

« Infinite Supply, Infinite Intelligence, Infinite Opportunities »

Passages from the Bible and from Mary Baker Eddy's books, *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* (S&H) and *Miscellaneous Writings* (Misc.)

***“It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God” and great shall be their peace. John 6:45 & Is. 54:13***

***“Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.” Matt. 6:25-34***

I. Putting God first in our lives reveals infinite Spirit as the source of all good—our divine inheritance.

S&H 60:29 – “Soul has infinite resources with which to bless mankind, and happiness would be more readily attained and would be more secure in our keeping, if sought in Soul. Higher enjoyments alone can satisfy the cravings of immortal man.”

Mark 12:30-31– 2 great Commandments – Love God supremely; love your neighbor as God love them.

340:15 – Recognizing only one God, one power, one Mind enables us to overcome all the world's challenges

494:10-15 – “Divine Love always has met and always will meet every human need.

John 14:12 – Whoever believes in Christ power can also prove this power in their own lives

Ex. 16 – Through God's guidance, Moses freed an enslaved race and provided food and water to them in the wilderness

Genesis 25-33 – Young man, Jacob, changed from a material view of his inheritance which involved dishonesty, selfishness and conflict, to a God-centered approach which revealed his infinite inheritance from God

Gen. 37 – 48 – Young man, Joseph, facing continual setbacks and injustices, continued to obey the two great Commandments. God gave him the wisdom and opportunity to design a program which saved thousands of lives.

Daniel 1 – 4 young men refused to rely on meat and wine—human ways and means to succeed in their education. Instead they relied on God, Spirit, and excelled.

Ruth, I Kings 17:1-16, II Kings 4:1-6 – God provides for widows and the prophets, illustrating Love's infinite resources

Matt. 14:14-21 / Matt. 15:32-38 - Jesus multiplied 5 loaves and 2 fishes to feed five thousand and then 7 loaves and 2 fishes to feed four thousand

Gen. 1 – Spirit alone creates and Its creation is infinite and entirely good; no evil

S&H 587 – definition of God – perfect God

S&H 475 – definition of man (each one of us, male and female) – perfect man

S&H 260:13 – possibility of achieving all good; but distrust of one's ability ensures failure at the outset.

Mal 3:10 – Gratitude to God brings infinite blessings into our experience

## II. Putting God first protects us from deception, lack, loss, or failure.

Gen 2 & 3 – Material and false view of creation, man and substance which can be lost.

S&H 71:2 – Evil is never person, place nor thing

Matt. 13:3-23 and Luke 8:4-15 – Jesus’ parable of the sower and the seed—states of thought which impede our success or which ensure it.

S&H 454:22 – Wait patiently for divine Love to do its work.

James 4:3 – Ye ask and receive not because ye ask amiss.

Rom. 1:17 - Loving/worshipping the creation more than the creator.

S&H 326:8 – Loving the material or trusting in it more than in spiritual

Deut. 8:17 Job 31:25 - “My hand hath gotten this”—thinking we are the source of success and good. .

S&H 68: 2-4 – slaves to fashion, pride and sense, we progress slowly

Mark 10: 23-30 – how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the K of G

S&H 301:17-24—believing matter is substance breaks the 1<sup>st</sup> Commandment.

Luke 15:31 – Prodigal son and older son “All that I have is thine.

S&H 327:17 – Strict moral and spiritual demands, if obeyed, reveal “that evil has in reality neither place nor power in the human or the divine economy.”

S&H 458:23 – “The Christianly scientific man reflects the divine law, thus becoming a law unto himself.”

Ps. 46 –God is a very present help in trouble; be still and know that God is All.

S&H 215:12 –We are never for an instant deprived of the intelligence we need

S&H 506:18- God gathers unformed thoughts into their proper channels and unfolds His holy purpose for us.

## III. Putting God, Spirit, first in our lives, enables us to fulfill God’s amazing plan for each one of us.

Mis. 307:1 – God gives spiritual ideas and they in turn provide our daily supplies. You will always have all you need, if you never doubt.

John 6:27, 33, 63 – labor not for the meat which perishes, but for that meat that endures unto everlasting life, which the Son of man (Christ Jesus) gives us.

S&H 265:10 – “Forsaking matter for Spirit by no means suggests man's absorption into Deity and the loss of his identity, but confers upon man enlarged individuality, a wider sphere of thought and action, a more expansive love, a higher and more permanent peace.”

S&H 192:30 – “Whatever holds human thought in line with unselfed love receives directly the divine power.”

S&H 206:15 – “Whatever blesses one blesses all . . . Spirit, not matter, being the source of supply.”

II Kings 6:1-4 - Elisha – vessels of oil multiplied to pay the widow’s debts

Is. 33:22—God the judge, lawgiver, king; He will save us.

S&H 592:25 – “Oil : Consecration, charity, gentleness, prayer, heavenly inspiration.”

II Cor. 9:8 - God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: