

SPIRITICITY June 1942

Beloved of God, greeting: Protection

It is good to sing praises unto our Lord. It is good to report back to Him our appreciation that to us He has given richly all things to enjoy. It is good to express our recognition of Him in His Omnipotence, Omniscience, and Omnipresence.

It is good to record how we witness the benefits that accrue to our brothers because of our acknowledgment of God, the only Good, for nothing happens except in the presence of a witness.

It is good to know and declare, "Because of thee the blind see, the deaf hear, and the lame walk. Men are risen out of sleep. The poor have the gospel of truth presented to them and they hear it gladly."

We delight to report that the ones the world calls "patients" respond readily to that transfusion of Omnipresent vigor and vitality and rise out of their state of lethargy and disease to bear witness to the efficacy of High Watch and High Praise.

It is good to report to the Most High and the Inmost the things we have seen and heard; for the Most High and the Inmost are One God, the God of Life, Strength, Protection, and Provision.

It is good to report the Protection of That One upon all our boys who are called into hazardous callings; to know that because we witness, recognize, and acknowledge only this One Protecting Presence not a hair of their heads shall be harmed.

We bespeak this Divine Intervention always in evidence with all its efficiency in every emergency in the Name of Jesus Christ, All Triumphant!

Sincerely yours,
A. J. Truesdell

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IN FRONT OF THE LOOKING GLASS

By Nell Truesdell

Imagine yourself standing alone in the center of a room whose ceiling, floor, and walls are lined with countless mirrors of all sizes and shapes, with surfaces flat, convex, and concave. As you gaze toward a given point you observe yourself reflected and your image is influenced according to the surface of the mirror at that point. But, no matter how true or distorted your image appears you know yourself to be free, flawless being.

Too, your image would be repeated again and again as it was caught from point to point. Still, the only true being in the entire room would be you. You would know yourself to be the only substance, life, and intelligence among the countless reflections. None of the images would be you in truth.

However, each image and you are one. Each image depends upon you for its existence. But no matter what its appearance, nothing goes out from you to cause it to be. All that you are continues to remain intact within you.

So, God at the center of His universe, is imaged in countless reflections of Himself, but among the multiplicity of images God only is the reality. The images are not God. They reflect God.

We, gazing at our image in a mirror, might be affected by what we see. God viewing His reflections of Himself sees only Good, for "His eye is too pure to behold iniquity." While our consciousness of ourselves is influenced by our experience and limited by our erroneous judgments, God's idea of Himself is very Good. "And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good."

Each "Image" in the universe has the prerogative of steadily facing its Origin. By constant watchfulness toward its Source it continues identified with that Source and is as perfect as that Source.

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect," is no figment of man's imagination. It is Holy Fact, true for anyone who dares to give all his attention to God. Anyone who does this is not unified with God in the sense of being joined unto Him, but complete identity is experienced with man and his Maker ONE. "I and the Father are one."

There is not God and this multiplicity of images. There is only God and besides Him there is none else. Self-consciousness is swallowed up in God-consciousness.

We, the image of God, must gaze steadily toward Him, withdrawing attention from reflections of ourselves, until we see only what the Father is thinking and doing and so do the works of the Father. "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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Your body is not eternal. You never live in the same body for very long. But life is eternal. Life never changes.

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"SET YOUR AFFECTION ON THINGS ABOVE, NOT ON THINGS ON THE EARTH."

Never fear what others are teaching or doing. If it is of God it will react for good. If it is not of God it will not harm you, it will react only on those who teach it.

There are many attempts by established religious movements to get the attention of the people directed to something just a little lower than the Most High. This is comparable to Pharaoh trying to keep the Israelites in slavery.

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth the fullness of the Godhead bodily."

Whosoever goes the way of Truth goes away from the crowd. Yet, he is at one with the Spirit of multitudes. He discovers himself to be a part of, identified with, and partaker of the Christ qualities in all.

Gird up your loins with Reality, for within you Truth exists, your only guarantee of perfect health, success, and happiness.

There is a Word and a Way by which man can liberate himself from every entanglement. That Word is Truth. The Way is Above.

Who can bind Truth or defeat Divinity? We should reason that Divinity will protect, sustain, and make us victorious in every experience. Spirit shall not be subject to man-made laws, rules, or regulations. "The Lord is that Spirit."

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PRACTICAL USE OF WORDS

All of us will agree that we talk too much. Every person can recall some time when he would have profited by keeping silent.

Everyone has had some wonderful idea reveal its possibilities of successful demonstration. The touch of this idea was stimulating and caused the whole being to thrill with enthusiasm. The first act was to tell somebody even though something within admonished quiet. However, the more the wonderful import of the idea dawned on the mind, the more it clamored for telling until, throwing discretion to the winds, you blurted everything to the first person you could get to listen.

