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MONEY



“FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY IS THE
ROOT OF ALL EVIL.”—Paul.

What is evil?

It is out of tune with the universe.

What is money?

It is concentrated materiality.

What is love?

It is God.

Love is a vibration of divinity.

Love your wife for she is divine.

Love your children for they are divine.

Love the divinity in your husband.

Love the soul of your neighbor.

This puts you in tune with divinity.

All these things will be added to you.

This includes money and all that money will
bring.

Gain the world and you will lose your soul.


Gain your soul and you will own the world.

It is the law of vibrations.

Vibrate in harmony with the universe.

The whole of it belongs to you!

But you must be in tune with it.



EYE TO EYE TALKS.

*** Last month I gave you an outlook and an inlook.

*** The review included the whole world of thought, past, present and future.
*** It was good for us to stand on top of the Rockies and view the mental landscape.

*** You did not have anything to say, did you? Well, this month you have the right of way, and can take up space in expressing yourselves.

*** Everything is moving toward a climax in the mental world, and you may look for the Christ to come in the clouds of glory and take possession of the planet.

*** It is a mental coming, of course, and yet every eye shall see Him, and even those who pierced Him, for the mental illumination will be personal and universal. The opening of the eyes of the blind.

*** It is also objective, for all who are in the tombs of mortality will come forth to the resurrection of commendation or condemnation. You are ready, and this great awakening will not take you by surprise.

*** The Circle of Christians was not formed in vain. You are represented everywhere on the face of the earth. From all parts of the civilized world I get letters from men and women who are in conjunction with this center. They are ready for the mental resurrection.

*** The glorious part of our work is that we do not belong to anybody or anything. We are not a sect, a party or a cult. We are. That is enough. A company of Christians in mental fellowship. Mental brothers and sisters. And yet a powerful movement, gathering strength as the years unfold.

*** It is a wonderful movement, and will be taken up by others here and there, until sects are no more and organizations disband. It is a vibration, with its center in the sun. And that reminds me that the sun telephone is in working order, and this old earth will yet hear the trumpet of God and the voice of that angel who stands in the sun.

*** The thoughts are coming right down from headquarters, and something besides earthquakes will shake this planet. The knowledge of Yahveh will cover the earth as the waters cover the depths of the ocean. It will not be by the slow process of teaching, but by the outpouring of the Spirit of Thought. Set up your mental telephone and tap headquarters. Telepathy is ready, for wireless telegraphy has prepared the way.

*** But I must stop this talk, and let you get a chance to express yourselves. There is no need for me to repeat matters of business, for you will find full directions on the last page. The work is going forward with leaps and bounds. Mental miracles are being performed in many minds, and the truth is triumphant. I just now begin to realize on the investments I made in the Spirit years ago. God is not slack concerning his promises, but we get impa-

tient and want things to come before the time is ripe. Let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

*** The mental healing is the only thing now before the mind. All talk of other matters goes in at one ear and out at the other. Healing for body and mind is the desire of all who are capable of thinking. I give my time to this work, for there is nothing compared to it in importance. Just think of it for a moment! What is there in the world to take the place of health of mind and body? There isn't anything else in all the universe, for, if God made me a present of the planet, it would be useless without health. If the Almighty gave me a deed to a sun, aye, to a whole solar system, and said take it and run it to suit yourself, it would be useless without good health of mind and body.

*** It is health, and then wealth, we want to make us masters of environment. The wealth is a poor substitute for health. For a pair of sound legs man would barter a kingdom. One pair of good eyes are worth more than a star of the first magnitude. The power to hear distinctly is far beyond rubies and diamonds in value. There is more in sound lungs and good breathing than in banks and stocks. It is life we are seeking, and yet we seldom appreciate these things until they are lost or weakened. Then we begin to mourn our departed powers and seek for restoration. Healing is the thing we must have, and so Jesus Christ understood man and his needs.

*** I treat for health all the time. You have rheumatism? I don't treat it. I treat you. Why should I treat your rheumatism? It is not you. It is not even your affinity. It is not a permanent part of you, else it could not be cured. It is an abnormal condition. I treat you to resume your normal condition. I send you the vibration of health. This is the only way to heal. And look here, my friend, I speak the same Word for you every day. I never change it, and that Word does not return to me void. It remains with you, if you will receive it, and it will do the work of casting out your rheumatism. It is a blood purifier, this Word of Truth, and will cast out acids, eliminate dead atoms, and heal the hurt. It acts on the body through the mind.

*** In the great movement for your health I treat you for happiness. It is a wonderful curative agent. Happiness is health. Misery impoverishes the blood and gives the face a drawn expression. Happiness expands and enlarges the countenance, and brings the health vibrations to every part of the body. There is nothing like common, peaceful happiness to restore the equilibrium. Joy is a good thing, but happiness is better. Joy is a flame, a sudden outburst, while happiness is poise and peace. Therefore I treat for happiness, the regular heartbeats of peace and good will. Happiness is the very act of breathing. Happiness in the happiness of others, a glorious, unselfish exultation and good feeling over everybody and everything.

*** Then comes prosperity and business success. I want you to be somebody, do something in the world. No matter what it is, I can help you to success in any honest calling. I have dressmakers, stenographers, clerks, school teachers, waiters and houseworkers on my list. I have millworkers and factory hands, railroaders, telegraphers, conductors, motormen and salesmen. I have doctors, lawyers, editors, brokers, bankers, hotelmen, architects, carpenters, contractors, and almost every kind of trade, business or condition. I send vibrations of success, courage, energy and power. I speak the Word to uplift the mind and put alertness into every movement. The man or woman who responds to my treatment will be a success.

