



FLASHES
of
TRUTH

The title is written in a bold, hand-drawn, blocky font. The word 'FLASHES' is at the top, 'of' is in the middle, and 'TRUTH' is at the bottom. Several jagged lightning bolt symbols are drawn around the text, with one large bolt striking the top of 'FLASHES' and others radiating from the left and bottom.

*Behold I have set before thee
an open door and no man can
shut it.*

—REV. 3:8.

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HELPS ALONG THE WAY



In the world God made there are "ways of pleasantness and paths of peace" for all.

To-day, I Remember

that my God is ever with me, "nearer than breathing, closer than hands and feet."

To-day, I Remember

that "God's in His heaven, all's right with the world."

To-day, I Remember

that Life is a Game and Jesus Christ is here helping me to play it successfully.



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EDITOR'S FLASH

ELEANOR MEL

Greetings! All Hail to you, one and all! Once again we come flashing forth. Here and there and everywhere that a copy of Flashes of Truth may go, Greetings!

Flashes of Truth has felt to "lay low" during the time of paper shortage and difficulty in printing. There have been many reasons why it seemed wise to refrain from publication. But now, the war is over. There is no longer a reason for silence, so, ALL HAIL! And again, greetings and blessings!

Yes, we have all lived through the time of gas and other rationing. Students have found it difficult to come to us. You know the story. But that time has passed. War is over, and so is rationing. And yet, throughout all of the days of rationing, when butter and meat and gas, eggs and oranges, seemed as elusive as the ground-hog, never has

faith been rationed; never the Love of God subjected to government regulation. NEVER! And it never will be!

The gifts of God come to us freely, as freely as we can receive. Glorious Truth! Our ever available God never hides behind any kind of a cloud, be it a cloud of dust or war. Always and always is the "Son of Righteousness" risen "with healing in His wings!" And *under His wings shall we trust*. Are you trusting?

Glorious days of reconstruction are at hand. Let us all make ready. War is over and peace is being established, slowly, but surely. For, is not peace here? Has it not always been here as a gift of God? "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." Have we accepted His gift? Do we live in perfect peace in spite of world disturbances? How can this be done? Through knowing that 'God is in His heavens', and sooner or later His peace is bound to express in all its fullness. Hard as it may seem, let us forget the miseries brought on by war, not neglecting our part in giving comfort to those who have suffered most. Let us forget the wrong doing, and remember the right doing of those who are heart and soul eager to bring about a lasting peace.

“Thou shalt forget thy miseries and remember them as waters that pass away!”

So, let us, “forgetting those things which are behind, press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

Here in New England we are still wrapped in the throes of a severe winter. Ice underfoot, snow everywhere else, cold and wind, and anon a blast of sunshine. But we know that winter is but a herald of spring. We love to think that the sun is getting higher—the days are getting longer and soon . . . spring will be here with its miracle bursting of fresh new life. So it must be with all of us. Whatever the winter of our souls through which we have been passing, let us look up and march ever forward to the wonderful opportunities offered through unwavering faith in Christ and His established Kingdom. Forward and onward and upward! Yes, let us forge ahead with boldness and daring, with full faith in the ever increasing power of God’s Love.

So, on this eve of the twenty-seventh anniversary and birthday consecration of the Boston Home of Truth, we greet you, “All Hail!” Let us go on together—let us go on!

LET US GO ON*Hebrews 6:1*

Some of us stay at the cross,
Some of us wait at the tomb,
Quickened and raised together with Christ,
Yet lingering still in the gloom!

Some of us bide at the Passover feast,
With Pentecost all unknown—
The triumphs of grace in the heavenly place
That the Lord has made our own.

If the Christ who died had stopped at the
cross,
His work had been incomplete.
If the Christ who was buried had stayed in
the tomb,
He had only known defeat.

But the way of the cross never stops at the
cross,
And the way of the tomb leads on
To victorious grace in the heavenly place,
Where the risen Lord has gone.

So let us go on with our Lord,
To the fullness of God He has brought,
Unsearchable riches of glory and good,
Exceeding our innermost thought.

Let us grow up into Christ,
Claiming His life and its powers—
The triumphs of Grace in the heavenly place,
That our conquering Lord has made ours.

THE HOME OF TRUTH IDEA

Just what is the Home of Truth and what does it stand for? Often such inquiries come from those not familiar with the workings of the Home of Truth. The Home of Truth is an idea—the idea of teaching and living the Truth in a home, as it can be lived and taught in any home.

