is born of water.  
And the new heaven is born of fire.  
The birth of the planet is the same as that of the individual.  
The moon was made from excavations in the earth.  
The space left from the making of the moon was filled with water.  
These oceans must pass away.  
The earth is made into a sun.  
It is a planet of flame.  
The body of man must correspond.  
The mortal body is made of water and earth.  
The regenerated body is electrical.  
Angels have always appeared in bodies of flame.  
The body of the resurrection is a flame of fire.  
Born out of water into Spirit.

## ITEMS AND IDEAS.

\*\*\* The vote is about even for items with quotations.

\*\*\* I think the quotations have a small majority in their favor.

\*\*\* I give you a few this month and will save letters hereafter for conversations.

\*\*\* Don't you know that your private check for one dollar has to be returned to your bank for collection?

\*\*\* It is always best to send currency in a registered letter, or buy a postal or express money order. This saves me the cost of collection.

\*\*\* And if you must send telegrams do your best to send them by the Postal Union instead of the Western Union, and this will also save me the cost of delivery.

\*\*\* When you want my book say so, for they will soon be gone and you are welcome to two books for every dollar sent for treatments—when you do not ask for a subscription.

\*\*\* The treatments in this number of Christian are for mental conception and the right understanding of spiritual unfolding. It is a good number to study and preserve for future use.

\*\*\* "Please put me on your free list for this month and treat me for unfoldment into health and prosperity."

I have no free list for treatments. Free treatments never do any good. And so I gave them up long ago.

\*\*\* "I see you tell Helen Wilmans that she is a year behind the times, which is true. But how far behind are you? You are away behind when you say man is a point of intelligence projected from the sun, just as much as she is about the brain secretions."

All right! You pays your money and you takes your choice.

\*\*\* "I had the pleasure of hearing you preach several times in Augusta, Georgia, about fifteen years ago. I hear you preach in the Silence now with much more delight."

I had a great audience in Augusta every night for two or three weeks. Although it is a Catholic town the people seemed to hear me gladly and I would like to try it all over again now in the same church. My only chum was the pastor of that church at the time. I don't think either he or his congregation would endorse my preaching at the present, but maybe they would.

\*\*\* "What about that pulpit? You certainly are about ready to begin the harvest. You are closing all the doors of exit. The only way out will be from the pulpit."

It must be coming for Nona L. Brooks, the pastor of the Divine Science Church next door to my house, gave me pressing and personal invitation to deliver the Sunday sermon at the recent New Thought Convention. I had to refuse her, although I like the people and am in sympathy with their work. I shall have a message to deliver from the platform, but I think it will be in the theatre.

\*\*\* "But some of our thinking women say that the kitchen must go. Where, did you say? Well the coming man does not

have the chance to make money rapidly enough, so the women say we can not afford the kitchen."

Well, if prices for food continue to rise starvation will take the place of the kitchen. I like spring lamb, and we make a specialty of raising them in Colorado. But this year the price has gone up to \$2.50 for a lamb leg. That is too rich for my blood. I would turn vegetarian, but potatoes are five cents a pound. If we had to depend upon hired girls the kitchen would go. So far we have been able to secure a Japanese cook. You must have a yard for the children, therefore the hotel or boarding house is out of the question. But prices must be adjusted to the present conditions or there will be a crash. I think Spirit is getting ready for a change.

\*\*\* "Please discontinue CHRISTIAN. Your opinions of the Labor Press are evidently taken ready made from the Capitalistic Sheets. In order to be just you should study both sides."

There you go! It is the Labor Press on one side and the Capitalistic Sheets on the other. Both sides are building up the middle wall higher and higher. The same old methods were used to bring about the war of the Rebellion. I do study both sides, and I am capable of studying both sides, for I don't care a dime for either side. I don't belong to either party, and wouldn't be in fellowship with a sect or party for love or money. I shall say what I feel like saying on these subjects, and expect to lose subscribers every once in a while. I thank God that the majority of the readers of CHRISTIAN are individualists.

\*\*\* "Speaking of the newly adopted method of giving all solid original matter, and asking if it is liked as well as the other method of writing answers to questions and making quotations, I much prefer that you do not eliminate the questions and answers. They are a sort of heart to heart talks that I like."

I like it myself. I tried the other method, but it seemed like talking to myself all the time. I will keep up the quotations and let you people talk back, and I will try not to keep out the adverse criticisms. But you know there is a great temptation for a fellow to print the praises and leave out the criticisms.

\*\*\* "Personally your change from the use of correspondence is not welcome. The change makes CHRISTIAN less cheerful and real to me. I now glance at it frequently and lay it aside with less interest and profit. I hope you will return to the personal method. The paper is gloomy as now conducted. Or it is at least to me. You will find that other readers are like affected. Perhaps the most, perhaps nearly all. Wait and see. I don't like it. I believe you will change."

Well, you are a prophet all right. I have made the change, but I waited for just such kicks to come. I sometimes tell my wife that I would rather she would criticise my sayings than not to say anything. I like company and a community of thought.

\*\*\* "I find your attitude as to the headship of man (in Christ) most admirable. You are wholly right. This country, I have told you this before, is drifting devilward under the leadership of women without a head. The very atmosphere is dewomanized

by headless women. There must come a robust change."

