

# July 15th: A still small voice (1st Kings 19:12)

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## The Bible

### 1. I Kings 19:11, 12

- 11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; *but* the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; *but* the Lord was not in the earthquake:
- 12 And after the earthquake a fire; *but* the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

### 1 st Samuel 3: 1-10

New Living Translation

1 Meanwhile, the boy Samuel served the LORD by assisting Eli. Now in those days messages from the LORD were very rare, and visions were quite uncommon.

2 One night Eli, who was almost blind by now, had gone to bed.

3 The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was sleeping in the Tabernacle near the Ark of God.

4 Suddenly the LORD called out, "Samuel!" "Yes?" Samuel replied. "What is it?"

5 He got up and ran to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?" "I didn't call you," Eli replied. "Go back to bed." So he did.

6 Then the LORD called out again, "Samuel!" Again Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?" "I didn't call you, my son," Eli said. "Go back to bed."

7 Samuel did not yet know the LORD because he had never had a message from the LORD before.

8 So the LORD called a third time, and once more Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?" Then Eli realized it was the LORD who was calling the boy.

9 So he said to Samuel, "Go and lie down again, and if someone calls again, say, 'Speak, LORD, your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went back to bed.

10 And the LORD came and called as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel replied, "Speak, your servant is listening."

### 2. Ezek. 43:1, 2

- 1 Afterward he brought me to the gate, *even* the gate that looketh toward the east:
- 2 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice *was* like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.

### 3. Jer. 11:1-3 (to man), 4

- 1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying,
- 2 Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of

Jerusalem;

3 And say thou unto them, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel; Cursed *be* the man ...

4 Which I commanded your fathers in the day *that* I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:

#### 4. II Pet. 1:17–21

17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

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:

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

#### 5. Rev. 10:1–3

1 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow *was* upon his head, and his face *was* as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and *his left foot* on the earth,

3 And cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

#### 6. I Thess. 4:16–18

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

### Science & Health

#### 1. SH 308:14

The Soul-inspired patriarchs heard the voice of Truth,  
15 and talked with God as consciously as man talks with man.

#### 2. SH 367:24

24 The infinite Truth of the Christ-cure has come to this age through a “still, small voice,” through silent utterances and divine anointing which quicken and increase  
27 the beneficial effects of Christianity. I long to see the consummation of my hope, namely, the student's higher attainments in this line of light.

#### 3. SH 323:28

The effects of Christian Science are not so much seen as felt. It is the “still, small voice” of Truth

30 uttering itself. We are either turning away  
from this utterance, or we are listening to it and going  
up higher. Willingness to become as a little child and  
1 to leave the old for the new, renders thought receptive of  
the advanced idea. Gladness to leave the false landmarks  
3 and joy to see them disappear, — this disposition helps  
to precipitate the ultimate harmony. The purification  
of sense and self is a proof of progress. “Blessed are the  
6 pure in heart: for they shall see God.”

**4. SH 208:17**

John Young of Edinburgh writes: “God is the father  
18 of mind, and of nothing else.” Such an utterance is  
“the voice of one crying in the wilderness” of human  
beliefs and preparing the way of Science. Let us learn  
21 of the real and eternal, and prepare for the reign of  
Spirit, the kingdom of heaven, — the reign and rule of  
universal harmony, which cannot be lost nor remain  
24 forever unseen.

**5. SH 255:11–18**

Mortal man has made a covenant with his eyes to be-  
12 little Deity with human conceptions. In league  
with material sense, mortals take limited views  
of all things. That God is corporeal or material, no man  
15 should affirm.

The human form, or physical finiteness, cannot be  
made the basis of any true idea of the infinite Godhead.  
18 Eye hath not seen Spirit, nor hath ear heard His voice.

**6. SH 307:31**

Above error's awful din, blackness, and chaos, the voice  
of Truth still calls: “Adam, where art thou? Conscious-  
1 ness, where art thou? Art thou dwelling in the belief  
that mind is in matter, and that evil is mind, or art thou  
3 in the living faith that there is and can be but  
one God, and keeping His commandment?”  
Until the lesson is learned that God is the only Mind gov-  
6 erning man, mortal belief will be afraid as it was in the  
beginning, and will hide from the demand, “Where art  
thou?” This awful demand, “Adam, where art thou?”  
9 is met by the admission from the head, heart, stomach,  
blood, nerves, etc.: “Lo, here I am, looking for happiness  
and life in the body, but finding only an illusion, a blend-  
12 ing of false claims, false pleasure, pain, sin, sickness, and  
death.”

**7. SH 321:19**

It was scientifically demonstrated that leprosy was a creation of mortal mind and not a condition of matter,  
21 when Moses first put his hand into his bosom  
and drew it forth white as snow with the dread  
disease, and presently restored his hand to its natural con-  
24 dition by the same simple process. God had lessened  
Moses' fear by this proof in divine Science, and the in-  
ward voice became to him the voice of God, which said:  
27 "It shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither  
hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe  
the voice of the latter sign." And so it was in the coming  
30 centuries, when the Science of being was demonstrated  
by Jesus, who showed his students the power of Mind by  
changing water into wine, and taught them how to handle  
1 serpents unharmed, to heal the sick and cast out evils in  
proof of the supremacy of Mind.

