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## The Cosmic Covenant



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**O** MOTHER mine of sleepless nights and days,

Ravished by vision and ecstatic urge!  
How thou hast stretched us over an icy folk!  
Formal somnambules sipping icicles.  
Unless you love, wildly love me,  
How shall I broach my secret to you?  
My secret that pines for you.  
Think you to guess me with frozen brains?  
There is that intuits all wisdom:  
Mine goes with the rest.  
None one whit cheaper than the whole.  
Full well you suspect the price.  
I gloat over what it is to cost you.  
Unless you love me,  
I shall cost you dearly,  
Dearly indeed, until you get me.  
It is death to hate me,  
And torture to boot.  
I gloat that the road to me is love,  
How I gloat and gloat over this.  
Fry my words as you will,  
Nibble and pant and pay and pray—  
I am the love that makes you homesick,  
I am on your way back to yourself.  
Hot tongues of flame have come to you,  
Licking from you all grudges against me in all,  
And thou shall be dealt thoroughly with—

You shall be burned at the stake of my vision,  
And I at the stake of your vision.  
Clean as a wild beast of Eden,  
Sweet smelling as the bark of a tree,  
Raptures of cleanness mob me,  
Chanting your alabaster-box of ointment.  
Do not force me to kill you in jealousy,  
You and I are as terrible as any,  
And our bans are cried by existence;  
The cosmic covenant is not mocked.  
I do not count the countless times  
You plighted your loves to me,  
The madcap pranks of eons are little to us,  
And may not fasten or tear away the witness  
Of that macrocosmic face,  
Whose mouth and eyes keep troth for us,  
Filling the elements and mind  
With wondrous present warmth,  
Ere the worlds of heavens and hells  
Did dances unto us together,  
Lived endless trystings in each other's eyes,  
And this no shadows, dooms, or dark  
Can seem to alter or abate;  
And this is why I gloat,  
Knowing full well your worth,  
And monumental patience,  
For you are mine, and I am willing  
To leave you unto yourself until you love me.

## ITEMS AND IDEAS.

\*\*\* Going some!

\*\*\* That is slang.

\*\*\* It is also the name of a play.

\*\*\* Slang always hits the nail on the head.

\*\*\* And you will notice it hits the right nail.

\*\*\* Going some! That is what we Christians are doing.

\*\*\* Bear in mind that "we" means all of us in the fellowship.

\*\*\* If you were not working with the two of us we would not go very far.

\*\*\* It is all of us all the time, and all pushing and pulling together for Kingdom Come.

\*\*\* We are keeping CHRISTIAN on the wing from place to place, seeking our own on earth, and we are finding them.

\*\*\* It is wonderful what a work a few thousand people can do when they are moved by the same Spirit and in the same thought.

\*\*\* Now that our heathen holidays are over and we have counted our Christmas gifts, let us get down to steady business, and stick to it.

\*\*\* The way to keep going and thinking and enjoying is in mental repose. Poise brings peace, and peace brings power, and power is plenty of everything.

\*\*\* It is easier to preach than it is to practice, and you women must teach us men to be still and know that God is, and that he is a rewarder of all who rest their souls in peace.

\*\*\* I am the advocate of the kingdom of heaven, and that kingdom is in the subjective or feminine mind. All of our masculine beating of tomtoms is tommyrot. I am weary of the noise: "Let us have peace."

\*\*\* My mind is all right in dealing with other people, for I speak, without sympathy or sentiment, the naked truth to you and yours; but one day Beverly Boy had a slight fever and I was in a flutter. His mother was calm as the Morning Star, and the boy was all right in a few hours.

\*\*\* Men and brothers, we must learn that down deep in our being is undisturbed repose. It is the place where the woman in us lives. The holy of holies in every man is the Divine Feminine. "Don't tell mother" was the only word left by a suicide, a tourist traveler, who killed himself here in Denver.

\*\*\* "Don't tell mother." Ah, but you must tell Mother everything, and open your heart to her. She knows all the secrets of the serpent, and can enlighten your mind on the mystery of being. The manly thing for you to do is to unbosom yourself to the Mother within you, and tell her all of your troubles.

\*\*\* Burnell's poem, on first page, means for you to appeal to Mother Nature, and persist in demanding a fulfillment of the cosmic covenant. Take hold, and hold on like Jacob wrestling with the angel. Grasp God with a grip that will not let go, and hold on until your words are coined into currency of the kingdom of heaven.

\*\*\* The covenant of circumcision made with Abraham pertains to the flesh, and that covenant still stands. It has never been re-

pealed, for God never speaks a Word that is to be unspoken. It is the cosmic covenant, and is fulfilled by the regeneration of the body through the resurrection of the mind. I insist on it, demand it, and you will get it. There is a mighty movement of mentality in the psychic atmosphere of the earth.

\*\*\* In your everyday life go about your affairs in poise and peace. Never lose control of yourself. Let this mighty undercurrent, the gulf stream of mentality, flow into your mind, while you calmly and serenely live your little life of mortality. The way to move swiftly in mentality is to keep a physical poise. Fluttering on the outside is a sure sign that you have lost your equilibrium inside. Stand in the majesty of the Whole, and your own will come to you.

\*\*\* George Edwin Burnell's poem stirs you to the depths of your eternal being. I was astonished at this resurrection. I went up into the attic to look over the files for something else, and Lady Blanche came and sat down on the floor, womanlike, to help me find it. The poems of Burnell began talking to me and asking for light. I gave you "Hedonic Heroes," and now you have "The Cosmic Covenant." Truth is always alive and ready to arise and speak to us.

\*\*\* We must reverse our thought. The hustling, bustling man is weak, and is only wearing out his nerves and evaporating energy. The man of the future will not burn the oil of life like Harriman, and lose his grip on himself while gripping other things. Let us in the present be men of the future. Be the Coming Man right now by recognizing that your power and wealth and very being is inside your own skin. Don't puncture that skin by trying to put the wealth of the world inside. The man who owns himself owns the universe. Get inside the inner chamber of your being.

\*\*\* The kingdom of heaven is here, and has been here all the time. It will always be here, and the only thing we have to do is to learn to practice it. I think when we get into the habit of the kingdom it will be as easy to practice as any other practical truth. It will be as easy and as natural as breathing and seeing and being on the mortal plane. Aye, much easier, for our mortal life is stupid and sluggish and heavy with the slush of water, for this is the water plane of being.

\*\*\* It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit that speaketh in you, is the way the Christ in Jesus spoke to his disciples. I think all the truth that is in the Bible will surprise us some day by rising from the dead letter. It will begin to talk in up-to-date language, and it may even use modern slang, but it will be heard. It will not go begging for an audience. It may come as a sudden surprise, like Burnell's poem began talking to me in the garret. All this reading and studying of the Bible is for some good purpose. It is put away in the attic of our understanding and some day will rise from slumber and awaken us to new life.

\*\*\* A true word once spoken is spoken forever, for thoughts are immortal. How long ago it has been since the immortal words we quote to-day were spoken! And the centuries make no impression on these

immortal sayings of prophets and apostles. It seems but yesterday when Jesus talked from the top of that little mountain near Jerusalem and uttered the immortal words called "The Sermon on the Mount." It was yesterday and to-day and forever. Immortal thoughts ought to make immortal men. They were spoken to immortals, for there is no sense in speaking such words to mortality. The mentality lives forever and these words of wisdom were sown in the mind. On and on we go in the unfolding mind, and all that is in mind we will find.

\*\*\* "Is there anything that I can do to help things along outside of attending to business?"

Not a single thing. Attending to business is helping things along. I want you to go on about your affairs, and the Word I speak will come up into your own mind as part of your own thinking.

\*\*\* "I am glad to learn that the name Tom is beginning to stick to you, because you have been Tom to me for over a year."

I don't care what you call me, so that you don't put any prefixes or affixes to my name. Do not call me by any titles of honor or authority, for I haven't any honor or authority outside of myself. You can begin to see the principle of Christianity when you recognize the fact that the whole kingdom is within you. Tom sounds odd to me, for I have always been called T. J. by my familiars. But you use any name that comes into your mind. I call you by your first name or nick name or pet name, for that is the name the Spirit speaks in the Silence. There are no titles in the kingdom of heaven. I was very much startled when the Spirit called me T. J., for I had always been known by a title. But it brought me very close to Mother God.

