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\*\*\* I hate to do it, but while preaching these sermons I must help you to turn on your mental light. These sermons will be read all over this earth. Men and women will be reading these words in Calcutta, Paris, London, Stockholm, Berlin, St. Petersburg-in all the civilized world. Therefore, let us look for this once at the microbes in the mind. I mean your mortal mind; for the real mind hasn't anything in it but mind. Your mortal mind is made out of stuff, and I want you to see the different kinds of stuff that you have put into it, or that you let other people your into it. There is nothing unclean in the Light; for the light purifies all things. But in the dark corners of mortal mentality you will find every unclean thing. Oh, I can't call these things by name! You know the names of all of these different diseases. If you have any of them in your mind, you may know that it is moon-mind. Get rid of it! When you turn on the light of the Spirit, you will find all of these things disappearing like shadows.

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\*\*\* This is true in what we call business as well as in politics and religion. What do you suppose all of those advertisements are for, if not to hypnotize the mortal mind? Men stick advertisements in the magazines and papers in order to get them stuck into your mind. They stick all right. The reason they stick is because your mind is mud. Your name is not only Dennis, but it is mud-Dennis Mud. Millions and millions of dollars are spent in advertising on paper, for the simple reason that the human mind is subject to hypnotic influence. It has always been subject to this influence. All of our civilization and education is built on hypnotism. You stick things into the minds of children, and their brains become phonographs. You grind out the same old tune from the same old record until death comes to set you free. Death is a good thing, in that it smashes up the old records. You put pills and powders into your stomach through hypnotic influence. You get your diseases in the same way. Now, how under the sun do you expect Satan to cast out Satan? How can material medicines cast out mortal thought? What causes disease? What is the foundation of disease? The unconscious mind is uneasy, because it can't get you to understand that you are a fool for want of sense. Pain is in the mind, the real mind, the unconscious or subconscious mind. The spirit within you is uneasy.

\*\*\* Oh, yes, hunger, thirst, pain, misery, suffering are all mental conditions. You are pent up, bottled up, smothering, for want of the right kind of light. Your spirit is in prison. It makes a disturbance. It cries out. It calls and calls for help. This is not only scriptural, but it is scientific. A spiritual interpretation of the scriptures will always make them scientific. It is the science of the Spirit, and modern mentality is just now coming up to the scriptures. The very latest investigation tells us that the unconscious mind is the cause of nervousness. They tell us scientifically that this subconscious mind has unfulfilled desires that it must have fulfilled or the nervous system will be torn to pieces. Just as soon as this unconscious mind is satisfied, the whole nervous system assumes a normal vibration Jesus told his disciples, and the ranting religionists heard it, that Satan had bound a woman and all the doctors had failed to cure her. He cured her on the Sabbath day, and the priests had a fit over it. The Satan that bound her was mortal hypnotism.

\*\*\* Jesus Christ spoke the Word to set her free. There was nothing the matter with her spirit. The only thing that bound her was this mortal disease caused by ignorance. It was an ignorance that had been handed down from generation to generation. Just as our own diseases have been sent on down the ages by hypnotic influence. In modern, up-to-date language Jesus reached her subconscious mind and set her free. Lord. bless us! Think of the fences that have been built around us! And the medical men go right on building these fences higher and higher. They set up a fashionable disease, and everybody takes It. You start out and spend enough money to advertise a nostrum, and everybody will buy it. You are hypnotized. God is not sick. There is not anything in the world the matter with Spirit, and your own subconscious mind is a spirit. When it is once quickened by a little light of truth, you soon hear from it. There is a voice within you calling for freedom. This voice is the voice of your own spirit. It is tearing your whole nervous system to pieces in its efforts to get out of bondage. This is the proclamation that Jesus Christ told his disciples to preach. Preach the gospel-the good news; for that is what the word "gospel" means. He did not tell them to go out and talk about disease and the horrors of microbes.

\*\*\* Good news, glad tidings! If we could only hear good news once in a while! Take up your newspaper and read of the horrors and blunders and general cussequess of hypnotized humanity. Then turn to the advertising columns and read the nostrums that are offered as cure-alls for the ills of poor mortals. All of us are a set of lunatics. One running after the other. All of us hellbent, and the devil take the hindmost! It is nothing under the sun but hypnotism; for mortal mind is mush. Glad tidings! "Go preach the gospel, heal the sick, cast out devils, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, freely ye have received, freely give!" Glorious God! What a message to mankind! What a wonderful unfoldment or the Spirit! Preach the good news and set the subconscious mind free from bondage. Are you restless; are you miserable; are you in the depths of despair; are you full of diseases of mind and body? It is because your real self is trying to make your conscious self understand the truth. It is your own soul beating against the bars. Jesus came preaching to the spirits in prison. Mortal mind is the prison.

