May 20th readings: Peace, be still.

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The Bible

1. Isa. 52:7

⁷ ¶ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

2. Ps. 37:37

37 Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace.

3. Gen. 8:6-12

- 6 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:
- 7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.
- 8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;
- 9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.
- And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;
- And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.
- 12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

4. Isa. 9:6, 7

- ⁶ For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
- ⁷ Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

5. Luke 2:11-14

- 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
- And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
- 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and

saying,

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

6. Mark 4:35-41

- And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.
- 36 And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships.
- And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.
- And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?
- And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.
- 40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?
- 41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

7. Luke 7:44-50

- 44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head.
- Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.
- 46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.
- Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.
- 48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.
- 49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?
- 50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

8. Isa. 26:3

3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

Science & Health

1. SH 150:4

To-day the healing power of Truth is widely demonstrated as an immanent, eternal Science, instead of a

- 6 phenomenal exhibition. Its appearing is the coming anew of the gospel of "on earth peace, good-will toward men." This coming, as was promised
- 9 by the Master, is for its establishment as a permanent

The main purpose

dispensation among men; but the mission of Christian Science now, as in the time of its earlier demonstration,
12 is not primarily one of physical healing. Now, as then,
signs and wonders are wrought in the metaphysical healing of physical disease; but these signs are only to demonstrate its divine origin, — to attest the reality of the higher mission of the Christ-power to take away the sins of the world.

2. SH 226:14

God has built a higher platform of human rights, and
He has built it on diviner claims. These claims are not
made through code or creed, but in demonstration of "on earth peace, good-will toward men."
Human codes, scholastic theology, material medicine and
hygiene, fetter faith and spiritual understanding. Divine
Science rends asunder these fetters, and man's birthright

21 of sole allegiance to his Maker asserts itself.

Cramping systems

3. SH 45:16

Glory be to God, and peace to the struggling hearts!
Christ hath rolled away the stone from the door of human hope and faith, and through the revelation and demonstration of life in God, hath
elevated them to possible at-one-ment with the spiritual
idea of man and his divine Principle, Love.

The stone rolled away

4. SH 516:9-13

God fashions all things, after His own likeness. Life is reflected in existence, Truth in truthfulness, God in goodness, which impart their own peace and
 permanence. Love, redolent with unselfishness, bathes all in beauty and light.

Love imparts beauty

5. SH 144:14

Human will-power is not Science. Human will belongs
to the so-called material senses, and its use is to be condemned. Willing the sick to recover is not the metaphysical practice of Christian Science, but is sheer animal magnetism. Human will-power may infringe the rights of man. It produces evil continually, and is not a factor in the realism of being. Truth, and not corporeal will, is the divine power which says to disease, "Peace, be still."

Will-power detrimental

6. SH 214:28

Progressive

development

The senses of Soul

accident can interfere with the senses of Soul, 30 and there are no other real senses. It is evident that the body as matter has no sensation of its own, and there is no oblivion for Soul and its faculties. Spirit's senses are with-1 out pain, and they are forever at peace. Nothing can hide from them the harmony of all things and the might and

Neither age nor

7. SH 64:17

3 permanence of Truth.

Marriage should signify a union of hearts. Further-₁₈ more, the time cometh of which Jesus spake, when he declared that in the resurrection there should be no more marrying nor giving in marriage,

- 21 but man would be as the angels. Then shall Soul rejoice in its own, in which passion has no part. Then white-robed purity will unite in one person masculine wis-
- 24 dom and feminine love, spiritual understanding and perpetual peace.

8. SH 589:8

JAPHET (Noah's son). A type of spiritual peace, flow-9 ing from the understanding that God is the divine Principle of all existence, and that man is His idea, the child of His care.

9. SH 584:26

Dove. A symbol of divine Science; purity and peace; 27 hope and faith.

10. SH 416:24

- The sick know nothing of the mental process by which they are depleted, and next to nothing of the metaphysical method by which they can be
- ₂₇ healed. If they ask about their disease, tell them only what is best for them to know. Assure them that they think too much about their ailments, and
- 30 have already heard too much on that subject. Turn their thoughts away from their bodies to higher objects. Teach them that their being is sustained by
- 1 Spirit, not by matter, and that they find health, peace, and harmony in God, divine Love.

11. SH 224:4

As the crude footprints of the past disappear from the dissolving paths of the present, we shall better understand Evil thought

depletes

- 6 the Science which governs these changes, and shall plant our feet on firmer ground. Every sensuous pleasure or pain is self-destroyed through suffering. There should
- 9 be painless progress, attended by life and peace instead of discord and death.

12. SH 365:31

The poor suf-

fering heart needs its rightful nutriment, such as peace,
patience in tribulation, and a priceless sense of the dear
Father's loving-kindness.

13. SH 329:21

- There is no hypocrisy in Science. Principle is imperative. You cannot mock it by human will. Science is a divine demand, not a human. Always right,
- its divine Principle never repents, but maintains the claim of Truth by quenching error.The pardon of divine mercy is the destruction of error. If
- men understood their real spiritual source to be all blessedness, they would struggle for recourse to the spiritual and be at peace; but the deeper the error into which mor-
- 30 tal mind is plunged, the more intense the opposition to spirituality, till error yields to Truth.

14. SH 265:10

This scientific sense of being, forsaking matter for Spirit, by no means suggests man's absorption into Deity and the loss of his identity, but confers upon man enlarged individuality, a wider sphere of thought and action, a more expansive love, a higher and more permanent peace.

Error destroyed, not pardoned

Hymns

1. Hymn. 2:3

The watchword has been spoken,
The light has broken forth,
Far shines the blessed token
Upon the startled earth.
To hearts and homes benighted
The blessed Truth is given,
And peace and love, united,
Point upward unto heaven.

2. Hymn. 585:3

For sin destroyed, for sorrow healed, For health and peace restored; For Life and Love by Truth revealed, We thank and bless the Lord. This is the day the Lord has made, In praise lift up your voice. In shining robes of joy arrayed, Be glad, give thanks, rejoice.

3. Hymn. 508:1

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

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