

SPIRITICITY April 1943

Beloved of God, greeting:

The potency of Spirit in the life and affairs of man transcends any elixir he has discovered and made use of. Its powers appear fantastic, providing abundant Life which demonstrates as radiant health, boundless Intelligence which manifests as wisdom, and the Substance that resolves itself into visible riches which comfort and make glad the heart. And over all these blessings reigns a Love that enfolds, protects, defends and provides.

Do you remember a day when you woke up singing, "God's in His heaven, all's right with the world." That day everything you did went right and you were as fresh when the day was done as when begun. Such a day may be your everyday: days with zest for living, days free from fear or hurt, days of sufficiency of all needful things, days when you feel at-one with the All-conquering Lord of heaven and earth.

This sense of security is yours for the taking. How? How do you take anything? Is it not by recognition?

Get acquainted with this inherent talent and begin at once to exercise it aright. Direct the attention of your mind God-ward, and, as you continue to look toward Him acknowledge that God IS. Understand that all blessings originate in Him and that they are dispensed to the steadfast watcher toward the Source.

"Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established; so shall ye prosper."

Sincerely yours,
A. J. Truesdell

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Easter Lesson

The race is prone to resist uplift but it has in a measure been shocked into a certain sense of expectancy in some fields, especially that of science. The eye of the scientific investigator is no respecter of persons and man discovers himself to be subject to the light of scientific research. Man consistently resists progress in the field of religion but he is just as consistently confronted with the Gospel of Jesus Christ revealing itself for what it is in truth.

This century shall not pass, it is said, with man still in ignorance of his true nature. The seemingly far-fetched claims for spiritual living are to be as commonly accepted as practices we now consider natural.

When we say this century shall bring forth such a concept, those listening might say, "But that is prophecy and you claim the doctrine of Jesus Christ deals with fulfillment."

True. The truth about life is true now. The NOW we speak of is the same NOW to which Jesus Christ referred when he said, "Today is salvation come to this house." "The kingdom of God is at hand."

The race being what it thinks it is always requires a time element to elapse before it accepts a fact. The race always has had someone telling it new and high perceptions of truth, and the race in its manner of procrastination has deftly relegated these perceptions to some future time saying, "We shall look into this matter later; there are more important things to attend to now."

Many spiritually minded men have offered truth to the race and have seen it rejected. With each offering came certain benefit and uplift, but the element of futurity was dominant in the mind and any real benefit was relegated to the "sweet bye and bye," excepting, of course, for those who had the presence of mind to believe that if something is true it is as true now as it ever will be. "To as many as believed gave he the power to become sons of God."

As a whole, however, the race had been reluctant to understand and so Divine Wisdom evidently devised the plan carried out by Jesus Christ. We can imagine Omniscience saying in effect:

"If the people will not hear such fine and loyal teachers as have been provided in the persons of Moses, Elijah, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, or Daniel, then nothing remains but to send into the race some one strong enough actually to enter into and inject into the blood stream of the race my saving energy. He will be born into, live through, and overcome the world, and even experience the process of death which the race has created. He will overcome every false concept to which they have subscribed. He will inoculate the race with the Reality they so deftly rejected."

The whole process can be likened to a blood transfusion or a forcible feeding. In this case the operation was a success and the patient now lives to celebrate accomplishment of this splendid achievement.

This was the work of Jesus Christ. This is not my work, nor your work. If we believe this work was done by Jesus Christ then do we enter into the benefits of that work already done. Then do we find our own work to which we aspire with equal desire for thoroughness.

A little leaven will leaven the whole lump. So Jesus Christ, composed of pure, radiant, eternal, indestructible, substantial, and perpetuating energy, positive and creative, vibrant with healing, has had His effect even unto the ends of the earth and will NOW make Himself known by showing forth His permanent works.

The experience of Jesus Christ in the crucifixion and resurrection with which He signed and sealed His works, has had its effect in advertising to the race-mentality the possibility of a more pleasant, profitable, and altogether more desirable state of living. This is altering gradually the tone and quality of the race thoughts so that eventually all men must know what is true.

