

## FIRST LIGHT

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### THE BIBLE

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#### **JOB 38:19 (to?)**

Where *is* the way *where* light dwelleth?

#### **GENESIS 1:3 GOD, 4 (TO 1ST.)**

God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that *it was good*: and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night.

#### **Exodus 9:1**

The Lord said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

#### **EXODUS 13:3 MOSES (TO:), 20,21**

Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the Lord brought you out from this *place*: And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness. And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

#### **EXODUS 15:2 (TO:)**

The Lord *is* my strength and song, and he is become my salvation:

#### **2ND SAMUEL 22:29**

For thou *art* my lamp, O Lord: and the Lord will lighten my darkness.

#### **JOB 22:26-28**

For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God. Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows. Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.

#### **PSALMS 4:6 Lord, 7,8**

Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us. Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time *that* their corn and their wine increased. I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.

#### **PSALMS 119:105**

Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

#### **JOB 28:3 (TO:), 11,12**

He setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection: He bindeth the floods from overflowing; and *the thing that is hid* bringeth he forth to light. But where shall wisdom be found? and where *is* the place of understanding?

**ACTS 7:22**

Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.

**JOHN 1:17 (GRACE) ...**

Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

**1ST CORINTHIANS 10:1 ALL, 2-4 ...**

All our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

**MATTHEW 9:26-30 (TO ;)**

And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land. And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on us. And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

**MATTHEW 17:20 IF YE**

If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove: and nothing shall be impossible to you.

**HEBREWS 11:1 FAITH ...**

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

**ROMANS 5:1-3 KNOWING, 4**

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ...knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

**2ND PETER 1:19**

We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts.

**ROMANS 1:17, 19,20 (TO ;)**

For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed *it* unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead;

**DANIEL 12:2 (THEM), 3 (THEY) ...**

Them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt. ...they that be wise shall

shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

**LUKE 11:34 (TO;), 36**

The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light;

If thy whole body therefore be full of light having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

**MATTHEW 5:14-16**

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

**REVELATION 12:1**

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

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**SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, BY MARY BAKER EDDY**

**562:11-21**

The spiritual idea is crowned with twelve stars. The twelve tribes of Israel with all mortals, — separated by belief from man's divine origin and the true idea, — will through much tribulation yield to the activities of the divine Principle of man in the harmony of Science. These are the stars in the crown of rejoicing. They are the lamps in the spiritual heavens of the age, which show the workings of the spiritual idea by healing the sick and the sinning, and by manifesting the light which shines "unto the perfect day" as the night of materialism wanes.

**558:10**

To mortal sense Science seems at first obscure, abstract, and dark; but a bright promise crowns its brow. When understood, it is Truth's prism and praise. When you look it fairly in the face, you can heal by its means, and it has for you a light above the sun, for God "is the light thereof." Its feet are pillars of fire, foundations of Truth and Love.

**546:23-26**

Christian Science is dawning upon a material age. The great spiritual facts of being, like rays of light, shine in the darkness, though the darkness, comprehending them not, may deny their reality.

**200:4-7**

Moses advanced a nation to the worship of God in Spirit instead of matter, and illustrated the grand human capacities of being bestowed by immortal Mind.

**25:13-16**

Jesus taught the way of Life by demonstration, that we may understand how this divine Principle heals the sick, casts out error, and triumphs over death.

**14:6-9**

To be “present with the Lord” is to have, not mere emotional ecstasy or faith, but the actual demonstration and understanding of Life as revealed in Christian Science. To be “with the Lord” is to be in obedience to the law of God, to be absolutely governed by divine Love, — by Spirit, not by matter.

**1:1-4**

The prayer that reforms the sinner and heals the sick is an absolute faith that all things are possible to God, — a spiritual understanding of Him, an unselfed love.

**VII:2-4**

The wakeful shepherd beholds the first faint morning beams, ere cometh the full radiance of a risen day.

**584:1**

The irradiance of Life; light, the spiritual idea of Truth and Love.

**468:17-21(TO 1ST.)**

Substance is that which is eternal and incapable of discord and decay. Truth, Life, and Love are substance, as the Scriptures use this word in Hebrews: “The substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

**23:17-19**

Faith, advanced to spiritual understanding, is the evidence gained from Spirit, which rebukes sin of every kind and establishes the claims of God.

**278:32-5**

A New Testament writer plainly describes faith, a quality of mind, as “the *substance* of things hoped for.”

**198:9-22**

The materialistic doctor, though humane, is an artist who outlines his thought relative to disease, and then fills in his delineations with sketches from textbooks. It is better to prevent disease from forming in mortal mind afterwards to appear on the body; but to do this requires attention. The thought of disease is formed before one sees a doctor and before the doctor undertakes to dispel it by a counter-irritant, — perhaps by a blister, by the application of caustic or croton oil, or by a surgical operation. Again, giving another direction to faith, the physician prescribes drugs, until the elasticity of mortal thought haply causes a vigorous reaction upon itself, and reproduces a picture of healthy and harmonious formations.

**160:3**

The systems of physics act against metaphysics, and *vice versa*. When mortals forsake the material for the spiritual basis of action, drugs lose their healing force, for they have no innate power. Unsupported by the faith reposed in it, the inanimate drug becomes powerless.

**107:10-13**

Through Christian Science, religion and medicine are inspired with a diviner nature and essence; fresh pinions are given to faith and understanding, and thoughts acquaint themselves intelligently with God.

**95:19**

We welcome the increase of knowledge and the end of error, because even human invention must have its day, and we want that day to be succeeded by Christian Science, by divine reality. Midnight foretells the dawn. Led by a solitary star amid the darkness, the Magi of old foretold the Messiahship of Truth. Is the wise man of to-day believed, when he beholds the light which heralds Christ's eternal dawn and describes its effulgence?

**125:12-16**

As human thought changes from one stage to another of conscious pain and painlessness, sorrow and joy, — from fear to hope and from faith to understanding, — the visible manifestation will at last be man governed by Soul, not by material sense.

**298:13-15**

Spiritual sense, contradicting the material senses, involves intuition, hope, faith, understanding, fruition, reality.

**354:23-25**

The night of materiality is far spent, and with the dawn Truth will waken men spiritually to hear and to speak the new tongue.

**506:13-14**

Thus the dawn of ideas goes on, forming each successive stage of progress.

**298:1-6**

Life, Truth, and Love are the realities of divine Science. They dawn in faith and glow full-orbed in spiritual understanding. As a cloud hides the sun it cannot extinguish, so false belief silences for a while the voice of immutable harmony, but false belief cannot destroy Science armed with faith, hope, and fruition.

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