The Home of Truth constitutes a group of workers dedicated to following the teachings of Jesus Christ, and incorporating them into everyday life, veritably living His Life. These so-called workers feel called and chosen to be soldiers in Christ, giving their lives to the work without money and price.

The support of the Home of Truth and its workers seems unique in the eyes of the world; it is supported through the proving of the Promises of God. In other words, there is no organization, no membership, no subscription list, no fund; and again, no charge for services, no solicitations. All contributions being voluntary in the truest sense of the word.

Love always expresses itself in gifts, and in loving our neighbor as ourselves we give freely, even as the Spirit has given to us freely. Therefore nothing of the healing and teaching is priced or

sold, but all are Love gifts. The same privilege of free giving is accorded to those who come to the Home, or love its ministry. Many give richly and generously to the work in the form of money or other expressions of value.

Thousands can testify to the benefits in healing, both physical and spiritual, and to the freedom which has come to them through the knowledge of Truth and the practice of it in daily life. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

Those who turn to the ministry of the Home of Truth are taught to apply the simple principles given in the teachings of Jesus Christ, which, when properly applied, will solve problems, lift burdens, and bring healing and freedom. The desire is to help people help themselves right where they are. The Promises of God are just as possible to be proven today as at any time.

The Healing Ministry is the same as that of Jesus Christ, who healed through knowledge and by speaking the word of truth, both silently and audibly. The Lord is the great physician with whom all things are possible, and to whom no disease is incurable. "For with God all things are possible."

Write, telephone, telegraph or cable when you cannot come to the Home in

person. Day and night, like a living fountain, the Home is always prepared to help those who turn to it in their times of need. "I am the Lord that healeth thee." Remember the law—"Before they call do I answer, and while they are yet speaking do I hear."

Meditation and study groups are conducted daily, also hundreds are taught individually by appointment with any one of the workers in the Home, and through correspondence.

The Home is prepared to send forth trained teachers and healers to any group which will gather in earnest desire to become more familiar with the Truth that makes free. Truth is practical, and when properly applied it is a panacea for every problem in life.

The Home of Truth prepares students for the healing and teaching ministry. For surely, "the harvest is ripe and the reapers are few."

The Home maintains a splendid Lending Library from which books can be mailed to those who cannot come in person. Also it maintains a splendid Reading Room where many find enjoyment in the quiet of its atmosphere. It is furnished with Unity, Divine Science, New Thought and other Truth literature. We are prepared to secure any book which is published along the lines

of Truth. We believe that every teacher and every teaching is the right one for somebody at some time. We offer freely the presentation of Jesus Christ teaching to those who are ready and receptive.

We are glad to have you present your problems and let us help you solve them through the application of the teachings of Jesus Christ.

A presentation of Jesus Christ's teachings and practice is offered here to the world, that is believed to be the primitive ministry of Christianity, which was given to the world for man's healing and salvation, body, mind, soul, and estate.

The chief teacher and founder is Jesus Christ. The great authority for our belief is the Holy Spirit within each one; the Church is the whole body of divine Humanity everywhere, visible and invisible, and all are brothers and sisters with one Father and one Mother whose name is "God".

The text-books are: first, the Four Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, especially the words of Jesus Christ; second, the remaining books of the Bible; and third, all other scriptures and writings that have blessed humanity.

Realizing that the Church of Christ is

that perfect body of humanity that does not need to be organized or held together by rules and strictures, the workers of this presentation have formed no new church or creed, but have seen that the homes of the nation are the natural places for worship and the teaching ministry.

The true home is the representation of Heaven. And the happy, innocent, wise, and loving interior state which is the real Kingdom of Heaven, externalizes itself most naturally as a home of comfort, harmony, and bliss. Such homes are the beginning of Heaven upon the earth, promised by the Spirit, and prophesied by the Christ.

We believe that God the Good is All in All, and that there is none to love or to be, to know or to work for, but this One in our neighbor, in ourselves, or in the world. This being the interpretation of the greatest of all commandments—Mark 12:29, 31.

We believe that every good gift has been conferred upon us freely by our heavenly Father, and that knowledge of Truth and its application will reveal to us eternal health, unchanging prosperity, age-lasting life, and the bliss of omniscient, omnipresent and omnipotent Love.

“Behold, the kingdom of God is

within you." We believe that Heaven is within all, and that all are to manifest it on earth, and need not wait to die in order to enter its joys.

