

# A Plea for More Flowers

The most beautiful Hedge or Border of Shrubs becomes in time monotonous to look at if the color of Flowers is lacking in the Foreground.

Erect the most stately looking residence built of brown stone or concrete, surround it with Evergreens, fine Elms and Maples as well as the nicely kept Lawn, yet there will be something missing if there are no Flowers to soften and cheer up things.

But the shingle covered cottage or the low bungalow or even the old time stiff frame house with vine covered trellises, the Flowers around the porch, the Phlox Iris and Peonias with the Larkspur and Hollyhocks as a background away over near the Lilacs, Roses and Honeysuckle bushes create a coziness, a warmth and air of "Welcome Home" for everyone connected with it.

There is no such thing as getting tired of the Home and Grounds here, every Plant set out and cared for means just so much to us. There is hardly a month where there isn't something to look forward to, repaying a hundred fold for all the trouble and expense we have gone to in planting.

Garden work is never completed, there are disappointments as well as pleasant surprises right along. We plan, plant and change, every year over again, it's that very fact which makes

Gardening so interesting. We are never through.

Only those fortunate enough to live in the country can enjoy all this, but there are so many who as yet haven't taken advantage of it, that's why all this noise from the 4th ward.

It's our business to help create Beautiful Grounds, we do nothing else and it doesn't cost anything to consult us.

Don't you want us to show you the possibilities of your Grounds? We will do it gladly. Yes, you are right it is absolutely for no other reason than to get more business to be truthful about it, but you must give us credit for quite a few things we are doing at the same time and if you haven't got started yet getting busy out doors, some day you will appreciate that we called your attention to it.

Have you got into the habit yet of calling up 85? So many Garden Lovers do, not only about planting, try us on anything pertaining to the out doors, Lawns, Trees, Shrubs, Hardy Plants, Flowering Bulbs, Spraying, Driveways, Concrete Work, Brick Walks, Swimming Pools, Fountains, Rustic Work, House Drains, Fertilizer, Grass Seed. It doesn't hurt to get our opinion on any of these things. Suit yourself about where best to buy. Some say we know everything, but that isn't so.

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### A LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

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If this statement of Jesus was true it follows by irresistible logic that the enalving conditions from which humanity suffers must be due to the belief of something which is not true. In other words, if the time is ever to come, as Jesus has declared that it will come, when the knowledge of the truth shall emancipate humanity from its bondage to sickness, sin, unhappiness, poverty, old age and death, such results can only be brought about when the knowledge of the truth shall have displaced and destroyed (out of human consciousness), the belief of that which is not true. There is no escape from this conclusion.

Christian Science shows that it is the effect produced by Truth operating in the human mentality, destroying superstition, false and vicious beliefs that must and will some day emancipate mankind from bondage to sin, disease and death.

#### ULTIMATE TRUTH

There must be ultimate truth somewhere, and when it is apprehended by the human mind it will emancipate those who apprehend it from bondage to evil. Christian Science asserts that ultimate truth concerning God and man and their relationship is revealed by the Scriptures, and may be gained by every person when the Scriptures are rightly interpreted.

#### DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BELIEF AND UNDERSTANDING

It is sometimes difficult for people to understand how religion can heal sickness and destroy sin, but the words of Jesus make it plain. Since it is through a knowledge of the truth that these results are accomplished the important thing for each one is to gain an understanding of truth instead of being satisfied with mere belief about it. In other words, in order to find out how religion can destroy sin, sickness and all sorts of evil condition, it is first necessary to gain an understanding as to what is religion. To gain the benefits promised in the Bible to true believers it is necessary to get rid of that which is erroneous in religious belief and practise, and to ascertain what constitutes true religion.

There are many who honestly think that it makes no difference what religious beliefs they entertain, so long as they are sincere in them. A moment's reflection, however, will show that such a theory is pernicious and destructive, for it is perfectly plain that if a thing is not, in fact, true, no

amount of sincerity on the part of the believer can ever make it true. No engineer ever arrived at a correct result, no matter how sincerely he may have believed that his processes were correct, if they were not so in fact.