\*\*\* I tell you the truth, and the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, when I say that the gospel of Jesus Christ is practical. Jesus was a preacher of pragmatism. He had no theory to expound and no institution to support. He spoke as the Spirit gave him utterance. There was nothing in his way. He set the soul free with the word. He commanded and it was done. Did he ever stumble over any case as chronic and beyond his reach? It seems to me that he went at the healing in a careless sort of way. It had to be called out of him by compassion. He knew that this world of mortality was not real. Hence he paid no

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attention to it except when his compassion was aroused by suffering. It had to be a mental appeal. As he passed along the public highway. there were many blind beggars. But one, Bartimeus, called out and kept calling until he had attracted the attention of Jesus. The spirit of the beggar recognized the prophet. His eyes were opened. A young man dies, and his mother, a widow, starts with him to the grave. Jesus met the funeral procession and had compassion on her. He spoke to the young man, offered him his hand, told him to arrse, and gave him to his mother. It is all modern, up-todate science. Only we are going along with the same old hypnotism by repeating the same old words every day. I said we, but I don't mean Us; for we are coming into our own mental kingdom.

\*\*\* Glad tidings! The same old glad tidings with the same glorious God. You can get out of the wilderness. Your subconscious self can be set free. This is the kind of work we are doing. I want to talk shop; for my shop is not a bargain counter. I can deliver the goods. I AM delivering the goods every day of the world. And you know, when I say I AM, it means the man and the woman. She is a prophet. I never know, when she speaks of you people, whether she has received your letter or not. It is such a common thing for us to get your letters before they are mailed that we have ceased to think of it as anything wonderful. If I should tell you the many instances, you would think it a fairy-story. It is not only a common thing for us to get your thoughts and the substance of your letters, but to get many more thoughts than you ever can put on paper. Many of you people have been with us a number of years. and you know; but there are new readers to whom this will sound like fiction. All that I can say to you is to wait until you get into the mental fellowship. The ones who have been with us the longest are the ones who are enthusiastic. I want you to come into the joy of our mentality.

\*\*\* I have left out quotations from letters for the simple fact that I have too many. I have to quit quotations every once in a while and throw the whole batch into the waste-basket. I save out good letters until my desk is filled. It would do you good to look over these letters. At the top of many you will find the word "save," which means that in giving credit to subscription the letter must be saved for future reference. There is not room enough to quote the good letters, and we can't afford at present to double the size of CHRISTIAN. You get the vibration, and that is sufficient. I don't want to tell you about the healing of disease, and the curing of poverty and misery; for I don't want you to think of such things. If your mentality is filled with the thought of poverty, we want to turn the light of opulence into it. All there is in this universe belongs to you. You are here. You have always been here, and you will always be here. For this is your home, and this planet is your place. I don't say you will be confined to this planet always, but it is your little home at present. There

isn't anything too good for you. You can get it all, even to the throwing off of disease and death. It is all in the glad tidings of great joy.

\*\*\* The business boss has a scheme in her heart, and tells me to stop right here and tell you about it. As next year is the year twelve, she wants to add twelve thousand new names to the list of CHRISTIAN. Now, you people have paid and are paying for treatments. You are entitled to send out the glad tidings to your friends and neighbors. The postoffice will not let us send out even the two-copy list any more under our permit; so we must send each naper in a separate wrapper or stick the stamps. This we are perfectly willing to do. The cost of printing, folding, wrapping and postage on CHRISTIAN is at least fifty cents a year. This fellowship is able to pay this freely, and we are doing it. Therefore, if a new reader gets CHRISTIAN with the name printed on the wrapper, you may know that somebody has paid your subscription up to the date marked after your name. The first figure is for the month. The other two figures are for the year. For instance, 1-11 means that your subscription expired January, 1911. She thanks you for the names already sent in, and hopes you will keep up the good work. If convenient, let the people know that the paper is sent with your compliments. And send names whether there are any due you or not.