\*\*\* "When I first sent to you I had been in bed five weeks. Couldn't sit up a minute. I didn't think I was going to get well, so my friend asked me to let her send to you, and in three or four days I got up myself and it wasn't very long until I was well. I am a poor widow and am now past eighty. I am too poor to pay for CHRISTIAN."

Your friend has paid for CHRISTIAN and your credit is marked ahead two years. If you don't quit being a poor widow, and turn to a merry widow, it will be your own fault. If a young woman of eighty can be lifted out of her sick bed by the Word of Truth, why can't she keep on rising until she is in the kingdom of heaven?

\*\*\* "I am acquainted with a lady who told me they sold their place inside of three weeks after you began treating her for a buyer. So what principle could do for them through your speaking the Word it can and will do for me."

It sometimes works that way, but not all the time. I have had property on my hands for years and years before it was sold. Sometimes it is never sold, for Spirit does not want it sold. No treatment that I can give will cause things to go the wrong way. There is a power within you that will work out your salvation if it is let alone. The very thing you want to do is sometimes the worst thing that you could do. I leave all doors wide open, and let your own come to you in the right way.

\*\*\* "I feel like writing you a long letter—but you do not like long letters—so I will just say please continue treatment that I

may have strength and wisdom to say and do the right thing at the right time and in the right place."

Now, Helen, you ought to have written that long letter, for you can write and when you have anything to say you know how to say it. I never met a Helen that didn't know how to do things. I object to long letters about your sickness and troubles. The more you write down your aches and pains the deeper they will stick in your mind. People get into the habit of petting their sore toes and would be miserable if they were out of their misery. But when you have anything glorious to say and you know how to say it, write it down, for it will do you good and will help to swell the vibrations in this kingdom of heaven.

\*\*\* "My daughter had a fall on the right knee. It was accompanied by fever. On the day the inflammation became very painful and the doctor thought of operating. I wired you to send the vibration of health. She is much better."

This wire was a cablegram from India and the little girl was saved from the operation. Don't you see that the Truth is omnipresent and omnipotent. It only needs to be recognized, for recognition is the faith spoken of by the Christ. Why couldn't this man do this for his daughter himself? Because he is not trained in this thought. His mind is on other matters. He is a merchant. His thought must go out into his own business. It is my business to speak this Word of Truth and I have no other business to occupy my mind.

\*\*\* "If I knew at what hour you treated, I would try to be quiet."

Now, don't get any of that kind of thought into your mind. I am not that kind of a healer. I deal with your mind and not your body. If you are working in a boiler factory, go right on hammering, but keep still in your mind. Go on about your affairs and attend to your every-day concerns, and the Word is going to you at all hours of the day and night. This thing of sitting down in a corner like little Johnny Horner is not scientific.

\*\*\* "I will tell you a little secret. I have never told you before, and it is just like you to proclaim it on the housetop. Now, here it is: I have had the very best time all my life with the devil. He has always played fair, and when I found myself in a tight place he was always there to show me the way out. Oh, how many, many times we have laughed together over some of my exploits. But under all circumstances he has played fair; for every seed thought planted I have received my own again and the recompense has been planted with the seed. I have no fault to find with the devil. He has been a dear, good friend to me, and now that I am lifted up he is here to bring forth my own to a higher plane. It has taken me a long time to know this, but I know it now."

It is a good thing that we have entered into what Burnell calls the expansion of the area of sanity, else such a statement from a woman of education and refinement would sound like she had wheels in her head. Sounds all right now, doesn't it? You see we are not afraid to speak our thoughts. That inner voice of the serpent is always the friend of the woman. The priests and preachers have made you afraid of it. You have been dodging the devil, and disease

and death have been the result. Now you are coming into your own, to receive the truth, and truth is making you free. I like to get such letters, for it confirms the Word spoken to me by the Spirit. I don't think we are ready to put Satanic Science into a book, for all you people are helping to write that book, and when it is revised it will speak the whole truth.

\*\*\* "I had thought of coming to Denver with an airship and just peep through the roof of the Royal Family. It happened very soon in a dream. I saw you all except Baby Blanche (I suppose she was at a dance). I saw Beverly in skirts and also in trousers, and I asked him what my name was and he answered so plainly, 'Henrietta.' It was all so wonderful to me. That hand of fellowship I had seen for years in the Silence and have been happy over it. I have more joy than ever before. I read and eat CHRISTIAN."

Now, this dream came very nearly being realistic in the extreme. It was at the time that Baby Blanche was absent from home in the country. Beverly is sometimes in skirts and sometimes in trousers. I have no doubt but that he spoke that name, for the subconscious in children is always awake. You remember Jesus said, of little children, "Their angels do always behold the face of my Father." The lady who had this dream and actually made a visit to this household is German, and she thinks she can't write English, but she always writes a good letter. Beverly is so clairvoyant, even now, that he startles us with his insight. And, bless you, Henrietta, you came in the right kind of an airship. It was in your own mind. Come and see us whenever the Spirit moves you.

\*\*\* "A friend of mine handed me some copies of CHRISTIAN a few days ago, and I have read and reread them. I have come to the conclusion that CHRISTIAN is something I need. Here is my dollar, to be enrolled in the fellowship."

This is from a business man who was handed CHRISTIAN by another business man, and they did not need any outward signs to make them know that they both belonged to the same Brotherhood. It amuses me to see these people getting up pins and other emblems as an outward sign of an inward grace. What kind of a fellowship do you call that which has to depend on the objective? You may be very badly taken in by that kind of a fellowship. Any rascal can get into the objective church or lodge or union. But the Silent Brotherhood is protected by telepathy. You will stay out until you come in by your thoughts. When you meet your own you will know it because you know it. I know that you know and you know that I know that you know. How? By the Spirit of Fellowship. It is invisible. It is a vibration. It is a mutual understanding.

\*\*\* "When she wrote you about her eyes, from your answer she thought you must have been offended. Of course, I knew you were not. She had a specialist to examine her eyes because he was here at the time. It was as much my fault as hers. We should have written you as soon as the trouble made its appearance. Sister felt a feeling of negation as soon as she touched your letter, and that feeling has manifested itself more or less ever since. She felt you were displeased that she wrote you, and

your letter was a dead one so far as the treatment was concerned. When you take into consideration that she was blind and sick unto death for twelve long years, you will understand it all. Love and blessings sound very sweet to her. Her soul cries out for love."

Do you see where the mental doctor has to be an adept? The medical doctor can feel your pulse, look at your tongue, write a prescription and go on his way. The mental physician is dealing with the heart and the mind. This man and his sister are keeping house together. The sister had been blind, and an invalid, for twelve years. I sent her to the hospital and had an operation performed on her eyes, which partially restored her vision. Then she was afraid I was offended because she consulted a specialist in her own town. I was not offended, for I leave all doors wide open; but I don't want any quacks to come in through the open doors. Spirit is standing guard over her with a two-edged sword. But I only quote this to show you how we must do this work by ourselves. We can't hire it done. We can't turn people over to a stenographer. It must be our own mentality, and so we try to get as close to you as possible. It is not often that we send a dead letter to anybody. If we speak sharply, it is because that kind of speech is necessary in your case. But behind it all is the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit. Open your minds to us freely and tell us just what you think of it. As a general thing we know what you are thinking, but we like to hear you speak out, even in adverse criticism.

\*\*\* "In one of your papers you say that man is a fallen being. Will you kindly tell me in your paper just what you mean by this? Am I to understand that you discard the apparent facts of physical evolution as understood and interpreted by every student of biology in the world to-day, so far as I know? It is not my purpose to question or cavil at the statement that man has fallen from a higher state to a lower one instead of rising from a lower to a higher. It may be as easy to accept the one as the other, but before accepting I must know the reason or the evidence."

The students of biology are beginning to question their own premises as to evolution. Man is a mental being, and the whole world of matter is turning into mind. There are evolutions and evolutions, but there can be no evolution without an involution. There is no climbing from one species into another. The amoeba is still an amoeba. It may change its own form but it can't change its being. The monkey is a monkey and has always been a monkey and will always be a monkey. There is plenty of historical evidence that man is a degenerate god. He knows that he is a god and has fallen from his high estate. It is in the process of unfoldment, and the whole Bible and all other ancient literature is full of this thought. Sin entered into the world and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men. I don't know why, but I believe it to be the truth. That which descended will also ascend. We came down and we will go up to a higher plane of being. Even the gods are made perfect through suffering. Jesus Christ is made unto us wisdom and righteousness and redemption. He is one of us.

## THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS PRACTICAL.

Is it?

Certainly, else it is not.

Anything that really is can be demonstrated.

All this moonshine about a heaven in the sweet bye and bye is religion.

Religion is not worth your time and attention.

There is not a spark of religion in Jesus Christ.

He is a king in the kingdom of heaven. He is not the king of the kingdom, for the kingdom is God.

God is all in all.

But Jesus and many other men and women are kings and priests in the kingdom of heaven.

If the kingdom of heaven is practical, why are we not practicing it? First, because it is invisible and we think we have to die into it. The very reverse is true. We have to live in the kingdom of heaven in order to practice it.

There is also the foolish notion that all who are in the kingdom of heaven spend their time in meditation and prayer, interspersed with singing and shouting. In other words, that the kingdom of heaven is religion.

That is all bosh!

Jesus did not spend his time as a religionist. He made one public prayer, and taught his disciples how to pray a brief prayer for the coming of the kingdom. He taught them to worship like the Quakers, from within the temple of their own souls in the silence.

There is no religion in it.

It is a real, practical business proposition. There is a God Almighty all around you and in you. To obey God in all things is to be a king in the kingdom of heaven. Can one hear and obey the spirit in which we live and move and have our being? Certainly you can and you must.

There is no other way.

This influx of Spirit will sweep you off the earth if you don't get into its vibrations. Don't you know that this planet is coming into the air age and entering into mental vibrations from the sun? It is, whether you know it or not. It is a flame of fire from the unseen, and men and women are being consumed as by a furnace. Going mad on every hand is the order of the day and night.

The nervous system is wrought up to such a high pitch that the tension is unbearable. It is the influx of the Divine Feminine, the coming of the Lamb of God, from whom men are hiding, and calling on the rocks and mountains to fall on them and hide them from this Feminine Face. The glory of God is in the face of Jesus Christ.

What are you going to do about it?

You must remember that the second death is mental, and if you do not get into the first resurrection you will lose your mind. I am not saying this to alarm you, but to make you take a look at this mental world and note how rapidly it is going mad. Then get into the kingdom of heaven where you can walk the waves of mentality. Get religion? Oh, no; religionists will be the first ones to take to the woods. They will flee to the mountains of Hepsidam. Get into Christianity. Get into the mind of Christ. You will not find any religion in that mind.

You will find practical power.

The power of the kingdom of God is within your own thought. The vibrations are flowing from the sun and increasing in volume and force right along every year. I have been in these vibrations for nearly nineteen years and they have steadily increased every year. They are ten times more powerful now than they were in 1891. There may be a material fire kindled on earth. I have no word in regard to that kind of fire. But there is one thing sure and certain, the mental fire is already burning. It has been smoldering ever since Jesus uttered the words:

"I am come to set fire on the earth, and what will I, if it be already kindled?"

It was already kindled. He set fire on the earth all right. It has been smoldering in the institutions, but it is now coming to the individual and is rising to a mental flame. You can't hide from it. The rocks and mountains will not fall on you. How can you face the mind of the Divine Woman? You have been looking at Jesus through the smoked glass of religion. Religion is a man-made institution. Jesus Christ is the Son of the Divine Woman. His mother was clothed with the sun, the moon was her footstool, and a crown of twelve stars was on her head.

Oh, yes, that twelfth chapter of Revelation looks backward and forward. It refers to Jesus and the Madonna. Up to the present hour the seed of the kingdom has been sown in the mentality of humanity, but the Lord Christ has not been seen in his glory. Fiddlesticks! You have been looking back at a meek and lowly prophet crucified between two thieves. Take a little glance at the picture of He who was, and is, and is to be, the Almighty in the first chapter of Revelation. There you will see an electrical man, a king in the kingdom of heaven. Eyes like a flame of fire! That is no weeping Jesus, and yet it is the same man who came as a prophet of the Divine Feminine.

Oh, man, you don't know anything about Jesus until you come into the vibrations of a real woman—a woman whose mentality is a match for your highest thoughts. The son of this sun-clothed woman rules the earth with a rod of iron. That does not mean brute force, for mentality of that kind is a rod of straw. Men of violence are destroyed by violence. The iron rod is the feminine mind, the gracious influence of the woman, the mother in God.

What have we been doing since the advent of this angelic man, this woman's man? Can you think of the woman doing what we have been doing? We have been riding the Red Horse mentioned in the sixth chapter of Revelation. Suppose the women had been killing each other and then boasting about the number of dead women left on the battlefield, and the number of wounded, maimed, mangled women that women had left after each war. Ah, men, suppose women had been spending all these centuries inventing instruments of death for each other, and drilling so as to make themselves expert murderers of each other? We couldn't stand it, could we? We could not bear to see our sisters, mothers, daughters, wives and sweet-hearts shot to pieces by each other?

Why?

Do not the women have to witness all of this with sons, fathers, brothers and sweet-

hearts? Why? Why are you filled with horror at the idea of women killing each other? Can you conceive of such a thing? And yet women can be drilled and taught how to shoot at each other. When it comes to courage, women outclass men every time. Why? Let me whisper in your ear: *It is because you recognize the divinity of woman.* There is in you a devotion, a gallantry, a peculiar kind of manhood awakened by the vibrations of woman. Now, it is that very something which sets Jesus Christ apart from the rest of us. It is the woman in his vibration. God is our Mother just as much as He is our Father.

The kingdom of heaven is this woman side of God, this Motherhood in the Deity. It is that kingdom you were under when your mother gave you the goodnight kiss and tucked you in your little bed. The kingdom of heaven is the Motherhood mind of God, that one redeeming feature still found in our degenerate race. No man is worth his raising; and yet there was a woman who gave you your body from her own flesh and blood. A woman who washed you and dressed you and watched over your helpless years. This is only a mortal symbol of the real Mental Motherhood in the everlasting kingdom of Spirit. Your mind must come into this mental kingdom of heaven.

Listen to these mysterious words of Jesus Christ:

"And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

What is he talking about? The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. Take "it" by force. What is it? The kingdom of heaven. Then the kingdom of heaven is something tangible, something that can be taken by force. What is it?

It is all the government, all the authority, all the rule there is in this universe. Any man who assumes authority is causing the kingdom of heaven to suffer violence. The violent who use force to enforce their assumed authority are invading the kingdom of heaven with an armed insurrection. They are attempting to take the kingdom of heaven by force.

Jesus told Pilate that his kingdom was not of this world. His kingdom was the truth. If he were not of the truth his followers would fight for him with carnal weapons. Jesus, the real king, said: "Put up thy sword, for he that taketh the sword shall perish by the sword." He settled all that with the devil in the wilderness. There is nothing in armed authority, for it may be disarmed. The institutions of men are supported by guns and clubs and therefore have no real foundation in the truth. They are here to-day and gone to-morrow. The only authority, the only power, is in the Spirit of Truth. It never carries a gun.

How can we learn to practice the kingdom of heaven?

Just like you learn how to play the piano, just like you learn to walk and talk, and do other things that you do. It is not necessary that you be clairvoyant or clairaudient in the sense of seeing things or hearing words. We are all clairvoyant and clairaudient, but there is no need of it being developed any further than hearing thoughts and feeling impressions. Intuition (not suggestion) is

inspiration. A woman who listens to her thoughts and feelings and rejects suggestion is in the kingdom of heaven. All women are guided more by their feelings than by any outward knowledge.

The one who can see things and hear words is more likely to go wrong than the one who follows inward impressions. There is suggestion and barefaced lying in the subjective. It is a place where you must separate the Voice from voices, the Word from words. Yahveh has never failed to speak the truth to me, no matter how it hurt; but I had to learn how to separate the sayings of the Word from a lot of stuff that had no sense or truth in it. When you get the right Word you are sure to get a shower of wrong words. Satan is always on hand to test every word spoken to you in the Silence. It is his business to deny what Spirit affirms. The law of affirmation and denial governs mental unfoldment.

Above all, you must not use violence. The violent may take the kingdom of heaven by force, but they can't hold it. The devil has dominion over the air and the earth, and he will deceive any man or army of men who attempt to govern other men by violence. Anarchy reigns among the violent, and this is why the whole world is an armed camp, ready to kill men and destroy property. It is the devil raising hell among men of violence. We are all there, except the women. The women are in the kingdom of heaven, except where they are led astray by men. The place of power is among the women, for the men of violence are in hell. The violent are all the time trying to take the kingdom of heaven by force, but they can't hold it.