We believe that all men and women are innately good, and that all are alive, whether visible or invisible, and are under the care and guidance of the loving Father, who knows no failure, but will present Truth in all ways to His children until every one shall "come to himself" and to the joy for which his heart has been yearning.

We have learned that prosperity, like health, is from God. There are certain laws of supply to be known and fulfilled that have unvarying success. Thus, one law is to look to God only for support. So we do not look to people, whether rich or poor, nor to earthly work, for our supply, but to the Spirit which uses them as channels. We teach the principles of prosperity, believing it Godly to be comfortable as well as healthy. "Thou shall remember the Lord thy God, for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth."

We are here in the service of Jesus Christ to help and to uplift. Do not hesitate to turn to us at any time of day or night.

"If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink."

PEACE BE UNTO YOU

CORONATION*(To Eleanor Mel)*

A house where Truth and Truth alone is
spoken

Becomes the living Symbol and the Token
Of that eternal Kingdom, seeking birth
Upon our war-beleaguered planet earth.

A Kingdom so immense and golden-fair,
God in His majesty is regnant there;
God in His burning beauty finds His own
And makes the pulsing human heart His
throne.

The house where Truth and Truth alone is
told

Becomes the Symbol of immortal gold,
Proclaiming riches though the world is poor,
Declaring Peace though war is at the door,
Pronouncing health where weakness would
appear,

In spite of conflict, crying: "Love is here!"

BEHOLDING DEEPER DOWN THAN
MEN MAY SEE,
GOD'S NEVER-DYING DREAM OF
UNITY!

O HOUSE OF TRUTH, WHOSE MINISTRY
WOULD REACH
BEYOND THE ILLS AND FEARS THAT
MORTALS TEACH;

O HOUSE OF TRUTH, WHOSE WALLS OF
SHINING GOLD
ALL NATIONS OF THE EARTH IN LOVE
ENFOLD . . .

I SEE FOR YOU A CROWNING, ON THAT
DAY

WHEN COMES THE TRIUMPH OF THE
GOOD WE PRAY,

WHEN TRUTH SHALL BIND THE WAR-
RING LANDS AS ONE,

AND GOD SHALL BLESS, AND SAY TO
THEE: "WELL DONE."

—*Angela Morgan*

THE TRUE DOMINION

THOMAS BRINDLEY

We have been told that God gave dominion and authority to mankind. Where is this dominion that has been given unto mankind? Why does man not use it to drive from the earth war, hate, evil, sin, sickness, lack and limitation?

Well, to begin with, we might ask ourselves individually the same questions. "Where is my dominion to drive from my life the error and evil that confront me?" "God gave me this dominion, for I am part of mankind." "Then where can this power be?"

Let us be still, and think for a moment on the Presence of God. God is Spirit, then dominion and authority must be spiritual gifts. This means I can use them only when I am fully conscious of my true being. God is Life, then dominion and authority must be a way of living. Does this mean that only as I live truly I can consciously use dominion and authority? God is Love, can it be that dominion and authority is a way of loving?

God is mind, then it must be that dominion and authority are of the mind. The action of the mind, backed by dominion and authority, brings forth what it wills into the world of effect.

This is the Law. Mind is the first great Cause. It is in the mind that dominion and authority must be established. Until they are established, our words have no power to bring forth. They become a babel of sounds.

To sum up our statements at this point, brings us to the conclusion that until we have awakened to the Truth that we are spiritual beings, functioning through mind in living and loving, dominion and authority are not for us.

If we do not have this dominion and authority, how can we attain it? First, we must be conscious of our true spiritual being. The world is woefully poor in spiritual consciousness. We have become so entangled in things of the flesh that we have forgotten the very Power that sustains the flesh. We **MUST** take the time for spiritual growth and unfoldment. We **MUST** put first things first if we are ever to enjoy the kingdom God created for us. We shall never get our good by begging and beseeching God for it. He has already given us the dominion and authority to produce our own good, as we will, where we will, and when we will, simply by the right action of mind.

And how can we get this right action of mind established? By living and loving aright! What are your prepara-

tions for living? I do not mean what preparations have you made to avoid death. What preparations have you made to LIVE? How much time have you allowed yourself for spiritual study and growth? How much time have you allowed for serving Him? Most of us are trying to find ways of using God for our own ends, instead of looking for the opportunities through which God can use us.