The race is convalescing from a successful operation. Those who have believed have already recovered. Because of this spiritual surgery the race will, now in this time, be made aware of a far superior brand of health and a more satisfactory mode of living.

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

"I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth."

"He healed them that had need of healing."

"Thine health shall spring forth speedily."

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."

"And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life."

Labor not; - take no thought; - sell all ye have; the Lord will fight for you.

This race of men is being introduced to the truth about itself. Every movement to higher orders of existence is an influx of the potent blood of Jesus Christ working in the patient. Every uplook with its resultant upturn away from ignorance into lightsomeness, joy, and freedom is a measure of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. There is an emotion of an outmotion of God forcing the thought of the race into higher circuits.

The crucifixion of Jesus Christ was a result of educated ignorance attempting to perpetuate existing profitable institutions and practices. While the instigators meant it for evil, God meant it for Good.

The resurrection is the effect of spontaneous intelligence gently directing and pressing man onward in the way of his divine destiny and the steadfast fulfillment of God's intention for him. "Not my circumscribed will, but your perfect vision which sees only my perfection as it was and is and ever will be."

Let us practice this divine alchemy which restores all things to original and pristine purity. Among the early apostles Peter and Paul were very definite in proclaiming the mission of Jesus Christ in this world. Peter wrote:

"Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." "The spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you."

To the Galatians Paul wrote: "God sent forth his son, made of a woman, made under the law. To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons."

To the Corinthians he wrote: "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputting their trespasses unto them."

To Titus Paul wrote, "Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

Jesus himself said that he came into the world "to give his life a ransom for many."

"For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified, are all of one," wrote Paul to the Hebrews.

Let all the Sons of God shout together for joy for we have assurance for our hope in Christ Jesus our Savior.

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Truth is built on the Rock, not of strength, but of frailty that becomes the epitome of soundness as it stiffens itself countless times o'er against all that assails and would destroy it. Individual weakness turned into sublime strength is the foundation of all success.

Alphabet of
DAILY MEDITATION
for Every Week Day of the Month

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1. Abstain from all Appearance.
2. Let the Beauty of the Lord our God Be upon us.
3. He shall give His angels Charge over thee.
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5. Seek Me Daily, and Delight to know My ways.
6. Enter ye in at the straight gate.
7. Verily thou shalt be Fed.
8. Thou shalt Guide me with Thy counsel.
9. In the shadow of His Hand Hath He Hid me.
10. Do not Interpretations belong to God?
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12. Man nations shall be Joined to the Lord.
13. Keep yourselves in the love of God.
14. The Lord is Longsuffering, and of great mercy.
15. Let no man deceive you by any Means.
16. Help every one his Neighbor.
17. Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed.
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19. In you Patience Possess ye your souls.
20. Unlearned Questions avoid.
21. Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently.
22. Sing unto the Lord a new Song.
23. What Think ye of Christ?
24. How Unsearchable are His judgments.
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26. The Lord wrought a great Victory.
27. Whoso Walketh Wisely, he shall be delivered.
28. Our land shall Yield her increase.
29. I am returned unto Zion. (peace)
30. He called His own by name.
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We hope that each MEDITATION selected for this month will bless you with its own light and awaken you to a new realization of the lovingkindness of the Lord.

Please join us daily, for we shall remember you.

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Dear Friend:

One day I was looking toward the Father and I asked, "God what are you?" The answer to any question is already in the consciousness of the questioner, so I began to state what God meant to me. I said,

You are the PEACE that passeth understanding.
You are the WISDOM of the ages.
You are the JOY that is strength.
You are the LIGHT that is the LIFE of man.
You are the LOVE that forgives all transgressions.
You are the FRIEND who redeems and blesses.
You are the GRACE that is sufficient for Me.
You are the ONE GOD, from everlasting to everlasting, and there is none other God but thee!
Jesus Christ is the WAY into thy Presence and I recall that He instructed, "Follow Me!"

In your meditation what you believe God to mean to you is revealed and you discover to your joy that His Presence manifests in your life and affairs according to your understanding.

The CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE holds the beacon light high. We welcome you into this fellowship and pray daily that you be richly blessed in His Name.

Lovingly yours,
Nell Truesdell