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REGENERATION OF THE BODY BY THE RESURRECTION OF THE MIND.

THE REAL LORD'S PRAYER

JOHN XVII

These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: as thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word. Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee. For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.

I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them as thou hast loved me.

Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me. And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

ITEMS AND IDEAS.

*** Let us pray!

*** But let us pray the right prayer.

*** Let us seek in the right way for truth.

*** What is commonly known as the Lord's Prayer is our prayer.

*** It is the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray while we are at work for its fulfillment.

*** The real Lord's Prayer is the seventeenth chapter of John. It is the prayer that Jesus prayed for all of us, including himself.

*** We will not try to change the titles that have been fixed in the minds of the people; therefore, in speaking of the Lord's Prayer we will use the prayer in the Sermon on the Mount.

*** Let us pray the Lord's Prayer with an understanding mind and full faith in its fulfillment. It covers everything in the unfoldment of our own minds. It is a condensed statement of the whole truth.

*** When the world gets up to the Lord's Prayer, the will of God will be done on earth as it is in heaven, and the millennium will have arrived. It will be peace on earth and good-will to men.

*** "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Do you see in your mind how far that prayer will reach? In scientific language, it means for mind to take possession of matter.

*** It means for the light to expel darkness in both mind and body. When your whole body is full of light, you can think without being hindered by the sluggish matter that is now in your body. The matter that is in your body will be so electrified that you can think yourself from one place to another.

*** The will of mind will be done in your body as it is in your mind. That is what heaven means. Now you know that the will of your mind is not running your body, except when you are asleep. You can go anywhere when you are asleep. Nothing hinders your thought from taking you anywhere that you desire to go.

*** In praying the Lord's Prayer you are asking to be just the same awake as you are asleep. To have the power to go anywhere that you will to go without hindrance. The body will be as light as the Light. It will partake of the nature of the light, for it will be electrified. It is a part of our unfoldment that we shall reach an electrified body.

*** These lessons are given to you in broken paragraphs each month that you may be able to take them in broken doses. You are advanced far enough now to read the scriptures in the light of science. Instantly you can go to any part of the world in your mentality. Now you are a Mind, and therefore you can go anywhere you will to go by your thought. Our present rapid transit is mortal mind trying to climb up to the real vibration of the Spirit.

*** We think that the lightning express train, the automobile, the airship, and all the means of rapid transit are wonderful inventions, and so they are. But the mind is going faster than the body. We can send a wireless message almost instantly. The great ship that steams out into the ocean is not out of the reach of mind. It carries an apparatus by which we can reach thought. This invention will transmit the thoughts of passengers and receive the thoughts from their friends on the land.

*** There must be a movement of the body to correspond with this movement of the mind. It will not be by machinery. It must come through mentality. It is all in the Lord's Prayer that Jesus taught us to pray. Our thought is just getting up to that thought. For centuries we have prayed that prayer in a childish way. We are now praying it in a scientific way. It is being unfolded before our minds, so that we are making a new prayer to a living God. The kingdom of God is within me; so, when I pray that prayer I am talking to the light within my own mind.

*** I pray that my will may be done in my body as it is in my mind. I pray that I may go to London in my thought and appear there in my body. In other words, that my will may be done in the body as it is in the mind. I can go to San Francisco or New York in the twinkling of an eye. I have to go all over the world in my mind to give treatments. If a man in London is sick and sends to me for treatments, I go to him in my thoughts. I can't ask a sick man to come to me. I go to him in my own proper person, so far as the spirit is concerned. I want to have such control over my body that I can go in my whole personality.

*** We are triune beings and we want to be whole. The whole being is composed of body, mind and spirit. Spirit is the lord and master of body and mind. Spirit is the God in us. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, is what we must say to our own divinity. The way we used to pray that prayer was to look up into the sky for an old man who was all-powerful as a man, or a kind of beloved being we called our father. When we pray that prayer today we look right into our own spiritual natures and call God by his right name. The scriptures have told us, and science has confirmed it, that God is universal Spirit. We, as individualized spirits, live and move in the universal.

*** When you get so that you can pray the Lord's Prayer as your own prayer, you may turn to this seventeenth chapter of John and see how Jesus prayed for all of us, including himself. There are two keywords in that prayer. Unity and glory. He recognized the unity of the universe. The prayer is that you may be glorified, and that means electrified. The word "glory" means brightness. The glory of God is the light of God. In scientific terms, we pray to be electrified. We don't even understand that word, but we understand it better than we do the word "glorify." In science we also have another word that has a solid

foundation. It is the word "radiant," from radium. So you see, science and the scriptures taken together will lift us into the Resurrection.

*** Glorify me with thine own self. There is no other glory. The divine light within you must radiate throughout your whole body. This is to be glorified with the glory of God. The glory of your own self. The old thought was that we must borrow glory from some other fellow, and through all eternity we were to shine in the light of some other man. This is not in the text. It is a mistake in the interpretation. This seventeenth chapter of John calls for the universal glory to shine in each individual. He is asking not only for himself, but for all of us. Asking for our glory. In the words of this very day, he is asking for the earthman to be lifted into his proper place. To be glorified with the glory that we had with God before the world was.

