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Beloved of God, Greeting: Loving kindness

It behooves us often to remember what manner of Spirit we are by recalling the nature and character of Him who hath created.

God is Love and His loving kindness and tender mercies are new every morning. "How excellent is thy loving kindness, O God!" "I will sing a new song unto thee, O God!"

This new note gives satisfaction and contentment. It is like Spring after a bleak winter when the drab earth yields signs of beauty and bounty. This tone heralds forgiveness when things new are given for old; the oil of joy for mourning; strength for weakness; something pleasant for the irksome and tiresome; lavish Spring foliage for barren branches; a giving for evil that which is good.

Such watchfulness over our welfare is inevitable and as sure as Spring follows winter. "Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing."

As new sprouts and buds are tender, so the new and true gradual unfoldment of our spiritual sproutings are delicate, sometimes fragile, and require the protection of loving kindness and overbrooding care.

Thus in the ministry of Christ Jesus we invoke for you blessings of newness, forgiveness, loving kindness and tender mercies.

Sincerely yours,  
A. J. Truesdell

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PAUSE TEMPORARILY

By H. B. Jeffery

When a new concept is born in consciousness after a considerable degree of travail, you feel the need of relaxation and rest. You come to a stopping place or the completion of a circuit. Such a stopping place is not a place of cessation, but of pause before beginning a new circuit or cycle. It is like climbing a cone-shaped mountain which is done by circling around it, each circuit bringing you some degrees higher and by fewer steps until the summit is reached.

At each pause you stop, take some deep breaths of satisfaction, view the landscape from a higher point; then, with fresh determination, go forward and upward. You come to places of pause but not of quitting. After giving out for a long time, it is well to cease activity for awhile, abide under the shadow of the Almighty, and imbibe fresh inspiration. Get your feet literally on the ground and your hands into the earth.

There is healing action generated by contact with Mother Earth. Getting your feet on the ground and your hands into the soil has a very balancing effect upon your forces. Digging and turning over the earth is symbolical of spiritual research and growth. Your mental and spiritual work will benefit from your contact with the soil.

It is also quite essential that you have time to study and commune with Spirit. Continue whatever is at hand to be done but be alert to watch that no intruding thoughts of carnal-minded people have any influence upon your mentality. Fortify yourself in consciousness against the mental machinations of those who would like you to cease pursuing the things of God. You do not surrender dominion over your universe to someone else. Never!

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DO YOU LOVE GOD?

By Nell Truesdell

We do not inherit from Thomas Edison all the short-circuits and accidents caused by misapplication of the electrical principle; neither the darkness caused when a fuse blows out. We inherit the light, heat, and power that come from knowledge and correct application of the principle of electricity.

We may read all that has been written about electricity; we may devote our lives to the study of electricity; but, unless we turn to the source of electricity and are obedient to the electrical principle we shall not partake of electrical benefits.

We do not inherit from the ministry of Jesus Christ the results of misapplication of the Principle involved in His ministry. We are not obliged to explain the effects of falling short. We are obliged to put in our application with the Universal Christ Light and Power and subscribe to His command if we are to enjoy our true inheritance and have all things working together for our good.

The reality of God transcends any opinion about God. Unadulterated Truth is in no way affected by words about Truth. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is not circumscribed by the gospel about Jesus. Concepts of mastery are ineffective when confronted with the Master.

It is not possible for man to do anything of himself. But it is impossible for man to fail to show forth what God has done, is doing and intends to do through him.

God did not give us a spirit of fear nor a need for competition. He gave us a spirit of courage, power, love, and understanding. If we do not like the results of previous concepts of God, it is our spiritual prerogative and divine destiny to wake up and do those things left undone. We can exercise the more important practices of life, good judgment and mercy.

True worship of God reveals a common principle working in all, over all, and through all to establish and show forth its own nature. Religion points the way to this common principle, the true light; but, religion is not that light.

Centuries of religious conflict and attempts to establish supremacy of doctrine ultimate in periodic outbreaks among the nations. "What is that to thee? follow thou Me." "My kingdom is not of this world: then would my servants fight."

Nothing will be solved through subscription to or encouragement of the old religions, systems of philosophy, occultism, or metaphysics, which tell about Truth. The solution will come when we have the presence of mind to subscribe to and practice Truth itself.

There is a distinction between collectors of doctrine, preparing of such for sales and distribution, and the partakers of Truth who are actually having Christ formed in them.

That collectors of all the words spoken or written about God, Truth, and Christ, (having not yet become partakers of the Word), should be in disagreement one with another is not strange. The blind lead the blind and brother is arrayed against brother; doctrine against doctrine; religion against religion. All wonder why they are being destroyed. Even the largest armies of the most powerful nations will destroy each other if they fight long enough.