\*\*\* This blessed partner of mine says for me not to dismiss the congregation until we take up a collection. She passes the hat for all of you who are behind to pay up your subscriptions. And this does not mean people who are sending in here regularly every month; for the laggards are those who only send once a year. The yearly subscription is only one dollar; and fifty cents of that we pay out in cash in order to get your paper printed and delivered to you. She says for each of you to look on your paper and see what those figures say; and you will find that many of you are back numbers. It will pay you to pay in advance. Let us make everything read at least 1-13: and don't be afraid of the hoodoo of thirteen, for it is my birth number. Thirteen is a glorious number; for I am giving this treatment on August the thirteenth: and She whom my soul loves says that this is the best issue of CHRISTIAN that I ever dictated. This is the place for applause, and I want all of you to applaud; for in this "church" applause is not only allowed, but it is earnestly desired. When she applauds, I know it is a good sermon. Don't forget that collection, for she means business; besides, she says she doesn't like to see an untidy subscription list. Let's give her the twelve thousand new names for 1912.

\*\*\* In conclusion, let me remind you that mortality is hell, and we are living right here in the prison of mortal mentality. You are surrounded by it on all sides and in every walk of life. There is no need of railing against the bad; for it is perfectly natural in this kind of a world. There is no cure for mortal mind. It must be ex-

### terminated. It is a temporary condition. Even the thousands and thousands of years of mortality are as nothing when compared with eternity. I want also to impress upon your minds the fact that your spirit can be set free. I hold out hope to every soul struggling for a breath of free air. The words and work of Jesus Christ are demonstrable in the present day. You remember how I got into Christian Science. I held a public debate, over twenty years ago, with Dr. Waddell, a Christian Scientist. His proposition read: "The healing of the physical body is a part of the commission of Jesus Christ, and can be scripturally and scientifically demonstrated at the present day." He affirmed and I denied. I convinced him and he convinced me. I left the ministry and he returned to it. We simply changed places, except that I could not indorse the religion of Christian Science. That proposition is the truth. The commission of Christ commands healing.

\*\*\* It is not only the truth, but it is science. You ask me the difference between truth and science. Science is truth in a system. It is truth systematized and made practical. The science of music makes music. Christian Science makes Christians. I have had a hard time getting that proposition of Dr. Waddell in to a science. The only way I could get there was to keep right on practicing. I began the preaching and the practice, and was plunged into the psychic wilderness. Oh. I have passed all the way from Egyptian bondage, across the Red Sea, through the wilderness and into the Promised Land! The glory of the Promised Land is the pneumatic or spiritual vibrations. When you get out of the psychic wilderness, you are out from under the satanic influence and in the clear light of the sun. In going through the wilderness you are liable to mistake fireflies and jack-o'-lanterns for the true light. Even moonshine is sometimes thought to be the light of the spirit. Why, beloved, the true Light is liable to knock you down. It knocked Paul off his horse and made him blind The scales never fell from his eyes until the true Word was spoken to him by the preacher of the gospel. This is the sunlight number of CHRISTIAN. We both join together in sending to you the Glad TidIngs of Great Joy! The Healing Word goes out every hour.

\*\*\* The healing we are doing is for your eternal as well as temporal needs. It is not a mental kingdom that upsets the business of the world, but one that puts business on a genuine business basis. The present order is war between capital and labor, because neither understands the other. In the reign of Christ we cease to be religious and become scientific. Satanic Science takes you out of the tangle of god and devil and puts your mind at ease in the knowledge that there is one and only one Spirit in :

universe. As to whether that Spirit is satan or saviour depends on the attitude of our own minds. Satan today may be Saviour tomorrow, because you have changed your mind. Now, it is our business to help you change your mind into the right vibration, for we are mental healers. There is no other kind of healing.

### THOUGHTLESS THINKERS.

The majority of people imagine if they get through a mass of reading matter they are studying along new thought lines; and then they begin to wonder why they do not make greater progress or come into a fuller demonstration.

The fact is, they do not demonstrate at all. They imagine they do and that is where it ends.

Over reading, especially along the socalled occult literature is more injurious than over eating.

Indiscriminate reading must be avoided and one ought to cultivate the knowing what to reject instead of what to accept. What is one man's food is another man's poison and no one can point out for another what to read. The Spirit within you is the safest guide. In order to follow your Spirit in the matter of reading as well as in everything else, you must take one step at a time. Confine your reading along one line until you have understood and assimilated it and are able to separate the wheat from the chaff; and you will find your mental powers developing slowly but so surely that it will be apt to astonish you.