*** For many years the three words, health, happiness and prosperity, have been spoken over and over by me, until they have a peculiar vibration of their own. Others have tried to steal my trinity, but they don't get the right swing. When health, happiness and prosperity is spoken in my healing room there is a movement, a kind of music in the vibrations. It covers the whole ground, for health means all kinds of health—physical, mental, spiritual. And happiness calls for all the horizon of happiness. Mental happiness, physical comfort and spiritual joy. Prosperity does not mean simply so much business and money, but prosperity in all your aims and aspirations, your hopes and desires. So the three words mean everything for you. Therefore, don't get weary of seeing these three words before you in black and red in all my letters. Get into the swing, the vibration, the music, and you will come into what they represent. I at first began trying to change and use other words, but Health, Happiness and Prosperity would always come up into the mind. Therefore we have adopted them as our trinity of good words for all who are seeking in the here and the hereafter. They reach out for time and eternity. For cash in your pocket, happiness in your heart and the hope of a resurrection from the dead.

*** "Find enclosed money order for one dollar and a quarter, for which give me one week of special treatments."

That is all right. I never thought to tell you that you could have special treatments by the week at the same rates that you would pay by the month.

*** "He is only seventeen years old and uses tobacco. Hope he will find himself. What do you think about him?"

I used tobacco by smoking it from the time I was ten years old until I was forty-five, and then quit it. So, you see, I have great hopes for your boy, and think he will find himself and set himself free from all kinds of bondage. Charles Darwin, while in school, was asked to smoke and drink with the other young men. His reply was: "I will not put myself into bondage for any unnecessary necessities." Certainly tobacco and all kinds of stimulants are necessities when you once form the habit, but they are unnecessary. They are useless strings tied to you and positive hindrances to your unfoldment. I wouldn't have my pockets filled with cigarettes and cigars and my mantel covered with

pipes again under any considerations. A man ought to be as clean as his wife or his sister or his mother.

*** "My troubles are more than I can bear. I come to you for help. I am a dressmaker and work for the wealthy class of this city. I have sent in my bills, but they won't respond. I ask you to treat me for success in my collections."

I have sent a strong word of condemnation to the people who are imposing on you. I take no part in the class war that is now going on in the world. I don't dislike rich people because they are rich, but mean people are made meaner by a little money, and one of their many mean ways is to stand off bills from people who can't afford to do without the money. I know many cases of this kind of littleness right here near my own door. The few dollars to a dressmaker may mean everything to her. The wages of the man who is working on your lawn may mean food for that very day; and yet, rich people will stand off the wage worker from day to day, and sometimes from week to week. It is just such conduct that creates socialists and anarchists, and puts one class against another. I don't think a division of wealth would do any good. You may level things up, but they won't stay level. But good common sense and common honesty will help matters. Individualism is the road to liberty; but it may come through an explosion of the present order of society. Common justice may have to come by the injustice of the mob. It seems that some people can't learn anything except by an awful experience.

*** "I now begin to discern the voice of my Father from the many voices that have been for fifteen years stuffing me with lies!"

Then you are to be congratulated. The world is full of thoughts. All the thoughts that have ever been thought, and all the thoughts that are being thought, are alive and active. Your own mind must discern the spirits or thoughts whether they be of God or from men. It is to be done by the spiritual taste. The scriptures speak of tasting the good word of God.

*** "It seems a relief to get back to CHRISTIAN after reading other magazines, and find a clean sheet free from ads with peculiar meanings and questionable results. Keep this type of CHRISTIAN up, as we certainly get enough ads in the daily and Sunday papers."

I certainly will keep it up as long as you Christians keep it up. At present it seems a big thing to pay out over one hundred dollars a month for postage, but you people seem to like it. I like it. And the Spirit seems to like it. Therefore, we will go ahead with this kind of a CHRISTIAN.

*** "I have a good brother who seems to think that business of any kind is a serious hindrance to our being regenerated; that is, entering the regenerated experience. He seems to think that we must follow, or do literally as Jesus did, if we overcome death, even to the leaving our wife and all. Please tell me what you think about it."

Your brother is right and wrong. In the mind there is to be an absolute giving up of everything, and yet, in the same mind, you claim everything. It is to hate father, mother, brothers, sisters, wife, husband, children and your own life in order to follow the truth. This is a mental process, and has to do with your own regeneration, but does

not conflict with your loving care of father, mother, brothers, sisters, wife, husband and children. Jesus, after speaking such strong words, turned around and promised his hearers a hundredfold more of the very things and persons which he told them to hate. When you once have this circumcision of the mind, this cutting off of mortal relations, this new birth, you will understand what he meant by this great paradox. I caught the same idea as your brother at the beginning, and literally left everything. I walked out of my study, without even closing the open Bible upon my table. I was made to return and set things right. In the very midst of my self denial I saw the vision of my present wife and the joy of my present life. The man who comes into the regeneration lives and reigns and has dominion in the objective world. He is the monarch of mind. He is the king of conditions. All the joy of a pure and clean married life belongs to me, the same as a drink of water or the eating of food. The son of man (and that means you) is to sit on the throne of his glory in this objective world of flesh and blood. You keep all of your appetites and passions, but they are governed from the throne of your Spiritual being.