*** Let us go back to the beginning of the cosmos, so far as this planet is concerned, and take a run through the whole Bible. I have often taken you people through the book, but new readers are coming in all the time. It is well to review, and let the new readers into the light while fixing the truth more firmly into the minds of all of us. There is an unbroken Scripture, and the Bible is not a mistake. It is just as much a growth as this planet. You know this planet grew from a little globe of radium, which is still in its center. This little globe of radium gathered to itself a crust of earth and water, and made the planet habitable for men clothed in like manner. We are atoms of radium clothed with matter. The body is earth, and the spirit is a sun directing and controlling all the atoms of the body.

*** There are two accounts of the creation of man. The theologians have puzzled themselves over these two accounts in Genesis. They have brought forward many theories for the two records of creation. The sunphone explains it all. The first creation is recorded as follows: "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." That's the idea. And it is perfect. This is the real man. He is in the likeness and image of God. There is nothing wrong about that first record, for there are two men.

*** Here is the record of the other man: "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." That is the other fellow. When I went over this ground in Satanic Science, you remember, I had two creations. I had an earthman and a sunman as separate creations. That was a mistake. I take great pleasure in taking back what I

said about the two men. They are both in the one man. It does me good, down in the bottom of my heart, to be able to say what I think, when I think, without the fear of having to keep on thinking the same thought. When a man subscribes to a creed or formulates a faith, he drives a peg down and drives it so deep that he never can go beyond it. In this fellowship we are free to think our thoughts today and change our minds tomorrow.

*** In the first record of creation it reads that Elohim said: "Let US make man in our image, after our likeness." Now, this God in the first record includes all of US. This man was made in the image and after the likeness of all of US. The second record says that Yahveh Elohim "formed man of the dust of the ground." This Lord God is none other than the I AM. The I AM God formed this earthman to dwell on the earth. What is this Lord God? It is none other than the Word. It is the creative energy of the universe in action. All things were made by the Word, and without the Word there was no formation of anything. And what is all this in scientific terms? It is the plain teaching that the sun is our father and the earth is our mother. The sunman is in the image and likeness of God, and the earthman is formed of the dust of the ground.

*** Our bodies contain the elements of the earth and our spirits are suns. And all of this and much more we find in the scriptures. Science is just now coming forward to confirm the word of the old Book; that is, every essential thought. There are many fringes and frills in the Bible that are not essential to its truth. These little things are a part of our mortal mentality, and they are gathered out of the great ocean of truth like shells on the seashore. You may go back now to that seventeenth chapter of John and read that prayer. Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, to the light of the sun, and prayed a prayer to the Father of Lights. He could not put that prayer in scientific terms, for we were not ready to receive the truth in that way. And yet the scientific ideas are there in every word. You know that he was not seeing an earthly father in the form of a man. He was praying to the I AM of his own being.

*** Get right back to the personal and pray that prayer yourself. It is your prayer. It belongs to you. It is part of your inheritance. You are an heir to the ages. All that has been and all that is belongs to US. *The unfolding mind of man* has come up to the radiant being. It is all in the unfoldment. There have been no accidents in the universe to upset this unfoldment. The old pictorial primer that we used in our old thought is all right in its place. It amused me to hear a preacher, a highly educated man, in this town talking about hell and heaven as being old, out-of-date thoughts. He prided himself on preaching that there was no hell and no devil, and he kept on preaching such negations until he lost his congregation. *You must have faith in an af-*

firmation, no matter if the affirmation is wrong. When you analyze the Presbyterian creed it seems horrible, but the Presbyterians have no trouble in maintaining their churches and going on with their glorious work.

*** The same is true of all the Calvinistic churches. John Calvin and John Knox and Martin Luther, and men of that kind, did not have all of the truth. But they had a faith in what little truth they did have that was a genuine faith. A man can't stand up and make fun of the Bible and hold his place among intelligent thinkers. The Book needs a new and fresh interpretation, but it is as solid as the Rock of Ages. The record in Genesis is the work of an editor. The records are older than Moses and older than any known history. Moses put into his writing the essential truths of the ages. It is all there. Men are only growing up to it instead of growing away from it. The real hell is a great deal hotter than the hell in the Bible. The Bible only gives a little sketch of it, but the reality comes into our experience. As for Satan and the devils, you can read about them every day in any daily newspaper. You can't stand up in the pulpit and laugh away the truths of the Bible.

*** What we want is an interpretation of the reality of being. And that reality takes in every statement of the old Book. I have been in both places. You know that you can be in either one of these places in your own mentality. Why, you know that you have been in hell in the morning and in heaven in the afternoon. It is all here and very real. Let us get at the truth of being. Calling devils microbes will not drive them out of the body. Calling these evil thoughts germs will not mend matters. We know that we are mental beings, and everything that is in us must be understood mentally. We are dealing with thoughts, and because the old thinkers personified these thoughts is no sign that we should call them untruths. The child always personifies everything. In the childhood of our thought we had to use these parables. But when we come to interpret the parables we are not going to put the truths in them out of existence. You had as well say that there is no prodigal son as to say there is no devil.