All inspired writings are not fully interpreted either by the writer or the reader. The author is in too much haste to put his thoughts on paper to wait until the Word of God comes to him clearly. When the Word is given, he is not content to stop for you know there is a certain amount of copy to be turned in and space to be filled, a certain brand of clientele to please.

The reader closes the doors of inspired understanding and is only willing to accept that which appeals to his peculiar process of reasoning, or previous mental training.

In order to be born again we must become as little children ready to absorb ideas, to be shown strange paths, and be willing to ploy through an article many times before we get an inkling of its message.

If we have not succeeded along our present lines it follows we must try other methods. We must not only read, but we must know what we read, and understand it so well that we unconsciously apply it to our every day lives. We must do this, even if it is but a paragraph a day.

When we no longer remember what we read, if it is all meaningless, we are suffering from overreading, a mental indigestion that is further reaching in its effects than the physical complaint. The mind becomes clogged and then atrophies and reacts upon the body and the environment.

You ask why we should read at all; why the Spirit should not be revealed to us directly. The Spirit does reveal Himself every day and every minute of our lives but we are too filled with the thoughts of ill health, and of work and distress and of what might possibly happen to listen. Then there are the children to watch and worry over, the work to be done, the social functions to be attended until we are too wearied in body and mind to listen to any Voice except that of fatigue; and the hori-

# zon keeps narrowing and the angle of our vision becomes more acute.

A few advanced souls where the spirit is knocking loudly for a hearing, half heartedly try to throw off the present conditions, but they do not know how to go about it. They have been in the habit of mortal thought too long. They want their bodies made over in the same old pattern that has been used for thousands of years until the edges are all frayed.

Their feeble efforts, however, although at first mechanical will grow stronger and more wisely directed. Their minds will become quickened and operate in the vibration of Truth, the proper brain cells will become developed, and they will begin to dominate their bodies and their environment.

To help them on their way they need the healer, the one who has dropped everything else; who has ceased experimenting, and who has given a life time to the development of this power and who has the ability to respond to the Voice of the Spirit; and to help others to respond.

He does not reach you physically. He reaches your mind, and through your mind your body, for this is a mental world after all.

The Holy Spirit is the spirit of the universe. In it you live and move and have your being. Then there is in you an individualized spirit which is your unconscious self. It is with this spirit the healer gets in touch and awakens it to activity. When that self becomes conscious you will control your thoughts, your body, and your world about you. Jesus Christ promised us the quickening Spirit, but we would become conscious of our own divinity; and it is going on around about us and in us every day; but we keep pulling because we are afraid.

It is the healer who gives you courage and helps to cast out that fear. Each healer has his own particular way of attracting your attention first, either by word of mouth or on paper. It must become fixed until your interest is awakened, until you catch the spirit of the message, and not merely the words uttered or printed, and then your Kingdom is before you ready for you to take possession in your own mentality.

Selected reading, that is not over-reading, keeps you poised, banishes the day's cares and trivialities from your mind, brings you in better poise, and helps to make you receptive to the healer's message. The world outside adjusts itself to your mental and physical condition. Every organ will function naturally and your whole being vibrate with Light. You will be the master, the ruler of your body and of your mind by the power of your own will.

Your horizon will broaden, you will cease to criticise yourself and others, knowing that trouble comes through ignorance, heart aches spring from misunderstanding; and disease from inharmony.

As you get to understand yourself better, and your Spirit gains the dominion all of this mortal experience will pass away.

BLANCHE SHELTON.

### THE TRIANGLE IS TRIUMPHANT.

### Us! IIS

We started it.

President Taft representing all of Us. United States, Great Britain and France. This is the Pyramid of Peace and Good

Will to men.

Unlimited arbitration agreement between these three insures peace for the whole world.

You will find another three coming into this agreement, and still another three, unth nine nations are represented. This is the work of the mind of the Spirit. It seems a long time coming, but it will be a long time here. We can afford to wait for thousands and thousands of years of unfoldment in order to get what we want.

Arbitration and reciprocity!

These are the plumes in our hat. It doesn't matter so much about the men, for there are many of Us; but there are three men—Taft, Jusserand and Laurier. These three are in the limelight. They are working for the whole world. But it does not matter about the personality of the men. God has a happy way of bringing the right men to the front at the right time. We are getting ready for the millennium.

