

Wednesday Meeting
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“ . . .good alone is here.”
Hymn 374 words by John Randall Dunn, C.S.B.

THE BIBLE

HYMNS: 370, 374, 402

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. His truth shall be thy shield and buckler. There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. Psalms 91, 1,4,10,11

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: Psalms 55: 22

The Lord shall endure for ever: The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. Psalms 9: 7,9

Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle. And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and there was a valley between them. And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.

And he had an helmet of brass upon his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of brass. And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me. If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and serve us.

Now David was the son of Jesse who had eight sons. And David was the youngest: And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine. And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth. David said moreover, The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the Lord be with thee.

And David took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near the Philistine.

And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and his man that bare the shield went before him.

And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.

Then said David to the Philistine, thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. This day will the Lord deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee.

And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the Philistine.

And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it. And the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and slew him.

1st Samuel 17: 12-50 (various)

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

Evil has no reality. It is neither person, place, nor thing, but is simply a belief, an illusion of material sense. 71: 2

The history of Christianity furnishes sublime proofs of the supporting influence and protecting power bestowed on man by his heavenly Father, omnipotent Mind, who gives man faith and understanding whereby to defend himself, not only from temptation, but from bodily suffering. 387:27

Physical science (so-called) is human knowledge,---a law of mortal mind, a blind belief, a Samson shorn of his strength. When this human belief lacks organizations to support it, its foundations are gone. Having neither moral might, spiritual basis, nor holy Principle of its own, this belief mistakes effect for cause and seeks to find life and intelligence in matter thus limiting Life and holding fast to discord and death. 124: 3-10

We lose the high signification of omnipotence, when after admitting that God, or good, is omnipresent and has all-power, we still believe there is another power, named evil. This belief that there is more than one mind is as pernicious to divine theology as are ancient mythology and pagan idolatry. 469: 25-6

Evil is nothing, no thing, mind, nor power. 330: 27

Truth has no consciousness of error. Love has no sense of hatred. Life has no partnership with death. Truth, Life, and Love are a law of annihilation to everything unlike themselves, because they declare nothing except God. 243: 25

Divine Science explains the abstract statement that there is one Mind by the following self-evident proposition: If God, or good, is real, then evil, the unlikeness of God, is unreal. And evil can only seem to be real by giving reality to the unreal. 470: 11-14

Let Christian Science, instead of corporeal sense, support your understanding of being, and this understanding will supplant error with Truth, replace mortality with immortality, and silence discord with harmony. 495:20

It is Love which paints the petal with myriad hues, glances in the warm sunbeam, arches the clouds with the bow of beauty, blazons the night with stary gems, and covers earth with loveliness. 247: 24

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