Leprosy  
healed

#### 8. SH 226:5

The voice of God in behalf of the African slave was  
6 still echoing in our land, when the voice of the herald of  
this new crusade sounded the keynote of uni-  
versal freedom, asking a fuller acknowledg-  
9 ment of the rights of man as a Son of God, demanding  
that the fetters of sin, sickness, and death be stricken  
from the human mind and that its freedom be won, not  
12 through human warfare, not with bayonet and blood, but  
through Christ's divine Science.

Liberty's  
crusade

#### 9. SH 456:25

A Christian Scientist requires my work SCIENCE AND  
HEALTH for his textbook, and so do all his students and  
27 patients. Why? *First:* Because it is the voice  
of Truth to this age, and contains the full  
statement of Christian Science, or the Science of healing  
30 through Mind. *Second:* Because it was the first book  
known, containing a thorough statement of Christian  
Science. Hence it gave the first rules for demonstrating  
1 this Science, and registered the revealed Truth uncon-  
taminated by human hypotheses. Other works, which  
3 have borrowed from this book without giving it credit,  
have adulterated the Science. *Third:* Because this book  
has done more for teacher and student, for healer and  
6 patient, than has been accomplished by other books.

This volume  
indispensable

#### 10. SH 97:26-3

"He uttered His voice, the earth melted." This Scrip-  
27 ture indicates that all matter will disappear before the  
supremacy of Spirit.

Christianity is again demonstrating the Life that is  
30 Truth, and the Truth that is Life, by the apos-  
tolic work of casting out error and healing the  
sick. Earth has no repayment for the persecutions which  
1 attend a new step in Christianity; but the spiritual recom-  
pense of the persecuted is assured in the elevation of ex-  
3 istence above mortal discord and in the gift of divine Love.

Christianity  
still rejected

## Hymns

### 1. Hymn. 411:2

Rejoice, ye people, praise His name,  
His care doth e'er surround us.  
His love to error's thralldom came,  
And from its chains unbound us.  
Our Lord is God alone,  
No other power we own;  
No other voice we heed,  
No other help we need;  
His kingdom is forever.

### 2. Hymn. 470:2

But sweeter far the still small voice  
Unheard by human ear,  
When God has made the heart rejoice,  
And dried the bitter tear.

### 3. Hymn. 49:3

Breathe through the pulses of desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,  
O still small voice of calm.

## Additional study: Miscellaneous Writings Voices Not Our Own

### 1. Ret. 8:0–17 (np)

#### Voices Not Our Own

1 **M**ANY peculiar circumstances and events connected  
with my childhood through the chambers of memory.  
3 For some twelve months, when I was about eight years  
old, I repeatedly heard a voice, calling me distinctly by  
name, three times, in an ascending scale. I thought this  
6 was my mother's voice, and sometimes went to her, be-  
seaching her to tell me what she wanted. Her answer was

always, “Nothing, child! What do you mean?” Then  
9 I would say, “Mother, who *did* call me? I heard some-  
body call *Mary*, three times!” This continued until I  
grew discouraged, and my mother was perplexed and  
12 anxious.

One day, when my cousin, Mehitable Huntoon, was  
visiting us, and I sat in a little chair by her side, in the  
15 same room with grandmother, — the call again came, so  
loud that Mehitable heard it, though I had ceased to  
notice it. Greatly surprised, my cousin turned to me and  
18 said, “Your mother is calling you!” but I answered not,  
till again the same call was thrice repeated. Mehitable  
then said sharply, “Why don't you go? your mother is  
21 calling you!” I then left the room, went to my mother,  
and once more asked her if she had summoned me? She  
answered as always before. Then I earnestly declared  
24 my cousin had heard the voice, and said that mother  
1 wanted me. Accordingly she returned with me to grand-  
mother's room, and led my cousin into an adjoining apart-  
3 ment. The door was ajar, and I listened with bated  
breath. Mother told Mehitable all about this mysterious  
voice, and asked if she really did hear Mary's name pro-  
6 nounced in audible tones. My cousin answered quickly,  
and emphasized her affirmation.

That night, before going to rest, my mother read to me  
9 the Scriptural narrative of little Samuel, and bade me,  
when the voice called again, to reply as he did, “Speak,  
Lord; for Thy servant heareth.” The voice came; but  
12 I was afraid, and did not answer. Afterward I wept, and  
prayed that God would forgive me, resolving to do, next  
time, as my mother had bidden me. When the call came  
15 again I did answer, in the words of Samuel, but never  
again to the material senses was that mysterious call  
repeated.