This, of course, comes from a man. And he is an old bachelor man. Nevertheless, he is talking a great deal of sense on a subject that needs ventilation. The women are not to blame. For a headless woman and a heartless man are twins. The man who is not in love with some woman is heartless, and you may put him down as a lobster. There must be a change where the struggle for existence will not be so great, and men and women will have a chance to make love to each other. It will be a hard struggle to adjust conditions to the new thought. Everything seems to change by revolution instead of evolution. A storm, an explosion, purifies the atmosphere. The headless woman has lost her head for the man has not been equal to the change in environment. The stress of circumstances has made women assume a false position. They were forced to become breadwinners. Men have not supported women, and when woman has lost her support she must go out and hustle for herself.

\*\*\* "I suppose that you took Blanche, both the baby and the lady, to see the fairies in Peter Pan. What a treat in idealism."

We went but did not take the Baby. She is so full of mental pictures that we have ceased to take her to the theatres. The child is naturally clairvoyant and doesn't know it. The other day she startled her Mamma by saying, "Mamma, do you see pictures?" Then she went on with a whole album of mental pictures. She was born with double vision. I hope she may always see beautiful pictures. Peter Pan was good. I hope we may have more of the same kind of plays on the stage. It is a relief to turn from the problem plays and realism to such glorious idealism. The fairies are all right.

\*\*\* "I have waited to report progress longer than I meant. The special treatments must have gotten some hold, as I was much better this month. Will continue as a regular Christian and have faith in steady progress. We bless you daily over the richness and help in CHRISTIAN. My husband is a 'regular' and asks you to break his thought of hay fever."

Many people have tried the five dollars a month special treatments with great benefit and then fell back to the regular order in the Circle of Christians. I only meant the special treatments for urgent business and distressing illness. But it will not hurt your business or your body to take the five dollar treatments when you are able to do so.

\*\*\* "Your July number is an inspiration. It makes the Bible understood if it can be read with your understanding. The trouble is, the people have been educated wrong in that matter. Your paper should have an unbounded circulation. How can people be made to read it, is the question?"

Spirit has led me to double the circulation of CHRISTIAN, and that means to quadruple it and go right ahead. I felt the vibrations so strong that I set it at ten thousand extra numbers for May, June and July, and the people are calling for them in bundles to distribute. This shows that the Spirit is at work in the minds of the people. I can fur-

nish you with the paper, and you may do the rest.

\*\*\* "I enclose five dollars for a month's treatment for the family. You can judge if your treatments have brought about the desired results when I tell you that we all feel the vibrations of Health, Happiness and Prosperity."

It is a good idea to keep up these family treatments where you can afford the price, and I think the treatments will cause you to afford it. It swings the whole family into the vibrations of prosperity as well as health and happiness.

\*\*\* "You have fulfilled the prophecy of Talmage. He said: 'There will be one sermon delivered which will win the whole world.' I think we have received it in your July number of CHRISTIAN. 'The head of every man is the Christ.' It is impossible for me to express my feelings of thankfulness for its having been accomplished. I am overcome with rejoicing."

This is from a woman, and a big woman in a mental way. That July number has brought more comments and has done better work than any other number in this year. It is sinking down into my own being.

\*\*\* "Your paper, our paper, is a satisfaction because it is not interlarded with 'ads.' Elizabeth Towne, dear woman, defended the advertisements by saying in one of her letters to a critic, that no journal not subsidized, could live without ads. I have wondered at the inspiring truth which shines in the pages of CHRISTIAN."

CHRISTIAN lives without advertisements and pays third class postage. It is not subsidized and is not operated by a company or an organization. Its vitality has been a source of wonder even to me. It proves that mental healing has the power to attract its own sustenance and support. I have paid out in the past six years at least eight thousand dollars in cash for postage. Elizabeth Towne is right that no paper could do this and live if it were not subsidized or sustained by a higher power.

\*\*\* "Have they or will they 'smoke you out' to attend the New Thought gathering in Denver? I have read or dreamed of some such thing."

They did not smoke me out, but a charmer came into my office in the person of Nona Brooks, the pastor of the Divine Science Church, and almost persuaded me to go into the convention and preach a sermon. In spite of her personal charm I had to refuse, but made her a promise that I would come when the Spirit sent me. So you see I have an appointment for the future.

\*\*\* "I came here to teach classes and I want a bundle of papers to distribute among the people. They never heard of anything of the kind here, and I expect great success."

So writes Flora Paris Howard, from Raton, New Mexico. She is in the field for regular work and is a good teacher. You remember she went over to Europe and had a big success teaching in London. You may address her in care of Dan Troy.

\*\*\* "Let the good work go on in the Circle of Christians. I look back over the two years in the Circle and see that it has been the period of my best growth."

This is the verdict of people who have been in the Circle of Christians for a dozen years. The old regulars who have been com-

ing every month for a decade are the ones who are in the vibrations of Success.

\*\*\* "I received July CHRISTIAN and it is the best of all. It is grand, and if you will send me any number of papers of any date I will see that every one will reach some one."

That is the way hundreds are talking and it means business. I told you I had a spiritual design in doubling the circulation of CHRISTIAN. I will tell it to you in the Silence.

\*\*\* "I want a position at a higher salary than ever. You treated me last year for financial success and I got work in a few weeks at the highest salary I ever received."

