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Let There Be Light *Our New Year's Message*

BY NONA L. BROOKS.

ACCORDING to the record in Genesis the first words God spoke were, "Let there be light." This was not a reference to the outer light because a few verses after this great affirmation we read that the sun, moon and stars were created. The Spirit of God moved upon the deep and God said, "Let there be light. And God saw the light that it was good."

The first thought of God toward humanity, toward you and me, was of the light that shines in the souls of men, and which illumines for them the world in which they live. It is a blessed call—this one of, "Know ye the light, children of the Father of Light." The Spirit is light and the fount is inexhaustible.

There is no barrier from the Godward side. Not once in all eternity has there ever been, a forbidding utterance, "Just so far and no farther." The Father's house is an infinite home for the souls of men, and the welcome is infinite. The Sustaining Presence is the life of the Father's home. The supply, the Father's bounty, is measureless. The Spirit of Truth which will lead us into all Truth is the beacon that lights the way.

"Let there be light" is the will of God toward man. That man shall know the Truth that makes him free, and realize the beauty and goodness of the Universe is the Father's high intent for the child of His love.

We live in a new world within and without with each dawn. Progression is the law of life. True seekers are ever discovering God in each new step on the way of life. The Truth of Being is revealed over and over to us. It is only our ignorance that casts a shadow across the light on the path.

I feel like one transplanted when I consider the differences between the conditions of daily living in my childhood and those of today. The means of communication of my grandmother's time compared with our rapid transit of today is perhaps as simple an example as one could give. I remember my grandmother's telling me that three weeks elapsed from the time my grandfather passed away to the day that she received the news. During my childhood I lived three miles from Charleston, West Virginia. We consumed an hour in plodding through the mud to reach the city. Six years ago I made the same journey in an automobile in five minutes. I remember when I was a small child, hearing my father

speaking to one of his friends, and making a plea for better roads in West Virginia. The answer typifies the one who fears progress. "The world's as God made it, and I take it that's the way it should be." But it was the man who carried the torch of progression that paved the roads and facilitated means of transportation until today, a three months' journey is transformed into a thirty hour one.

A new world about us! Everywhere we are brought face to face with facts. Progress is the law! Let there be light!

We crystallize when we feel that the last word has been spoken, or that our ways are right and there is no more light to be cast upon them. An aunt of mine who had held rigidly to the old form of religious teaching for many years, said in what the world calls her old age, of the teaching for which I stand, "Sometimes I have wondered if we have not held too closely to the old word even in our religion. Perhaps, after all, the teaching that our niece is bringing to us, is a better and truer one, nearer the light." These words thrilled me with hope. Life grows richer each day to those who are touching Universal Consciousness in their attitude toward life. Eternal progress is the theme of the Great Symphony of the Whole. The world cannot stand still. There is a new heaven, a new earth with the successive dawns! This is life! Progress is man's answer to the everlasting affirmation. God says, "Let there be light." Man answers, "The Light is! With every step I know Thee better!"

Let the Light stream out through us to the world in integrity toward all relations and experiences. We shall speak the living word, and do the loving deed, because we are co-operating consciously throughout any darkness with the light within.

Religion has changed; it is in almost all Christian bodies not so much bound by creed. "What do you believe?" the question of the past asked of those who professed Christianity is changing to, "What are you living?" Men and women are everywhere living more truly, I believe. The light is shining and there is response. God's revelation never ceases. Life lived in this consciousness brings to us the ever new. There is light to all who are seeing God revealing in perfect expression. The churches are presenting a far more living gospel—the gospel of the New Heaven and the New Earth—the living expression of Infinite Love. The Eternal Now is

earth and heaven if we realize the power of love that is expressing. The body of thinking people are laying hold of the principle of Unity—the living God in the souls of men and the soul of the universe.

Hope that is in us is deeper and larger. We are going into the new year with faith in God and faith in man, the living expression of Perfection. Man must awake. When? I do not know! But I long that all shall feel the privilege in the great awakening. The inner awakening, I mean! The inner consciousness of the new spirit that the Father gives, the new revelation of self, the new aspiration to live more truly that we shall feel the Urge within—these are the blessings I would pray might be yours in the coming year. Trust in the Divine and Its expression, the human—the kingdom of God that Jesus said was within us.