*** The prodigal son is a parable, but prodigal sons are realities. The story of the rich man and Lazarus is a parable, but it teaches a truth that you touch every day of your life. This is the way that we are going at the Bible through mental science. There have been many mistakes made by this metaphysical movement, for none of us are infallible. Nevertheless, the advance of Christian Science and New Thought is in the right direction. We are coming into the light. There isn't anything in our being but what you can find in the Bible. And every essential thing there is in the Bible will be found in Science. The reason is very plain. The earthman is a rascal. He hasn't any better sense. The sunman is God working in us to will and to do. The idea is in the image and like-

ness of God. Your real being is the idea. It is not only an idea, but a substance. It is an atom of radium. It is your own self. The other man, who is but the clothing, the outward man, is of the earth earthy. He was intended for the earth.

*** This earthman was formed out of the dust of the ground. It was his form that was made out of the dust of the ground, and not the man. *The man is a male and female idea born of the universal Idea.* He is from everlasting to everlasting. The dustman will return to the dust. The sunman will return to the sun. But he will work out his destiny here on the earth. Go right back to that prayer once more and pray it: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." And that other prayer: "Glorify me with thine own self, with the glory that I had with thee before the world was." These are the prayers we want to pray. Get into the vibrations of the whole. Come into that cosmic consciousness that will make you realize that you are one with God. It is the unity of being. It makes you know that you are in conjunction with the whole. You can't lose anything. Your own is bound to come to you. It can't get away from you. It is in you. The unfoldment is sure and certain, in spite of hell and all the devils.

*** Let this mind be in you that was in the Christ. The mind that was in the Christ is the mind of the universe. He stands above us all only in the one thing that he is in the consciousness of the whole. And it is a wonderful thing to get away from the littleness of location even for one hour or one minute. Just go into the Silence and see it all for a minute! You get away from your locality and the narrowing environment of mortality. It will do you good to pray, and especially to pray the two prayers that I have brought before your mind. How can you pray such a prayer? You can't do it without getting into the vibration. It is no little selfish prayer for the hour and the day of mortality. You are not praying for you and your wife, your son John and his wife, us four and no more. You are not praying for your little sect or party. You are praying for ALL OF US. And you know that all of US takes in the whole universe.

*** Glorify me, but glorify all the others with me. I don't want anything that my brother can't get. You take in with one sweep all of the suns and stars, and pray God for the consummation of the ages. You see a world under the control of mind. All of the old things that were undesirable have disappeared from the face of the earth. There is no more sickness, sin, disease or death. Tears are wiped away, and hearts are made holy and happy. You must get up to that place in your thought before you can pray up there. And, beloved, do you think there is any danger of that prayer failing? Don't you know that Jesus Christ was praying as a prophet? That prayer is prophecy. It is as sure to be fulfilled as that God is God. It was a spoken Word for fulfillment in the future. That future

is now present. The hour is at hand. The days of our pilgrimage are over. We are ready to enter into the joy of our Lord. Unity and glory! The whole race under the influence of mentality.

*** In prayer you must not beg, borrow or steal. If you are you are; and you need not make any apologies for being. The old thought is to get down on your knees in fear and trembling. The new thought is to stand flat-footed and call for your own. It is not an attitude of impudence, but of independence. Emerson has said the same thing: "Prayer that craves a particular commodity anything less than all good is vicious. Prayer is the contemplation of the facts of life from the highest point of view. It is the soliloquy of a beholding and jubilant soul. But prayer as a means to effect a private end is meanness and theft. As soon as a man is as one with God, he will not beg. He will then see prayer in all action." This shows that Emerson had reached the place where he was conscious of the whole. It is all right to ask for what you want; for your desires, even when they are childish, are all right. But you don't want to ask as if you were afraid that you were intruding. The great Teacher told us to ask as little children. My two come bolting in here and ask for what they want, when they want it, without any kind of embarrassment.

*** Sometimes these young ones demand their own in a little too vigorous language, but I would rather they would do that than come whining around or to come with fear and trembling. When you contemplate the two prayers that I have called your attention to in this number, you will see that they are what Emerson calls the beholding of a jubilant soul. We hallow the name of our Father in heaven and pray for the coming of the kingdom with a faith that takes hold of eternal truth. It is the joy of praise. It is the voice of victory. It is that exultant song of the soul which claims everything in the universe. This is the way and the only way to pray. You ask for things as if you already had them in your possession. It is like the little girl who, when the whole family had been praying for rain, carried her umbrella with her when she went to church. She was expecting rain. And all men of prayer have taken hold of God in the same way. That story of Jacob wrestling with the angel is the very essence of prayer. He determined to have that blessing before he let the messenger depart. He got it. History is full of just such wrestling in prayer.

