

SPIRITICITY November 1942

Beloved of God, Greeting:

The work we are doing enables us to keep a place open where people can come for spiritual help. There is no salary, no affiliation, no sponsor, nor anyone or anything for us to look to or depend upon but God. In some manner God does provide for us and He will provide for you. Not that we sit with hands folded and wait wishfully for some miracle to be performed. We work constantly in Spirit, with our minds, and our hands also, seemingly just for the privilege of serving. And yet, something is developing.

We have a Charter with the State of Texas to conduct a religious and metaphysical work, and we publish something from time to time when we can pay for it. We have made a few friends who are loyal in their support and sincere in their interest.

On the surface our work is not large but it has deep roots and has given indication of being far-reaching. The people, the race, the world, are hungry for something they know not what. We think we know what they want for we have had to live independent of the world, the race, and individuals. Popular religion has failed to meet the need. Popular metaphysics and occult sciences have fallen short of expectations.

So we stand, and start again each day; and each day we look up to a God, a Principle of Life, Intelligence, and Substance far above static doctrines. Enduring as beholding the Invisible, we press on to that high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Remember with us that you too are to go upward and forward conquering and to conquer in His Name.

Sincerely yours,
A. J. TRUESDELL

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THANKSGIVING

The Truth is greater than its action and higher than its manifestation; yet, without the action and manifestation nothing is accomplished.

While all of us might eat too much Thanksgiving Dinner it might be well for us to remember that it is not what goes into a man that builds him up or breaks him down, but what he expresses; or, what comes out of him.

There is a natural, normal, and comfortable way of living and that is "do everything to the glory of God." Drink to the glory of God. Eat to the glory of God. Think to the glory of God. Act to the glory of God. God does all things in Truth. God works in Truth. God works in man. God works man, God thinks man, supports, supplies, overbroods, and protects man.

The man who places himself under mental law, setting up creeds, doctrines, rules of action, and then endeavors to live up to these, disciplines his appetites, makes sacrifices of various kinds, believing his action gains merit for him.

All this does prepare him for a better concept of his place in the creative plan. But all the dieting, abstinence, and sacrifice a man practices will not give him as a reward the good he is seeking. This will come only through acknowledgment of his direct relationship with the bounteous God of things as they ought to be.

"For John came neither eating and drinking, and they say, He hath a devil. The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a wine-bidder, a friend of publicans and sinners."

The mental cleansing (John's way) requires dieting from wrong thoughts and acts. The spiritual doctrine (Jesus' way) comes appropriating everything to its perfect purpose. Eating heartily - drinking heartily, yet intelligently. Being temperate from inborn intuitive temperate desire.

Man becomes like that to which he gives his attention. Man increases and expands his awareness of that which he praises, blesses, and gives thanks for. So, if for no other reason than to attain the good he wants, the most profitable and the most practical thing a man can do is to praise God his Good, bless God his Good, and give thanks for God his Good. If a man will, he can praise himself from bondage to freedom, from Egypt to the Promised Land.

Mighty things are accomplished when, through subscription to, dependence upon, and praise of God, an action becomes apparent which is called "being moved by the Spirit."

Up in the Rocky Mountains is evidence of the work of Spirit. One of the most thoroughly planned cities and many well organized and laid out towns are evidence of the work of people being moved by what some thought was religious frenzy, but which proved to be the result of spiritual enthusiasm, zeal, and intelligence.

Being moved by the Spirit, whole bodies of people, even whole nations of people, have achieved the impossible. Our scripture story of the exodus of the Hebrews from Egypt is a splendid example. The exodus of the people in bondage in European countries gave rise to our nation which now stands as a symbol of freedom and light. This country was founded and developed by Spirit. Leaders in any field are always men of Spirit. "Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for Me?"

In praising, blessing, and thanking God, man is really celebrating himself. "I am myself good fortune." "My reward is with me." Whatever man magnifies within is reflected without. Whatever good man sees without is a result of an inner state of being, seeing, and knowing. So the action and manifestation of Truth are one and the same; you cannot have one without the other. Just keep the vision moving in the right direction and the Good will move through you to establish itself for you.

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SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We, Nell and Alden Truesdell, have patiently awaited the November issue of this magazine so that we might share with you the joyous news which follows:

OUR GRATEFUL THANKS to
MR. AND MRS. A. M. CAMPBELL of
TYLER, TEXAS

for their gift of six acres of wooded land fronting on Meadowbrook Drive in Fort Worth six miles distant from the heart of the city, to be consecrated as a building site for a CHAPEL as a house of worship for all people everywhere in fellowship with the Principle of Truth.

We know all people are interested in adequate artistic housing for their place of spiritual services and worship and we believe everyone will delight in knowing that his loyalty to the CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE and the development of its ministry is breaking forth and bearing fruit. If you wish this year to give a gift as your THANKSGIVING offering the enclosed envelope is for your convenience. Please make your gift payable to the CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE.

We take this opportunity to give thanks for our loyal friends through whose help and continued cooperation this work has been sustained though the years. Let us together lift up our vision and our voices in praise and thanksgiving to God in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. And let us all say, "God bless Mr. and Mrs. Campbell!" Amen.