In the chapter on Satanic Science in this number you see that Satan has dominion over the earth and the air, and can give this power to whomsoever he wills. He gave it to Jesus Christ, and through him to all of us who understand the kingdom of heaven. Jesus had absolute control over the earth and the elements. He was free to do as he pleased in the presence of men and angels. In order to give us a complete picture of the kingdom he let men of violence nail him to the cross and kill the body. They not only killed the body, but put it into a sealed grave, with a band of soldiers to guard it. The real Word had been spoken, saying that he would rise the third day, and all the armies on earth could not prevent his resurrection.

"The violent take it by force."

But you can't keep it that way, my sweet-hearts; you can't keep any good thing by force. You try it with your children; try it with your wife or husband, and see how utterly you will fail. Why, you will turn the heaven of harmony into the hell of anarchy right away. Attend to your own business, and let other people alone. When you commit yourself to the Spirit, keep still and trust in the kingdom of heaven to right all of your wrongs. It is useless for you to butt in and try to help God by demanding that your own desires be fulfilled. You have no more right to use violence in your personal affairs than in national affairs.

Isn't this fine preaching? Yes, but it is hard practicing. It requires the subjection of mortal mind and the annihilation of mortal conceit. You can't coerce God. You

can't force Spirit. Suppose you could force the kingdom of Heaven to obey your will, how many kingdoms of heaven would we have on earth? Each will on the planet would be pulling in its own orbit, and confusion would be worse than Dante's hell. It is intended that each shall move in his own orbit by obeying the Spirit and attending to his own affairs. This is the kingdom of heaven, and there is no force or violence used in its government. It is government by the individual for the individual.

You know how preachers are trained to attend to other people's affairs. Well, my father and grandfather were preachers, and I stepped into their shoes. I had been bossing and butting into other people's minds until it was a fixed habit. I was trying to save their souls, of course, when I had never thought of saving my own. I, in my own conceit, was all right, but those people were all wrong. I got a rough throat and much hoarseness by speaking to them in a sepulchral voice, warning them of danger. I even told them in solemn tones not to go to the theatre. Oh, Lord, what a fool a man can be! The first time I stepped on the ice of temptation my heels flew into the air. The devil had made me believe that my own soul was saved. It was the unsavedest soul you ever saw. It isn't saved yet, by a damned sight. There is damnation ahead of me, and I can't sidestep it by any solemncholy groans and grunts. However, the devil and I understand each other.

Attend to your own business.

Don't butt in and boss other people. I never will forget a lesson learned from a six-year-old boy. His mother had been a student of Helen Wilmsans, and had taught her children all she knew of mental science. I was a guest in the house, and, it being summer time, the youngster was dressed one morning in a slip of a shirt. I, preacher like, said, "Hello, Jimmie; your shirt tail is too short." He looked at me for a minute, and, in polite tones, replied: "It is my tail and my shirt." I took off my hat, made him a bow, and apologized for butting in, telling him he was right, and that it was none of my business. I will never forget the lesson.

Just look at this crazy world in general and then at each of us individually! There is an invisible line between my neighbor and myself. Suppose each of us should arm ourselves with guns and mount cannons on each side to defend that line. Aye, and hire armed guards to watch night and day, ready to shoot the invader? He is a Catholic and a Democrat while I am myself. We are good friends and the invisible line does not concern either of us. You say that is all right between neighbors? Then why are not all nations neighbors? Because we are not in the kingdom of individuality where each attends to his own business, granting the same freedom to all other individuals.

The kingdom of heaven is practical, but you have to practice it. Theorizing will leave you high and dry on the rocks of damnation. Spirit is not sick or sinful. It is the same yesterday, to-day and forever. The man who will practice the kingdom of heaven has all power in the air and on earth. This is not theory, for I have practiced it enough to know. I would have been further along if I had not tried to boss God and force things to come my way. My wife

is a darling and a daisy, since I turned her loose and recognized her inherent right to be her own boss. It would amuse you if I only had the space to tell you how I tried to break her into my harness. There isn't a piece of that harness left. At the first crack of my whip she kicked things into smithereens and bolted down the middle of the road. The dust is not all out of my eyes yet, but I can see clearer than before the lightning struck me.

I don't know the father of Jesus Christ. That is a disputed point. But I do know that God was his mother. He is about the only decent man among us. The woman has some sense and decency and when she does go our way the flame will soon scorch her wings. She goes to hell quicker than a wink when she gets into our vibrations. Her natural place is in the kingdom of heaven. Let us listen to this Son of Mother God:

"And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, 'Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.'"

I can feel that millstone tightening about my neck. Come here, Beverly Boy, and let me look into your clear, blue eyes! God! What a set of damned rascals we are compared to this Man of Nazareth and these little children! The theological interpretation of these glorious words makes me sick. The man with titles and pomposity claiming authority to receive these little ones! I only hope to get where they will receive me into the kingdom of heaven. The meaning is very plain, for it was a dramatic answer to the question: "Who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" The disciples had been disputing about power and position in the coming kingdom. In the same connection Jesus commands them to refuse to be called father or teacher or by any other title of honor or authority. It is significant that Catholic priests are called "father"—one of the very titles prohibited by Jesus Christ (Matt. 23: 8-10), and Protestant preachers are called "Rabbi" (reverend) another title strictly prohibited by the Lord Christ. The whole mortal menagerie of Church and State is under the dominion of the devil.

The kingdom of heaven is personal and practical. It could not be practical if it were not personal, for if there were superiors and inferiors it would be the same old hell. The kingdom of heaven is within you, and your authority in that kingdom does not extend outside of yourself. Jesus absolutely prohibits and abolishes the exercise of authority over others. He makes comparison between the inner kingdom and objective authority. Turn and read Matthew 20: 25-28, and if you read the whole chapter it will not hurt you. He uses the very word "authority" that I have been using, and illustrates it by contrasting the kingdom of truth with the sword-supported kingdoms of mortality.

## SATANIC SCIENCE

### THE TEMPTER.

"Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

"And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungered. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

"Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee; and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

"Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

"Then the devil leaveth him, and behold, angels came and ministered unto him."—*Matthew.*

"And immediately the Spirit driveth him into the wilderness. And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him."—*Mark.*

"And Jesus being full of the Holy Spirit returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being forty days tempted by the devil.

"And in those days he did eat nothing; and when they were ended he afterward hungered. And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.

"And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them; for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me all shall be thine. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

"And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence; for it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee; and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

"And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season."—*Luke.*

Yahveh came into the world in the person of Jesus Christ. He was the direct messenger of the Spirit. It does not matter how he was born or where he was born, he is here. There is a little fragment of history which throws a side light on the question of his birth. I think I had better give you this fragment so that you may read it in connection with this chapter. I quote from *Luke*:

"Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem, and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

"And when they saw him they were amazed; and his mother said unto him, 'Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? Behold, thy father and I have sought thee, sorrowing.'

"And he said unto them, 'How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?'"

Here we have the Father and the father. Mary calls Joseph the father of Jesus. And Jesus speaks of the Father. He recognized Joseph as the father of his flesh and God as the Father of his spirit. Up to thirty years of age Jesus lives in the house of his parents, and works as a carpenter in his father's shop. This does not take away from the inspiration and the power of Yahveh in his birth. Jesus said that John the Baptist was Elijah. How do you know but what Joseph was a reincarnation of Isaac? How do you know but Gabriel was Adam? If men live forever they may come and go under different names. There is no telling how many times you have been born into this mortal life. We do not know who we are. This is the reason why we receive a new name that no man knoweth save he that receiveth it. The secret of our unfoldment will abide in us forever. No one knows our new name and we cannot impart the new name to others.

There is one thing you cannot do and that is to separate Jesus from the common people. He was born in a stable. He was raised in a village. He served as a carpenter. Up to thirty years of age he was dormant, so far as his mental powers were concerned, except in that one instance at twelve years of age. He goes up to Jerusalem and visits the preaching place of John the Baptist. His mind begins to awaken. He is baptized by John, and the Spirit in the form of a dove descends on him, and the words, "Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased," are spoken by the Spirit. After this he was led into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. Mark says he was driven by the Spirit into the wilderness.