*** Let us go back to that earthman and the origin of things. It is well for us to start right. In the first chapter of Genesis is the origin of things. This man who was created in the image and likeness of God is the spirit. It is the sunman. It is your own divinity. There is nothing said about dust or serpents or anything of that kind when we are speaking of the origin of man. He is the offspring of God. It is the idea, and the idea is perfect. In the second chapter we are dealing with the forms of things. It is all scientific. Every-

thing in its order has been demonstrated by modern science. Genesis was written by inspiration. In the second chapter it does not say that God created man out of the dust of the earth. This is the way it reads: "And the I AM God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." It was the form of man that was made out of the dust of the ground. Precisely the same thing is said of all other forms of life. "And out of the ground the I AM God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air."

*** Let us look at that dust for a moment. You must remember that this globe of radium had covered itself with virgin and genuine earth. There was no rain and no water of any kind. It was star dust. You can't have rain out of the sky until it comes up from the earth. All rain must ascend before it can descend. Just before the forming of man you read this sentence: "But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground." Then comes the making of man's form, and it was made out of moistened earth. Just as all other forms were made. The beasts of the field and the fowls of the air and every breathing thing came out of that dust of the ground. Man is akin to everything on the earth in his form, and his spirit is the offspring of God. The sun is our father and the earth is our mother. The great Hebrew scholar, Franz Delitsch, commenting on this forming of man out of the dust of the ground, says: "He means the wonderfully fruitful and aromatic red earth on the slopes of the Hauran chain of mountains, which is esteemed of marvellously strong and healing power, and which is believed to be self-rejuvenescent."

*** So you see we were not made out of common dirt. The globe was covered, as I said, with virgin ground. The tropical sun beat down on the dry earth that had been formed around the globe of radium. The mist came up and watered the whole face of the earth. Out of this red earth, this aromatic soil, were born all of the forms of life. Man, at the head of the animal and vegetable kingdom, is a psychic being. God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living psychic. The radiant spirit, which is the real man, was covered with earth. He went forth into his kingdom naked and ready to make for himself a home. Just after he met his first temptation or test of his manhood, the I AM God makes this startling declaration: "Behold, the man is become as one of US." The man is become as one of US. In his origin he is one of US, but now he has demonstrated his right to personal liberty. He is a creator, a father, and ready to take rank with all of US. This is not a record of any fall of man in the sense that he acted the fool and was condemned as a criminal.

*** He is under the direct control of the I AM God. And that I AM is speaking in his own mind. He is turned loose naked, but the material for clothing and house

and everything else is at his hand. He is left alone with the raw material. It is his business to shape things to suit his own mind. This is the only way that man could be what he is today. The entrance of the serpent on the scene is to give him insight. His eyes are opened so that he may see his surroundings. He at once goes to work to better his condition. He is ambitious, and the devil helps him to develop a certain kind of cunning, so that he may defend himself and rule his earth. Oh, but he has made a wonderful advancement! He has had a tough time of it. It has brought out all of the manhood and godhood that is inherent in his being. Just glance back over the history of this earth and see what man has done. Dr. Schliemann, in digging into the ruins of ancient Greece, found seven distinct civilizations unknown to history. How many more civilizations have been buried in the ruins of the earth no one knows.

*** In our own country, and right here under my own feet in these Rocky Mountains, are ruins pointing to a very high state of civilization. Now, what has man been doing all these thousands of years? He seems to have been building up and then tearing down. We reach a certain stage of civilization, and then some less civilized nation comes in and overpowers us and destroys all our work. It is said that, at the tower of Babel, the I AM came down and caused a confusion of tongues so that the builders could not understand the speech of each other. This has all been explained by science. Man has been unfolding into a higher civilization and a higher thought. He must learn unity before he will immortalize on the earth. The destruction of different civilizations has come by war, and war is caused by the wrong thought. Men have been dividing themselves up into tribes and nations, and making racial and geographical lines of separation. Just so long as this thought prevails men will not only die, but they will kill each other. The I AM is not going to give the earth to men who are not on terms of fellowship and friendship. But the unfoldment is toward individualism and then communism.

*** When men become thoroughly individualistic they will learn to be communistic. It is now competition among individuals and nations. The whole world is beginning to see that this is not truth. We are all brothers, and therefore the earth belongs to all of us. Anarchy, socialism, trade-unionism, capitalism, trusts, monopolies, all of these things are bringing us nearer and nearer to each other. The old is being destroyed and the new employed. It has been a steady advancement ever since the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy. It has been a battle of the vibrations. The radiant man has been coming into objective manifestation. The earthman is of the earth, but his core is radium. The inner man is a radiant being. He is only being taught how to rule. You don't know where you will be sent after we have reached a cer-

tain stage of unfoldment. It may be that we may be, as angels and apostles, sent to some other planet to help them into a higher state of mentality. You may rest assured that the I AM has a purpose in peopling this planet with intelligent beings.