*** "Really it is as it should be with CHRISTIAN. Each number is better than the last. God's work always marches. Sorry I am delinquent with my funds for Circle this year. Enclosed is a check for five dollars, which is the best I can do at present, and I am in need of particular boosting along business lines. God speed to you and us, and divine love and wisdom inspire us."

I like that kind of an apology and the vibration which comes with it. I never drop you Christians from the Circle, no matter whether you are early or late. You are a part of us. It is your work as much as mine. Just as long as you are moving along in this line of thought and want to publish CHRISTIAN, you can do it. If all of you get ready to quit it, we will quit. But don't you drop out because you are lame financially or otherwise. If you can't keep up with the procession we will put you in the ambulance.

*** "I have been reading your paper for some months, and have become quite interested in it, as it echoes so many of my own thoughts. However, before I would wish to embark upon such a new course as told in your paper, I would like to ask a few questions. If I enter the Circle of Christians, could I drop it if I so desired, and never be bothered again? You say that spiritualism makes many people insane; are you sure that this would not? Can you make me, provided I enter into the spirit, happy, healthy and prosperous? I am a college student, with a hard course ahead of me, and I do not wish to have this new course interrupt in my studies. In fact, I wish to stand high in my classes, be healthy and to have friends among both girls and boys. I wish to be able to draw a circle of friends around me wherever I go. So far in my life I have had more friends among men than among women. I wish to have more friends among both sexes."

In the Circle of Christians there are twelve gates, and each of the twelve gates are open day and night. If you can't get out on the north side, then turn towards the south; and if you had rather go out by the east gates you can go that way; or, if you prefer the west, you will find three gates on that side. I don't see how any one could keep in it if he wanted to get out of it, and I don't see how any one could keep out of it if he

wanted to get in. You can come in at one gate and walk right on through and out on the opposite side. You will find no one trying to keep you or to bother you in any way. It is not an organization, but a condition. If you want to stay with us you will feel our vibrations, and, by the law of attraction, you will remain. If you don't like our vibrations you will drop out, and that will be the last of it, so far as we are concerned. The vibrations will help you in your college studies and in all the walks of life. It is a good place for you to be if you come of your own free will and accord. There is nothing in our studies that will upset your mind, but many things that will help you to a sound mind and a healthy body. But the main point I wish to impress on you is that we are not a sect, a party, a lodge, a church, or any sort of an organization. The keynote is the development of your own individuality. CHRISTIAN is a journal for the individual. The Circle of Christians is a company of individuals, working as free spirits for individual unfoldment.

*** "Please find money order for five dollars for treatments for my family, which consists of myself, my wife and our little daughter nine years old. Would you advise me to make any plans for the future whatever? When this regeneration occurs which you speak so much about in CHRISTIAN, will all our earthly plans be knocked to pieces, or, in other words, will our career on this earth end then?"

I like to see you bring your whole family into the Circle of Christians and not be stingy about it. Five dollars a month for three persons is not too much. In fact, if many did not send five dollars each every month I could not continue the Circle of Christians at one dollar a month. In answer to your questions, let me say to you that regeneration is the beginning and not the ending of our earthly career. What kind of a career can a mortal have, anyway? You don't know what minute you are going to die. You may make plans, but they are knocked to pieces and upset by an accident. You don't know one minute ahead of your mind. All is darkness before you, and you must walk entirely by faith. It is a faith in fate. You hope that you will live, and that your plans will be carried out, but you don't know it. In the regeneration we know the future as easily as we know the past. Your spiritual mind looks forward as well as backward. Making plans is useless, for the man who is in the consciousness of eternity lives forever to-day. He knows that he comes up from the everlasting, and there is just as much eternity behind him as there is before him, so he lives forever now. If there is nothing more for us to hope for than we can see with the eyes or hear with the ears in mortality, we had just as well quit the job. In the days when the apostles of Jesus Christ began preaching and healing, and for three hundred years after, the world had a hope of immortality in the flesh here and now. They thought the resurrection was at hand, and so made all their plans for a new world. This same word of truth is being raised from the dead. For the first time in many centuries men and women have a hope of conquering disease and death. There is a great expectation of immortality. You can see it in the newspapers. You can feel it in the mental at-

mosphere. It is coming, coming, coming every day. There is no power in darkness and evil and ignorance to keep it from coming. It means the outpouring of the Spirit of God and the baptism of the old thought of regeneration and the resurrection. The seed was planted in the first three hundred years of the Christian era, and it is now bringing forth a harvest. My beloved Christians, we are coming into this consciousness of the resurrection. You need not wait for it. It is now, in every breath that you breathe. There is hardly an intelligent man or woman on this earth but feels this expectation of immortality.

*** "I have read a goodly number of your papers called CHRISTIAN, and I think any person that will pay good, honest dollars, coin of the realm, for such soft, sloppy slush is weak-minded, and to think that you can make people believe there is any virtue in your papers that you pretend to 'treat' is quite evident that you are on the job and know how to trick the deluded mortals out of their hard earned dollars. Be honest, Mr. S., be honest; don't delude humanity any more."