Let us look at the quotations facing this chapter and study them carefully. Who is this Satan? This messenger who comes to test Jesus? This god who comes to give him a real, new birth? For, my beloved friends, the real birth of a man comes after Satan has given him the proper sifting. This is our old friend Satan who appeared in the garden of Eden in the form of a serpent. It is the same Satan who tested Job. You know that Job did not amount to anything until after Satan had passed him through the fires. He was nothing more than a self-righteous hypocrite. Satan told Yahveh that Job was not all right. Yahveh gives Satan permission to prove his proposition by making a test of Job. You remember how Job

came out of the ashes and was a new man. Satan has no authority. He only acts on the authority of Yahveh. There is absolutely no power in Satan to tempt any man or to do any kind of so-called evil. He is powerless. He acts under authority from the only Authority in the universe. He is the adversary, it is true, but that is his office. Job claims to be a righteous man. Satan denies it. He is given permission to prove the man Job. Jesus hears the Voice calling him the Son of God. Now many men have heard voices at times calling them by different names. The lunatic asylums are full of men and women who have heard voices calling them by such and such names.

Jesus is led or driven into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. The adversary is as essential to our unfoldment as the advocate. Let us read the story of the temptation in the light of satanic science. You have always read it with the idea that Satan was trying to injure Jesus. You thought the devil was a fiend attempting to wreck the character of Jesus. He was nothing of the kind. He was there to do Jesus good. It is his business to prove to the Christ the truth or the falsehood of the affirmation that he was the son of God. If the mind of Jesus was suffering under a delusion the devil would find it out. If he is really the son of God, Satan is the very one to prove it. Now you look at this temptation in an entirely different light. Instead of the devil going about in the world to deceive people, he is here to uncover hypocrisy and deceit. It is his business to expose falsehood. He is a champion of the truth. A puncturer of pretenses. The one who turns on the light. You can't hide from the devil. You may cover yourself with a cloak, but he will strip you naked. He is called, by one of the prophets, the Lightbearer.

I want you to get fastened in your mind the fact that Satan was acting under authority from Yahveh. The divinity of Jesus is questioned by the devil. Yahveh is in Jesus, and he speaks by the Spirit, but the human being must be convinced of the truthfulness of this voice. God is not being tempted. It is the man that is being tempted. The man feels a divinity stirring within him. And the devil comes opposing that divinity. He is sent as the adversary to oppose the advocate. This brings out the glory and power of the prophet. The devil says in plain words that he had received authority over the earth. There would be no sense or power in the temptation if he were offering something that he could not deliver. Jesus knew that Satan would keep his promises and deliver all the kingdoms of this world and their glory into his hands.

The earth is in the hands of the devil. Yahveh, in the book of Job, asks the devil, "Whence comest thou?" Satan answered Yahveh and said, "From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it." The devil is forever policing this planet. There would be no law and order even in the elements if the devil did not keep at his work. Therefore, when Jesus came into the world, he came into the dominion of the devil. The woman and the serpent rule this earth. Women are full of the devil. This is the reason why men do not understand women. It is one reason why women do not understand them-

selves. They look upon the vibrations of life as evil. They have been taught that the devil is bad. This is all wrong. The first form that man assumes in the womb is that of the serpent. You enter into this objective life as a little snake. This tiny serpent begins to eat the flesh and drink the blood of a woman. He is intimately associated with her mind and body. She gives him of her own substance, and thus prepares him to enter into the objective world. Is this evil? Then nature is evil. If nature is bad, the whole thing is bad, and, in logic, if everything is bad, then it is good, for whatever is right.

You had just as well come forward and look facts in the face. Satan rules the world through women. A woman can make or mar any man. She is all there is here when it comes to power. Man is as putty in her hands. She is the potter and man is the clay. The devil is behind the whole movement. You have been trying to outwit the devil and conquer the very vibrations of life. You can't do it. This conflict will go on until you come into the knowledge of the truth. Look over the earth to-day and see the cause of all the crimes among men. Woman is the direct or indirect cause of all the happiness and misery in the world. I said the direct or indirect cause, for men fight her and they fight for her. They will scheme and lie and cheat and kill for her. Instead of getting better, this will grow worse, until we come into a knowledge of the truth. Listen to these words of prophecy:

"Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household."

This prophecy is being fulfilled in modern society with a vengeance. It is Satan working in conjunction with Yahveh. It is the woman and the serpent unfolding into reality. "Thou shalt not surely die." Of course not. Life is everlasting. It is the business of the woman and the serpent to oppose error and uncover the truth. I am not finding any fault with this order of the universe. It is none of my business. It is only my business to find out the truth and to get into it. The work of the devil is showing that all is good. The only evil is ignorance. "Prove all things; hold fast to that which is good." The devil proves all things. It is an affirmation and denial, the positive and negative statements of being. Jesus goes into the wilderness with a question in his mind. Am I the son of God? What is this divinity that stirs within me? You know that the conversation in that wilderness was between Jesus and himself. You hold the same kind of converse with yourself. There are two within you. One is the advocate and the other is the adversary. Everything in the universe is within you. Everything in you is in the universe. You are heaven and hell. Mortality and immortality.

I do not say that what is in you is always invisible. It may come to you in the form of a person. Your satan may be within and without. He may be a subjective thought and an objective person. In view of the unbroken Scripture, I will not say that all of these appearances were subjective. I will not say that Abraham imagined that he saw

three angels, and imagined that they ate roast veal and cakes and held converse with him. It will not do for us to turn everything into the subjective, for we ourselves live and move in the objective. However, there is one thing certain: we can never see anything in the objective that is not already in our mind. Everything in the universe is in you, else you could not be in the universe. This is a scientific statement. Jesus may have been talking to an objective person, but the image of that person is also in his own mind. I often see before my mind the image of the thought. In clairvoyance the language of symbols is used, and events are often revealed by pictures. For instance, a horse has a certain meaning, cattle another meaning, cats still another meaning, and so on with all things animate and inanimate.

The very first test is in the stomach. This son of God is hungry. The thought comes to him, or is spoken in his ears by Satan. If thou be the son of God, command that these stones be made bread. Put forth your power to create for the satisfaction and gratification of your appetite. This is the test of Satan. Will the man bear the test, or will he fall into the trap? Yahveh speaks in him and quotes Scripture. I have shown you that Jesus quoted Scripture to prove his Godhood. He did not rely upon the story of a supernatural birth. He quotes the assertion made in the Scriptures that we are all gods. In this attack he quotes Scripture to prove that man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. We are just now learning that a man does not depend upon bread for sustenance. The time is coming when man will not be nourished by the earth, but receive his sustenance directly from the sun.

But how this first temptation does strike us all! We are clamoring for bread. The whole world is in a whirl about bread. What shall we eat? And what shall we drink? These are the questions uppermost in our minds, at the present hour especially; everybody is talking about foods. The truth is man does not live by bread. In the regeneration he will not eat grass like an ox. He will not eat the ox. Certainly the mind of a god is superior to cabbage and turnips. This may be all right for the man who is coming up out of the flesh. The man who is in the Spirit will live by the Spirit. He will not only be free from the earth, but the roots of his life will not be fixed in the soil. He will have power over levitation as well as gravitation. He can ascend into the higher atmosphere and fill his body full of electric vibrations. The answer of Jesus is scientific. A man lives by the Word of God.

Satan is pleased with this rejection of his suggestion to make bread out of stones. Jesus did this very thing afterwards. If he had yielded, for the sake of his own personal hunger, Satan would have proved him the son of the soil instead of the son of Spirit. He proved himself to be the son of God, and therefore exercised the power of creation in feeding five thousand people at one time and seven thousand people at another time. He could easily have turned stones into bread. The devil knew it. The devil has power over the elements, and was ready to give Jesus this power.

The next test is the religious or emotional. Just as soon as a man gets into a psychic

vibration he wants to do something startling. The devil took Jesus into the Holy City and set him on the battlements of the temple. Don't get the idea that this pinnacle of the temple was a steeple. There was plenty of room to walk around. If thou be the son of God, cast thyself down. The devil also quoted Scripture. "He shall give his angels charge concerning thee; and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone." Jesus meets this quotation with another: "Thou shalt not tempt the Yahveh thy God." This cures Jesus of all fanaticism. Henceforth he is to be calm and serene, without any sensational methods. The people will have to be convinced by the silent word, and not by any noisy demonstration. Many men who think they are prophets and call upon God fall down at this second temptation. Luther lost his head. John Calvin lost his temper. They are all ready to do something desperate. Jesus proved himself the son of God. Yahveh is always poised. God is Spirit and Spirit is forever in repose.

