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Beloved of God, Greeting: Prayer

Each one is asking himself, "What can I do to help my country? How can I serve in equal capacity with my fellow Americans in the armed forces?" Not all of us can meet the requirements of combat service and we feel the little service we render in our community to be quite meager.

There is a very definite and valuable service reserved for those who have been instructed in The Way, and that is Prayer. The Prayer of Faith heals the sick. The Prayer of Peace nullifies the effect of violence. The Prayer of Power substitutes the will of God for the ambitions and determinations of destructive men.

If you want Scriptural authority for what you can do, read Luke 21:28, "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

Divine intervention is not an accident nor a coincidence. Divine intervention takes place because somebody prays.

"The forty Christians enrolled in the twelfth Roman Legion lifted up their hands to God in Heaven when the Quadi seemed about to destroy the Legion and Marcus Aurelius Antonius wrote it down for all ages to notice that a Roman victory was wrested from the Quadi by the God of the forty Christians and not by the swords and spears of the vaunted Legion."

Lift up your eyes to the hills and there let them rest until your being is filled with Divine Assurance. Your spiritual combat units will go forth conquering and to conquer in the Name of Jesus Christ. Thus those who wait will also serve.

Sincerely yours,
A. J. Truesdell

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Give True Service

By Nell Truesdell

"My friend and I were lovers;
It was good for us to be together.
We were companions in our trust:
But one day I suspected him - my friend -
Of doing that which he had not.
I did not tell him of my suspect,
But his unconscious eye looked grief.
I kept on still suspecting him, while he was innocent
'Til by and by he looked askance at me,
And was afraid when I was nigh.
And I went on still holding my gnawing worm of suspect

While he, my friend, was innocent,
'Til by and by he caught the word
That haunted me, and it tempted him
To do that which in my heart I thought.
He tremblingly went towards the action,
I all the while determining he had done it,
'Til in an evil hour my friend,
Who formerly was innocent,
Was guilty of the deed I had thought in my heart.
And now he walks a sinner
Who erstwhile was righteous.
Made a sinner by my suspect!
Who, my God, is guilty in this case -
My friend who once was innocent,
Or I who thought him guilty?"

The above quotation will touch the heart of every one who reads it. We may search our Scripture and find many pictures showing the discomfort of the mind that chooses to think how dark the world is, how dishonest people are, how unfortunate innocent creatures are.

We can cause the mind to think anything. Our vain imaginations prompt body and circumstance to scramble to carry out our instructions. We are urged to turn away from the abominations the vain imaginations of man have made and give our attention to God who invites, "Draw nigh unto me, and I will draw nigh unto you."

Instructions from God will cleanse the mind of error and quicken it with Truth that will seem new but which has always existed. False notions clutter up the mind and lessen its capacity for good thoughts. To a greater extent than we realize our lives are conducted according to notions not based on Truth. Too, we extend this influence toward our friends and they are affected, they know not how nor why.

We do not learn the Truth about God, ourselves, and others. We uncover the Truth, accept it as the foundation upon which to stand and the formula by which to think and save ourselves much trial and tribulation.

There is a way of thinking that actually protects, defends, and provides refuge for anyone willing to discover and practice it. Thinking is a habit and it is within the power of everyone to change his way of thinking. Practice seeing the Good in everything and everybody. See the Good in yourself and become so radiant an exponent of the Good that you shall have become the Good in fact.

Determination to be cheerful will draw cheer. Think lightly of misfortune and it passes as a mist before the sun. Believe in health to such an extent that you spill over with healing balm in the presence of the sick and they rise from their beds of pain. Have confidence in the innate goodness of people so that you inspire confidence and draw out their veiled talents.

The happy person begets happiness. The rich in consciousness are blessed with plenty. No condemnation enters the heart of him whose vision is God-ward.

Perhaps you are restless with wondering what you can do to help in what appears to be a sad and discouraged world. Keep the High Watch. Be so faithful

to the uplook that you will see beyond mind and its operations and enter into the clear Light of Spirit.

Holding good thoughts will not save the world. Nor will the uplook. It is what you discover beyond these that gives the Light of Life. But until you take the primary steps toward the Light you cannot know where it is or how to reach it. The Light is given only to him who is able to withstand its glory and effulgence.

Do not allow the thoughts of others to confuse your mind and do not force your thoughts upon others. Look up and mind the things of God.

The most direct way into the realm of perfection is by way of the inner visional faculty. "Thou cannot behold me with thy two outer eyes, I have given thee an eye divine." Exercise this eye and you will know the teaching.

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I saw deep into the heart of a sweet, sweet flower
As I walked in a garden at the twilight hour,
and I learned of a Love that is wise and good
Tho it sometime seemed as bitter-wood.
The day bade adieu to the little flower;
The twilight turned to a darker hour,
But I kept faith with my Love of the Good
And became stronger for the bitter-wood.

- - C. L. N.