That is the way we are doing business in the Circle of Christians. Keep right on climbing higher and higher until you reach absolute freedom. There is a perfect law of liberty.

\*\*\* "Will you kindly send CHRISTIAN for a year to this address? It is a wonderful paper. I know no other like it and do not believe that there is another like it."

You are right. CHRISTIAN is unique. There isn't anything like it on the earth. Men are just learning that Christianity is unique and that means unlike everything else in the world of thought.

\*\*\* "This July number is a great inspiration to me. After reading it I seemed to be lifted up out of myself into a new being. I was so light and free it seemed as though I had been made young and had been so all the time. There seemed such a consciousness of the Spirit and my own union with it."

You were for the moment in the vibrations of the resurrection. The resurrection is not the coming out of a grave made in the earth, but the rising from a grave made in your own mind.

\*\*\* "My son sent a telegram to you Saturday evening asking you to send special treatments to my daughter. She began to recover Sunday forenoon, and Monday got up and helped turn the washing machine."

That is one trouble with the treatments. Instead of staying in bed when they feel the vibrations, they want to kick off the cover and get up and go to work.

\*\*\* "In reading much lately from your late papers, I was asked by a deep-minded woman, 'Isn't Shelton making a God of freedom, personal freedom, and leaving out the larger thought of love, the brotherly association and working together for truth as the Christian Science meetings strive for? Isn't he putting freedom first?' I wish you would tell us in CHRISTIAN."

If people want the social side of church life let them have it. I have tried both methods. Freedom, personal freedom, is the battle cry of CHRISTIAN. I believe that the efforts spent in trying to organize this metaphysical movement are handicaps. I know of no greater fellowship on this earth than you will find in the Circle of Christians. My wife and I consider our readers personal friends. Many of them have grown dear to our hearts, and we would miss their letters. In fact, I can't express to you the fellowship that has grown out of this work. I have had the fellowship of churches and a great religious sect, but it was nothing like the mental fellowship in my present work. There is no string of any kind tied to us. We are drawn together by the law of attrac-

tion. The organizing of people tends towards sectarianism. It has filled the world with antagonistic thought. The fellowship is offset by the petty rivalries and jealousies arising in the organization.

\*\*\* "Your two books came safely. Glad to have your picture. Yours is a powerful leonine face. You ought to have some hypnotic, mesmeric, telepathic, what-you-may-call-it power, if faces mean anything."

The idea of calling a Gemini leonine! Why, bless your heart, I am not a beast, but a bird. That picture in my book was taken before I had worn off my ministerial cast of countenance. My wife thinks it looks lamblike, and she would say calflike if she didn't hate to hurt my feelings. But here comes a good woman, and a big woman, and a great woman, calling it leonine! Well, wait until you see my new face! Some people think it will have plenty of cheek.

\*\*\* "I am a reader of CHRISTIAN and a subscriber, too, but I am not an admirer of all you write. There is a difference between being voluble enough to write on a subject, and that of getting intelligent, good sense into it. You seem to write for effect without regard to any aim or principles."

Thanks!

\*\*\* "We can see that there is nothing in the healing pretensions, only an influence that the higher mind has over the weaker. If we think we are awful hot, the more we think about it the hotter we get. Have some one come and talk about icebergs and we will forget the heat. This vibration business is a slick trick to get some money and that you about admit when you give subscription or books, for each dollar sent for treatments."

That is the kind of appreciation that a man gets for trying to meet all conditions. This man is ready to contribute money for any kind of a crusade against capital. The man who is easily tricked is always looking out for some kind of a trick. I give books and subscriptions because it pays me to circulate CHRISTIAN, and I want you to have the books as long as they last. If I wanted to make money out of books I would write one every year and charge full price for it. My business is to heal the sick and relieve poverty. This man has stated the principle of mental healing in the attempt to criticize it.

\*\*\* "Are you consistent? You seem to be awfully afraid that some one will go to your house and see you. And about every other CHRISTIAN you come out with a statement that you do not want to see anyone. That's all right. I am with you in that. I wouldn't turn my head to see you. I am paying you twelve dollars a year and good spirit will throw in for what? To hear and learn what the Spirit has to communicate through you."

You have no idea what receiving callers would do for me. It would break up my business and ruin my work. Denver is getting to be more and more of a summer and winter resort. They will have to spend a million dollars on our union depot in order to handle passengers. They have made plans to handle all baggage under ground. My door bell would ring every minute in the day and part of the night if I received calls. Even as it is the callers come. And they want to borrow money, and get all other kinds of favors. I must give my attention to those who come to me in a mental way.

\*\*\* "Now then, if you are so adverse to any one seeing you, why do you want to put your family before your readers continually; are you trying to create a desire to see them—the babies and the wife—of course they are just the dearest folks on earth? I have a wife and two boys who are the most all right folks I know, and a lot of your readers have children, wives and husbands too, that they think and know are the dearest of all."

This is from a Colorado man, who lives pretty close to Denver. Well, one of my very best patrons, who lives a few blocks from my house, went to the school house to get acquainted with Baby Blanche. Then she sat down and wrote me a letter and told me all about it. I have thought many times that I would have to throw my house open to Denver people, but it wouldn't work. The Divine Science church is next door to my house, and they string in there all hours of the day. But I do like to hear you people in your letters talk about your children and your homes. I started a home-owning boom among the readers of CHRISTIAN four or five years ago, and it resulted in many persons owning their own home. The work is still going on, and I am encouraging it. I talk about my family and home to encourage you to go and do likewise. I think you have all taken an interest in Baby Blanche and Beverly Boy. Even the old bachelors and the old maids are claiming my babies as their own.