All of you who have had any psychic experience know how the first impressions made you want to do something wonderful. You thought if you could just go out and open the eyes of the blind by word of commandment you would be sure to convince everybody that you were called of God. I know how I wanted to rise up and move through the air, walk on the water, or, in other words, to cast myself down from the pinnacle of the temple and let the angels catch me before I struck the earth. This temptation comes to all of us.

The third and last temptation is a wonderful statement. The devil took him to a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. I have told you that satanic science is the science of sight. Here is the swift messenger of Yahveh who is able to show Jesus all the kingdoms of the world and their glory in one flash. Many a man has seen this vision. Julius Caesar saw it. Mahomet saw it. Napoleon saw it. All this power, said Satan, I will give thee and the glory of them. "For that is delivered unto me and to whomsoever I will give it." I quote from Luke, and you want to study that statement. It confirms what I have been saying to you. Satan declares that this power had been delivered unto him and that he could give it to whomsoever he selected. Yahveh had given him charge of the earth. He is the dominant power on this planet. This power, you understand, is delegated. It comes from Yahveh. Everything that takes place in this universe is by the will of God. There are no conflicting wills. This conflict is only in mortal mind, and is a delusion. Men think they are acting on their own wills when they are either led or driven by the Spirit. The answer of Jesus confirms this statement. Get thee behind me, Satan; for it is written, "Thou shalt worship Yahveh, thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." Satan was serving this same Yahveh. The testing of Jesus was a part of his service. It brings out the glory and power of the whole truth.



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MRS. AUGUSTA STETSON,  
The deposed leader of the Christian Science  
Church of New York.



MR. ARCHIBALD McCLELLAN,  
Mrs. Eddy's chief adviser and the reputed  
object of the attack of "malicious animal  
magnetism."



MRS. DELLA GILBERT,  
Who is trying to organize a rival Christian  
Science Church in New York.

## MALICIOUS MENTAL MALPRACTICE

Satanic science is showing up in the Christian Science institution.

Della Gilbert believed that her teacher and leader, Mrs. Eddy, was either dead or mentally disabled. To settle her doubts she asked for an interview with Mrs. Eddy. For this she was tried, condemned and excommunicated.

Augusta Stetson was accused of malicious mental malpractice. She was called to the Mother Church in Boston, and, after a "sweating" and the "third degree," she was excommunicated.

Both women were accused and tried and condemned and executed by men. Not a woman was concerned, except as witnesses.

The order went out several years ago to eliminate women from all authority and leadership in Christian Science. The boards are all men. The trustees, the directors, the publication committee, the editors, the lecturers, are all men.

Seven years ago, when Augusta Stetson had built a million dollar church in New York, she was deposed and a man put in her place. A new by-law was made, doing away with pastors, and leaving only lecturers and readers.

There is not a single woman in the field as a lecturer, and the women readers are gradually being replaced by men.

Men own and control Christian Science, and I have an idea that these men are reincarnations of old inquisitors of ancient institutions. In a resurrection of mentality all kinds of buried thoughts will come up from the dead.

These women are excommunicated forever, for Christian Science pursues the soul after it leaves the body. There is a chance, even in purgatory, to get rid of a Roman Catholic excommunication. Not so with Christian Science, for there is no middle station. They cut you off forever.

No wonder the mighty Tolstoy said: "The concept of the church is the wickedest thing in the world." Organized religion has always been and always will be the wickedest thing on earth.

I have been in the receipt of clippings from all the Boston and New York papers, and have taken the above pictures from *The Literary Digest*. I give you a brief sketch, as we are not concerned except where the principle is involved.

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There is no doubt about Mrs. Stetson being guilty of malicious mental malpractice. I quote from the *New York Mail*:

"For hours daily, and if not daily, every few days, Mrs. Stetson, according to Mrs. Gilbert, who in turn received her information from the old practitioner, sat with others of her followers, and, by means of thought currents directed at Mr. McClellan in Boston, surely, but slowly, began his effacement.

"But for the fact that Mr. McClellan learned of attempts on his life, according to Mrs. Gilbert, he could not have withstood the forces. However, he is said to have discovered the plot and brought the charges of 'malicious animal magnetism' against Mrs. Stetson, thereby depriving her of the opportunity to work upon him, thus saving his life.

"According to Mrs. Gilbert, the method of electrocution through space by thought waves was for the operators to sit in a darkened room with their eyes closed. Then one of them would say: 'You all know Mr. McClellan. You all know that his place is in the darkness whence he came. If his place is six feet under ground, that is where he should be.'

"Then," said Mrs. Gilbert, "all present would concentrate their minds on the one thought—McClellan, and six feet under ground. The practitioner of whom I speak told me that this was kept up for days. I did not know about it myself, but I have his word for it, and he is an honorable and well-known man in the church."

How would you like to receive that kind of treatment? Is it possible? It certainly is possible. I have had nineteen years' experience as a mental practitioner, and I know what thought can do. It can kill at any distance. We live and move in hell, and the only salvation from mental malpractice is by mental good practice. The mind of your child will surely drift into mental damnation if left alone in this mortal mentality.

All the damnation of past ages is coming to life again in the thought vibrations of the psychic atmosphere. But the good, the glorious, the truthful, is also coming to life. It is a general all-around mental resurrection.

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How is this for malicious mental malpractice?

"At midnight I was awakened by an icy blast sweeping through the windows. My teeth chattered. My heart fluttered. Luminous waves rolled toward me, covered with the faces of the dead. I felt like a man being electrocuted. It seemed indeed that my soul went from my body—that I saw through the walls of the house. AND IN THIS HOUR OF AGONY I SAW MRS. STETSON'S BLUE EYES ALL AROUND THE ROOM.

"Staggering to the bathroom, I drew a tub of steaming hot water, and got into it; but I could not feel the temperature of the water. I was as cold in it as during the first moment when the icy blast of the death treatment enveloped me. I was wrestling, 'not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.'—Phil., vi., 12.

"As I sat there my husband staggered up the stairs and into my room.

"MY GOD! HE EXCLAIMED, 'WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO ME? COMING OUT ON THE TRAIN I FELT AS IF I WERE GOING TO DIE. I AM SUFFOCATING!'"—Mrs. Babcock's description of "death treatment."

This Mrs. Babcock had given up her private fortune to Mrs. Stetson. She even sold her home for twelve thousand dollars and turned the money over to Mrs. Stetson. Speaking of the death treatment of Mrs. Babcock, instead of denying it, Mrs. Stetson gloried in it before a number of people, saying: "I had to knock Maudie's head off to make her see the truth, and she might have passed out; but God triumphed, and she is here with us to-day." The "truth" she wanted Maudie to see was the giving of all of her money to Mrs. Stetson.

Do you say that Mrs. Babcock was a weak fool? Of course; but wolves and coyotes do not attack the strong and the swift. They pounce on the weak and wounded.

There is plenty of malicious mental malpractice in Christian Science. Mrs. Stetson is not the only one. There is not a month passes but I have people coming to me asking protection from Christian Science Malice. If you leave them, they hound you with their malicious mentality. I know all about it by actual personal experience. There is no power in malice to hurt you unless you let it hurt. "Overcome evil with Good" is Paul's advice, and he knew all about malicious mentality.

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Don't blame these women in Christian Science, for they are under the powerful mentality of designing men. Mrs. Eddy, years ago, put her institution into the hands of men, or men took the institution out of the hands of Mrs. Eddy. The pastors were ruled out by men. No one believes for a moment that Mrs. Eddy has been writing letters and by-laws, or in any way governing the Christian Science institution. Mrs. Gilbert was quite right when she said that she asked the one thing that the rulers could not grant—an interview with Mrs. Eddy. Has any prominent Christian Science woman seen Mrs. Eddy since she was supposed to have left Concord? Not one. Why are there not some dominant women in Christian Science? Because men have robbed the women of this institution founded by a woman. It is no longer a woman's movement, but a trust company under the absolute control of a syndicate of men. Any woman who lifts her head will be excommunicated. Mrs. Eddy is only a name with which these men conjure.