We are prone to think of a far away state—no, the kingdom is within us now—and around us. Living the life of the kingdom means bringing the light into every experience, no matter how small or insignificant. Let the light shine through all your doing. The answer will come. I care not what the complexity or experience, if we are persistent in seeing that there is light, sickness, lack in any place,

will be met with the healing Presence and overcome. If we pronounce the perfect word, the great answer will be the answering call. God said, "Let there be light." And there was light. We answer, "There is light." For the privilege of sharing the very Life Divine is ours. Our part is to believe and lay hold. God says, "I will reveal myself to them. Life is my revelation." What is your response?

The Psalmist answered, "Search me, O God, and know my heart!" What trust in the soul of him who asks God to look within and find His Divine Image there!

Warnack sounds a true note: "Uncovered and unafraid I stand in the Presence of the Infinite." How blessed—to stand free, without human conception that binds, doubts that cast shadows and fears that blot out the sun, to stand and say, "Uncovered and unafraid I stand in Thy Presence." This is the true attitude of a son of God. Let us stand in His Presence and rejoice in His Consciousness of us, and know that He is revealing the Divine in the human. Our necessity is to rise to the stature of Christ. "Now are ye the sons of God," "uncovered and unafraid"—standing in full knowledge of God—in the blessedness of Love, the goodness of Life. There is light! "For me to live is Christ!"

When We Pray, Believe We Receive

BY ALICE RITCHIE.

"Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou taken up and cast into the sea, and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that what he saith cometh to pass; he shall have it."

"Therefore, I say unto you, all things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them."

There is nothing obscure in the meaning of these two verses, these two sayings of Jesus the Christ. A prayer of doubt leads nowhere, has no results, is not answered. No matter what the words are of a prayer, no matter how beautiful in rhetorical construction a prayer may be, it will be of no avail unless it is sent out from a trusting, believing heart.

When we believe that what we say in our times of prayer will come to pass, we receive that for which we have prayed, and we say that our prayer is answered.

"All things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

This is not only to believe that what we ask for will be received at some future time (many who pray do not even do this), but it is to believe that we receive at the time we pray.

Our time of prayer is a time of withdrawal from the outer world of effects; it is a time of communion with the Cause. We close the doors of the senses and become aware of the Spiritual Presence. During this sacred, holy time, we can receive the Spiritual Consciousness, which when manifested in the outer will be an answer to our prayer.

The prayer of Faith avails much. It heals the sick,—the mentally sick, the physically sick, the financially sick, the morally sick.

There is no way by which we can pray a prayer of doubt and have it answered; there is no way by

which we can pray the prayer of Faith and *not* have it answered. The answers to our prayers come in the degree corresponding to our Faith. We receive what we pray for according to how much we believe we are receiving at the time we pray.

In the old way, we thought of prayer as a means of getting God to give us blessings. We implored Him, even to the extent of setting aside His Will and His Laws, to grant us personal favors. We thought He might change His mind in order to arrange things for us. In the new way, we think of prayer as a means of getting ourselves in the proper spiritual relationship to God, so that *we shall be able to receive*.

Always God is Goodness; always God's Goodness is active, is circulating everywhere. Always God is giving this Goodness in the form of Health, Wisdom, Power, Love.

God is Spirit; God's Goodness is Spiritual Goodness. Spiritual Goodness must be Spiritually received. Our time of prayer is a time of spiritual receptivity. Doubt makes it impossible to receive. Faith opens up the heart, the mind, the whole being to receive of God's Spiritual Gifts. We therefore receive according to our degree of Faith.

At the time we pray, we can have such a strong inner conviction of God's blessings at hand, and of our oneness with these blessings, that we *know* we have already received.

At the time we pray, we can have such a calm, steady, joyous confidence in the out-pouring Love of Almighty God, that we *know* absolutely that we have received.

This is the prayer of Faith; this is the kind of a prayer that saves the sick, that heals the broken-hearted, that lifts the dead in sin and ignorance to the resurrected life of service and love.

Self Reliance

BY CARRIE F. MUNZ.

Self reliance is a quality that we admire in others and one that we are trying to cultivate in ourselves.

He who has learned to be self-reliant is poised, serene, firm, strong, powerful, keen in discernment, quick in making decision; has developed good judgment, and is usually efficient.

We all know the leaner; he is forever asking advice, but seldom follows it because he fears to do so; he wavers in his decisions; he lacks firmness and strength, and his life lacks purpose and power, for he has no basis for daily living except expediency.