\*\*\* "Say, it is great! You are growing, and so am I. And Mrs. Shelton told me that I would not go into the real estate business. She is one of us. She knows! I will eventually arrive at that point if you will just continue to boost."

You bet Mrs. Shelton knows. She reads men better than she does women. This man was leaving a business that he understood thoroughly for one he did not know anything about. He got some straight advice from Mrs. Shelton, and so was saved from failure. I don't say much about her part of this work, but she is really the power behind the throne. This number of CHRISTIAN has more of her vibrations in it than any number since April.

\*\*\* "I slept, but was soon awakened by a voice that said Romans 8:17. I slept again and was awakened the second and third times with the same words. You have probably heard like messages. What do you think of such voices?"

I hear the voice of the Spirit all hours of the day and night. It is second nature with me to hear and see in the subjective. At the first it was confusion. But I soon began to interpret it. And now I couldn't live without this influence. But many people are hearing all kinds of voices, and have been thrown into confusion and unbalanced minds. There is but one Voice that you should hear in the Silence. The quotation mentioned reads: "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together." It was a beautiful message, and the whole of that chapter is full of spirituality. All you need to do is to be careful about the discerning of spirits or voices. Many false prophets have gone out into the psychic atmosphere, and it is only safe to hear the

Voice of the Spirit of Truth. This will give you calmness and serenity. When you are distressed and confused by the voices, you may know they are not from God. The real Spirit brings you peace of mind and health of body. There can be no greater hell than that world of mental confusion where you hear all kinds of voices.

\*\*\* "I am using the CHRISTIAN as a plaster for healing purposes. I wish to tell you the good news that I have had stiff knees for forty-four years, and they are supple now. I am very grateful for that blessing. My physical body is now perfectly active at eighty-one. I am a wonder to my friends. My eyesight is perfect. I feel I have command over all things. Praise God."

This splendid report comes all the way from New Zealand. I give an extract only from a long letter. This young girl of eighty-one has paid for CHRISTIAN for five years in advance. She expects to keep on reading it, and I don't see any reason why she should not. A mental resurrection is all that is needed for a regeneration of the body. She seems to have received this resurrection, or is receiving it. The vibrations are spreading all over this planet. Men and women are weary of looking forward to post mortem happiness. The idea of living a little while, and then leaving your son to live a little while, and then his son to live a little while, has ceased to interest thinking people. A man wants to live for himself. A woman wants to live her own life. Christianity has been promising us eternal life, and the time has come to demand it. If there is nothing more than mortality, let us commit race suicide and turn the planet over to the bugs and animals. But, my friends, the quickening Word planted by the prophets is beginning to vibrate in the minds of men.

\*\*\* "The two old political parties endorse such a horrible financial system that I can't dig up another dollar to renew, so please stop CHRISTIAN until hell on earth is rubbed out by a dead moon falling on the ignorant voters."

I promptly put a dollar from the Circle of Christians free list fund to the credit of this misguided mind. Prosperity comes from the law of attraction, and if you turn that law in the wrong direction it is your own fault. Politics and financial systems have nothing to do with it. There is no hell on earth for the individual except that which the individual makes for himself. There is no kind of environment that will keep a man down, if his mind begins to rise from the dead. A mental resurrection is all that is needed to bring a man up from poverty and disease, and even to destroy death itself. Mind in the individual is the master of conditions. It is not mind in the mass. It is mind in you. The less you pay attention to political parties or financial systems the better for you. Your own God is the boss of your environment. The fault is not in our stars, but in ourselves that we are underlings. There is gold and silver and greenbacks in your mind. There are diamonds and rubies and sapphires in your mind.

\*\*\* "I know that the Spirit within knoweth all my needs, so I will not multiply

words, but will say this for your encouragement, that I know I am gaining ground every day. I am often so conscious of your treatments, for at least one hour, that it renders me unfit for conversation."

The writing of this letter was a good treatment. It was a strong statement of the truth. The last sentence is the best expression of the effect of treatments that I have ever received. The vibration shuts your month and makes you feel like retiring within yourself. You are not fit for conversation. You are in the silence where thought expresses itself by stillness. Just as soon as you learn how to receive treatments you will receive them in the Silence. At first when the treatments come you want to be active. There is a tendency to get up and move about. You will soon overcome that and rest your soul in peace. When you feel like getting out of bed from a severe illness, it means that the vibrations are at work, but I want you to keep still.

