

SYNOPSIS OF LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Given Sunday Evening by
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Among the comprehensive teachings of Christ Jesus are found the wisest of counsel and a perfect criterion for righteous living. In his Sermon on the Mount, he covered every condition of life so that none need be in doubt as to the right course of action under any and all circumstances. The logic of the Master's teachings is so perfect that it cannot be denied. The Apostle Paul took up the work of full discipleship with the Master, helping to establish the Christian Church upon the Nazarene's teachings, and Jesus' true followers for a long period did likewise. But doubt and fear presented themselves, vision again became darkened, the works ceased to be performed, and discipleship became largely a question of doctrine and belief rather than of understanding and works. Christian Science has revived the works of the early Christians, and again the sick are healed and the sinner reformed through spiritual means alone.

The teachings of Christian Science are fully set forth in the Christian Science textbook, of which Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, is the author. Describing the basis and method of her discovery, Mrs. Eddy has written: "The Scriptures were illumined; reason and revelation were reconciled, and afterwards the truth of Christian Science was demonstrated." (Science and Health, page 110).

Jesus taught that good cannot produce evil, and he proved by his works that sin and sickness are errors of belief which he could and did destroy. He promised that his followers should do the works that he was able to do (see John 14:22) and thanks to Mrs. Eddy's patient and tireless efforts in giving Christian Science to the world, thousands of her followers are able to follow the commands of the blessed Master today, as did the disciples of old.

Blessings for All
Students of Christian Science early learn to ponder and to love Mrs. Eddy's beautiful statement in the

Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" page 206), "In the scientific relation of God to man, we find that whatever blesses one blesses all, as Jesus showed with the loaves and the fishes.—Spirit, not matter, being the source of supply"; and again on page 57 of this same book, "Happiness is spiritual, born of Truth and Love. It is unselfish: therefore it cannot exist alone, but requires all mankind to share it." In our modern Christian Era, Mrs. Eddy was the first to be blessed with the precious gift of Christian healing, when in the year 1866, with her discovery of Christian Science and its revelation of spiritual law, she grasped the stately import of the mission of Christ Jesus. On page 109 of the Christian Science textbook, Mrs. Eddy has written: "I knew the Principle of all harmonious Mind-action to be God, and that cures were produced in primitive Christian healing by holy, uplifting faith: but I must know the Science of this healing, and I won my way to absolute conclusions through divine revelation, reason, and demonstration." It was clear to Mrs. Eddy that a scientific knowledge of God belongs to spiritual man by divine decree: that what had blessed her so signally must bless all mankind; and that it was her mission to present this unfoldment to the world in the pure correctness with which it had been revealed to her. This she did in orderly fashion, in accordance with the divine plan revealed to her step by step, and recorded in her textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," and in her other writings, including the "Manual of The Mother Church."

Study and Application
Through this study we find that divine Mind, Truth, alone governs man; that Truth alone sustains man with purity, peace, love, and sinless joy; that man is sheltered from ignorance, fear, lack, sorrow, sickness; in fact from error of every sort, by Truth. This understanding of Truth requires faithful and consecrated effort on our part. It is evident that Truth can neither know nor maintain aught that claims to be unlike itself, and we need to know this in order to experience the blessings of Truth. The teachings of Christian Science show clearly that the realization of the blessings of Truth comes only as we replace in thought, error with Truth, and false beliefs with true ideas; and having done this, to re-

main steadfast in the consciousness of Truth. In this way alone can we claim and realize man's inheritance of true being, man's at-one-ment with Truth. This realization will destroy forever the claim of an existence or power apart from God. The student of Christian Science soon learns the importance of careful study and application of the teachings of the Holy Bible. There is ample evidence that many have been lifted out of the depths of despair by reading the Bible daily, and as a result of this many healings of sickness and sin have taken place. One instance is that of a lady who was suffering from a nervous disorder. In her search for relief, she was advised by a friend to read and study the Bible every day. Although inclined to resent this advice, she was, nevertheless obedient, and after diligent search and study of the Scripture her healing which followed, was gratefully acknowledged, and she expressed deep gratitude to God for the many blessings which followed her awakening to the importance of this daily study. It is not so much the things we do, as the way in which we do them, that is of value; so it is necessary to study the Bible daily with an appreciation of the spiritual truth it contains, and unless we put this truth into everyday practice we lose its healing influence. When someone said to Abraham Lincoln: "I hope God is on our side," he immediately replied: "My concern is not whether God is on our side. My great concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right." We may well pause and ponder this humble statement, search the depths of its spiritual significance, and be ready and willing to carry its message into everyday life; then shall we be more than ever "on God's side." When we are not on "God's side" all manner of sickness and sin seems very real; and sorrow and suffering come to us because of our belief of an existence apart from God. Mortal existence retreats before true communion with God and the Christian Scientist rejoices in his realization of this true communion which an understanding of God brings.

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"One has to be a little crazy to write a book," observed an author, and sometimes one has to be a little crazy to read some of them.—The Lynchburg News.

NOTICE
Public notice is hereby given that the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois, has filed in the County Court of Lake County, Illinois, a certificate that the following improvement has been completed, and that it conforms substantially to the requirements of the original ordinance for the construction of the same, to-wit: The construction of a connected system of vitrified, salt-glazed, hub and spigot tile pipe, storm drains and corrugated iron pipe, outlet drain with the necessary manholes, inlet basins, junctions for house connections and other improvements in Taylor Avenue, in the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois, Highland Park Special Assessment of said Court Docket No. 240, and that application has been made to said Court to consider and determine whether or not the facts stated in said certificate are true. That a hearing will be had upon said application on Friday, the 10th day of January, A. D. 1930, at the hour of ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the County Court Room of said Court, in the County Court House, at Waukegan, in said Lake County.
Objections may be filed to said application on or before the hour of ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon of said day.
BENJAMIN F. LEWIS,
LYLE GOURLEY,
J. H. ZIMMER,
Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park.
Dated at Highland Park, Illinois, December 26, 1929. 43-44

ADJUDICATION NOTICE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Subscriber Administratrix of the Estate of Anna Pomy, deceased, will attend the Probate Court of Lake County, at a term thereof to be holden at the Court House in Waukegan, in said County, on the first Monday of March next, 1930, when and where all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to present the same to said Court for adjudication.
PEARL O. WIEBOLDT,
Waukegan, Ill., December 19, 1929.
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