Alphabet of
DAILY MEDITATIONS
for every week day of the month

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- 1 I Answered thee in the secret place.
2 Bless His Name.
3 Thy Comforts delight my soul.
4 The Lord is my Defense.
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6 In Everything give thanks.
7 Thine hands have made me, and Fashioned me.
8 Do good to them that hate you.
9 The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand.
10 The Spirit Itself maketh Intercession for us.
11 He will rejoice over thee with Joy.
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13 Be Kind one to another.
14 Let your Light shine before men.
15 Even the Lord is in the Midst of thee.
16 The very hairs of your head are all Numbered.
17 Be willing and Obedient.
18 Prove all things.
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20 A meek and Quiet spirit is of great price.
21 Rejoice and be exceeding glad.
22 He that soweth the good Seed is the son.
23 As many as Touched Him were made whole.
24 My lips shall Utter knowledge clearly.
25 Receive not the grace of God in Vain.
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27 Thou hast done Wonderful things.
28 The land shall Yield her fruit.
29 Ye are Zealous of spiritual gifts.
30 I will pay thee my vows.
31 The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.

We invite you to join us in proving the miracle working Love and Provision of God in your daily life by keeping the meditations in mind all day long. The fruit of this practice is beyond your imagination for no one knows the blessings God has prepared for those who love Him. DAILY MEDITATION is a sure way of making conscious contact with the heavenly Father.

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What Is Your Objective?

By Nell Truesdell

"What is your objective?" I asked a lovely young woman who lives in a well-appointed home with a fine husband and two beautiful daughters. She waved her hand in a semi-circle and relied "This is enough."

"But what will you do to occupy yourself when the two girls are grown and perhaps have left home through marriage or careers? In less than ten years you, still young, will find yourself with little to do for your immediate family."

My friend had given such a possibility no serious thought. For the moment her life and affairs are unusually satisfactory. But we live in a rapidly changing world and today's good will not prove sufficient for tomorrow unless the spirit is relied upon as a fundamental Source of Good.

All of us know in our hearts that God has called each one to some specific expression, some opus no other can execute. Until we seek and find our divinely appointed goal we shall eventually find life empty no matter how full it appears at the present moment.

The first movement in discovering your own purpose is to turn to the Lord. You will never know what God has in store for you unless you give Him your undivided attention. Daily communion with the Heavenly Father will renovate the mind and make it receptive to the inspiration best suited to your nature.

This inspiration is the Breath of the Almighty and you may inbreathe it consistently or intermittently, unwittingly. Most human beings spend their time viewing their daily affairs with its successes and failures, its accomplishments and its problems than in glorifying the splendid knowledges that hail from above thinking and present experience. God imparts wisdom to him who waits upon His Majesty. The enlivening vigors dropped down into consciousness over the line of vision toward the Most High should be readily accepted and put into operation. Understanding imparted from the Lord kindles the life glow and gives strength. You can do whatever God inspires you to do.

I know a young lady who could write good verse if she would trust God and His inspirations and cooperate with her talent through voluntary exercise. This would provide a life-long interest to say nothing of possible success. A girl I knew well in another city developed her innate genius to make perfect cup-cakes. As a result she has, and will always have, an occupation that will provide sufficiently for her both in self-expression and adequate return. She works with her God-given talent. A middle aged couple prove the glory of the Lord in their lives by making beautiful and useful ornaments out of sea-shells they gather and color. Whether your hidden genius be "big" or "little" it is yours to use and enjoy. Get aquatinted with it for it is the only thing that will make and keep you happy. All else is temporary and will pass away.

A man who is now sixty is beginning to learn the Scandinavian tongues so that he might become acquainted the fundamental thought of these peoples. Remember Benjamin Franklin taught himself several languages and enjoyed using them. Maturity is no ban to progress. Begin now to give attention to your

buried treasure and rejoice in a fuller, richer, and more substantial life than you have known hitherto.

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Dear Friend:

"There are no atheists in fox holes." A short article written by a minister for a current farm magazine had this as its chief statement. A fox hole is a depression in the ground on a field of battle into which a man crawls for safety. In the thick of a fight a soldier scampered into such a hole already occupied by an officer who was praying aloud. The soldier too prayed aloud while the battle progressed and after it was over the officer said, "I note that you prayed while we were under fire." To which the soldier replied, "There are no atheists in fox holes, Sir."

Many of you who read this will agree that everybody today is giving more attention to God than ever before. In the newspapers, magazines, books, lectures, and on the air we are constantly reminded that God still reigns no matter what is going on in the world. Outside and inside the various denominations people are turning voluntarily to the Lord, realizing that in this hour of need only God is able to succor and give peace.

We who know the meaning of "Look unto Me," have a responsibility to ourselves and our fellow man. Let us resolve from this moment on to give more conscious attention to God. Lift the inner vision toward the Most High all day long and during the waking moments of night and pray prayers of thanksgiving that God is and ever will be GOOD, and that GOD IS LOVE.

The CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE keeps its trust in ministry and invites you to join with us in daily prayer and meditation. We invoke the golden light of God's Love in your behalf to keep you and your loved ones free, wise, and immortal. In His Service, we are,

Lovingly yours,
Nell Truesdell

The CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE is a fellowship of sincere students seeking practical application of the Law of Life, as lived and taught by the Master of Life, Jesus Christ.

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