This was written on a postal card and signed Mrs. Jones, and mailed in a little town in Michigan. I can't find Sister Jones on the list anywhere, so some one of my deluded readers has evidently sent her a bundle of papers. Now, you weak minded mortals must learn to be careful as to where you circulate CHRISTIAN. When you strike a strong minded woman like Sister Jones you are wasting your sweetness on the desert air. She knows, after reading CHRISTIAN, that I give away nearly everything except treatments. Of course, there are many grafters and wicked people in the world who are trying to get money by all kind of tricks, but any one who accuses CHRISTIAN of being in that class is blind. No one but a blind person would fail to catch the vibrations of CHRISTIAN. I could fill this periodical full of advertisements, for which I would receive cash, and plenty of it. I could charge twenty-five dollars a month for treatments and get it. I am here to find the truth, and CHRISTIAN is my little blackboard on which I put my lessons every month. I don't get the answers to suit me, so I rub off the writings and make a clean board every month. In this way I am advancing slowly but surely into the knowledge of the truth. I don't care a snap who comes or who goes, and am not advertising for patronage. You never see a single line of advertisement from me in other papers.

*** "You have evidently reached me. In the morning I would feel happy and joyous, and things seemed to go well. I can hardly refrain from writing you at length."

That is exactly the way treatments take effect. But you must refrain from writing. Don't do it! The old readers, who have been taking treatments for years, know all about it. They will not write more than one letter a month, and then only a few words. They know how to keep the vibrations at home. But at first you want to write or shout like a good Methodist, and tell me all about it. You feel so full of joy, and the vibrations are working such a change in your mentality, that you want to tell me. Now, don't you suppose I know? I AM at the vibrator, if you will allow the expression, and am

sending you the good Word. Keep it! Don't send it back to me, on paper or in any other way. I want you to be the center of attraction for all good.

*** "I like the paper, and the moment I put my hands upon it I feel the vibrations going all over me. I wish you would answer through the CHRISTIAN whether you believe in fasting to cure stomach trouble or any kind of ailments."

The vibrations in CHRISTIAN are a mystery to me. The other day a friend sent a page of CHRISTIAN from a number that was issued seven years ago. I glanced at it, and was drawn by some invisible force to read, and read, and reread one of my own Eye to Eye Talks. It was all new to me, and very much to the point. I never know what I am going to say, and the vibrations go into the words while I write. I am as much of a receiver as any stenographer who ever took dictation. The Word of Healing comes in the same way. I often get the Word before your letter is received. Two men have died here in Denver as my patients whom I saw dead weeks before they actually died. How could I treat under such circumstances, and yet I could not tell the wives that I knew. This habit of seeing the future has its drawbacks, and yet I would not, and could not, give it up. I did venture to write one of these wives that I could offer no hope for her husband's recovery. In answer to your question, let me say, once for all, that the stomach is in the mind, the liver is in the mind, the lungs are in the mind. The whole body is in the mind. Disease is mental, and if fasting will help your mind, by all means fast and pray. But fasting will not do your stomach any good if your mind does not fast. I never fast, but I pray all the time. Don't follow fads about fasting or feasting. A writer in *Unity* not long since made Jesus a hypocrite, by saying he only pretended to eat the broiled fish after his resurrection! Fads make fools and fanatics out of people who want to be honest.

*** "My dear Shelton—Whom I have never seen, yet, unseeing, love. As a proof of my love, I tell you that I have kept all the letters you wrote me, and all the issues of CHRISTIAN for over seven years. I have noted great changes in your opinions and conversations during all these years. Some of your earlier assertions were very crazy and contradictory. Now you write like a sensible man, to me, at least, but to some hardshell Christians your sayings would sound like lunacy. I am charmed with the recent numbers of CHRISTIAN. Your statements about the sun please me greatly; they are very much like my own notions, or, rather, ideas, regarding our great luminary. It may interest you to read my reflections, or perhaps revelations, about the sun, which I penned six years ago. Here they are: (1) The sun is not a great ball of fire, but a great electrical dynamo, to give light, heat and life. (2) The body of the sun can not be fire, for fire is not a dense substance, but a light one. (3) The sun must have a dense material body, otherwise he could not hold the planets in their orbit by the law of gravitation. (4) The sun, having a dense body, weighing, as it must, uncountable billions of tons, it is not at all probable that this immense mass of matter is uninhabited. No useless thing exists. If such a little ball as this earth teems with life, how much more should the sun, which is the source, or, at least, the active agent of life to all the planets of our system, teem with

every form of life and beauty undreamed of by us? (5) The sun must have an intelligent ruler, or God, for its government and operations, for no mere ball of dead matter could do what the sun does in calling forth the life of animal and plant with such un-failing constancy. (6) This intelligence must be a God, one of those mighty spirits or angels that excel in strength, one of those mighty and omnipotent ministers of the great first cause. (7) This mighty intelligence in the sun is the Christ of God; the Son of God, who became incarnate, and at whose death the material or outward sun hid his light at a time when no solar eclipse by the moon could occur. (8) This Son of God the soul or Spirit of the Sun, has form, the only perfect form. Looked at from all sides, it is the same—a sphere! Without beginning and without end. So is the Almighty, without beginning of days or end of life. In every way perfect. I believe that the sun is the heavenly home of all true followers of Christ, for he said: 'Where I am there shall ye be also,' and 'I go to prepare a place for you.' I hope to get there. I desire to get there where he is. The dearest wish, the strongest desire of my soul, is to see Him and be with Him. As there is provision made for the satisfaction of every lawful desire, I believe I shall have the unspeakable bliss of meeting Him face to face, and dwelling in that glorious world, where there is no night. I envy you the visions you speak of having had some years ago. I am heartily glad that CHRISTIAN contains no 'ads' and no literary matter except your own. I think I am not the only one who is glad because of the change from former issues of the paper."