Lowered vision and lack of understanding are the cause of conflict in every field, including the religious. A higher perspective would reveal that the same line which separates two states is also the line which joins them.

We are not going to do anything new. We are going to accept and become familiar with the Principle that was experienced and proved by Jesus Christ . We can accomplish greater works because of His work already done.

It is not our office to judge. Now is the time to look up. This is our opportunity to demonstrate better performance through more familiarity with and application of Principle. Whatever we are doing in the Name of Principle should supersede anything that has been done.

It is not within our province to explain the things of the world or try to rectify conditions in the world to the satisfaction of the worldly minded. Jesus Christ did not pray for the world. He did not pray that those who had been given Him be taken out of the world, but that they be kept from the evil. "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world."

The world gives proof that there have been many misapplications of Principle and much misappropriation of spiritual laws, much treason and competition in high places. If those in high places do not fulfill their responsibility they will be replaced; thus, many who are first shall be last.

Man is not helpless in the face of unmanageable conditions in the world; he need not submit meekly to sinister influences. He can turn to something higher, make his demands upon the Most High God, comply with His requirements, and start to do something about it. "Look up." "Watch and pray." "Come unto Me." "Love the Lord thy God." "Love one another."

"All things work together for good to them that love God."

"I KNOW THE THOUGHTS THAT I THINK TOWARD YOU, ... THOUGHTS OF PEACE, AND NOT OF EVIL, TO GIVE YOU AN EXPECTED END."

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Man's mind does not think its way into heaven or into truth. But when the attention of his mind is directed toward heaven or truth, man thinks truly, correctly, positively, constructively.

The average man prepares his mind for truth by denials, affirmations, and decrees; but, these are only means to an end.

It is natural for man to think good thoughts. His mind was created by a Good Creator for the carrying out of a Good Purpose. Man's mind is supported, sustained, and protected by the most scientific of engineers. Its right use is a foregone conclusion. The pattern is so perfect that nothing can be added and nothing taken away.

Why not think good thoughts? That is the normal function of mind. Why not be peaceful, successful, content?

The relentless Reality which knows God aright pursues you and will eventually get you. Your Divinity will catch up with you sooner or later. You cannot escape. You are destined to eternal life, eternal health, eternal prosperity, eternal happiness.

All of man's fears, abominations, manipulations, and competitions must come to an end. As he moves toward Reality he can say with Paul, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us."

Alphabet of  
DAILY MEDITATIONS  
For Every Week Day of The Month.

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1. Set your AFFECTION on things ABOVE.
2. Let BROTHERLY love continue.
3. COME to Me, that ye might have life.
4. I will DELIVER thee.
  
6. Let the EARTH be glad.
7. FAITHFUL is He that calleth you.
8. My GRACE is sufficient for thee.
9. HOLD fast that which is good.
10. I will give you rest.
11. With righteousness shall He JUDGE.
  
13. He KNOWETH them that trust in Him.
14. They shall prosper that LOVE Thee.
15. I will send MY MESSENGER.
16. Hallowed be Thy NAME.
17. Ye have OBEYED from the heart.
18. PRAY without ceasing.
  
20. QUICKEN me again.
21. REJOICE evermore.
22. Make STRAIGHT paths for your feet.
23. Let us exalt His Name TOGETHER.
24. Knowledge is easy to him that UNDERSTANDETH.
25. Thine, O Lord, is .... the VICTORY.
  
27. This is the WAY, WALK ye in it.
28. Thy YOUTH is renewed.
29. See my ZEAL for the Lord.
30. This is the Word of the Lord.

DAILY MEDITATION on the things of the Spirit is excellent training.  
Whatever is given attention is always carried out practically.

Repeated exercises and drills enable you to acquire skill in your application of or putting into effect what you have learned. Thinking high thoughts becomes a good habit of mind, yielding rich rewards.

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Dear Friend:

As we enter this fourth month in our New Year, we can glance back over the past three months and make note of our progress. We can look forward through this month to the succeeding eight and ascertain the direction in which we plan to move.

Meanwhile, we should determine in mind and heart to keep our vision On High. If we do, we shall remain perpendicular, leaning neither backward nor forward, but traveling our life path uprightly, with steadiness and certainty. We shall not then be liable to change and failure, but stable, infallible, dependable, reliable, and trustworthy.

From your past association with the ministry of the CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE, you are becoming aware of a definite tone or conviction that imparts confidence to claim with bold authority the highest Good from God who invites, "Concerning the work of my hands, command ye Me."

The sense of Sonship makes us feel strong and sure in the Lord. We are unafraid and daring. When we lift our heart in communion with the Father, we look up to Him, knowing that our very attitude draws toward us pleasant and profitable blessings.

We shall remember you daily in prayer and admonish you in the deathless words of Paul to "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit ye like men, be strong."

Blessings and benedictions, in His service.

Lovingly yours,  
Nell Truesdell

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