With respect to many things it may be unimportant whether the thing believed is true or not, but with respect to the things that people believe about God, and about themselves, and about their relationship to God, they are vital, because it will be shown that the things believed with respect to these matters, become laws that are binding upon the believer.

#### GOD

In trying to ascertain what constitutes religion the very first subject to be considered is that which relates to God. Every one must agree that a correct understanding of God is essential as the foundation of religion. Any system of religious teaching that is founded upon an imperfect or erroneous conception of God must necessarily fail to bring to its adherents the help and comfort for which they seek. When we look about us and see the splendid fidelity of men and women to their religious beliefs, and then see how much suffering and failure they experience, and how far short they come of attaining the good which they so honestly seek, it is a fair deduction that there is something wrong about their understanding of God.

No offense will be given, therefore, by the statement that the average person has a very indefinite and nebulous conception of God. If you were to ask a dozen people to tell you who and what God is, you would get a dozen different answers. There are some who think God is a person. How many people there are who, when they kneel down and close their eyes, and reverently pray to God, have in mind a person, or a form, or an image, to which they pray. And how many others there are who think of God as a being of anger and resentment, who sends failure and suffering to those who displease him? And are there not a great many others who think of God as a being who lives in a far-off country called Heaven, and that it is necessary for people to die, and go there, in order to see Him?

These are only a few of the incorrect beliefs which people entertain about God. When it is remembered that Jesus has said that it is the knowledge of the truth that shall make men free, in the face of such

confusion of belief about Him, is it strange that people are sick and that they die? Is it not apparent that what humanity needs is a demonstrable understanding of God in place of theoretical and speculative beliefs about Him?

Yet, all the while that people have gone on believing these erroneous things about God, the Bible statements concerning him have been perfectly plain. The Bible says, for instance, that God is Love, and, since He is infinite, He must be infinite Love. Christian Science says, therefore, that infinite Love cannot be the author of evil, either in the form of sickness or sin, and that, no matter what one may think about evil, it must be accounted for in some other way than as being a part of the creation of God. Now, note the significance of that statement, for if God did not create evil, and it is manifest that He could not have created it, then it follows absolutely that evil is not eternal. For whatever God created must be eternal like Himself, and if God were the creator of evil, then evil would be eternal, and, hence, indestructible.

Christian Science presents a scientific method for the destruction of evil. No matter in what form it may present itself to the individual, whether as sickness, sin, unhappiness, sorrow or distress, Christian Science says, that since it is evil, it may be destroyed and that the destroyer of evil in every case is Truth, precisely as Jesus has declared. Wherever you find a Christian Scientist, therefore, you will find a person who is honestly striving to destroy evil out of his or her experience by means of the scientific method which Christian Science presents. While it may be true that no one, thus far, but Jesus, has been able to make a perfect demonstration over evil, yet every one will concede that Christian Scientists have, at least, made some progress, and have succeeded, to some extent, in destroying both sickness and sin for themselves and others.

The Bible further discloses that God not only is Love, but is also omnipresent. If that is so, then He is everywhere, for that is what the word means. He fills all space, and is in one place in precisely the same degree and to precisely the same extent that He is in every other place. Does that not lift one's thought above the concept of a limited God? And is it not plain that so long as people believe in a limited God, who is limited as to His form, dwelling place, or goodness, they will continue to suffer

from limitations—limitations with respect to life and the duration thereof, health, strength, mental capacity, success, love, spirituality and every good thing? Christian Science makes plain that humanity can hope to be emancipated from the curse of limitations in any and all of these directions when men and women shall have given up their false beliefs about a limited God, and shall have learned the truth concerning His nature and character.

Upon one occasion they asked Jesus to tell them when the Kingdom of God would come, and he made an

answer that has proved to be a stumbling block to many people from that day to this. He said, in substance, that the Kingdom of God is not a place that you can see with observation; it is not a place that you can say, Lo here it is, or Lo there it is, for behold, he said, the Kingdom of God is within you. If that statement is true, then it follows absolutely that the Kingdom of God, or the Kingdom of Heaven, must be a state of consciousness, and not a locality. Then it is not plain that the further people go in the belief that the King-

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