A thousand years of peace!

What can we do with this old earth in one thousand years? A thousand years of peace on earth and good will to men. A thousand years fighting to make the earth habitable. A thousand years of science. One thousand years to get rid of disease, crime, sin, sickness, poverty and everything that hinders the unfolding mind of man. It is here right now; for we do things quickly when we once get started. America, England and France have set the fashion. Other nations will come into the agreement in order to be in the fashion. A wave of good common-sense is going over the earth. War is hell, and we are going to get rid of hell. Poverty is hell, and we are going to get rid of it. 'Disease and death-all of these things are going; and when we once get started in the right way we shall go rapidly. We shall wake up some morning and find ourselves in the kingdom of God.

The Cross of Christ!

Means blood. It means poverty. It means disease. It means everything that is a curse to the mind. The one man who had all power in heaven and on earth refused to use it for his own personal ambition. He refused to use his power for the creation of food to appease his own hunger. He refused to use this power to startle men by casting himself from the pinnacle of the temple. Last of all. to make the triangle triumphant, he refused to use his power to subjugate and enslave humanity. All the kingdoms of this world and their glory had no temptation for Christ. It meant the cross. No man could exhibit that power before mortal mind at that time without suffering death. He did show forth his power; but it was for the healing of diseases, the casting out

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of devils, the cleansing of lepers, and even the raising of the dead.

### He was, indeed, the prince or peace.

His kingdom is not of mortal mind; for the mortal-mind kingdoms come and go. They are here today and gone tomorrow. The kingdom of mentality, the kingdom of the spirit, is an everlasting kingdom. All these centuries we have had Jesus Christ on the cross. During that time we have been crucifying each other. We have been hard at work raising hell. Slaughtering men with swords and balls, and keeping up the vibrations of disease and death. All this time the King of the Jews has been hanging on the cross. We could not see the real man, and so we kept looking at that bleeding victim. The real man had risen from the dead and had ascended into the higher vibrations.

### He kept talking to us by telepathy.

The roar of cannon and the flashing of swords kept us from hearing the Silent Word. The Word of Truth is always very still. It is a still small voice, but it speaks on forever. Take your eyes from the cross. Look up towards the sun. Jesus Christ is reigning in the sun. If you will read the last book in the New Testament, you will find many references to the sun. The face of Jesus shines above the brightness of the sun. There is a glorious woman clothed with the sun, with a crown of twelve stars on her head. An angel stands in the sun and proclaims the great feast of flesh. Everything points to the center of our solar system. You know there are many others besides the one in which we live. But our little system is governed by the sun, as all other systems are governed by the suns. Christ is coming down from the cross. The triangle is to be the builder.

It had to come.

Men are getting into the secrets of nature, and it was impossible for us to go on in mortal mind. Think of the carnal mind having power to blow up the planet. The mind of Peace must take hold of power. Just listen to this one little statement in regard to teledynamics. That is a good word.

#### Teledynamics!

It is another one of the new words, but it is a very old word when you analyze it. Jesus claimed all power in heaven and on the earth. He used the Greek word from which we get "dynamo," "dynamic," "dynamite." If all the dynamite is in his hands, then men have only been fooling with power without knowing what to do with it. And what is this all-power, this dynamo, of Jesus Christ? Just words. All the weapon he has is the two-edged sword proceeding out of his mouth. The sword of the Spirit is speech. Tele-dynamics means power in speech. You tell a thing to blow up, and it blows up. You speak the Word to the mountain and cast it into the midst of the sea. Just talking! But it is the Spirit of God talking. The worlds were created by the Word of his power. Telepathy! "And God said, Let there be light and there was light." This God Said, is telepathy. Genuine wireless words, spoken from the sun.