Intolerance, vain regrets, useless grief, self-condemnation, criticism of others, all indicate lack of self-reliance.

The "I am independent" attitude, is not self-reliance; rather it is an expression of inflated personality. It lacks vision; it does not see beyond self; it does not co-operate with others, and collapses in hard tests.

Self-reliance is based on principle. It recognizes the fact that in the truth of Divine sonship lies the secret of the real man.

In the understanding of Truth man sees that he is the very expression of God, and when he accepts himself as such, he is relying upon that which God brings forth as His own son.

If I am to realize the wonderful self that I am, then I must *believe* in myself; if I believe that I am less than the truth of myself I shall act accordingly.

Emerson says "to believe in your own thoughts; to believe that what is true for you in your private heart is true for all men, this is genius." The difficulty is that we do not believe in ourselves. We are willing to believe in Jesus and a few great ones of the race. We believe in the power and possibilities of those that are self-reliant, but as for us—oh, no. We are willing to believe in others—but often fail to see the same power in ourselves.

We are slow in developing any quality that we constantly deny. We would never become proficient in music if we constantly doubted and denied our powers and abilities. It is only by believing that we have the patience to practice, and by knowing that our sense of harmony can be cultivated that we make advancement. When we deny our own powers we deny the Presence within.

When we know that *God is All*, we affirm the wisdom, knowledge and possibilities within ourselves.

We claim the truth of the child of God, and find that within ourselves is the place of power and strength—enough for every need. Then we rely upon this God-Self and have a firm foundation for self-reliance.

Our whole attention must be given to the Father's purpose for us. It is to God alone that we are responsible.

If man would learn that each one must stand alone in God, he would learn to be the center of power and strength that he may be. No matter how many or how dear the loved ones that are with us, the time comes when each one stands alone. If one

passes this test he is ready for big things. Jesus, Lincoln, Washington, Luther and many others learned this lesson.

It is not what the world thinks that is the supreme thing in the life of the individual, but what the Inner Voice says, that should be his chief concern.

Has my motive been pure? Has my thought been unselfish? Have I done my best? If, in my soul I can answer, yes, and feel that inner peace, then I know that I have satisfied the highest court in life.

Emerson says, "Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind. Absolve you to yourself and you shall have the suffrage of the world."

The world accepts us at our own valuation. The strong individual lives from the center of his being and is unmoved by worldly opinions. He gives new light to the world and becomes a leader of men.

I would rather make a few mistakes and develop my growing powers than to always follow others.

Comparing ourselves with others to our own disadvantage is a weak thing to do. Let us decide to be happy in our places in life, and not waste time envying others. Our homes may not be mansions, but they may be so filled with joy and good cheer that family and friends long to return to them.

Contentment, self-respect, the doing of one's best will give us the self-reliance that meets and conquers the world.

The world conditions happiness on having money, position, or fame. Friends, do not believe it. Many have found it untrue. Let us listen to the voice of the Spirit within ourselves. It says, "When you live the life of the Spirit, the life of love, peace, goodness, purity and express these in your daily life, then you will know happiness."

The self-reliant one does not work for praise or the applause of the world, nor is he cast down by unjust criticism or undeserved censure; he works for the joy of expressing himself; he puts himself into his work, and has the satisfaction of having done his best. Life, for him, is a matter concerning God and himself, and not something the world demands of him.

The steady, firm reliance on the inner Self comes only when the vision of Truth is clear, and the understanding of Reality is definite. This Basis is necessary for a sure foundation. You are the only *you* that God created. Accept yourself as God knows you, for this must be the real you, and you shall have a true basis for self-reliance.

Nothing can bring lasting peace, happiness or self-respect but the application of Principle.

Life is not the haphazard affair that many have thought it to be. Life comes forth by Law, is sustained and governed by Law, and we must find what that Law is and co-operate with it. Jesus did this and that is why we still follow his teachings. He fulfilled the Law.

Finding the self within and relying upon it, means a life of beauty, of power, and of service—the Self-reliant Christ life.

Little Journeys Into Success

BY AGNES MAE GLASGOW.