I sincerely thank you for this glorious letter, and I return the thanks of every reader of CHRISTIAN. You have put the whole truth in a few words, and, knowing you as I do, the vibrations of pure love flowing in every word are worth more than the words. I kept this letter a long time, but it fits into this number of CHRISTIAN as an apple of gold in pictures of silver. The writer, as you new Christians will see, has been with me from the beginning of my work in Denver. He is a man of wide reading and ripe scholarship. He lives in Canada. There is no doubt in my mind of the sun being inhabited by immortals. I have been there, and I know. There is not a day, or hardly an hour, that I do not get words directly from the sun. I don't care how it may sound to say such things, but I know that I AM in telepathic conjunction with the sun. And my fingers were made to write that last I AM in capitals. It is a mystery to my own human mind, but I AM in communication with the sun, and it is the residence of Jesus Christ and the holy angels, "the spirits of just men made perfect." And, what is more, my mental brothers and sisters, direct communication will soon be established between the earth and the sun. This planet will be governed by telepathy, and the I AM will be King of kings and the Lord of lords. Old things will pass away, and all things will become new. Disease and death will be no more, and pain will be a thing of the past. I AM the resurrection and the life.

*** "You would be gratified, I am sure, could you know how much good I received from your saying 'You are one of us. Your treatments will go on just the same, etc.' The hope and the promise lifted such a load from my heart."

Certainly you are one of us, and no one can turn you out or turn you in. The Christians are a peculiar people, and have been brought into this fellowship by the Spirit of Truth. There is no "church meeting" to pass on your fitness for fellowship, and you can come and go at your own sweet will. It is a mental fellowship, and you know whether your mind is brother to my mind or not. Are you one of us? No one can answer that question by voting you into an organization. Are you one of us? Your own mind knows, and the secret Word of the Secret Brotherhood is: I know that you know and you know that I know that you know. And even that Word is spoken by the I AM that I AM with a certain vibration which can not be imitated or counterfeited.

*** "Please write me if you call yourself a Christian Scientist. Are you of Mrs. Eddy's school?"

I do not call myself a Christian Scientist, for that would locate me, and I AM of the universe. There is no space or place where I could locate and put up a fence, therefore I AM a Christian, and my headquarters are in the sun, and the sun is in conjunction with all the suns and sons of God.

*** "Is this something new to you? Well, I want you to treat my hens to produce an abundance of eggs."

It is nothing new to me, for I have been treating hens and hogs and horses for many years. I wish men and women responded as well to treatments as hens and horses do. It is a common thing for us to treat animals and fowls. You didn't know that Mrs. Shelton was a healer? Well, she doesn't like for me to say much about it, but she is speaking a mighty Word in that line, and is my right hand in all my work. Man is two in one, and as we grow into unity of thought and feeling we speak as one Word, and the I AM signed to letters means both of us. We are growing in grace and knowledge of each other.

*** "Dear Shelton: You shall receive my letter tomorrow perhaps, or the day after, in which I asked treatment for my sister-in-law. In the very act I finished that letter she was better, and in three days she was well. How delighted this was and so simple, without asking rewards of any kind, only to be up to my intended promises, or to be truthful to myself. I did not tell you what I was to remit over to you, but as I intended to send you \$25.00, I am pleased to do so, which you will find enclosed. This has all been done to improve some of us in the way of knowing how the Spirit acts. He is sure and unfailing, when we let him do it all and we remain calmed and sweet. All is so natural and positive when one builds channels of power by acting also natural and positive, that is, in the same manner you would like the spirit to act with you."

I give you the above letter just as it came to me typewritten from a Christian in Porto Rico. He is a Spaniard, and, as you see, not thoroughly familiar with English. The Spaniards were the first great pathfinders of the world, and when they once take hold of Spirit Science they soon catch the vibration. Isn't this letter a splendid condensation of the Truth?

*** "I feel like this beautiful truth you have been giving me is more precious than

money. You have never written me, and yet your treatments have given me more understanding of the science than any teacher I have ever been to. I only wish I had stayed with you years ago. I am growing stronger and feel so happy again."

Did you hear that? This student of mine did not get understanding from my letters, for I did not write her. She went to school in the Silence, and received the truth from the Silent Word, spoken to her in the treatments. The good Word spoken in the treatments comes up in your own mind as part of your own thinking. I do not think for you. You do not surrender your own mind to me any more than you would to an oral speaker. Your individuality expands under the Silent Word, and you are really giving treatments to your self by responding to my Word. You are standing on your own mental feet, for it is not hypnotism or suggestion. I AM that I AM is speaking in both of us. It is a vibration. It is as mutual as my taking hold of your hand. I don't want you to entertain the idea that my wife and I are treating you. It is the I AM in us speaking to the I AM in you. I wish I could emphasize this thought, for it would at once lift you out of the feeling of dependence. The whole Word of healing is for your independence and freedom to think and act in the truth.

*** "I lay one of your papers under my head or shoulders at night and speak to you, thanking you for the light and health you are sure to send, thereby forming the mental connection necessary to me to get sensible benefit. Though I never ceased to turn to you for help, I was never sensible of receiving it until I read the article in CHRISTIAN some months ago, where you told us that we Christians must speak to you and hold our minds open towards you, if we expected help. Since that I speak to you as though you were present, and I find a great difference."