*** The resurrection is now bringing forward all of the mighty men and women of past ages. I have told you that all that has been is now and will forever be. Nothing is lost. There will be a resurrection, not only of Egypt, but of Babylon, and of all of those buried civilizations of the past. We are just now coming into a resurrection of the thought planted in the minds of men by Jesus Christ and his apostles. The thought of mental healing is once more an active agent among thinkers. It came up in such a modest kind of way that the world did not know what to do with it. I can remember when they poked all kinds of fun at the mental healers. That time has gone by, and mental healing is now very respectable. It is at the head of the art of healing. It stands first even with the medical doctor. The whole world is coming into a knowledge of the truth. This means that we are going to have a United States of the World. What the prophets have preached and the poets have sung is to be made the common thought of humanity. The radiant being within us is going to shine out through our flesh. It is going to be seen above the brightness of the sun.

*** You have been watching that man Adam come forth from the unseen with the form of flesh and go on his way conquering the earth. Do you want to know what kind of a looking man Adam is at the present time? If it is an unfoldment we want to see the results. Paul tells us in as plain words as he can use that Jesus Christ is a reincarnation of Adam. The earthman has become a sunman. When his body is transfigured it shines above the brightness of the sun. He has power over every element in his earth. The planet belongs to him, for the I AM God gave him dominion. He went right on his way until he conquered everything in his world. He was master of every element in nature. All the atoms in the atmosphere were ready to obey his commandments. He had power over the air and the water, and all kinds of diseases disappeared under his orders. There was not a devil in the atmosphere of this planet who did not know and proclaim Jesus Christ as the master. He became the king of the world. "I AM the light of the world," is the way God spoke in Jesus Christ. Now, Jesus Christ simply means all of US.

*** What Jesus did we can do. What Jesus is we are. It is the man of Genesis coming into his own. I have told you that the name God is plural. It becomes singular when it passes into the I AM. The I AM speaks for men. It is the Word in US. Jesus is the only prophet, the only teacher, the only man who ever came speaking as the I AM. It would take a whole book to tell you of this I AM in the mouth of Jesus Christ. The Jews understood exactly what

it meant and called it blasphemy. They were ready to kill him because he claimed to be the I AM or to speak with the authority of the I AM. Now, how could man do otherwise than speak as the I AM when he comes into his kingdom? He is the owner of this planet. He can't own the planet unless he owns everything in it and around it. He must be the master of all of the matter that is in this planet and all of the air that surrounds it. There is no sense in giving a man a deed to property that he can't use. We are using it. Just as soon as we quit fighting each other we will turn this planet into a paradise. There is nothing to hinder us from doing it. At the birth of Jesus the angels sang a song of peace on earth and good-will to men.

*** This song was prefaced by, Glory to God in the highest. This means to glorify God in your mentality. The coming into a consciousness of your divinity puts all of the enmity and earth-born antagonism out of your mind. Being at one with God, you are at one with humanity. The recognition of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God does away with all races and religions. Each man worships God in the spirit, and therefore all religions are alike. The body becomes the temple of the indwelling spirit, and each man is a Christ and each woman is a church of the living God. This is the order of our unfoldment, and is as clear and certain as the truth. All of the powers are helping us along the road. The adversary is just as essential to our unfoldment as the advocate. It is a push and a pull. The aspirations of the Spirit pull you towards the higher life, and the devil does the pushing and the prodding. This divine discontent keeps us climbing. We are not satisfied to sit down in the dust. We rise up and build mansions for the body and the mind. Onward and ever onward is the watchword of the radiant spirit within us.

*** When the unity of thought has been reached, there will be a change in the whole environment. The difference in the physical among us has a mental cause. We are divided in our thought; therefore, we have different colors. We call it different races. There is the black, brown, red, yellow and white. There is going to be a blending of all those colors in a composite being. The radiant man and woman will be pure white. Beauty in this our present age of the world is measured by the whiteness of the skin. Our pink faces are not at the head of the beauty list. There will be no black, brown, red, yellow or what we call white. The picture given in the book of Revelation is of this regenerated man. His feet were like burnished brass; his face shone above the brightness of the sun; his eyes were like fire; and his hair was as white as snow. I can see the whole human race refined and made like unto this picture of Jesus Christ. A pure white race made by the blending of all colors in an electrified body. It is to be a mental resurrection, followed by the regeneration of the body. We may go back to that aromatic earth, from whence

we came, under the bright light of the new heaven and the new earth.

*** All of the five senses are to be quickened. Science is under the influence of inspiration. All truth is from the I AM, and we know that science is hard at work now trying to find a way out of mortality. They are succeeding rapidly. Sentiment is giving way to science. Love is a science. Mental healing has proved clearly that the mind controls the body. All of our troubles come from antagonism in mentality. We are at war with each other because we do not understand the law of chemical attraction. In the regeneration men and women will come together by the law of what we now call affinity. The people are talking about affinities and are running to and fro on the earth searching for their mates. In our ignorance we make all kinds of blunders and fill the world full of antagonistic thought. Now, love is nothing more than chemical attraction. The mother loves her child because it tastes good, smells good, feels good, and looks good to her. It is bone of her bone and flesh of her flesh. The chemical elements in both are akin to each other. The whole world must come into that vibration, so that we really and truly love each other.

