# WEDNESDAY READINGS FOR MAY 11, 2022



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# ■ WHICH VIEW OF REALITY DO WE SEE- AN EVIL PLAN TO OPPRESS OR LOVE'S DESIRE TO BLESS?

#### Ps. 119:134 (to:)

134 Deliver me from the oppression of man: ...

#### Ps. 14:4

4 Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.

# Ps. 9:3, 4 (to;), 6 (to:), 8, 9, 18, 19 (to:), 20 (to 1st.)

- 3 When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.
- 4 For thou hast maintained my right and my cause; ...
- 6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: ...
- 8 And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness.
- 9 The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.
- 18 For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall *not* perish for ever.
- 19 Arise, O Lord; let not man prevail: ...
- 20 Put them in fear, O Lord: that the nations may know themselves to be but men. ...

# Ps. 12:5

5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the LORD; I will set *him* in safety *from him that* puffeth at him.

#### Jer. 17:7

7 Blessed *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

#### Ps. 10:2, 4, 5 (to ;), 6, 8, 16–18

- 2 The wicked in *his* pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.
- 4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God*: God *is* not in all his thoughts.

- 5 His ways are always grievous; ...
- <sup>6</sup> He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: for *I shall* never *be* in adversity.
- 8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes are privily set against the poor.
- 16 The Lord is King for ever and ever: the heathen are perished out of his land.
- 17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:
- 18 To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more oppress.

#### Isa. 2:11

11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.

#### Ps. 147:6

6 The Lord lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.

#### Job 34:21, 22, 25

- 21 For his eyes *are* upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings.
- 22 *There is* no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.
- Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth *them* in the night, so that they are destroyed.

# Isa. 54:8-11 I, 13-15, 17

- 8 ... I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer.
- 9 For this *is as* the waters of Noah unto me: for *as* I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.
- 10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.
- ¶ O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, *and* not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.
- 13 And all thy children *shall be* taught of the LORD; and great *shall be* the peace of thy children.
- In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.
- <sup>15</sup> Behold, they shall surely gather together, *but* not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.
- ¶ No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD.

#### Ps. 40:4

4 Blessed *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

### Ps. 33:4, 5, 10

- 4 For the word of the Lord is right; and all his works *are done* in truth.
- 5 He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.
- 10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

#### I Pet. 3:12 (to:), 13, 14

- 12 For the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: ...
- 13 And who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?
- But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy *are ye*: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;

#### Rom. 12:21; 13:1, 2

- 21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.
- 1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.
- <sup>2</sup> Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

#### Ex. 14:14

14 The Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

# Psalm 103

**Good News Translation** 

103 Praise the Lord, my soul!

All my being, praise his holy name!

- 2 Praise the Lord, my soul, and do not forget how kind he is.
- 3 He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases.
- 4 He keeps me from the grave and blesses me with love and mercy.
- 6 The Lord judges in favor of the oppressed and gives them their rights.
- 8 The Lord is merciful and loving,

slow to become angry and full of constant love.

9 He does not keep on rebuking;

he is not angry forever.

11 As high as the sky is above the earth, so great is his love for those who honor him.

#### Hos. 14:4 (to:)

4 ¶ I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: ...

# Jer. 31:34 2nd they

34 ... they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

#### James 5:15, 16 The

- And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.
- 16 ... The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

#### I Tim. 2:8

8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

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

#### SH 419:4

Your true course is

to destroy the foe, and leave the field to God, Life, Truth,

6 and Love, remembering that God and His ideas alone are real and harmonious.

#### SH 94:14

Tyranny, intolerance, and bloodshed, wherever found, arise from the belief that the infinite is formed after the pattern of mortal personality, passion, and impulse.

#### SH 351:2-5, 16

When we lose

faith in God's power to heal, we distrust the divine Principle which demonstrates Christian Science, and then we cannot heal the sick. Truth a present help

We cannot bring out the practical proof of Christianity, which Jesus required, while error seems as potent and real to us as Truth, and while we make a personal devil and an anthropomorphic God our starting-points, — especially if we consider Satan as a being coequal in power with Deity, if not superior to Him. Because such starting-points are neither spiritual nor scientific, they cannot work out the Spirit-rule of Christian healing, which proves the nothingness of error, discord, by demonstrating the all-inclusiveness of harmonious Truth.

Fatal premises

Slavery abolished

#### SH 225:25

The despotic tendencies, inherent in mortal mind and always germinating in new forms of tyranny, must be rooted out through the action of the divine Mind.

#### SH 419:25

Never fear the mental malpractitioner, the mental assassin, who, in attempting to rule mankind, tramples upon the divine Principle of metaphysics, for God is the only power. To succeed in healing, you must conquer your own fears as well as those of your patients, and rise into higher and holier consciousness.

# SH 481:12-15, 19

The forbidden fruit of knowledge, against which wisdom warns man, is the testimony of error, declaring existence to be at the mercy of death, and good and evil to be capable of commingling.

#### Human hypotheses

first assume the reality of sickness, sin, and death, and then assume the necessity of these evils because of their admitted actuality. These human verdicts are the procurers of all discord.

#### SH 227:14

Discerning the rights of man, we cannot fail to fore-15 see the doom of all oppression. Slavery is not the legitimate state of man. God made man free.

Paul said, "I was free born." All men should 18 be free. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." Love and Truth make free, but evil and error lead into captivity.	Native freedom
SH 387:27	
The history of Christianity furnishes sublime proofs of the supporting influence and protecting power bestowed on man by his heavenly Father, omnipotent  Mind, who gives man faith and understanding whereby to defend himself, not only from temptation, but from bodily suffering.	Christian history
SH 231:21–25	
21 To	
fear sin is to misunderstand the power of Love and the divine Science of being in man's relation to God, — to doubt His government and distrust His omnipotent care.	Superiority to sickness and sin
SH 33:21	
21 This is the new understanding of spiritual Love. It gives all for Christ, or Truth. It blesses its enemies, heals the 24 sick, casts out error, raises the dead from trespasses and sins, and preaches the gospel to the poor, the meek in heart.	The holy struggle
SH 412:13–14	_
The power of Christian Science and divine Love is omnipotent.	Eloquent silence
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 demonstra- tion 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	Cramping systems
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 $_{\rm 21}\,$  of sole allegiance to his Maker asserts itself.

#### SH 103:6-9

6 The destruction of the claims of mortal mind through Science, by which man can escape from sin and mortality, blesses the whole human fam-9 ily.

Liberation of mental powers

#### SH 572:12-17

Love fulfils the law of Christian Science, and nothing short of this divine Principle, understood and demonstrated, can ever furnish the vision of the

Fulfilment of the Law

15 Apocalypse, open the seven seals of error with Truth, or uncover the myriad illusions of sin, sickness, and death.

#### SH 517:30-31

Divine Love blesses its own ideas, and causes them to multiply, — to manifest His power.



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