How? By loving aright! O, we all do a lot of loving—but it is mostly selfish loving. We love those who love us, and do nice things for us, and bring us fine gifts—but that is not the loving out of which dominion and authority are born. The true loving is that loving that loves when the flesh wants to hate, that forgives when the human wants to “pay back”. It is loving that is big enough to cleanse itself of greed, envy, jealousy and bitterness. In fact, as Jesus said, big enough to “love the enemy”.

If all of us will go to work to find the Jesus Christ way of loving—we will find the secret of true dominion and authority. For dominion and authority are spiritual gifts and must be spiritually discerned. No one can do this for us, each one must do it for himself. The sooner we forget the flesh that is ever hungry for something, and remember

the Truth that we are spiritual beings, the sooner will the Kingdom of Heaven burst forth on the earth. Let us make all things new by making ourselves New.

God gave dominion and authority to the Sons of God. Wake up and BE a Son of God.



WEEKLY MEDITATION

FIRST WEEK

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith—be strong.

SECOND WEEK

Hold fast that which is good.

THIRD WEEK

In due season ye shall reap if ye faint not.

FOURTH WEEK

Be of good cheer.

EQUALITY AND JUSTICE

EMILY ADAMS

You are given a room wired for lighting. It is completely dark, has been dark for some sixty minutes. You are given a hundred-watt electric light bulb. You attach the bulb to the socket. There is light. There is no darkness, for the room is filled with light.

Your neighbor is given a similar room, wired for lighting. It is completely dark, has been dark for some sixty months. He is given a hundred-watt electric light bulb. He attaches the bulb to a socket. There is light. His room sixty months dark, is filled with light, as quickly and as completely as your room which has been dark for sixty minutes only.

Certainly there is no injustice in this. The laws for lighting by electricity have been obeyed in each case. In each case the darkness has disappeared with the coming of light. Fullness of light is fullness of light, however long-standing the darkness may have seemed to be. You, instructed in the power of light to eliminate darkness, would not think of complaining or being disconcerted with this. You would not reason that your room merited either quicker or more complete light than your neighbor's room.

In the life of seeking Truth, the years we have lived and the experiences we have had in the world, make us neither superior nor inferior, neither more nor less worthy of true happiness. The heavenly states of mind, happiness and contentment, wait in each of us for our acceptance of them, that they may flood us, the instant connection is made with them. ANY mind which opens itself to the happiness and contentment of the Kingdom of Heaven within, may be flooded instantly with the heavenly states of mind.

In the truly spiritual Life there are no injustices, for there are no special privileges, there is no partiality. Seekers after Truth are not rewarded for merit, nor deprived for lack of merit. Equality is the law in the real Life. Fullness of joy is for everyone, *whosoever* consents to it AND opens up to it.

We are to see to it that we do not let states of mind such as complaining and being discontented over apparent injuries, darken our minds. Sense of injustice acts toward fullness of joy as a dark shade over the hundred-watt light bulb would act in the room we desired to lighten. We are not to agree with the evidence of our senses which tell us of the injustice in the world. We are to agree with and thus make union

with, the character of the REAL Life in God. In God there is perfect justice for each of us, whatever our circumstances.

GOD IS WITH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US, ALWAYS, AND ALL OF HIS GOOD IS FOR EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US, ALWAYS.

"GOD IS WITH ME AND HIS GOOD IS FOR ME." This is the triumphant state of mind which makes a connection with the satisfaction and pure happiness we desire.

"Son, all that I have is thine." As children of God, we seek to accept our inheritance of good, and we trust the inevitable justice of our all-loving, all-good Father, to whom each of us is the "Beloved in whom He is well-pleased." To each of us He offers His ALL in the right, needed form.

Adjusting spiritual forces are everywhere, responding to our TRUST IN THE ALMIGHTY GOOD. They work to form and to draw to us exactly what we need on earth for our perfect self-fulfillment here in the flesh.

"Lovingly into the hands of the Father I place myself and all my affairs. That which is for my highest good shall come unto me."

MARCH OF NEWS

ELEANOR MEL

The Boston Home of Truth is located at 175 Commonwealth Avenue, where we came in May, 1940. The location has proved perfect, so near the trains and subways. The building itself continues to adapt itself perfectly to the demands of our work. The Chapel holds one hundred persons, and the whole first floor can accommodate three hundred and fifty persons if necessary.

The kitchen and dining room on the basement floor are well cared for by our faithful Chef, who has been with us for over twelve years. His is a real Christ service. Our Herbert Reynolds is beloved by all who know him.

The floors above the Chapel accommodate the workers and such guests as come for study. Yes, our work is beautifully housed.