\*\*\* "When I read your statement about the Bible, it seemed that we could not tell what you would hold to as truth. For you have said there were whole books in the Bible that were no account, and that has had a great influence on me, for what can we depend of your statements if you change so often? It has seemed so harsh and hard for you to say that all of the work of the churches has been done to blind the people"

I never said it. I believe the work of the churches has done great good in sowing the seed of the Kingdom. But, my beloved friend, don't try to make me consistent or to keep me from changing my mind. I am not walking around a stump and am not sitting on the stump. I am going straight ahead, and will not turn to the right hand or to the left in order to be consistent with myself. What has been said or taught by me in the past is of no more consequence than the food that I ate at my dinners in the years of the past. I used such food as was placed before me at the time and got what strength I could out of it. I have kept right on eating. In the mental world I have devoured many things that were unfit for the mind. I keep right on taking mental nourishment. I find that the Bible is a dead letter unless the Spirit reads it. If the Spirit guides you there is inspiration and instruction in every page of it. The prophets said emphatically that the New Testament should be written in the mind. It could never be written on paper or put into a book. Therefore, we only have fragments in the little book called the New Testament. The real New Testament must be written in you. It is a covenant between your own mind and God. It is the illumination and inspiration of the individual.

\*\*\* "I should like to know what you think it means in the Bible where it says, 'He who loves his life shall lose it, and he who hates his life shall find it?'"

It is one of the deepest statements made by Jesus Christ. It is the reversing of the whole order of mortal thought. It looked as if Jesus was losing his life, and yet he was the only one in the history of humanity who really found himself. He let men do as they pleased with what they called

his life. After they had done their very worst an angel came and rolled away the stone from the mouth of the sepulchre and the Lord of Life walked forth in freedom. When you are anxious and afraid you are in more danger than you are at any other time. When you are worried over your business you are certain to lose money. It is the man who trusts everything to the Spirit and puts himself in the vibrations of peace who wins out every time. The place of perfect security is in the Silence, and that almost means indifference. It does mean calmness and courage. There is an I AM in you who is master of all environment. Therefore, leave your life in peace. Cast your cares on Him who careth for you. And that Him is within you. In time of great danger the really brave man or woman is surprised at their own serenity. It is the God within who awakes and speaks peace to the waves.

\*\*\* "Please write some time about that verse you quoted in June CHRISTIAN: 'Resist not evil.' Shall we go out of the way of overbearing people, and shall we take all the slurs some harsh people like to hurl at us? This is a very doubtful point with me. Of course I realize I have not reached that stage yet where love beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things and endureth all things. It seems impossible to attain that lofty point."

Non-resistance is the mightiest resistance in the universe. The planets move around the sun in perfect order each one in its own orbit. It is the law of attraction. If they could get to making an effort or be alarmed about their safety they would soon fall into the sun. The same is true of you as your life revolves around your real mind. The mind of the Spirit in you is the sun of your being. Why should you be disturbed by slurs and slanders? How can any one slander God? You may know down in the very depths of your being that you are divine. This very majesty of your mentality gives you grace to bear all things and to endure all things. It puts you so far above the petty jealousies and animosities of the earth that your atmosphere is free and pure. Somebody wrote: "Let dogs delight to bark and bite, for it is their nature to," or something of that kind. I remember we used to repeat the verses to the children in their quarrels. It is not your nature to bark and bite.

\*\*\* "My wife opposes Christian Science and would give me hell if she knew I sent money to you."

This is a new phase of the subject. I have had many wives who had to write to me in secret or under some other woman's name on account of their husbands. I always did hate to correspond with women in that way. I like everything open and in the sunlight. But here is a husband who takes to the tall timbers. It makes me laugh. He must steal a little cash from the housewife and send it to me in secret. Oh, lord, what are we coming to in this world of humanity? If it must be so let the tables be turned, for the women have had to put up with blind man's bluff long enough. It only shows that there are more mismated

pairs in this mortal world than there are mated ones. But the vibrations are at work. There is a movement for harmony. It will come. In the meantime, if any of you husbands have to climb a tree, do it with agility.

\*\*\* "We have been nearly drowned out by the very heaviest rains I ever saw here. This month, I believe, is the time for the planets to get up and walk around our earth."

The planet itself will not be destroyed, but there will be both mental and material changes. You may look for earthquakes, cyclones, tidal waves, floods and even contact with comets. In fact, both oceans must disappear before the planet is made ready for the regenerated ones. You will remember in the last book of the New Testament there was no more sea. After certain changes have taken place in the planet there will be no more sea, for there will be no need of water. Electrical beings will have no need of the ocean. It is said that the two oceans were made by the earth forming itself into the moon. The hollow space now occupied by the oceans was once the moon, or the substance of which the moon is made. After the moon switched that part of the earth into space the vacuum was filled with water, and this made our oceans. The moon is a dry and waterless satellite of the earth. The earth itself is to be made into a sun without oceans or rivers. This gives you the New Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven with jasper walls, gates of pearl and streets of gold. Mortal man is a creature of earth and water. He must be born out of the water and made an inhabitant of the air. His body will be a body of flame. The planet on which he lives will be a planet of flame. As this planet is like our mortal bodies, so the New Earth will be like our regenerated bodies. You will remember the vision of John was of a new heaven and a new earth for the old earth and the old heaven had passed away.

\*\*\* "I just want to add—that according to your interpretation of the fact that those who have come face to face with their own real self—the spiritual self—are sure of physical immortality—that I am ticketed over the same road and hope to meet you at some point on our long journey through eternity. My experience differs from your own and 'Helen's,' in that it came to me only once—but that 'once' covered a period of one whole week. In that week I went about all of my usual duties—saying no word to anyone, but all of the time—close beside me, or rather in front of me—more clearly visible than any physical form that we could see with our physical eyes could be, was the form I recognized as my real self—my spiritual self. It was a wonderful experience. I would like to tell you of it in detail, but we have neither of us the time. Suffice it to say that I devoted every spare moment to conversation with my wonderful guest. It was a voiceless voice which spoke to me, of course, but the strange part is that I was unconscious of this at the time, as the message never left room for doubt of its TRUTH—you could not help knowing that they were of the REAL and ETERNAL. In that week I learned what the 'SILENCE' means—learned what it means to BE STILL—when the storms of sense rage all around you."