COMMENT:

In your November 1941 magazine you will read: "For years we have wanted to build a chapel and consecrate it to holy worship in Spirit and in Truth. Perhaps too, this is the dream of your heart. . . . We have the land, a half acre just six miles East of the city."

I point this out so that you may realize how Truth works. We gave thanks only a year ago that we had one-half acre of land (a gift from us to the work) and this year God in His bounty gives to this same work six acres of land through friends who wish to make a permanent gift in appreciation for all that the Father has done for them.

A chapel built of stone would also be a permanent gift that would symbolize someone's thanksgiving and love for the Word of God. We pray that you who fellowship in Truth keep your vision upward and continue to witness the wonders of His Love.

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Paeon of Praise

Praise ye the Lord: for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it
is pleasant; and praise is comely.

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; sing praises upon the harp unto our God:

Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth,
who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which cry.

The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.

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It is good to praise the Lord. There is a time in the development of each person when much seems to be accomplished by the use of praise, blessing, and of thanksgiving. But man's praise of God does not do anything to God. Man's attention, directed Godward through praise or any other means, will fill his whole being with such delight that he will be unable to think of adjectives effective enough to describe the pleasurable reaction that comes from allowing his consciousness to be filled from On High.

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Dear Friend:

On November 26, 1936, Mr. Truesdell wrote a Thanksgiving address which he gave in a classroom in an office building in Fort Worth, from which I quote in part:

"This meeting is a Thanksgiving celebration; also, a dedication of our new quarters to the service of Him to whom thanks are given. Dedication means to set aside for sacred purposes and uses. So, we hereby set this room aside as Christ's class-room and consecrate it to the High Science, the Gospel of Jesus Christ; not the story about Jesus or the history of the Jews, but the high and mighty One-and-Only truth teaching and doctrine which His Name symbolizes and individualizes.

"To the Most High, the most efficient and most practical science of truth we dedicate this room. Let us keep it wholly consecrated to that purpose, that we may know the truth and be free."

On November 25, 1937, Mr. Truesdell again wrote:

"Possibly you remember the dedication service we held in this building last Thanksgiving and probably you realize that this ministry is vital; a living, loving, and serving ministry. You have seen it withstand many efforts to disrupt it. You have seen it stand, not because of numbers or organization, but because of Principle. And, if you like that kind of Principle and that kind of teaching and practice you can make it yours by being grateful and calling it yours.

"It would make little difference what we named this ministry. The important point is that it seems to have found favor with God. It is conducted in the Name which is above all names; and, we believe its name is written in heaven.

"Like the Psalmist, we give thanks for this and by this we know we have found favor because our enemies have not triumphed over us.

"We give thanks for those who have been loyal and who through that loyalty are finding new meanings to former teachings as well as new mercies, new blessings, new riches. We promise more blessings to come, for loyalty to Principle is always fraught with new abilities, new achieving powers, new riches, and new reasons for thanksgiving."

Our ministry has steadily maintained its course toward the Heights through many vicissitudes. People have come and gone; some have been for us, some have been against us; but all have been blessed. And we have stood. You who have stood with us know the triumph of gladness, goodness, and the glory of God.

We are grateful for this present time for we can see that seeds sown nearly two decades ago are beginning to show signs of life. Today we are one with a Principle stronger than the variableness of circumstance and human beliefs.

We are grateful for you who have joined hands with us and who move forward and upward with us in the realization that our destiny is spiritual, not worldly, and that its fulfillment is in acceptance of new heavens and new earths. We shall not be afraid, neither slow of heart to believe. Our assurance is that God is with us.

Our blessings go out to you in the Name of Jesus Christ and at this Thanksgiving Season we express our gratitude for your friendship and cooperation with the ministry of the CHRIST TRUTH LEAGUE.

Lovingly yours,
Nell Truesdell

Alphabet of
DAILY MEDITATION
For Every Week Day of the Month

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2. Seek those things which Are Above.
3. Believe in the Name of His son Jesus Christ.
4. Come boldly unto the throne of grace.
5. Hearken Diligently unto Me.
6. All Eat the same spiritual meat.
7. Take the water of life Freely.
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9. I will be Glorified, saith the Lord.
10. Hold fast to the form of sound words.
11. Thou didst confirm thine Inheritance.
12. The Just shall live by his faith.
13. The Lord Knoweth them that are His.
14. Blessed be the Lord, who daily Loadeth us with benefits.
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16. Let the Lord be Magnified.
17. Nothing shall by any means hurt you.
18. Bring an Offering, and come before Him.
19. He will abundantly Pardon.
20. Quicken us, and we will call upon Thy name.
21. Let the Righteous be glad.
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23. Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live.
24. Take with you words, and Turn To The Lord.
25. Good Understanding giveth favor.
26. See Visions of peace.
27. The Ways of the Lord are right.
28. Ye are the temple of the Living God.
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30. Zeal of the Lord shall do this.
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Look up! let your vision toward the Heights quicken your concept of your DAILY MEDITATION until you grasp its fullest meaning. Then you will know the truth of the word you hold in mind.

We keep the word daily and invite you to join in this practice. We can promise new thoughts for old and a wiser, more contented state of being. The Lord will bless the faithful.