

WEDNESDAY NIGHT READINGS

“Trust in the Lord”

September 6, 2017

Hymns: 154, 53, 207

THE BIBLE

PSALMS

18:2 The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust;

56:3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

4 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

II KINGS

6:8 Then the king of Syria warred against Israel, and took counsel with his servants, saying, In such and such a place shall be my camp.

9 And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware that thou pass not such a place; for thither the Syrians are come down.

10 And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of, and saved himself there, not once nor twice.

11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us is for the king of Israel?

12 And one of his servants said, None, my lord, O king: but Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber.

13 ¶ And he said, Go and spy where he is, that I may send and fetch him. And it was told him, saying, Behold, he is in Dothan.

14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a great host: and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

15 And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do?

16 And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.

17 And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

PSALMS

91:2 I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.
4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.
7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

LUKE

4:14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.
15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.
16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.
21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.
24... Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country.
28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,
29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.
30 But he passing through the midst of them went his way,

ISAIAH

26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

LUKE

9:50 And Jesus said unto him, Forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us.
21:9... when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass;
10 Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:
11 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.
25 ... and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;
26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth:
31 ... when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.
33 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.
36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

PROVERBS

18:10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

I TIMOTHY

4:10 ... trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.

16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

PROVERBS

30:5 Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

3:5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

29:25....whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe.

SCIENCE & HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES

By Mary Baker Eddy

SH 234:3 (only)

If we trust matter, we distrust Spirit.

SH 292:28-31

...man would be annihilated, were it not for the spiritual real man's indissoluble connection with his God, which Jesus brought to light.

SH 228:25-27

There is no power apart from God. Omnipotence has all-power, and to acknowledge any other power is to dishonor God.

SH 65:13-16

The broadcast powers of evil so conspicuous to-day show themselves in the materialism and sensualism of the age, struggling against the advancing spiritual era.

SH 83:7-8, 16

Mortals must find refuge in Truth in order to escape the error of these latter days.

SH 66:10-11, 6-7

Trials are proofs of God's care.

Trials teach mortals not to lean on a material staff, — a broken reed, which pierces the heart.

SH 223:28-31

Marvels, calamities, and sin will much more abound as truth urges upon mortals its resisted claims; but the awful daring of sin destroys sin, and foreshadows the triumph of truth.

SH 144:3 (to 2nd ,)

If Mind is foremost and superior, let us rely upon Mind,

SH 390:4-9

We cannot deny that Life is self-sustained, and we should never deny the everlasting harmony of Soul, simply because, to the mortal senses, there is seeming discord. It is our ignorance of God, the divine Principle, which produces apparent discord, and the right understanding of Him restores harmony.

SH 20:14

Jesus bore our infirmities; he knew the error of mortal belief, and “with his stripes [the rejection of error] we are healed.” “Despised and rejected of men,” returning blessing for cursing, he taught mortals the opposite of themselves, even the nature of God; and when error felt the power of Truth, the scourge and the cross awaited the great Teacher. Yet he swerved not, well knowing that to obey the divine order and trust God, saves retracing and traversing anew the path from sin to holiness.

SH 167:22-26, 30

It is not wise to take a halting and half-way position or to expect to work equally with Spirit and matter, Truth and error. There is but one way — namely, God and His idea — which leads to spiritual being.

Only through radical reliance on Truth can scientific healing power be realized.

SH 151:20-24, 26

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.

All that really exists is the divine Mind and its idea, and in this Mind the entire being is found harmonious and eternal. The straight and narrow way is to see and acknowledge this fact, yield to this power, and follow the leadings of truth.

SH 326:4

Jesus said, " He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also."

He, who would reach the source and find the divine remedy for every ill, must not try to climb the hill of Science by some other road. All nature teaches God's love to man, but man cannot love God supremely and set his whole affections on spiritual things, while loving the material or trusting in it more than in the spiritual.

SH 495:20

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.

SH 1:10

Thoughts unspoken are not unknown to the divine Mind. Desire is prayer; and no loss can occur from trusting God with our desires, that they may be moulded and exalted before they take form in words and in deeds.

SH 180:25-27

When man is governed by God, the ever-present Mind who understands all things, man knows that with God all things are possible.

SH 192:4-6

We are Christian Scientists, only as we quit our reliance upon that which is false and grasp the true. We are not Christian Scientists until we leave all for Christ.

SH 444:10

Step by step will those who trust Him find that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

ADDITIONAL READING

“Finding Refuge in Truth”

By Margaret Horn

May 3, 1941 Christian Science Sentinel

...through the purity of her thought, Mary Baker Eddy discovered the divine Principle which Jesus perfectly understood and demonstrated, proving man's unity with God. And today Christian Science makes possible for humanity the demonstration of harmony, protection, and exemption from disaster.

...Man, reflecting and expressing the purity, perfection, and omnipotence of divine intelligence and Life, is not subject to disease or death. Neither can catastrophe, tragedy, nor calamity be known to him, for he constantly abides in Truth, Life, and Love. Frustration, deprivation, reversal are also unknown to the spiritual real man, governed by divine law.

Mrs. Eddy, in a letter to a branch church, said (Miscellaneous Writings, [p.152](#)), "May meekness, mercy, and love dwell forever in the hearts of those who worship in this tabernacle... Thus founded upon the rock of Christ, when storm and tempest beat against this sure foundation, you, safely sheltered in the strong tower of hope, faith, and Love, are God's nestlings; and He will hide you in His feathers till the storm has passed."

The writer of the book of Proverbs voices the same calm trust and hope in God, and assurance of protection, when he says, "The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe."

...Our Leader... does not ignore the world's belief in evil, which assails by "storm and tempest," but affirms the great fact of the surety of perfect refuge.

...As the evil elements of mortal belief come more and more rapidly to the surface, they do not thus become real; nor should they seem real to the right thinker. Before an understanding of immutable Truth, before the unchangeable nature of the divine law governing the universe, including man, evil must cease its clamor for place and power and disappear from the experience of mankind.