

A Lecture on Christian Science Entitled Christian Science: The Revelation of the Omnipotence of Good

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The lecturer spoke substantially as follows: God is divine Love, infinite good. Christian Science reveals to us that God is the only power, the only actor; and it gives life to all its ideas.

Do you believe in good and love? Do you ever exclaim in wonder at God which seems to you as the result of prayer? Have you ever heard grateful people saying "I love to see the stars"? Fundamentally each and every one of us loves good.

Christian Science reveals good as God; and because good is God, Spirit, it is not cognizable by the five physical senses or by the so-called human mind which controls these senses.

However, in human experience good must be sought, found, and demonstrated. There are great, spiritual facts pertaining to man; but as long as we believe that man is physical, these spiritual facts are hidden to us.

Good will come to those who strive for good; meaning, good will come to those who awaken to the presence of God and demonstrate in their lives that God is the only real power. True prayer is thus spoken of by our Master: "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

In "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, states very clearly the following (p. 332): "Jesus was born of Mary. Christ is the true idea voicing God, the divine message from God to men speaking to the human consciousness."

The distinction between the Christ and Jesus is one of enlightenment. The Christ is eternal, while Jesus was born of Mary's pure spiritual concept that God is the Father of man.

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Match to Be Played By Two Bowling Teams A ten-game match between the Highland Ten Pin and the Deerfield bowling academy will be played this Sunday at Deerfield at 2 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 28, at the Highland Park alleys. Five games will be played each week. Captain of the Highland Ten Pin team is Charles Gentilini and John Picchetti is captain of the Deerfield team.