Aug 12 - Finding our Home!

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The Bible

1. Ps. 90:1, 2, 4

- 1 Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.
- ² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God.
- 4 For a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday when it is past, and *as* a watch in the night.

2. Ps. 23:1-6

- 1 The Lord *is* my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
- 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
- 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

3. II Chron. 6:21

Hearken therefore unto the supplications of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, which they shall make toward this place: hear thou from thy dwelling place, *even* from heaven; and when thou hearest, forgive.

4. Jer. 29:8-14

- 8 ¶ For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Let not your prophets and your diviners, that *be* in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.
- ⁹ For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, saith the Lord.
- ¶ For thus saith the Lord, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.
- For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.
- 12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.
- 13 And ye shall seek me, and find *me*, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.
- 14 And I will be found of you, saith the Lord: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will

gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the Lord; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

5. Prov. 3:13–17

- 13 ¶ Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.
- 14 For the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.
- 15 She *is* more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
- Length of days *is* in her right hand; *and* in her left hand riches and honour.
- 17 Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.

6. Matt. 7:24–27

- ¶ Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:
- And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.
- And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:
- And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

7. Luke 15:11–24

- 11 ¶ And he said, A certain man had two sons:
- And the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them *his* living.
- And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.
- 14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.
- And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.
- And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.
- And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!
- I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,
- 19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.
- And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.
- 21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no

- more worthy to be called thy son.
- But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet:
- 23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat, and be merry:
- For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

8. Rev. 21:3-5 (to 1st.)

- 3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.
- 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
- 5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. ...

9. II Cor. 5:1

¹ For we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Science & Health

1. SH 58:21

21 Home is the dearest spot on earth, and it should be the centre, though not the boundary, of the affections.

2. SH 14:25

Entirely separate from the belief and dream of material living, is the Life divine, revealing spiritual understanding and the consciousness of man's dominion over the whole earth. This understanding casts out error and heals the sick, and with it you can speak "as one having authority."

3. SH 282:14-18, 21

A straight line finds no abiding-place in a curve, and a curve finds no adjustment to a straight line. Similarly, matter has no place in Spirit, and Spirit has no place in matter. Truth has no home in error, and error has no foothold in Truth.

Opposite symbols

is still a curve and the other a straight line.

4. SH 589:12

JERUSALEM. Mortal belief and knowledge obtained from the five corporeal senses; the pride of power and the power of pride; sensuality; envy; oppression; tyranny. Home, heaven.

5. SH 65:13

The broadcast powers of evil so conspicuous to-day show themselves in the materialism and sensualism of the age, struggling against the advancing spiritual era. Beholding the world's lack of Christianity and the powerlessness of vows to make home happy, the human mind will at length demand a higher affection.

Powerless promises

6. SH 124:20-31

Adhesion, cohesion, and attraction are properties of
Mind. They belong to divine Principle, and support
the equipoise of that thought-force, which
launched the earth in its orbit and said to the
proud wave, "Thus far and no farther."
Spirit is the life, substance, and continuity of all
things. We tread on forces. Withdraw them, and
creation must collapse. Human knowledge calls them
forces of matter; but divine Science declares that they
belong wholly to divine Mind, are inherent in this
Mind, and so restores them to their rightful home and
classification.

All force

7. SH 28:32

There is too much animal courage in society and not sufficient moral courage. Christians must take up arms against error at home and abroad. They must grapple with sin in themselves and in others, and continue this warfare until they have finished their course. If they keep the faith, they will have the crown of rejoicing.

Christian warfare

8. SH 598:23

One moment of divine consciousness, or the spiritual understanding of Life and Love, is a foretaste of eternity.

- 24 This exalted view, obtained and retained when the Science of being is understood, would bridge over with life
- discerned spiritually the interval of death, and man would be in the full consciousness of his immortality and eternal harmony, where sin, sickness, and death are un-
- 30 known. Time is a mortal thought, the divisor of which
- ₁ is the solar year. Eternity is God's measurement of Soulfilled years.

9. SH 454:4

Teach your students the omnipotence of Truth, which illustrates the impotence of error. The understanding,

- 6 even in a degree, of the divine All-power destroys fear, and plants the feet in the true path,
 - the path which leads to the house built without hands
- 9 "eternal in the heavens." Human hate has no legitimate mandate and no kingdom. Love is enthroned.That evil or matter has neither intelligence nor power,
- 12 is the doctrine of absolute Christian Science, and this is the great truth which strips all disguise from error.

10. SH 577:32-18

In the following Psalm one word shows, though faintly,
the light which Christian Science throws on the Scriptures
by substituting for the corporeal sense, the incorporeal
or spiritual sense of Deity: —

PSALM XXIII

[DIVINE LOVE] is my shepherd; I shall not want.

[Love] maketh me to lie down in green pastures: [Love] leadeth me beside the still waters.

[Love] restoreth my soul [spiritual sense]: [Love] lead-9 eth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for [LOVE] is with me; [LOVE'S] rod and [LOVE'S] staff they comfort me.

[Love] prepareth a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: [Love] anointeth my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house [the consciousness]

18 of [LOVE] for ever.

of hate

Impotence

11. SH 254:27

27 If you launch your bark upon the ever-agitated but healthful waters of truth, you will encounter storms. Your good will be evil spoken of. This is the 30 cross. Take it up and bear it, for through it you win and wear the crown. Pilgrim on earth, thy home is heaven; stranger, thou art the guest of God.

The cross and crown



Hymns

1. Hymn. 109:1

Here, O God, Thy healing presence Lifts our thoughts from self and sin, Fills with light their hidden places, When Thy love is welcomed in. Here Thy tender sweet persuasions Turn us home to heavenly ways, While our hearts, unsealed, adoring, Pour the fragrance of Thy praise.

2. Hymn. 584:3

Though sin would surround me, my cup overflows; You show that I'm never alone. Your goodness and love are mine forever; In the dwelling of Love, I am home.

3. Hymn. 245:3

Throughout the way, dear Shepherd, Thy strong hand doth uphold; The weary ones, at nightfall, Thou gently dost enfold.
And when to Truth's green pastures With joy at length we come, There shall we find, O Shepherd, Our blest, eternal home.

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