*** And what we call chemical is mental. The science of mentality is bringing us into the place where we understand that we are made out of mind and clothed with matter. In giving mental treatments, we try to avoid all antagonistic thought. We tell the patient to take medicine, receive the visits of a physician, and do anything to keep antagonistic thought out of the environment. Some of the family are in favor of drugs, and when one gets down sick, drugs will do less harm than the fear-thoughts and the antagonistic thought of relatives. In order to get harmony of thought we submit to many things. That is another reason why we give treatments in the Silence and do not wish the physical presence. I can do more with a man a thousand miles away than I can with one who is sitting face to face with me. There is no distance in Spirit, and I come close to the real man; whereas, if he were present in his physical body, he would antagonize my thought. And I should no doubt be influenced by sympathy. Now, what we are doing personally by mental treatments the I AM is doing over the whole planet. He is treating US by telepathy and turning our thoughts away from disease and death.

*** Spirit is guiding us into all truth, just as Jesus said He would. If your Spirit, the I AM within you, is clothed with the dust of the ground, you certainly can learn how to control that clothing. It is a known law of nature that all living creatures are self-healing. You wound the tree with the axe and go on your way. You return after many days and find that the life in the tree has begun to heal the wound. This law prevails in the vegetable and animal kingdoms. The beasts of the field seem to know what kind of remedy to use for all of their ailments. Man is just coming out of the earth vibrations into the sunlight.

THE REALITY OF EXISTENCE.

By Mrs. T. J. Shelton.

Reality, outside of ourselves, stretches into the infinite both in space and time.

We reckon time by a certain standard of measurement, when in fact we are quite ignorant about it.

The record of events, so far as we know them, occupies but a brief number of years. The first eruption of Vesuvius within the limits of human records was when Pompeii and Herculaneum were buried.

Yet, centuries before this, Spartacus, the gladiator, gathered with his followers for refuge in an older crater of this same mountain. A century or more later this mountain was as cold and quiet as any other hill.

How long the mighty forces in the mountain had been quiet! How terrific the onslaught when the fatal moment came!

In considering this, you are apt to measure your life against infinite time, your soul against infinite power.

The infinitely small may produce the same effect as the infinitely great. The gnat's wing or the eye of the bee or the marvelous instinct of the bee outreaches man's ingenuity in practical results, and brings us to similar reflections. They establish our kinship or feeling of oneness with the great outside—the universal.

There is more in man than can be understood by the mechanism or organism; the will to do and to be.

Was it not Coleridge who said a will separated from intelligence has no existence? There may be a chemical attraction, an impulse or instinct, but a will it could not be.

A will would not be given us, were it impotent, so long as we have the faculty of reasoning.

Through this will, with each succeeding year new movements and discoveries are being born into the world. Yet it is the same eternal thought springing into life.

We are beginning to understand that to arouse one's real self, the inner man, the appeal must be made to his finer emotions; the love of beauty and harmony must be awakened.

We realize more and more the value of our parks, music and amusements in general as a means to dispel the "blues" and despondency, and promote good cheer. But it touches life in only one place. The effect is but transitory.

Our police and judiciary system does its utmost to preserve order and keep down crime, and it must be admitted that its success is only partial.

The task of maintaining health is the greatest work of all, the greatest work in which a person could engage. That it is a great and noble work none will gainsay. Spirit alone knows the amount of suffering thus alleviated, and yes, even spared to humanity. Enlightenment follows in the wake of the healer. Science has shown us that many who were thought great criminals are so only because of some diseased condition of the body.

Even if the body shows no disease, the brain, the organ of the mind, is either distorted or undeveloped.

Granting all of the progress that has been made, the final result has been meager. Note the large amount of crime still existing in spite of law and policing.

Any authority will tell you that a great mass of disease is due to the open defiance of man to what he knows will bring this suffering. All of the combined conditions affect us in the most vital parts of life.

It is just here that mental healing and the belief in the power of the Spirit (God) comes in to remove avarice, crime, sickness and misery. It will cause disease to disappear, and bring that happiness for which every man must long, when you will love your neighbor as yourself.

He will conquer all upon the earth, in the earth and above the earth.

Everything is giving way to the power of the Mind. Everything except Man.

To win man will be the personal effort of every one of us as individuals, not in crowds. To win this means a personal consecration, a heart wholly given to the work.

The greater part of the world live at hazard, with no harbor in view, no directing of their course by any fixed star. The only compass by which they guide their bark is the compass of desire.

Fortunately, owing to the divinity of every man, the real desire is for the ultimate good.

You cannot become worse than you are without an increase in misery. You cannot become better than you are without an increase in happiness.

The wages of sin are bitter. His satanic majesty always makes you pay your due.

No one is so bad as not to have lucid moments. In such moments the appeal of your own experiences will shake you to the foundation of your being. At such a time you must take pity on your own soul and show mercy to yourself.

