

Wednesday Noon and Evening Meetings
July 18, 2018
"Give Me A Loving Heart"

The Bible

Hymns: 118, 148, 423

O Lord, thou preservest man. How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. For with thee is the fountain of life; in thy light shall we see light. O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart. Psalms 36

I will praise thee, O lord, with my whole heart; I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High. Psalms 9

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Psalm 51

Blessed be the Lord: for he hath shewed me his marvelous kindness. O love the Lord, all ye his saints: for the Lord preserveth the faithful. Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord. Psalm 31

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies. Psalms 103

Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. It was *that* Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. Therefore, his sisters sent unto him, saying Lord, behold he whom thou lovest is sick. Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister and Lazarus. Then saith he to his disciples, Let us go into Judea again. Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep. Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep he shall do well. The said Jesus unto them plainly Lazarus is dead.

Then said Martha to Jesus, Lord if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha said unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said, unto her I am the resurrection, and the life, he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world. And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister, saying, The master is come, and calleth for thee.

When Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here my brother had not died. When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, and said where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

And when he thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave clothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus said unto them, Loose him, and let him go. John 11

Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy

What is man? Brain, heart, blood, bones, etc., the material structure? Page 172

Anatomy declares man to be structural. Physiology continues this explanation, measuring human strength by bones and sinews, and human life by material law. Man is spiritual, individual, and eternal; material structure is mortal. Page 173

Jesus said of Lazarus: "Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep." Jesus restored Lazarus by the understanding that Lazarus had never died, not by an admission that his body had died and then lived again. Had Jesus believed that Lazarus had lived or died in his body, the Master would have stood on the same plane of belief as those who buried the body, and he could not have resuscitated it. Page 75

The blood, heart, lungs, brain, etc. have nothing to do with Life, God. Every function of the real man is governed by the divine Mind. The human mind has no power to kill or to cure, and it has no control over God's man. The divine Mind that made man maintains His own image and likeness. Page 151

That mortal mind claims to govern every organ of the mortal body, we have overwhelming proof. But this so called mind is a myth, and must by its own consent yield to Truth. Page 151-152

Truth has a healing effect, even when not fully understood. Page 152

The human thought must free itself from self-imposed materiality and bondage. It should no longer ask of the head, heart, or lungs: What are man's prospects for life? Mind is not helpless. Page 191

A felon, on whom certain English students experimented, fancied himself bleeding to death, and died because of that belief, when only a stream of warm water was trickling over his arm. Had he known his sense of bleeding was an illusion, he would have risen above the false belief. Page 379

As mortals give up the delusion that there is more than one Mind, more than one God, man in God's likeness will appear, and this eternal man will include in that likeness no material element. Page 191

Mortal Mind is the worst foe of the body, while divine Mind is its best friend. Page 176

Christian scientific practice begins with Christ's keynote of harmony. "Be not afraid!" Page 410

The procuring cause and foundation of all sickness is fear, ignorance, or sin. Page 411

Always begin your treatment by allaying the fear of patients. Silently reassure them as to their exemption from disease and danger. Watch the result of this simple rule of Christian Science, and you will find that it alleviates the symptoms of every disease. If you succeed in wholly removing the fear, your patient is healed. Page 411-412

Stick to the truth of being in contradistinction to the error that life, substance, or intelligence can be in matter. Plead with an honest conviction of truth and a clear perception of the unchanging, unerring, and certain effect of divine Science. Page 418

Truth is affirmative, and confers harmony. Page 418

By the truthful arguments you employ, and especially by the spirit of Truth and Love which you entertain, you will heal the sick. Page 418

Consciousness constructs a better body when faith in matter has been conquered. Correct material belief by spiritual understanding and Spirit will form you anew. You will never fear again except to offend God, and you will never believe that heart or any portion of the body can destroy you. Page 425

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