When that other self takes possession you will find the old self disappearing as a dream. For this real self, this mental self, is the substantial you. What we call the real self is transient. This mortal body can be destroyed in an instant. The real self is immortal.

\*\*\* "His ideas concerning women I repudiate. I claim that men and women should be considered as equals. No man is my head, nor could be, unless he was intellectually and morally my superior."

This quotation is from one who was put on the free list. It is the only discordant note received from July CHRISTIAN. She is a hundred miles from my meaning. The manhood in man is the Christ. The motherhood in woman is the Church of Christ. If the manhood in man has degenerated, and the motherhood in woman has been debased, that is no sign that the principle is not true. It is not a question of equality. Men and women are not on an equality and never can be, for men are males and women are females. Equality is the biggest lie that was ever advocated by mortal mind. It caused the French Revolution and our Civil War. It is fomenting a war between men and women. It is the foundation of the war now going on between mind and muscle. Muscle is demanding the earth because they claim having produced it. Mind is trying to grab everything because they think they have won it. It is the same old lie which has caused the war between men and women, and will soon drive women into despair. Men are the natural support of women, and women are the natural inspiration of men. It is not a question of equality or superiority. There are no superiors or inferiors in the kingdom of Truth, and there is no equality anywhere in the universe. The relationship between men and women has been adulterated, else there could be no such thing as disease and death in the world. This adulteration is now taking the form of despair, distraction, divorce and destruction of the marriage relation. They are going to everlastingly smash the whole thing in order to bring about a spiritual adjustment. It is a pity that we have to have a revolution instead of evolution. We speak of a natural evolution, but nature does everything by revolution. The atmosphere is purified by lightning and storms. The mind of the Spirit should guide you into the way of the revelation of regeneration without having to kill you with disease. But if you can't be made whole without tearing you asunder and burning your flesh, the tearing and the burning will proceed. By decision of the New York Court of Appeals the law relieving women from night labor has been set aside. What do you suppose the plea of the judge was based upon? This infernal doctrine of equality. A woman can be made a slave by night work and the legislature can't release her because she is on an equality with men! Do you see the tendency? It is to kick women out into the street and make her hustle for herself. There never has been a more contemptible doctrine than that of equality.

## THE REVELATION OF REGENERATION.

I have finished it.

I took up my "Temple Bible" and read it through with the eyes of the mind. Did you know there were eyes in the mind? If you try to see with the eyes in your head you will not see very far in front of your nose. The eye of the mind can see everything. It is what is called in metaphysics, Reason. And in the language of Scripture the Word of God. The mind of God is the Word of God.

What is it?

It is the revelation of regeneration. Unless you get this key you can never unlock the Bible. The unbroken Scripture from Genesis to Revelations is the unfolding of the Mind of God in men. Why should the mind of God have to unfold in men? Because man has lost out and had to be won back to his place in the universe. I have said that it is the record of the unfolding mind of man in preparation for regeneration. Just as soon as I use the word regeneration you are in a fog. Your mind is in the mists. The reason is that you do not know what generation means. When you speak of generation you are thinking about a body.

What was generated?

There had to be a beginning of personality. What was generated? In the beginning of creation, or rather in the beginning of the unfolding of mind what was generated? A mind. What kind of a mind? If you had been reading modern science so-called, you would say that it was the mind of a monkey. You may go even farther back and say it was the mind of an ameba. But the ameba is still an ameba. It has never developed one single step. The monkey has always been a monkey. What was generated when man came into objective existence? A God! He was generated by Godseed and Godseed produces after its kind. You feel the flash of light from this thought. Then you look at your mortal frame and your feelings sink into your boots. Your head is gold but your feet are clay. So you go back to the statement of material science and look to a monkey as your progenitor. Lift up your head of gold and put wings on your feet! The order of life is as follows:

Generation.

Degeneration.

Regeneration.

When you get this order in your mind the unfoldment is as clear as the sun. Man was generated a God and has degenerated into a mortal. This is the very first thought you get in reading the Old Testament. You see at once that the books of the Old Testament were edited. No man knows the author of the Scriptures, for it is a compilation. The Spirit of Truth, selected from ancient records. It is a fact that the farther back you go in history the mightier the minds of the men who make history. Men are digging cities beneath the cities and going down farther and farther into the earth in search of the records of men. Babylon was one of the mightiest cities on the face of the earth in the point of civilization, and yet it was built on the ruins of a city still more

ancient. They have found at least three buried cities under modern Rome. And the records show a higher and higher state of civilization the farther down you go into the grave of the past.