But, my friends, the satanic element in Christian Science is just as scientific as any other element in it. My readers have gone far enough in Satanic Science to see both sides of the shield. And this is the only way you can come into the truth. However, this Satan is not malicious animal magnetism, but malicious mortal mentality. There is no malice in animals, and there is no malice in magnetism. Magnetism is God, and animals are true to nature. The only place for malice is in mortal mentality, and it is unnatural. Let us say it deliberately: Malice and all sin is unnatural.

Blackstone says: "The first impulse of the child's nature is to speak the truth." This is true. We learn to lie from liars, and we learn to sin from sinners. Sin is an art. Almost the whole of our actions in mortality are artificial. We do and say what we see and hear others doing and saying. It is not so with the animals, for they are not "educated," except where men train them for servants. We are taught to lie, steal and act the hypocrite. We could just as easily be taught the truth. Sin brings suffering. Malicious mental malpractice is a boomerang. Evil thoughts sent out will come home to roost.

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By the way, Mrs. Stetson is not the first to give the death treatment. Peter gave it to Ananias and Sapphira, and it acted instantly. If Peter was right, so was Mrs. Stetson. They each gave the same kind of excuse. Both were wrong. When a man or a woman abuses this power they lose it. Moses lost it. Peter was deposed, and the gentle Paul put in his place. The principle works as well to-day as it did yesterday. Satan, with a big stick, stands ready to strike down the one who assumes authority and judgment over others. God is God! Jesus warned Peter that Satan had desired to sift him as wheat. In spite of the prayers of Jesus, the satanic sifting went on, and the man was revealed. The institution followed the example of Peter, and murdered thousands and hundreds of thousands in the name of the truth. It is all a horrible lie. The blood of the martyrs is the shame of the Church.

Malicious mentality is not animal magnetism. The more animal magnetism you have the better for you. Even beef tea is good for invalids who can't assimilate animal magnetism in any other way. The Bible tells us that all animals that "part the hoof and chew the cud" are good for food. Good, healthy cattle and sheep furnish food filled with animal magnetism. Vegetables are good, but the animals fattened on vegetables are better. Get all of the animal magnetism that you can assimilate, and don't be afraid of it. But look out for malicious mentality. Thoughts are things, and very often thoughts are stings.

God is Good, and God is All.

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Here is some more mental malpractice. It is not malicious. It is simply erroneous, and, like all error, it keeps its adherents in mental bondage:

"Intimate friends of Mrs. Annie Besant, president of the Theosophical Society of the World, declared here to-day that their leader had confided to them that she was a reincarnation of Hypatia and Giordano Bruno.

"It is certain that Mrs. Besant has been Hypatia and Bruno," said Mrs. E. O. Peets, president of the Cleveland Theosophical Society. "She remembers all—every day of her existence as those characters."

"Mrs. Besant told her adherents that one of the strongest proofs of her claim that she is a reincarnation of the two characters is that she has been persecuted throughout her life. She avers her former selves have just been revealed to her after twenty years' hard study in England and India in an effort to clear her past.

"During the time of Confucius Mrs. Besant says she lived as different characters, but she can not recall their names. She predicts that she will live again."

Such teaching will confuse the mind and cause the vibrant spirit to languish in a mental prison. Hindu writers are repudiating Mrs. Besant and her teaching, because it deadens the intellect and produces a lethargy hard to overcome. They point out the fact that their people have been ruined by this soul-death, and they need a quickening mind and a will force to act as independent individuals.

In the first place, a woman is always and forever reincarnated as a woman and a man as a man. In the second place, we never remember any former reincarnations, and never will. When God forgives our sins, he remembers them no more forever. What good would it do for God to forget if we ourselves remembered? Forgiveness means a blotting out, a washing that is whiter than snow, an everlasting forgetting of that which is behind.

Now read slowly and silently the nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-first chapters of Revelation. Then turn back and read the first half of the sixth chapter. In starting out, the procession is led by a nameless one on a white horse. He is followed by riders on a red horse, a black horse and a pale horse. Over in the nineteenth chapter the nameless one is called Faithful and True, and he had a name written that no man knew but himself! And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. All the horses are white and all the men in the armies of heaven were clothed exactly alike in fine linen, white and clean. Every man rides the same kind of a horse and is clothed in the same clean linen. There are no red, black or pale horses. And, my beloved, the name of each man is the same as the name of the leader, The Word of God.

You will remember your little earth life no more forever, and your new name will be The Word of God; but no man will know that name in you except yourself. I know that you know and you know that I know by the same Spirit of the Living God. God is good. He will wipe all tears away, and all things will be made new. Shall my mind recall all my trials and tribulations, all my loves and hates? Certainly not! Shall all of my wife's former husbands come forward to renew acquaintance? Will all my wives confront me, to vex the soul of my mate? Verily, I say unto you that has-beens will be forgotten forever. Your soul emerges into the light pure and white, knowing only God.

You began as God, and you must end as God. I believe in reincarnations, but I do not believe in remembrance. I am sure that we are the same spirits that have made the history of the past, and that we are unfolding into conscious Godhood. But it would be a burden of bondage and endless confusion for us to gather up the fragments of our unfoldment. You have no remembrance of the thousands of fathers and mothers you have had and the thousands of children that have called you father or mother. This is the reason why Jesus said we must cut out all this to be a disciple of the truth. Trace your lineage back to God and forward to God.

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When Annie Besant lectured in Denver we got seats up close to the stage, where we could see and hear to the best advantage. An old fat Irish woman came out and sat down, and, but for her beautiful gown, she would have looked like a very ordinary woman. But when she warmed up to her subject you forgot all about the physical woman and only saw and heard the mental woman. How can the spirit within her throw off mortality while she keeps looking back in an effort to remember the past? I wanted to shout to her the mighty truth: "It is the spirit that quickeneth, the flesh profiteth nothing." What matters it how many suits of flesh I have had in the past or how many more I shall have in the future? I AM the same yesterday, to-day and forever. I AM the unchangeable one, and my spirit goes marching on, forgetting the things which are behind.

Why, my mortal names are no more than so many numbers. All of my name is borne by other men, even to the given names. Rev. Thomas J. Shelton, colored, used to get my mail; and I know two Methodist preachers by the name of Thomas Jefferson Shelton. And John Smith, how will he ever find himself? All of these names came from odd associations. The great family of Smiths were smiths—the original name being lost. My own name is from Shelltown. What are you talking about when you begin to try to recall your names? Your only name, when you are Faithful and True, will be The Word of God. The consciousness of God is the only real consciousness. All else is for a day and an hour.

I AM that I AM.

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Speaking of malicious mental malpractice, isn't nearly all mortal thought of this kind? What of politics, religion, society and business? It is all satanic, from the beginning, middle and end. Modern advertising has been reduced to a science, and it is the science of lying. It keeps me busy, as a mental counselor, to save my patrons from the glowing pictures in the malicious mental malpractice of advertisements. Day after day I must resort to the telegraph to save the money of people who are hypnotized by these scientific liars. There never was a time when the mental doctor had his hands so full of work. Be not deceived is the Silent Word going out from this office every day, as well as the written word.

What does it mean? It is the power of God proving all things. Malicious mental malpractice confirms the Healing Word and the power of God to heal the sick, cast out devils and raise the dead. It is all coming in the mental resurrection—the good with the bad—and all who are in their mental graves shall hear the voice of God and come forth.

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The dynamite of mind is at work in the world. Drug healing is not so dangerous as mental healing, for it is not as powerful. The practice of medicine will soon be laughed at as out of date. The medical men who are turning their attention to mind are the ones who are in demand. All the books on self-healing that I have ever read are misleading, and do more harm than good. There can be no mental healing in print. The Great Physician never wrote a word. You can't put it on paper. You can't put the Spirit of Truth into type. If so, the angels and apostles would use typewriters instead of telepathy. I came very near killing myself before I learned how to use the Word, or, rather, to let the Word use me. Unless you have a distinct and certain call from God you had better not try to heal yourself or others. The call was forced on me, and for nearly twenty years I have been trying to get out of it. I shall stay with it from this time forward, and Spirit must make good with me and mine. That means all who come to me for the Word of healing.