### Teledynamics.

And yet we have gone on thinking that power was in a club or a gun or some material thing. All power is in mentality and we have learned how to project mind and send it where we will. The only healing of disease will be by the method of the Christ. He spoke! It was mind speaking to mind. Did you know he never addressed the body? Even in speaking to a dead man he called him by name. In speaking to a deaf man he called him by name, issued orders to his mind. Oh, you say that was Jesus. No, my friend, it was not; Jesus was a very common name. It was Christ. And the Christ is the Spirit of God. "No man can do the miracles that thou doest except God be with That was the testimony of Nicodehim." mus. But any man can do these miracles if God is with him. It is the kingdom of mentality. It is the mind of the universe in control of the universe. Instead of having the person of Jesus reign over us, we have the Spirit of Christ. The principle is everywhere, and men are just beginning to recognize the omnipotence and omnipresence of God. This brings peace on earth and good-will to men. Why? Because there is only one spirit. Antagonism belongs to mortal mind, and mortal mind is material; it is made out of matter. Mortal mind is a foolish, silly thing-a kind of abnormal growth. It is put out of existence when the true mind comes into power. Let me quote just a few words to show you the trend of modern thought:

"Berlin, July 15.—A teacher of Nuremberg, Christopher Wirth, has given to the world an invention which may considerably alter the aspect of future warfare by rendering Dreadnoughts obsolete and gunboats useless. "The new war vessel, whether for air or water, will be crewless—a mere machine of destruction of life and property—while the operator is miles away conducting a battle

by means of buttons and levers. "The inventor recently gave a practical demonstration before a special committee of the German Navy League (Flottenverein) in a secluded part of the Wannsee, a lake near Berlin. The system employed is very similar to that used in wireless telegraphy, and is the latest wonder in teledynamics.

"The first experiments took place in a building where the inventor went into a room surrounded by thick walls and passed his electric waves through the wall, exploding miniature mines on the other side in order selected by his visitors. He also fired off a revolver, and started and stopped an electric motor and a steam engine by the same means.

"On the lake he worked a specially made boat from the land, steering it in all directions without visible connection, fired off guns which were on board, and exploded sunken and floating mines in the water.

"The unmanned motorboat was then steered through a labyrinth of small boats, the gear was reversed, and she returned to her original position. Bengal lights and fireworks were also ignited by wireless waves and only in the order desired.

"The wave currents were transmitted and received through antennæ in a very similar manner to that used in connection with receivers and transmitters in wireless telegraphy. Each transmitter must be 'attuned' to the receiver before the current operates

to the receiver before the carton operation of the inventor has also applied his apparatus to balloons and flying machines. An aeroplane with electric motor can be steered from land in all directions and can be made to drop bombs when required. "What is not explained is what would happen if an opposing electric wave could be got into tune and were directed in an opposite direction, but probably a premature explosion would occur."

Now you see where we are drifting. Jesus said that all power was given unto him. And it is time for him to come forward and claim his own. Men are getting to a place where they can blow up this planet if peace does not reign. Men of ill-will are not fit to handle airships and dynamite. We are going to quit ill-will. All of these forces must be used for the good of humanity. Look at that man on the cross. What did he ever do to deserve such a death? He was the enemy of death. He gave to the deaf new hearing and to the blind new vision and to the paralytic new limbs. To the festered flesh of the leper he gave skin as smooth as that of a little child. The maniac was restored to his right mind. Even to the hungry he was ready to call food out of the elements.

Take him down from the cross!

Get all of this blood out of your mind. Get all of this thought of killing out of your heart. This is a dreadful old world while death reigns. But the real man is coming in the clouds. That is, by electricity; and every eye shall see him and every heart shall know. Did you read carefully the account of that man's invention? It is simply a crude symbol of thought. All power is in thought. Don't have to have any kind of an invention. Machines are not needed by the right kind of a thinker. But the right kind of a thinker does not think destruction. He thinks good-will to men. He is thinking all the time of giving joy. His thoughts go out for the restoration of the mind and the body. It is the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Listen to this statement of the mortal body from a mighty mind:

"Of what is the body composed? Fivesevenths of flesh and blood are water, while the substance of the body consists of albumen, fibrin, casein and gelatin; that is, organic substances composed originally of the four essential gases—oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen and carbonic acid. Water is a combination of two gases, air a mixture of two gases; thus our body is composed only of transformed gases.

"None of our flesh existed three or four months ago; shoulders, face, eyes, mouth, arms, hair, even to the very nails—the entire organism is but a current of molecules, a ceaselessly renewed flame, a river which we may look at all our lives, but never see the same water again.

"All is but assimilated gases, condensed and modified, and more than anything else it is air. Our whole body is composed of invisible molecules which do not touch each other, and which are continually renewed by means of assimilation directed, governed and organized by the immaterial force which animates us. To this force we may assuredly give the name soul."—Camille Flammarion.