Abraham, the father of men of faith, was called out of Ur of the Chaldees. Ur was noted in literature and art and was the seat of the great temple of the Moongod. The Egypt of that day was very modern, for it was built on the ruins of a still more ancient Egypt. Nobody on this earth knows the age of the pyramids. Then we have on this very planet the records of the men who were mightier than any men we know now. They were gods. And the present generation are degenerates. They are descended from the gods. These old ancient records tell us that death passed upon all men. Why? Because they had come short of the glory of God. They had missed the mark of their high calling. Sin entered into the world and death by sin. What was the sin of the world? You must remember that it is not sins, but sin that Jesus Christ came to forgive and forget. What was this sin that resulted in degeneration? It was adultery. The mixing of that which ought not to be mixed. The amalgamation of gods with animals. I will not enter further into this discussion, for my theme is regeneration. You will find a hint of degeneration in the sixth chapter of Genesis.

What was generated? A mind. What was degenerated? Mind. It is a mental process. Generation, degeneration and regeneration have to do with the mind. The body is simply clay in the hands of the potter. God is not generating bodies save as the mold is used for the mind. There is a very deep meaning in the words that you find in Genesis connected with the fall of man:

"And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil, and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever."

This was spoken of degenerated man, for the other man had been eating of the tree of life right along. The flaming sword which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life was a blessing to degenerated man. There could be no greater hell than to live forever in sin. It would indeed mean endless pain. For this reason all of God's guards who keep the way of life are angels of mercy. Your pains are ministers of Good. Death is a blessing, while at the same time it is an enemy. It comes to take you away from a sinful life. It will take you away until you learn the way of truth.

Why did we have to have degeneration?

I don't know, but I do know that it was the order of the universe. I know that Godseed produced gods. But I also know that they degenerated into mortal men. I do not know why this order should come into the universe, but I know it is, and the way of wisdom is to accept things as they are. There is no use to talk about how you would make the universe. You are an individual in the universe, and the individual can only learn the universe from its Spirit of Thought, and this Spirit of Thought is called God, and his Word is called Jehovah.

This manifestation of the Mind of the Universe is made plain when you get the key to the Scriptures. You can never get that key from evolution. There is an unfoldment. But it begins in generation, passes through degeneration, and ends in regeneration. If man came up from nothing, he will return to nothing. As the beginning so will be the ending. He began as a God and will end as a God. Having learned wisdom through suffering he will remain wise. There is a great truth underlying the fall of man and the loss of paradise. The poets are seers. There was a paradise lost, and there will be a paradise regained. It is the order of unfoldment. Now you will get hints of all this in the Bible, but only hints. The Book is made up of fragments of history, the history of angels and men. But the hints are all there and not a link in the chain is missing. All you need to do is to read with the eyes of your mind. Everything is as clear as the sunlight. It is the revelation of regeneration, from the fact that regeneration is the object in view. You understand the record because you see what it is all about. There would be no sense in taking up so many thousands of years in dealing with monkeys or their descendants. It is the unfolding mind of God.

Degeneration was gradual.

There is no record of time before the expulsion from paradise. The little sketch in Genesis gives only hints. Adam and Eve represent a race of men and women in the likeness of God. The impression that has been made on our minds by religion and our childhood is wrong. We have been led to think that Adam and Eve were expelled from Paradise before they got started. They were a flat failure at the start. This is all wrong, for the history is the history of degeneration. The life of Adam and Eve before their expulsion from Paradise may have been thousands and even millions of years. There is no reckoning of time until sentence of death was passed on degenerates. And even then the degeneration is a slow process for Cain and Abel are also representatives of a race. Cain and Abel represented divisions of the race. They were fighting against each other. We have hints of the long conflict between the gods. There was war among the mighty men who were slowly degenerating into mortals.

Then when Adam was one hundred and thirty years of age, an age reckoned from the beginning of degeneration, he begot a son in his own likeness and called his name Seth. This is also the name of a race of men. These names are given as so many milestones on the way to mortality. Adam lived after he begot Seth for eight hundred years, and continued to beget sons and daughters. Now draw on your imagination for the vitality in a man and woman who lived on this earth for nine hundred and thirty years after degeneration set in and they were condemned to death. Just think of the life of a woman and man covering such a period of time. In our boasted civilization we count one hundred years as a long time. And even at that so-called advanced age a man is not in the vigor of life. This

man Adam did not represent an old and withered man, but one who continued to beget sons and daughters to fill the earth with his people. He was the head of a mighty family of gods who were struggling against death. In the face of these records, and they are confirmed by secular history and inscriptions found in the buried cities and in the tombs of the monarchs who reigned in those days, mortal man is a degenerate god.

This record is no longer hearsay or tradition. The puny men of our time who only live for a few years are digging down into the past. They are men of science and are deciphering the records left in the tombs of the mighty men who walked on the earth as gods. They not only find that these men lived for hundreds and hundreds of years, but that they were intellectual giants. What might an individual accomplish if he lived on this earth in perfect health for even two or three hundred years? But these men who are slowly passing down to death lived for nearly a thousand years and lived in active life. No wonder they built marble cities and pyramids! The pyramids themselves are monuments of man's mighty intellect. The geological and astrological records of the pyramids are more wonderful than the problems of Euclid. The mathematical education of these builders was far superior to the engineering of the present day. It is not all fiction when we speak of the lost arts, for men have lost more than they have ever gained, and we look backwards to find perfection.