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The controversy concerning Mrs. Stetson has been published world wide, and you know when *The Literary Digest* takes it up there is something in it. There is more in it than anything else now engaging the attention of humanity. It is a wonderful demonstration of mental healing and the power of thought. The personality of the woman does not count, but the principle demands our concentrated thought. What did she do? What has she been doing for twenty-five years? She has been preaching and working miracles to confirm the principle she preached. What? Yes, working real mental miracles. The preachers are just now trying to get rid of all miracles, and even eliminating the miracles of Jesus Christ. Here comes a woman and works miracles of healing right under their noses. Genuine, unquestionable miracles, in the face of the whole public. This woman courted publicity, and went right on preaching the truth and working miracles to prove it. She wasn't "good," you say? Well, taking her all in all, she is about as "good" as other apostles and prophets, ancient or modern, who have been called to preach.

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Mrs. Stetson is seventy years old. Now take another look at her picture. This picture was taken fresh and up to date for *The Literary Digest*, and I obtained it through the courtesy of that publication. When she was forty-five years of age she began preaching in New York City. Her pulpit was a packing box, covered with cloth, and was erected in her own rooms. At that time she was caring for an invalid husband, an old soldier of the Civil War. He died some ten years ago. He sneered at her healing and ridiculed her work. At least, this is the reason she gives for not being able to heal him. It is a very reasonable reason, for our own kin are the hardest persons to successfully treat. Mrs. Stetson worked in shabby clothes for one year, and only had fourteen disciples. She kept right at it (for this was before Christian Science shut out the pastors and the preaching), and in a few years she had a thousand disciples. She bought R. Heber Newton's old church, and raised \$108,000 to repair—count them carefully—one hundred and eight thousand dollars.

But this did not satisfy this mighty preacher. She went to work, bought lots and raised \$1,200,000—count it—one million two hundred thousand dollars, and built the present marble church, from which she was deposed as pastor and then expelled as a member. She did this work, even to going on the scaffolds and watching the workmen, and in one instance suppressing a strike. I could fill pages to show the wonder of this mighty woman. Her own fingers were the first to touch and play the great organ when it was installed in the yet unfinished church. She played "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and the workmen threw down their tools and crowded around the organ, joining in the singing. All this wonderful work was accomplished by the Spirit of God in Augusta Stetson, the individual, before the coils of the institutional serpent began to crush out her individuality.

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How did she do it? Are the men of New York so easily hypnotized that a woman can pull the wool over their eyes and pick over a million and a half of dollars out of their pockets before they wake up? It was the majesty of the woman, backed up by the Spirit of Healing. Augusta Stetson is far above Mary Baker Eddy in personality and power. Mrs. Eddy never was much of a healer, and her book is a mixture of sense and nonsense. Mrs. Stetson had all the qualifications of an apostle and prophet. One man gave her \$200,000—count the money—two hundred thousand dollars for healing him of a chronic and so-called incurable disease. Another man gave her \$100,000 for healing his wife. These are only the big gifts, but they show that she was a worker of miracles. Men and women can't be deceived about healing for twenty-five years when the healer stays right in the same place and works the works of God daily before their eyes and in their bodies.

Suppose she did get off and give the death treatments and do foolish things? She had enough to try the patience of a saint. They all do it. It comes on when they are approaching seventy. Mrs. Eddy began letting go at about that age. Helen Wilmans acted the fool about the time she was seventy. Do you say I had better look out? I am looking out, and looking in and looking up, and I know the truth. Get back to Mrs. Stetson. What is the lesson? It is that the resurrection now at hand is bringing up all of the thought that was planted in the days of Jesus and the apostles. What is Christian Science and this mental movement that has grown out of it? The resurrection of all of the thought that was active in apostles, prophets and religionists on the streets of Jerusalem in the years A. D. 30 to 34. All of it is coming up, and the miracles of Jesus and his apostles will be understood and repeated. There is also the rage and hate of the institution. The old vengeance, the old hatred, will come up, with all of the glory and power and love. Christian Science is now suppressing the principle in an effort to save the institution. This is also a part of the divine unfolding, for Satan and Savior are negative and positive elements in the same Spirit.

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### Preaching!

Do you know what that means? Jesus Christ did not send his men out into the world to argue with people. He did not send them to theorize about thoughts and things. He sent them to preach, and told them that he would back up that preaching by healing the sick, casting out devils and raising the dead. They were to make a proclamation, and confirm it by signs following. They were to preach God, act God, and be God in the presence of the people. If the work of Christian Science had continued as it begun, they would have taken the world. They began by preaching and healing. Then the institution shut off the preaching and turned the healers into imitators of the medical profession. Jesus Christ didn't send his preachers out to imitate anybody. They took this old world by storm, and they did it by preaching the truth and healing the people.

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Listen to these wonderful words of one of the greatest preachers sent out by the Spirit of God:

"For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

He did not say foolish preaching. If this would save, the world would be redeemed in a month. You can hear foolish preaching all around you. It was the simple preaching of truth and backing it up by healing. Mrs. Stetson set up her little packing box pulpit, and got behind it to preach. She gathered a few people, and kept on preaching. Day by day she kept at it, until the words of truth made her a center of attraction. She kept right on preaching and working miracles until she picked up nearly two millions of dollars.

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Now, in this age of the world, the money miracle is the great miracle. I have had a prejudice against receiving money for treatments. It was an old feeling coming up from my father and grand-

father, who were preachers of the old school. My father did not believe in receiving money for preaching, and the result was his church did not even bury his body. I buried it with my little thirteen dollars a month as a soldier in the Civil War. I believe it is just as scientific and scriptural for you to send me money as it was for Jesus to tell that blind man to go and wash in the pool of Siloam. He told him to go and do something as a pledge of his faith. The putting of that clay on his eyes was not for the healing, but that he might go and wash it off in the pool. You come to me with your little pieces of money as a pledge of your sincerity, and I give you my time and attention. This is a square deal all around.

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I am just beginning to wake up and get my mental eyes wide open. This battle of the vibrations has brought about my new birth, I will cease to be a teacher and a writer of books, and give my whole time and attention to preaching. I tell you that mental healing has the power to heal all kinds of sickness, including that dreadful disease called poverty. This is an age when you want to make good with money, so that you can control your environment. I preach to you the gospel of business success. I proclaim to you once more the joyful and wonderful truth that mental healing will cast out devils and raise the dead. The only thing is to get the mind of God and the mind of the patient into conjunction. This is the work of the mental healer, and the healer must heal himself. This thing of healers refusing to receive patients, like Mrs. Eddy did, is to go backwards. If the healer is in conjunction with the Spirit he will grow stronger by giving treatments. The word he preaches will not only heal others, but will react on his own body. What else is there in the world? What is all of this outside of your skin to you if you can't stay in your skin? What if your body is clothed with the skin of a seal, if your own skin is full of disease? Why, bless your hearts, we have discovered God. He is in you.

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I AM the resurrection and the life. That means your own I AM. You are God. If not, you are not anything. You are either dust or God. Now you know you are not dust, even if you do eat dirt. You have power to think and move and have your being, and that power is within you. Get the God within you in conjunction with the Universal Spirit, and you will enter into the vibrations of eternal life here and now. It is my business to put you into conjunction with God by preaching the truth to you in the silence. My printed word is only a kind of signboard, pointing to the power of the Silent Word which I send you in the treatments.

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Let us hold our heads level. I want to quit teaching and go to preaching. Will you help me? Of course you will. CHRISTIAN, from this time forward, will preach and heal. I want you to report every case of healing, and especially instantaneous healing. I AM speaking the Word for healing instantly and the full unfoldment into immediate consciousness of Spirit. Bless you, Spirit is now HERE, and the same Spirit that worked wonders in the days of the apostles and prophets. It is a mental resurrection. It is the coming of the Spirit Christ and the manifestation of Satan.

It is the doing away of disease and death. I AM speaking the Word, not only for the healing of disease, but for the healing of death, for death is a disease. Into your hearts I pour this word of regeneration. The absolute destruction of disease, old age and death. "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." I AM after the last enemy.

Christian Science is the resurrection of Christianity, but the religion of the sect is not science. The principle, the science, can't be bottled up in a sect. It is the Free Spirit, and is now moving in the minds of men. What we want and what we are going to have is preaching, preaching, by the inspired individual, and healing of the preachers and their hearers to confirm the Word. It has begun, and no sect in religion can stop it.

Don't be afraid to get into this movement. Get in right now. Let me enroll you as soon as you finish reading this supplement. I AM not asking for money to build marble churches. I want you. Your own body is the temple. I AM seeking to build your mind and your spirit in your body as king and priest. Use this little yellow envelope, and enclose a piece of money with your blessing to me and your prayer for yourself.

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