Yet we have been thinking that this body was substantial and that mentality was ephemeral. If this is true of the human body (and it is), it is also true of the body of the universe—all of the bodies of the universe. The millions and millions of material worlds could be swept out of existence, and the suns would go right on as if nothing had happened. Did I say that? It was said by Edgar Lucien Larkin, one of the greatest astronomers on earth. Listen to his words:

"They are all white-hot, colossal suns. Many are thousands of times larger than our little star—the sun. Suppose each sun keeps eight worlds alive as does our own sun. Then there would be 800,000,000 worlds. Suppose each to be inhabited like the earth. Then this startling fact can be proved by mathematics—the whole 800, 000,000 planets could come to an end and never be missed. The 100,000,000 suns would still move on as though nothing had happened."

No wonder the sacred writers say that God is light. Light is the only real substance in the universe. There is only light, and light is life. Life can go right on living without a material body of water and gases; for it can clothe itself with an electric body and live and move and have being in the Great Light. The wireless sends out thought by having instruments attuned to each other. It is said of this infernal invention of the German that his instruments have to be attuned. Now, don't you see the wonder of the music of the spheres, of the eternal harmony in the universe? All we have to do to get rid of disease and death, sin and sickness, war and hell, is to be in tune with the universe. Let us get up a little higher, and then climb a little higher every day until the horizon reaches out to the whole thought of the universe.

The triangle is triumphant!

This is the kind of work we are doing every day in our little Fellowship. I say "little fellowship," for it looks that way, counting by numbers; and yet each one of us must be in tune with all of the others. Instead of a little sect or little local organization, let each one of us reach up to the center, and put our souls in tune with the Infinite. Telepathy means the transference of thought -- living thought, divine dynamite; and it must be sent out with love. The very joy of living must be in the healing words. That is what we are doing in this fellowship. It is growing mightier every minute, and we are in fellowship with the whole. The United States of America must and will take the initiative in universal arbitration.

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"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

These angels are all alive. There is no death in the higher vibrations. If you can't hear their song it is not because they have ceased to sing. It is because your ears are dull of hearing. You can only hear the screams of the steam engines, the toots of automobile horns, the rumble and fattle of this mortal life. If you think of angels your mind takes an excursion into fairy land. Now these men are very substantial and their song is the voice of the Eternal. Peace is a new kind of a principle while war is for time. War is temporal; peace is eternal. Let your mind go up along the higher minds and take in the eternal intelligence of the universe.

Why, bless your soul, if mortals are the only intelligent beings in the universe, God pity the universe. You look at the heroes of humanity and they are men with clubs in their hands. Men of the lower intelligence fighting like animals. The war hero is nothing more than a big bull and often he is no more than a jackass. Yet we look up to the sky and think it is empty. There are multitudes of angels who are the intelligent inhabitants of the suns. They not only sing the song of peace but they speak the Word foretelling carnage. One of these same angels singing the song of Peace was heard to make a proclamation and give an invitation to the great feast of flesh. Here are his words:

"And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying, to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; that ye may eat the fiesh of kings, and the fiesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men; both free and bond, both small and great."

Edison, in an interview, tells us that the airship will end war. The aeroplane will end war but not before it has been used for war and mortal man has made an end of mortality. The mortal man is a fool and more than a fool for he is a madman. He is determined to see how much hell he can raise from an airship. When the French government called for volunteers they were surprised at the number of men who were ready to man airships. There will be battles in the air and every vestige of mortality will be destroyed. Man has sought out many inventions and always put them to an infernal use. The satanic vibrations get in their work and mortal man kills himself with his own inventions. Therefore these angels are not always singing songs of peace. They unfold before us the workings of the law of mentality.

And let me tell you that the men who are dcing the fighting are the very same men who will make peace. This angel saw a great feast of fiesh. Spirits remain the same forever. I have told you that the universe is mathematical as well as musical. The number of intelligences is precisely the same now as in the eternal past. Spirits do not come and go with the passing of the years. The movement we see is the movement of matter. It is a great feast of flesh for men are experimenting in the flesh. In the realm of Spirit everything is the same yesterday, today and forever. Rest your souls in the everlasting fact that God never changes.

This universe is eternal and unchangeable in its substance. Mortal man has been going to school in matter. What we call matter is the Kindergarten of God. It is the place where we learn to be and to do. It is the only way for mental unfoldment. God is Spirit; men are minds. The mind unfolds by experience.

"Let us have peace."

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