The point I wish you to see clearly is that we have not come up by evolution from a tadpole. We have degenerated by slow steps from gods in Paradise to mortal men in a world of sickness and death. The modern so-called science of evolution has to do with matter, and not with mind. Man is a thought and not a thing. He is an unfolding idea, and his history is written by his own record, and we are just now beginning to unearth it. The tombs of buried monarchs and the history of empires and kingdoms confirms the story of the Bible. In what is called mythology we have all wondered at the immortality of the gods. But when we understand that these gods were degenerate men on the way to death their morals are of the same type of our own. We are the offspring of these immoral gods. The only reason why we do not carry on the same long wars is that death cuts us short. Think of a man like Napoleon living for eight hundred years! He would have devastated the face of the earth if he had lived in health for even two hundred years. Degenerate man always meets his Waterloo. The dagger of Brutus is always ready for an imperial Julius Caesar. Death is abroad in the land. It is ready to cut short the ambitions of men.

But let us not dwell too long on degeneration. It is not a very pleasant theme. The history of our race and what we boast of as civilization is a history of murder in the form of war. It is the history of as much sin as men could commit in a short life. The only reason why a record of our heroes is shorter and less scandalous than

the history of the gods is that our heroes only live a few years, while the gods lived for many centuries. But don't you see the wisdom of God in cutting us short in our years? Is it not a wise movement of Jehovah to cut short the career of sinful men? And here comes our modern science telling us of the improved conditions of life. They boast of what science has done to lengthen life. And yet the inhabitants of the earth are dying like flies. Death is reaping from all kinds of accidents. Human life is in danger from every side. If the baby survives its teething and manages to get its so-called permanent teeth, the dentist is soon at work. The permanent teeth are filled with spots of decay. The young woman with rosy cheeks has to buy a new set of teeth. Look over the school children and see how many of them are wearing glasses. We are at the end of a long period of degeneration. The only hope for the race is in a new movement. It will not come through material science. It will have to be a mental movement.

It is a new thought.

I do not mean mortal thought. Mortal thought produces after its kind. It brings forth mortality. We have had enough of that kind of thinking. Mortal thinking is a physical act. It is just as much an exertion of the physical brain as walking or any other kind of physical exercise. The mortal thinker is exhausted physically. He will wear out his physical body faster by thinking than by any other kind of exercise. Therefore, when I speak of new thought, it is a spontaneous expression of the spiritual mind. It is spiritual unfoldment. This will not exhaust the physical body but will regenerate it. It is a kind of thinking which builds up instead of pulling down. The foundation of it is love. It means peace on earth and good will to men. We are not fit to live until we are ready to let others live. This is the lesson that regeneration must teach us. It is loving thought. It is a new kind of seed. You see how the world is working destruction to humanity.

We are at war with each other. There is not only war between capital and labor, but there is confusion and strife in the household. Men and women are at war with each other. The race is divided according to sex. Women have begun to look upon men as their enemies, and men are watching women. How much news would there be in the daily papers if they eliminated the quarrels between men and women? What does it all mean? Why all of this discussion of divorce? Why should the government be gathering statistics about marriage? Why should the sects in religion have the divorce problems before every conference? Why all of this agitation about race suicide? It is because the race has made up its mind to commit suicide. When a man has reached a certain point of endurance he will take his own life. The same is true of the race. We have come to the jumping off place. The struggle for existence is becoming unendurable. If men and women marry they have a hard time to support themselves. The question of children is becoming a serious problem. You go out and begin to purchase food for the household. It used to be that a dollar would go far towards sustenance.

How far will it go to-day. A penny was worth more fifty years ago than a dollar is worth to-day. And I see no possible chance for a change. Men are speculating on the very souls of their fellow beings.

There must be a change.

It will come through race suicide if it does not come through regeneration. If births and deaths could cease we would soon turn the earth into a garden of Eden. The planet would be a Paradise. But just so long as we are being born and fighting for our existence between the cradle and the coffin we will think about race suicide. There is no use in births except to offset deaths. Christianity calls for a resurrection and a regeneration that will destroy death. Death is called the last enemy. How are we going to overcome it?

By a new kind of mental seed.

We have been living on the wrong kind of thought. It is time for a change in our mental diet. Jesus Christ told the devil the truth. "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God." We have been trying to live on bread alone. Our bread will have to be mixed with the thought of God. It will have to be mixed with the thought of a real God and not the idea of evolution. Jehovah must be recognized as the Lord of hosts. Don't get the idea that this means the lord of soldiers. The literal meaning is the lord of the stars, the hosts of the heavens. At the birth of Jesus it is said: "And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." This is the kind of host that is meant when Jehovah is called the Lord of hosts. We are to receive regeneration by the transference of thought from this angelic host. How long will it take us to get telepathic communication with such people? If we depend upon evolution we will never get there. Our minds will have to turn towards Jehovah as the living God. Life must come from life.

Peter, in his first epistle, expresses the matter in one paragraph, which we will quote:

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: but the word of the Lord endureth forever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you."

This kind of seed will produce a new race. The grassman will disappear and the electrical men and women will take possession of the earth. There will be no struggle for existence when births and deaths cease. When we are free from accidents and are governed by the spiritual mind there will be no further use for coffins or cradles. This is exactly what Christianity promises, but Christianity is not a religion. It is the science of regeneration. God Almighty is the regenerator as He is the generator. The loss of God from the mind is the loss of life. The return to Jehovah is the return to life.

I AM the resurrection and the life!

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