What happened? Nothing. The whole idea suddenly dissolved into thin air. Perhaps you blamed fate, or some relative, or conditions in general, not realizing your impetuous waste of valuable inspiration.

So many, many times we throw away our opportunities. Opportunity knocks at everybody's door in countless ways but her mission is foiled by an irrepressible desire to tell what she has confided.

In Proverbs we read, "Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles."

Nearly all our troubles result from our inability to keep silent. When the tongue is loosed, it seems to run away with us and we become so exhausted that we take no notice of having dissipated our very life forces.

The words we think and speak make the unseen seen, the invisible visible. This formulative capacity of our words is a most valuable asset. Out of our words are made the things and conditions of everyday life for our words materialize. "The tongue of the wise is health." "A wholesome tongue is a tree of life."

Do you know anyone who is always declaring how well he is? His habitual responses to your greetings and inquiry regarding his health are, "O, I'm fine,"

or, "I never felt better in my life." Such a person couldn't be sick; his word reveals a healthy state within that refuses to contemplate illness.

A practical point to consider is this: What do we say about other people? Expression of our thought and feeling toward others is a most powerful factor in our upbuilding or our downfall. If we rush about telling what we have heard about our friends and their affairs we make holes in our consciousness through which run the very waters of life. "The mouth of the wicked is full of cursing and deceit and fraud; under his tongue is mischief and vanity."

We all too often speak of limitation, sickness, poverty, and all manner of unhappy subjects in great detail. These false reports are a way of magnifying: we increase what we describe. And as the law swings through its course, we eventually discover ourselves embodying our very own descriptions.

The best practice to cure this bad habit is to train the tongue to praising, magnifying, describing God and His Good the moment you find yourself talking about something that is best left unsaid. This is not difficult. "My tongue shall speak of thy righteousness and of thy praise all the day long." It is not hard to recall the goodness of God. We can say the constructive word, speak of courage, success, fulfillment, peace. We can always say the gracious word. When we do we find ourselves possessed of a carefree heart, at peace with ourselves, our neighbor, and our God.

Alphabet of
DAILY MEDITATIONS
for every week day of the month

June 1942

1. Agree with thine Adversary quickly.
2. Worship the Lord in the Beauty of holiness.
3. Come, let us sing unto the Lord.
4. Declare His glory.
5. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving.
6. He is Faithful and just to Forgive us.
8. Glorify your Father which is in Heaven.
9. Thy mercy, O Lord, Held me up.
10. By the grace of God I am what I am.
11. True and righteous are His Judgments.
12. The Kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.
13. He satisfieth the Longing soul.
15. Minister ... one to another, as good stewards.
16. Even the Night shall be light about me.
17. Observe and do all His commandments.
18. Pray for them which despitefully use you.
19. Quite yourselves like men.
20. Be Reconciled to thy brother.
22. Him only Shalt thou Serve.
23. Just and True are Thy ways.
24. Lord I believe; help thou mine Unbelief.
25. O Lord my God, thou art Very great.
26. Is not My Word like as a fire?
27. Ye are the salt of the earth.
29. See my Zeal for the Lord.
30. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

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"It is a joy to keep the DAILY MEDITATION with you," writes a friend. Then she goes on to tell how words direct from Holy Scripture are a source of never ending inspiration and light.

We invite you to keep the DAILY MEDITATION with us. You will be pleased with the results of this practice.

Time nor age is no guarantee of quality except in the case of antiques and fossils.

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Dear Friend:

The month of June heralds a period of indolence in which rest follows the exertion of the past Winter and Spring. Summer is a time of rest from all labors.

In Winter plans are laid to provide what is appropriate and necessary to bring an ideal into visibility. Steps are taken for the attainment of some objective. In Spring the seeds of these plans are planted. This is a very active period in which there is little rest.

The month of June is the growing time for all the seeds. The transfer of tremendous energies from the individual to the ideas of seeds set forth for growth causes vigorous movements within them, and the results are fruitful. All the person need do at this period is watch and wait for fulfillment. In the garden, for example, flowers bloom profusely, lawns are beautiful, vegetables ripen. A like fruitfulness is noticed in all other phases of life.

We of the CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE will be watching the Most High God and witnessing His mighty action in your behalf. We pray that you readily receive the inflow of Spirit that heals, blesses, and enriches. Enter into your rest and your works will follow.

Blessings and benedictions upon you and upon all your doings, in His Service,

Lovingly yours,
Nell Truesdell