Some people would call this silly, but we Christians are learning the lesson that God takes up the foolish things to confound the wise, and even the things that are despised hath God chosen. The writer of the above quotation is a woman of education and refinement and resides in one of the large cities of the West. She has caught the true idea of mental treatment, and is not afraid to pray with her thoughts towards this center. I AM making CHRISTIAN a mighty mental medium with each issue, and sending out the Silent Word with more and more power. It is a mental conjunction which you form, and it soon tells its own story by results. The words that I speak to you in the Silence are spirit and life and bear their own witness to the truth. Keep in mental conjunction with this center. You write asking me not to forget you. It is your business not to let me forget. Call me by mental telephone and keep your end of the line in working order. I AM here all the time, day and night, and will not even take a vacation. Telepathy is as sure and certain as thought, and you can use your mind. The paper itself is a mental medium, else I would not print it.

*** "Well, we have a much larger house than we had last year and plenty of work and increase in wages and we are well and happy. O, such a delightful change since

CHRISTIAN came into our house four years ago."

That is the way Christians talk. Just a little advice I gave four years ago about getting homes of your own has worked wonders. And the few lines I wrote about making yourself a center of attraction are bearing fruit everywhere. Christianity is not an iridescent dream. It is practical. Jesus Christ talked practical mental science. He healed the hurt and spoke peace to the mind. I don't want you people to get foolish over fads and run off the track. Life must be lived one day at a time and right here on the ground. Get you a home and make a comfortable living. Take possession of your part of the planet. Try to be Somebody and have Something while you are going along. It is your own.

*** "I do not like to bother you with much writing, but have a question which has caused me much worry and which I have never found fully explained in CHRISTIAN. The Bible speaks of the wrath of God and that the sinner shall be damned in all eternity. I think that even Christ spoke these words. If it would say the sinner shall be damned I would not mind it. But for evermore without end is too much for me. When I first read your ideas on reincarnation and thus perfecting ourselves in time, I met it with much joy, but when I thought it all over and see those horrible words of damning without end, it overthrows it all."

You need the same kind of inspiration in reading the Bible that the writers had in writing it. Spirit inspires with truth and love. You are scared. Nothing is ever revealed by the fear thought. Get that out of your mind. The Spirit of Truth is not afraid of anything or anybody. God can't scare me when I'm in my right mind. God never tries to scare anybody. He warns and entreats. He tells the truth. But there is nothing in all the universe to fear. Now, the Bible does not say that any individual shall be damned forever. Hell is a condition and not a place. Hell is mortality, but no soul is condemned to everlasting mortality. There is an eternal hell, but you pass through it on your way to perfection. There would be no sense in an endless hell for the individual. That would be silly, and God is not silly. No man is a native of hell. He gets into hot water, but it is not his affinity. He gets out when his time is up. Hell is a penitentiary, but no one ever goes there for all eternity. There is always childhood, but the same persons do not always remain children. They grow up and so pass out of one condition into another. So it is with hell. You grow out of hell, but others may be coming in just as you go out. I have letters every day from persons who are just where I was ten or twelve years ago. "How can you escape the damnation of hell?" This was what Jesus asked the Pharisees when he exposed their hypocrisy, but he didn't mean to say that these men would always be hypocrites and forever remain in hell. God rules in wisdom and love.

IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD.

Here is another beginning.

It is the beginning of the beginning. Last month we had the beginning of creation, the genesis of matter. This month is the beginning of the beginning, the genesis of Spirit.

Can there be such a thing as the genesis of Spirit? Yes, if you realize that Spirit is forever being God, forever expressing the thought of God. There is an eternal begetting and bringing forth, an everlasting involution and evolution of life.

What are all these varied forms of life but thoughts of God. Every form of life was first an idea in the sun, in the light, before it was made manifest as objective being. The sun is intelligence, thought, mind, and from its light all forms of life originate and exist as ideas of the infinite. You admit part of this statement. Why not admit it all?

You are ready to acknowledge that the sun is the source and support of all life. Why not admit that the sun originates all forms of life? You say there are other suns. Well, does that take anything from the argument? Does it not add force to my statements? There is infinite life, and the suns are its source. You can't get out of your mind the old race thought that God is a person.

How could God be a person? How could there be an infinite person? It is unthinkable. God is absolute personality, as I have told you, but that is very different from being a person. An individual may be a person, but he is limited in his expression of personality. He can't go beyond his own personality. But the principle of Being is absolute personality. He calls himself by a name which means I AM THAT I AM, or I will be that I will to be. I will be anything or anybody that I will to be. How else could He be the creator of all things?

Therefore the Almighty is not a person, but the principle of all personality. He is all persons and all things, for in Him all persons and things exist. And it is all right to call Him by the personal pronoun, since He is the Father of us all.

It took me a long time to get into the consciousness of God's absolute personality. I now see already how God can be an ant or an angel, a man or a monkey, without losing the majesty of the I AM THAT I AM. It could not be otherwise, for the ant and the angel, the man and the monkey are thoughts of God and in Him they have their being. There is one Life in its varied forms, one Mind with its infinite variety of ideas. God is All and in All. I will be that I will to be.

Let us quote the Genesis of Thought as given in the prelude to the Gospel of John. I give it to you as it is in the Temple Bible:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was

not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.

"That was the true Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth.

"John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him."

Did you ever read anything like it? Never were words used to better purpose. Science may advance for millions and billions of years, but it will never surpass these sublime but simple statements. It is all in this prelude. The whole story is told in a few simple words.