The principles of compensation and equilibrium are found in the physical universe, the product of matter and force whose cause is God-Spirit. The phenomena operating through this law are triune—mental, vital and spiritual.

Scientists tell us that in seven thousand years man will vanish from the face of the earth. In other words, he will be regenerated and incarnations will cease. The spirit will function on other planes of being.

In five thousand years additional the same law of equilibrium or universal harmony will obtain in the planet itself, and it too will pass away.

Seven thousand years is but a brief space of time with all eternity before us and behind us. Many spirits or souls have already attained regeneration and do not function on this earth unless they so will it. No one will dispute this fact when he reflects on the life of Jesus Christ.

A genius is not born a genius. He merely remembers certain experiences in past incarnations, and they culminate into the ability of doing some line of work better

than the one who is not yet ready to bring the experiences into the light out of the darkness in the cells of his brain.

Purposeful change, progressive growth towards an ideal good—a goal that is both practical and possible, the logical development of the experiences of the universe.

Spirit has been working thousands of years, and there are most wondrous things to show for this work, and it has always been for the general uplift. There is this world of wonder and beauty. True, there are what seem many misfits, but even they have their place in this scheme of development.

Crowning all, there is man, who asserts his dominion over the earth and makes good his assertion. Humanity climbs ever higher. Human intelligence has reached a point where you are working consciously with Spirit for the progress not only of yourself but of humanity.

You feel yourself a sharer in the universal life that is ever struggling to express itself in more and more noble forms, in finer human characters, in political and domestic institutions more just and beneficent than ever existed, until all necessity for these institutions is wiped away, and each and every one of us can stand on his own feet a joyous and perfectly developed and evenly balanced being.

Rise above your individual ills. Forget them, and they will forget you. Oh, I know the pain at times may be so keen you can think of nothing else. But you do not have to think of it after it has passed, and sit in fear and trembling for its return.

I do not mean that you must sit in passive resignation, turning your other cheek to ill fortune. Ah, no, there is a better attitude. You can help yourself. You can fight successfully every evil to which man is subject with such a mighty faith in final success that you will not know you are fighting, and the evil will be transformed into gladness.

There is not a single one of us who has not passed through heart-breaks and bitter experiences, the thought of which would turn to gall and wormwood if we allowed our minds to revert to the past. But why should we so warp our souls?

Every one of us has also known joy and gladness, and can find plenty of causes for rejoicing. And this gladness will expand our souls and draw to us more of the life that is worth the living.

No matter how humble you may feel the place you occupy, or how narrow the limits of your environment, your mental horizon can be as expansive as the universe.

The news of the whole world is brought to you, and you can feel yourself the citizen of the world. There is something more to read in the newspapers and magazines than murders and crimes and horrors.

Keep in touch with the recent discoveries, and the general record of the world's doings. You can rise above the barriers of race and nationality and consciously share the universal life.

Open your eyes to the greatness of human life, of the life you are living. Discern the signs of the times, that you may discover what God-Spirit is going to do next, and fall in line with his plan.

Spirit needs your help, or you would not be here, and you will find your richest satisfaction working with him.

Mental healing is certainly the greatest movement of this age—in fact, of every age—even where it is practiced unconsciously. But of recent years it is being consciously practiced by trained workers; so, of course, the progress is more rapid and the results more assured.

Mental healing is the clearing of the atmosphere of spirituality and the driving from our mental sky of the clouds of carnality. We have been living as material beings so long that we are almost buried beneath the debris of materiality.

In giving treatments, the obstacles to overcome are all material thought; for the mentality is filled full of the physical. It is some part of the body that is ill, that is not at ease, that is dis-eased. The sufferer has a mind permeated with physical vibrations and does not know it. The mortal mind is not subject to the will of Spirit, and the healer must awaken the subconscious or spiritual mind before disease can be thrown off and health restored.

At first I refused to come into this work with Mr. Shelton. The men of my family had all been medical practitioners for generations back. I had but little knowledge of mental healing, and absolutely no belief in it so far as I was personally concerned.

Mr. Shelton had been a clergyman, and I considered it some kind of religious hypnotism which so filled him with enthusiasm. I soon found out that it was a science and not a religion. People kept on being healed right before my mental eyes while I was attending to the mail and helping him all I could in a clerical way. Thus I became acquainted with the correspondents, and my sympathies with each and every one were very keen.

One day Mr. Shelton said, half in jest: "Here, take this case. I can't do a thing with it, and she is the salt of the earth." I took it. Not because I wanted to try my hand at healing, but because there was a strong desire within to see her strong and whole again. It was one to whom I had become mentally attached on account of her beautiful character. We are dear friends now, but have never met in the flesh. It was a horrid goiter on her neck. She was healed in a short time, and that opened my eyes and a new universe came before my mind.

Mr. Shelton is opposed to advertising the work, and insists it is not a business, but a fellowship. A fellowship which takes in all and leaves out none. The individual is to come into direct mental conjunction with the Spirit of Truth and to be in constant fellowship with the Universal Mind.