Jack Davis appeared to be one of the most promising young men I had ever met. I remember the night I listened to his graduation essay and saw him receive his diploma from Old Allegheny College at Meadville, Pa. Almost everyone said that he would make his mark in the world, yet I did not hear his class-mates singing his praise—they seemed rather non-committal. His cousin was another graduate. This boy was not brilliant, but when he boarded the train for home, he was followed by hearty cheers from the lads who loved him.

Six years after that graduation night, I met Jack again—the well groomed, suave assistant of a brokerage office. He said that he was doing very well, but he sighed when I spoke of Ben.

"O," said he, "I hope Ben is all right. He runs a general store at L——, has a sickly wife and a baby five years old who has never walked." That was enough for me. Straightway I went home, wrote Ben a letter and sent him some reading matter. Three days later he walked into my apartments. His clothes, while clean and neatly pressed, were thread-bare, and his hair was gray at the temples; but there was something about him which made me know he was all right. He looked me straight in the eyes and smiled while he was telling his troubles—yes, smiled while speaking of heart breaking things, smiled while he told me about his boy and about his wife who had not seen a day's health since the crippled child came into the world. He was "smiling through, smiling through," and I smiled too, with tears in my eyes.

He told me that for a long time there had been no belief in his heart in God or man. A few years ago, just before the boy was born, his cousin Jack had induced him to invest his savings in a company that was worthless. He had lost almost every dollar he possessed and had been shown the door by his cousin. Then the little one had come, and life had been a struggle ever since. He had tried everything he could afford, medicine, doctors and all that without getting the least help for wife or child. Faith in God and man had indeed been killed—so he thought. But when my letters came, referring Ben to his Bible, and calling his attention to the accounts of the healing of certain cripples, he had once again taken up the Book and had read and re-read it until his heart was softened. All his hatred for his cousin passed away, and a great faith came that at last he had found the way whereby his wife and boy might be healed. Late that night, however, another anxiety came. The little child had a hard fall and seemed to be hurt internally. A doctor was called and he examined the child. To his amazement, he found that the fall had released a dislocation. An orthopedic operation which the poverty of the parents and their fear for their little one had postponed would not now be necessary. Nothing but gentle nursing was required. Ben and I both said that God had done the work. I challenge anyone to prove us wrong!

Two weeks later, Jack was in serious trouble, and Ben, who owned a house and lot went on his cousin's

bail. He did this not because he believed in Jack, but because he was grateful to God for the healing of his child and the removing of fear and worry from his wife who was now able to absorb more and more of God's life, which means perfect health. I told Ben that he must go further than this. Gratitude for the healing of his loved ones was not enough—he must learn to recognize the godhood in Jack. I impressed upon him the fact that this was the only way to help Jack out of his troubles and heal the darkness in his soul. It was not difficult to make a man who "smiles through it all" believe in the goodness lying dormant in every human being, and soon he was seeing the good in his cousin and bringing it into manifestation.

All God wants you to do, dear friends, is to go in search of good, or God himself. He will come half-way—yes, all the way to meet you. If there is anything you want and should have, seek it. You have his word that you shall find it. But you must look for Him with the single eye. You cannot continue expecting to find evil and find God. Expect the thing you wish to have manifested. Look for it. Keep this combination working, and you will receive your wish every time. Seek expectantly.—*The Truth.*

From "Bits of Pasture"

BY J. R. MILLER.

We need never be anxious about our mission. We need never perplex ourselves in the least in trying to know what God wants us to do, what place He wants us to fill. Our whole duty is to do well the work of the present hour. If you want to know God's place for you, do God's will each day; that is God's plan for you today. If He has a wider sphere, or a larger place for you, he will bring you to it at the right time, and then that will be God's plan for you and your mission.

"Our lives we cut on a curious plan,
Shaping them, as it were, for man;
But God, with better art than we,
Shapes them for eternity."

"Whatever makes us forget ourselves and think of others, lifts us upward."

"Seek to be a blessing to every one who comes for but a moment under your influence."

"We are in this world to be useful. God wants to pass His gifts and blessings through us to others; when we fail as His messengers, we fail of our mission."

"A life need not be great to be beautiful. There may be as much beauty in a tiny flower as in a majestic tree, in a little gem as in a great mountain. A beautiful life is one that fulfills its mission in this world, that is what God made it to be, and does what God made it to do."

"Every day's Bible text taken into the heart should shine forth tomorrow in some new touch of spiritual beauty."

"Those who do God's will each day, God will hide under his wings when the storm breaks."

Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year.—*Emerson.*

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IN GOD WE TRUST

"Even Unto the West"

THROUGHOUT the ages the East has been a quarter whence has radiated spiritual ideas and religious philosophy. It has always had its Wise Men seeking and finding the Christ. Christianity itself arose in the East through the life of one who manifested the Christ in fullness. It is significant that Jesus thus portrays the coming of the Universal Christ-Spirit, "For as the lightning cometh out of the east and shineth even unto the west, so shall the coming of the Son of man be." So has it been, and so it is.

Now comes a certain wise man from Baroda, India—Inayat Khan, mystic, philosopher, poet, musician—representing the ancient Order of the Sufis. He comes to bring to the West the Sufi message: "The fundamental *unity of humanity* beyond the narrow boundaries of race or religion; the *inner wisdom*, common to all mankind, in terms of the religious philosophy of Love, Harmony and Beauty."

"Sufism is a name given to that ancient mystic philosophy known to a long line of illuminated souls from the distant past down to the present time. It signifies a name without a name, for the word 'Sufi' (from the Arabic *saf*—pure) means "without distinction" 'without difference.' It is also related to the Greek word 'sophos—wise,' and thus has come to designate one who seeks for the pure divine wisdom, which is ever the same Truth known to the sages, saints and seers of all time, even though not always called Sufism. The Sufi tradition can be traced back to Egypt, into Arabia, through the Hebrew prophets, spreading later to Persia and throughout the East, and it is the work of Inayat Khan as Pir-O-Murshid of the Sufi Order to establish it now for the first time in the West. It is a doorway old and yet ever new, and he who enters sees the One Light shining in all directions, upon many roads leading to the same Goal."

The subjects of his lectures sound very familiar to us who do not call ourselves Sufis. Here are a few out of a long list: *The God Ideal; The Power of the Silence; The Alchemy of Happiness; The Coming World Religion; The Freedom of the Soul; Man, the Seed of God.*

These quotations also seem to ring true:

"It is not by self-realization that man realizes God: It is by God-realization that man realizes self."

"True spirituality is not necessarily a fixed faith or belief—it is the ennobling of the soul by rising above the barriers of material life."

"By respecting every person I meet I worship God, and in loving every soul on earth I feel my devotion to God."

M. R. L.

The Better Man

He is in us somewhere shining,
He is down somewhere below,
We may bring him out tomorrow
With his smiling eyes aglow;
There are none of us so wicked,
There are none of us so vile
But the better man within us
Gets his little chance to smile.

Through all sorrow and all striving,
Through all suffering and sin,
He is down there somewhere waiting,
He is hiding still within;
And some day we're going to find him
Going to bring him out of there
To the sunlight of sweet service,
To the clean and wholesome air.

In the best ones and the worst ones,
There's a better man, for sure,
Who will turn the wicked in us
To the gentle and the pure;
Through temptation and through sorrow,
Through the turmoil and the strife,
There's a better man to conquer
In the battle-dream of Life.

—Anon.

True Success

He has achieved success who has loved well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty, or failed to express it, who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory, a benediction.—*Bessie A. Stanley.*

In the November *American Magazine*, there is a good article by Allan Harding, entitled "How to Play Your Game, Whether It Be Football or the Game of Life", and some of the pointers that Coach Yost gave to his team could be applied in our work in Spiritual life. They are as follows: "What you get out of the game depends on how much you put into it. You can't win today on what you did last Saturday." (Do not be afraid to do your own work, or think you cannot do it as well as the other fellow). "The field is the place to play the game, not to view it." (The Universe is the place for all to do God's work, not to sit by and view it done.)

Healing Department

"CHRIST IN YOU, THE HOPE OF GLORY."
 "I NO LONGER LIVE, BUT CHRIST LIVETH IN ME."
 "FOR ME TO LIVE IS CHRIST."

In order to receive the fullest blessing possible from the foregoing statements, we must know "that Christ in you" means that indwelling Spirit of Love, Wisdom, Power, Life, Joy, that is spoken of so often in the Bible as the Son of God.

I am the Son of God. Speak it often. Speak it with power. Speak it with conviction of the truth.

God's Son does not behold iniquity. I therefore lay aside *forever* all belief of duality. I am not two selves, one good the other evil. I am one true self.