And do you notice that the Word in the first paragraph is synonymous with Light in the second paragraph? The true Light is called the Word, and the Word is called the Light. The Greek *Logos* may also be translated Reason or Mind. God, the principle of Being, creates all things by the Word, by Reason, by the Spirit of Thought.

In other words, the sun is the creator of all forms of life. This is what we say when we leave metaphysics for physics and get down to facts. It is not poetry, but the naked truth. The record of creation in Genesis is a prose poem. It is told in the majestic language of poetry, and yet it is good science. In the beginning was Thought, and Thought was with God and Thought was God. By this Son of Love called Thought all things were created and are created.

This is as near as finite mind can come to a knowledge of creation. You begin with the Idea of God, the Father of Thought, and then you go on thinking All creation comes before the mind as the thought of God. God speaks and His words are forms of life, creatures of His mind, children of infinite Reason. You are yourself the Spoken Word of Almighty Thought, made in the image and likeness of Mind. Thus are we made to reason by the Reason that was with God and that was God.

See how this Thought moves majestically in the first chapter of Genesis. It is God said, God speaks, God's Word in every movement of creation. "God said, Let there be light; and there was light." It is always "And God said, Let there be, etc." It is the Word that creates all things and upholds all things.

Now, it is said in this introduction to John's Gospel that this Word became flesh in the person of Jesus Christ. The "God Said" of Genesis is the Jesus Christ of the New Testament. At first glance this seems incredible. It is a wonderful affirmation to say that the Creative Word actually became incarnate and dwelt among us as a man. Aye, that he suffered and died on the cross as a man among men.

It is an awful statement, and yet John makes it and John the Baptist confirms it. Paul declares it and all the apostles so understood it. It is enough to make the mind stagger and reason totter. Let us weigh the matter well before we accept or reject such a statement.

Did the Word of God, the I AM THAT I AM, enter the womb of a woman and take on Himself the nature of man? It so reads: "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth." There is no use to quote further, for this is plain enough. Paul declares that he took not on him the nature of angels, but the seed of Abraham.

Talk about your immaculate conception, and all your other dogmas! They are as nothing compared to this whole New Testament, which affirms over and over, from first to last, that Jesus Christ was the Word made flesh. My God! Men and brothers, what a statement! He who made the world comes into his own creation as a creature subject to suffering and death. "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not." There is the glaring statement, and reason reels and the brain is in a whirl.

I tell you, my friends, theology and religion have not even scratched the surface of the Bible. Let men read it in the light of the sun, as I have, and the very soul will be shaken to its depths. God Said in Genesis is Jesus Christ in the New Testament. It was the Word that was with God, and that was God, that was made flesh in the womb of Mary.

Jesus Christ is Jehovah Christ.

Do I believe it? I know it. My knowledge came from the sun. I read John in the light of the sun, and my mind rejected the statement. I went back over the whole of my Temple Bible and felt of each link in the chain. It was all there. There is one Word of God who speaks in every step of the unfoldment. Paul confirms the whole record in these words: "And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ."

And that Rock was Christ!

So the Word in the Burning Bush, who spoke to Moses and called Himself the I AM THAT I AM, was Jesus Christ, and Jesus Christ is the incarnation of the Divine Logos. It was too much for my faith, and so I went out into the sunlight and telephoned to the Center of Sanity. I waited in the Silence until I could hear the Word, and it came in clear tones above the vibrations of the earth: "The Scriptures can not be broken! Jesus Christ is Jehovah Christ, the Word of God."

The heavens are not hollow and the mind of man is not mocked. The revelation of regeneration in the Bible is confirmed by the voice of the Spirit. Remember that this Word is also called the Light. What is said of the Word can be said of the Light, for they are one and the same.

In the beginning was the Light, and the Light was with God, and the Light was God.

The word God also has a deep and wonderful meaning. It is not merely our English word "good," with one "o" left out. There are no wrong words used in the Bible. The Hebrew word for God is Elohim, and

the word Lord should be translated Jehovah. The Lord God is Jehovah Elohim. Elohim is the Father and Jehovah is the Son or the Sun. Elohim is plural and means the Godhead. It also carries with it the idea of reverence and awe, the One who is the All and in All, the Everlasting Father. It is the one word which expresses the Principle of Being. When Jehovah (I AM that I AM) is placed before Elohim, we have the Word, the Lord God, who is the Sign of the Idea. Elohim is the Idea and Jehovah is the Word or Sign of the Idea.

Jesus Christ is not only a prophet and comes as the Spirit of Prophecy, but he is the Word, all of the Word, the Word of creation and the Way, the Truth and the Life. He is all that he claims to be, and he claims to be the Sun of God.

Such a tremendous claim can not be maintained if he fails in the slightest degree. He must speak and act as the Creative Word all the time and everywhere. If he trips in tongue or slips in a single movement as the Word his exalted claims fall to the ground. He says himself that the Scriptures can not be broken. Let us see if he breaks the record.

There is great preparation for his incarnation. We will not stop to discuss immaculate conception, for all conceptions are immaculate. How could it be otherwise, since God is the Creator of all forms of life. I believe Jesus was begotten by Gabriel, and I also agree with Paul that he did not assume the nature of angels, but came of the seed of Abraham. The dogma of immaculate conception falls to pieces when you read Hebrews 2:16. There is only one way to take the seed of Abraham. The birth of Isaac was as miraculous as the birth of Jesus. The coming of John the Baptist, who was Elijah, is also a miracle, and yet his body was begotten the same as other men. The miracle is in the preparation made for the coming of these bodies. "A body hast thou prepared me."