We continue our Wednesday all-day services, when all our teachers take part. We carry on from ten in the morning till nine in the evening, with a pause for luncheon at twelve-thirty and tea at four. Wednesday has come to be a day of spiritual uplift for the many who set that day aside to be spent with us. It is wonderful to have so many loyal ones seeking the Light with us, and breathing out prayers to the world.

Nyala, our Lakeside Farm, is thriving under the stewardship of Mr. and Mrs. Denton and their three children. They took charge in 1944 with their family of cows and chickens. Also, we have there the Farm horse, Dick, and the latest addition, Timmy, the buckskin pony, pet of the children, and who seems to think he has dominion over all things. If you do not know the Dentons, you have something to look forward to, and to learn to love. They are a gift from God to Nyala. The workers have summer Camps at Nyala on the Lake front. Plans are in store for other camps to be built by other families who want to be on the Lake front in summer. So Nyala is budding anew.

The Secret Garden names the property on the shore at Swampscott. It consists of a Guest House set in a lovely Garden of about an acre, and the whole surrounded by a cedar fence, which gives it the name, the "Secret Garden". Here, come those who wish rest and recreation, together with the Lessons in Truth given there in the summer. Mrs. Frances Giddings, our admirable Hostess, has endeared herself to all who spend their vacations at the Secret Garden, and we pray that she may be with us for many summers. The Garden could not be kept up during the war,

with shortage of man-power, but we look forward to trimming it up once more this summer. Whether the Garden runs wild, or nurtured under the skillful hands and consecrated love of our Anna Bowers, it always proves a haven of rest for all who go there. It has received a rich heritage from the former owners, who are happy to know it is being used to give uplift to so many people.

In Lynn at 42 High Street, corner of Oxford, we have our latest addition to the Home of Truth, in the form of a New England cottage, which now houses our Lynn Truth Center. It is in its beginning in this location, though the work in Lynn has been carried on by Mr. Brindley for seven or more years. We are happy to have our own building, and happy indeed in the present Hostess, Mary Keown, gracious with Christ hospitality and Good Samaritan love. All who meet her quickly learn to love her.

One by one, the Overseas boys are returning. We had not one casualty on the list of those for whom we raised protection prayers during the war. The nearest to a casualty was with one boy who was shot down in his plane between China and India. He wandered, feeding on bamboo roots, banana flowers and

grasshoppers for twenty-five days, then found his way back to base, was in the hospital for a month, then back to flying, and now is in Yale University, having been discharged with every citation the Government has to offer. A few of our boys are still over there with the Army of Occupation. Prayers of protection still go out to the world.

We are grateful to God for the able assistance on Sunday morning of Nellie Zimmer at the harp, and on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday afternoons and evenings of Edith Thurlow at the piano, which makes the meetings complete. Also, we are grateful to Winnifred Kenny and Esther Terry, who preside at the piano during our Sunday morning Broadcasts. Oh, we have so much to be thankful for—such loving service from so many persons, including those who Hostess in the Reading Room on week-days. Now that gas rationing is a thing of the past, many more people are finding their way to our Sunday services and the Wednesday classes. The Boston Home of Truth is like a beehive humming with activity. Anon some of the Radio audience drop in to visit us. We are always glad to welcome all who feel led to our door. So we travel on with Jesus Christ as our Leader.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY SERVICES

- 9:15 A. M. Broadcast over WMEX—
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10:00 A. M. Bible Hour
11:00 A. M. Service with Message
11:00 A. M. Children's Hour
4:00 P. M. Song Service with Message

WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 A. M. to 4:00 P. M. Hourly Classes
Luncheon at 12:30 P. M.
Tea at 4:00 P. M.
8:00 P. M. Evening Lecture

EVERY WEEK DAY

- 7:30 A. M., 12:00 Noon, 7:00 P. M. Medi-
tation for 30 minutes.

OUT-OF-TOWN GROUPS

MONDAY

- 2:30 and 7:30 P. M. Lynn Truth Center,
42 High Street. Mr. Brindley

TUESDAY

- 2:30 and 7:45 P. M. Springfield, Unity
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WEDNESDAY

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GIVING

Giving is the golden thread
On which creation is strung,
God created all, then said,
"Give! for thus is Life's song sung."
Whatever is given, beauty, love, work or
prayer,
Becomes a gift enfolding in its soul the seed
Of giving forth again, of that it has received.
Giving and the gift, have become a gift to
share.

—*Edna Wisner*