"For me to live is Christ." I live, therefore I am the Christ, the Son (the manifested expression of God).

"Christ in you, the hope of glory." "For I give unto them Eternal Life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." "The works that the Father doeth shall ye do also that the Father may be glorified in the Son."

I go forth in Divine Activity to be a blessing to myself and others. I no longer let my mental activity run in channels of distrust, hate, and unbelief in the power and goodness of God. *I make it tally with what I am.*

God's Son is one with the Father in substance, intelligence and power. I therefore claim my divine inheritance, and refuse to be subject to the human concept which says that I am a limited, conditioned being.

"I no longer live, but Christ liveth in me." I let this indwelling Spirit fill my personality with its love, joy, power; with all its ability to serve, with all its ability to receive.

This is the work of the Divine One within us. This is the Activity Constructive. God is a Builder, always.

I raise no altars to false gods, but hold sacred my divine heritage.

"I am come to be a light unto the world." For this cause was I born that I might bear witness unto the truth."

"I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." These are all statements of one who truly lived and proved in his living that truth is perfect law and order; that it cannot be gainsaid or resisted, but must be perceived, accepted, and practiced in the daily living.

God baptizes us with His Consciousness, His Consciousness becomes our Consciousness. Let us in turn baptize all with this same Consciousness. Consciousness is power to heal and glorify. Let us "know and know that we know." Freely ye have received, freely give.

MEDITATION

Uphold me in thy free Spirit. I am open to my own Christ Consciousness.
 I live from its Love, Wisdom and Power.

Each issue of the Weekly will have on this page explicit directions for treating and healing and from time to time testimonials will be given. There will also be carried a thought for the week to be used together by the practitioners of this department and those applying for help.

All correspondence will receive a personal reply. Be explicit in stating your case and know that all communications will be held in strictest confidence. Send a blessing with your offering.

Names and addresses of those who give testimonials on this page will be sent upon request.

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Emerson's Understanding of Truth

(*Excerpts bearing upon the topic, culled from his "Essays" without alteration, save an occasional connecting word. Compiled by Henry R. Thayer.*)

I have lived after appearances hitherto; henceforth I am the Truth's. We lie in the lap of immense Intelligence, which makes us receivers of its Truth, and makes us organs of its activities. When we discern Truth, we do nothing of ourselves, but allow a passage to its beams.

We denote Primary Wisdom, as "intuition." In that deep force the last fact behind which analysis cannot go, all things find their common origin. Its presence or absence, is all we can affirm. They fancy I *choose* to see this or that thing; perception is not whimsical but fatal. My perception is as much a fact, as the sun. When we discern Justice, when we discern Truth, we do nothing for ourselves. Whenever a mind is simple, and receives Divine wisdom, old things pass away. All things are dissolved to their center, by their causes; the ultimate fact which we reach is the resolution of *all* things into the ever-blessed *one*!

What we love, that we have. No man can come near me but through my act. Nothing can bring you peace, but yourself. He who knows that Power is inborn, and so perceiving, throws himself unhesitatingly on his thought, instantly rights himself, stands erect and works miracles. Thought is always prior to the fact. There is one mind common to all men, and who hath access to this mind is party to all that can be done. Facts yield their secret sense in that lofty sight, and their solid angularity is dissipated into shining ether, for nothing is so fleeting as form.

Everything the individual sees, corresponds to his state of mind. Universal Nature sits on the shoulder of the bard and writes through his hand great and wise things which he himself does not understand, for men are wiser than they know, and better than their theology. Man has a light; he must bear witness to that light, though he by his fidelity to new revelations of the incessant soul must hate father, mother, wife, and child.

Everything is made of one hidden stuff; the universe is alive; all things are moral. *Do the thing*, and you shall have the power, but they that do not the thing have not the Power! He is great who confers the most benefits. Put God in your debt. Every stroke shall be re-paid. The longer the debt is withholden the better for you, for compound interest on compound interest is the rate and usage of this exchequer. *Being* is the vast affirmative, excluding negation, self-balanced, and swallowing up all relations, parts, and times within itself.

Eternity

There is no time but now, dear friend,
Now, and at thy journey's end
It is the same. The future gleams
And never is, the past oft seems
A foolish dream. Shun not the hours
That dance before thee, rainbow clear:
Fear not the storm that darkening lowers,
The night winds pass, the day draws near.

Meta Fuller Keene.

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