The healing by Jesus and his apostles was an object-lesson for the individual and not the foundation for a religion.

It is a most wonderful unfoldment!

Jesus would not heal the sick if he were here in the objective. He only did it in a small way, to show us the reality of existence. He was in the midst of the sick and dying, as you and I are. He was in the thick of misfortune and saw disaster around about him every day, as you and I see and hear of it. And, yet, as long as he was here in the visible, there were only three raised from the dead. But they died again. He came to bear witness to the truth of being, and left us to work it out through the Spirit of Truth.

Therefore, all healing is by the Spirit, and our work is to teach this truth by telepathy. If we can reach you by telepathy or the transference of thought—and it is being done every day—it proves that we can get the mind of Christ in the same way.

The coming of Spirit means the transference of the thought or mind of Spirit by telepathy. Our mental fellowship is proof positive that God is not dead or silent, but is the omnipresent Word.

Does not the reality of existence vibrate in you when you know that mind can and does speak to mind by the Silent Word?

I could go into mental raptures over the mental friends that we have made and are making in this fellowship without the sound of voice or sight of face. Friends who endure, because the true spirit is recognized, and they are not judged by idle words and surface actions—the way we judge the people we meet in the flesh.

We see you and hear you, and our thoughts travel to you on the swift wings of mentality.

All of the old materiality seems as clouds or mists that are swept away by the glorious light of thought. This is the way we are coming into a consciousness of the reality of existence. We reach out our thought and change conditions. The waves of mental light are sent out and darkness disappears.

Glorious God! I also can say it from the depths of my heart!

All things do work together for Good. The only way you can say this from your heart is to come into a knowledge of Being.

Just as long as we think that being is local and personal we suffer the pangs of outrageous fortune and all the little ills of the flesh are magnified. The science of Spirit bids us go out into the realms of reality. This brings us back to ourselves refreshed; for we have been out of our prison in thought. The mind is free to go and come when and where it wills. You bottle up your mind in your own little affairs, and even your body suffers the consequences.

It is the renewing of the vitality by coming into mental consciousness. When we say that we live and move and have our being in God, we used to look away off to a personal God. Now when we say that we are minds and our environment is mental, we understand the old expression.

If we are mental beings and abide in mentality, what is to prevent us entering into immortality here and now?

Mind is being!

We are mental beings. Mind is immortal. The resurrection of the real mind will quicken the body and regenerate it.

When we become conscious of a mental being in a mental environment, the trumpet of the resurrection will sound in us the call to immortality.

This is the reality of existence. To know that we are immortal minds in an eternal universe.

The only way to come into this consciousness is by the Silent thought through telepathy. Both telepathy from a more enlightened or active mind and telepathy with and operating through Spirit. Telepathy quickens your own mentality and enables you to appropriate to yourself the truths of Being. You thus learn to separate the wheat from the chaff of mortality and realize your own Godhood.

You must hear thoughts. You have had words, words, words sounding in your ears until you are deaf to thoughts. You have ears to hear only the noise of objective existence, while all the thought of the universe is unheard. And yet we are in a universe of thought, and mental waves come in contact with mind every moment.

Just now we are listening for thoughts and we are coming into the wisdom of the ages.

Having eyes we see and having ears we hear, objectively and subjectively, and so live the whole of being.

You have the right and power to live in the whole, instead of being isolated and living only a part of life. We are all coming into this recognition of the reality of existence.

Keep on thinking!

*** For several years my cabin in the mountains fifty miles from Denver has been neglected, and so my folks turned up their noses when I mentioned it as a summer home. I went up there and began repairing, repapering, repainting, refurnishing, put in a new window, made a new door, built a new bridge across the mountain torrent, which sings within four feet of my front door. I had a beautiful cottage, two private bedrooms, kitchen with snow-cold water pumped right into the sink, a large sitting-room all furnished up with odds and ends from the attic, and a room in a separate cabin for the Jap. Result: The whole bunch—wife, mother, brother and children—packed their trunks and took the train for the cabin. I saw the gang to the station, and while on the train bidding the other fellow good-bye, she slipped her hand into my pocket and extracted all of the silver I had saved up for ice-cream and picture shows! Can you beat it? I go up every Sunday. You ought to see the joy of Beverly Boy and the healthy tan (and freckles) that Baby Blanche is getting. Since writing this, the other fellow repented and is at home helping me, and leaving her mother and brother to keep the youngsters in the mountains. P. S.: Just found out why she prefers to stay down here with me. She saw two snakes! They were little green snakes, entirely harmless. (Don't care what he says, snakes are snakes!)

In the Name of God

"And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and He said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

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This is my name forever,
And this is my memorial unto all generations."—*Exodus*.

I AM all of US.

I AM from everlasting to everlasting.

I AM mathematical and musical mentality.

I AM the seeing and the hearing and the being.

I AM the cosmic consciousness of all creation.

God has not changed his name.

It is our business to help you into the consciousness of your own divinity. We have no objective organization or official authority.

Our work is in the Only Name of all of US.

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