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## THE BIBLE

Isa. 43:18, 19, 21

18¶Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.

19Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

21This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise

Isa. 30:20 thine, 21

20thine eyes shall see thy teachers:

21And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

Prov. 1: 5, 8, 9 (,), 10, 11, 15, 20, 23

5A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

8My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

9For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head,

10¶My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

11If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:

15My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

Prov. 2:1-6, 10, 11, 20, 21

20¶Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:

23behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

1My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

2So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;

3Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;

4If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

5Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God.

6For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

10¶When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

11Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:

20That thou mayest walk in the way of good men, and keep the paths of the righteous.

21For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.

Luke 2:11-14 unto, 19, 40-52

11unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,  
14Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.  
19But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.  
40And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.  
41Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.  
42And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.  
43And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it.  
44But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance.  
45And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.  
46And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.  
47And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.  
48And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.  
49And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?  
50And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.  
51And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.  
52And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.  
Ps. 144:9, 11, 12, 15  
9I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.  
11Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood:  
12That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace:  
15Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is that people, whose God is the Lord.

## SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES

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SH 236: 28

Jesus loved little children because of their freedom from wrong and their receptiveness of right. While age is halting between two opinions or battling with false beliefs, youth makes easy and rapid strides towards Truth.

SH 128:2

Good is natural and primitive. It is not miraculous to itself.

SH 582:28

CHILDREN. The spiritual thoughts and representatives of Life, Truth, and Love.

SH 236:12-27

A mother is the strongest educator, either for or against crime. Her thoughts form the embryo of another mortal mind, and unconsciously mould it, either after a model odious to herself or through divine influence, "according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount." Hence the importance of Christian Science, from which we learn of the one Mind and of the availability of good as the remedy for every woe.

Children should obey their parents; insubordination is an evil, blighting the buddings of self-government. Parents should teach their children at the earliest possible period the truths of health and holiness. Children are more tractable than adults, and learn more readily to love the simple verities that will make them happy and good.

SH 237:1-10

A little girl, who had occasionally listened to my explanations, badly wounded her finger. She seemed not to notice it. On being questioned about it she answered ingenuously, "There is no sensation in matter." Bounding off with laughing eyes, she presently added, "Mamma, my finger is not a bit sore." It might have been months or years before her parents would have laid aside their drugs, or reached the mental height their little daughter so naturally attained.

SH 476:9-20

God is the Principle of man, and man is the idea of God. Hence man is not mortal nor material. Mortals will disappear, and immortals, or the children of God, will appear as the only and eternal verities of man. Mortals are not fallen children of God. They never had a perfect state of being, which may subsequently be regained. They were, from the beginning of mortal history, "conceived in sin and brought forth in iniquity." Mortality is finally swallowed up in immortality. Sin, sickness, and death must disappear to give place to the facts which belong to immortal man.

SH 128: 4

The term Science, properly understood, refers only to the laws of God and to His government of the universe, inclusive of man. From this it follows that business men and cultured scholars have found that Christian Science enhances their endurance and mental powers, enlarges perception of character, gives them acuteness and comprehensiveness and an ability to exceed their ordinary capacity. The human mind, imbued with this spiritual understanding, becomes more elastic, is capable of greater endurance, escapes somewhat from itself, and requires less repose. A knowledge of the Science of being develops the latent abilities and possibilities of man. It extends the atmosphere of thought, giving mortals access broader and higher realms. It raises the thinker into his native air of insight and perspicacity.

SH 195:15-196:4

Whatever furnishes the semblance of an idea governed by its Principle, furnishes food for thought. Through astronomy, natural history, chemistry, music, mathematics, thought passes naturally from effect back to cause.

Academics of the right sort are requisite. Observation, invention, study, and original thought are expansive and should promote the growth of mortal mind out of itself, out of all that is mortal.

It is the tangled barbarisms of learning which we deplore, — the mere dogma, the speculative theory, the nauseous fiction. Novels, remarkable only for their

exaggerated pictures, impossible ideals, and specimens of depravity, fill our young readers with wrong tastes and sentiments. Literary commercialism is lowering the intellectual standard to accommodate the purse and to meet a frivolous demand for amusement instead of for improvement. Incorrect views lower the standard of truth. If materialistic knowledge is power, it is not wisdom. It is but a blind force. Man has "sought out many inventions," but he has not yet found it true that knowledge can save him from the dire effects of knowledge.

SH 91:16-21

Absorbed in material selfhood we discern and reflect but faintly the substance of Life or Mind. The denial of material selfhood aids the discernment of man's spiritual and eternal individuality, and destroys the erroneous knowledge gained from matter or through what are termed the material senses.

SH 90:24-32

The admission to one's self that man is God's own likeness sets man free to master the infinite idea. This conviction shuts the door on death, and opens it wide towards immortality. The understanding and recognition of Spirit must finally come, and we may as well improve our time in solving the mysteries of being through an apprehension of divine Principle. At present we know not what man is, but we certainly shall know this when man reflects God.

SH 91:5-8

Let us rid ourselves of the belief that man is separated from God, and obey only the Principle, Life and Love. Here is the great point of departure for all true spiritual growth.

SH 66:14-16

Each successive stage of experience unfolds new views of divine goodness and love.