Ah! there is the keynote of life. A body hast thou prepared me! There is a new body born into the world. The spirit is never new and never old. It is the same yesterday, today, and forever. But a new body has been born into the world. And that Holy Thing is called the Son of God. Is this new manifestation the same Word that was with God in the beginning? If so, all creation will know it and recognize the Lord of Life. Here is a girl holding in her arms a body made from her own flesh, a body born of her blood, a body made under the beating of her own heart. It is a common thing, you say. So is the sun a common thing. We live in its light day and night. This body in the arms of the woman in Bethlehem holds the Word of God. He is the Sun of God. He is the God Said, who called the Light and created the heavens and the earth. He is Jesus Christ, the same Yesterday, To-day and Forever.

The woman holds all these things in her heart. Birth is always a mystery. This is a Child of prophecy, and all creation must recognize his Presence. Why will not someone speak and shout his glory? It is a miracle of the ages. Centuries have been

waiting for this manifestation of the Sun of God.

An angel speaks and calls attention to this Babe of Bethlehem. "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 to men." So much for the reception. Let us see if it holds out in the order of his life.

At twelve years of age we find this child in the temple disputing with the learned teachers and filling them with wonder by his wisdom. Why not, seeing he is the incarnate Word?

We next meet him in the wilderness, where he is tempted of the devil. How does he meet this adversary whom we all meet? It is by the Word and with no other weapon. You must remember that the Word is the author of the Scriptures, therefore, when that Word is incarnate, he endorses the Bible. It is His own Word, and he is ready to quote it in his own defense or to put to flight his adversary. The adversary also quotes Scripture, but makes a false interpretation.

The record of the temptation of Jesus stands out as a masterpiece of writing. It covers the whole ground of man's struggle on earth. Hunger and bread, ambition and authority, rulership in the realm of religion. You meet it all in that temptation, and the Word of God is the only sword in the mouth of Jesus. He is the Word, and therefore, knows how to use it.

He went down from the battle and attended a wedding banquet. His mother knew of his power, so when the guests ran out of wine she came and told Jesus. "Woman, what have I to do with thee? Mine hour is not yet come." This answer seems a little rude. His hour had come and the mother knew it. She gave orders to the servants, saying, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." She knew what his Word would and could do. He turned water into old wine. How did he do it? By speaking the Word of creation, for he was the incarnation of the Word. It was the same Word that spoke all things into objective manifestation.

Somehow, you expect his Word to bear fruit. As you read, you know in your very soul that you would be disappointed if the words of Jesus failed. You are never surprised when he creates conditions by speaking the Word. You expect it.

This is the keynote to the hold that Jesus Christ has over the minds of men. He is the incarnate Word and you know it as soon as you come into his vibrations.

How could he turn water into old wine except by the chemistry of the Word? There is no other way, for thought is the creator of all material things.

This same Word is the power used in all the work of Jesus. It accounts for all his miracles and for the wonderful sublimity of his person. I want you to get these beginnings in your mind so that you can make the truth practical in your own being. I tell you that the dynamo of power and light is in the sun. God is the Father

of Light. The invisible or inner sun is the Father, and the visible photosphere of the sun is called the Son, for it is an offspring of the spiritual sun. "No man hath seen God at any time: the only begotten Son, which in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him." There is no other declaration of divinity, and so we look to this visible sun of God for light and life.

There is no use in covering up our heads like the ostrich by talking metaphysics. Jesus Christ is the incarnate Word or you must reject the whole Bible, including both the Old and the New Testament. If you do this, where will you go for light? There is no other record of mental unfoldment that is worth a minute's attention. This record has enlightened the world and is still sending rays of light along the lines of human unfoldment. I know and I want you to know.

How do I know? In many ways I have made a test of the truth. I heal the sick by the spoken Word. I have been healed by the same spoken Word. This is pretty good proof that the Bible is dealing with realities. I know every day that the transference of Thought will heal the sick. If mind can change physical conditions it is the creator of all forms of life. I know the spoken Word in the Silence can change conditions. I also know that the seat of intelligence, the seat of government, is in the sun. There is a mental conjunction, a regular telephone, between my mind and the sun. This is becoming more and more powerful every day.

All this reality is the result of a close study of the Scriptures and a practical application. I saw the sun and at once recognized the light as being the life of mind as well as body. All healing of mind and body must come from the sun.

Am I making things too practical? I think not. There must be a master of matter. It is mind. This mind must have a center. We have been saying that this mental center was in the brain. I have found the mental center in the sun, and the Word speaking by telepathy has confirmed my discovery. I speak this Word daily in the healing of sickness and am coming into a mental resurrection.

In the beginning is God and the Word. It is always and forever the beginning, and you may begin over and over again until you come into regeneration by a resurrection of the mind. There is no other way. Keep on beginning until you get God and the Word in you. Regeneration is realization.

What shall you do? You need not look at the sun as I do, for it might hurt your eyes. If the Spirit leads you to fix your eyes on the objective sun you can do it without injury. But think of the sun. Keep on thinking about it. Fix your mind on that center. It will help you to forget the earth. It will lift your soul above your sufferings. It will help you to form a mental conjunction with the Spirit. It will give you light, physical and mental. It will transmit to you energy and power.

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