

# Mortals and Immortals

Section 1  
The Bible

## GOLDEN TEXT | Romans 12:2 *be*

. . . BE NOT CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD: BUT BE YE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND, THAT YE MAY PROVE WHAT IS THAT GOOD, AND ACCEPTABLE, AND PERFECT, WILL OF GOD.

## RESPONSIVE READING | I Corinthians 13:9–12 *we* II Timothy 1:7, 9, 10, 14

- 9 . . . we know in part, and we prophesy in part.  
10 **But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.**  
11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.  
12 **For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.**  
7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.  
9 **Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,**  
10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:  
14 **That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.**

## 1 | Job 33:4

4 The spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.

## 2 | Galatians 3:3

3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

## 3 | Romans 8:5–9 *they* (to 1<sup>st</sup> .), 16, 17 (to 2<sup>nd</sup> ;)

5 they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. 8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.

16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ;

## 4 | II Corinthians 3:18 *we*

18 we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Section 1  
Science and Health

1 | 29:30–32

30 Man as the offspring of God, as the idea of Spirit, is the immortal evidence that Spirit is harmonious and man eternal.

2 | 215:24

24 Mortal man is the antipode of immortal man in origin, in existence, and in his relation to God.

3 | 191:24

24 The Science of being reveals man and immortality as based on Spirit. Physical sense defines mortal man as based on matter, and from this premise infers the mortality of the body.

4 | 478:24–26

24 From beginning to end, whatever is mortal is composed of material human beliefs and of nothing else.

5 | 492:22

24 The notion that mind and matter commingle in the human illusion as to sin, sickness, and death must eventually submit to the Science of Mind, which denies this notion. *God is Mind, and God is* Scientific ultimatum

*infinite; hence all is Mind.* On this statement rests the Science of being, and the Principle of this Science is divine, demonstrating harmony and immortality.

6 | 285:27

27 As mortals reach, through knowledge of Christian Science, a higher sense, they will seek to learn, not from matter, but from the divine Principle, God, how to demonstrate the Christ, Truth, as the healing and saving power.

Salvation is through reform

7 | 276:19

When we learn in Science how to be perfect even as our Father in heaven is perfect, thought is turned into new and healthy channels, — towards the contemplation of things immortal and away from materiality to the Principle of the universe, including harmonious man.

Perfection requisite

Section 2  
The Bible

5 | Psalms 37:18, 23, 24 the

18 The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.

23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way.

24 the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

6 | II Kings 2:1, 6–14

1 And it came to pass, when the Lord would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.

6 And Elijah said unto him, Tarry, I pray thee, here; for the Lord hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went on. 7 And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood to view afar off: and they two stood by Jordan. 8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground. 9 And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me. 10 And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be so. 11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. 12 And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces. 13 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan; 14 And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where is the Lord God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over.

Section 2  
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8 | 139:4–8

From beginning to end, the Scriptures are full of accounts of the triumph of Spirit, Mind, over matter.

6 Moses proved the power of Mind by what men called miracles; so did Joshua, Elijah, and Elisha. Marvels and reformatations

9 | 585:9

9 **ELIAS.** Prophecy; spiritual evidence opposed to material sense; Christian Science, with which can be discerned the spiritual fact of whatever the material senses behold; 12 the basis of immortality.

10 | 311:28–7

Matter, sin, and mortality lose all supposed consciousness or claim to life or existence, as 30 mortals lay off a false sense of life, substance, and intelligence. But the spiritual, eternal man is not touched by these phases of mortality.

1 How true it is that whatever is learned through material sense must be lost because such so-called knowledge is 3 reversed by the spiritual facts of being in Science. That which material sense calls Sense-dreams intangible, is found to be substance. What to material 6 sense seems substance, becomes nothingness, as the sense-dream vanishes and reality appears.

11 | 295:8

Mortals  
unlike  
immortals

9 Mortal mind would transform the spiritual into the material, and then recover man’s original self in order to escape from the mortality of this error. Mortals are not like immortals,  
12 created in God’s own image; but infinite Spirit being all, mortal consciousness will at last yield to the scientific fact and disappear, and the real sense of being, perfect and  
15 forever intact, will appear.

12 | 258:31–1

1 Through spiritual sense you can discern the heart of divinity, and thus begin to comprehend in Science the generic term *man*.

*Section 3*  
*The Bible*

7 | Matthew 9:35

35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

8 | Mark 3:1–5

1 And he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a withered hand. 2 And they watched him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might accuse him. 3 And he saith unto the

man which had the withered hand, Stand forth. 4 And he saith unto them, Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace. 5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

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13 | 476:32

1 Jesus beheld in Science the perfect man, who appeared to him where sinning mortal man appears to mortals. In this perfect man the Saviour  
3 saw God’s own likeness, and this correct view of man healed the sick. Thus Jesus taught that the kingdom of God is intact, universal, and that man is pure and holy.  
6 Man is not a material habitation for Soul; he is himself spiritual. Soul, being Spirit, is seen in nothing imperfect nor material.

14 | 409:20

21 The real man is spiritual and immortal, but the mortal and imperfect so-called “children of men” are counterfeits from the beginning, to be laid aside for the pure reality. This  
24 mortal is put off, and the new man or real man is put on, in proportion as mortals realize the Science of man and seek the true model.

15 | 162:16–22

## Working

18 out the rules of Science in practice, the author has re-  
 stored health in cases of both acute and chronic disease in  
 their severest forms. Secretions have been changed, the  
 structure has been renewed, shortened limbs have been  
 21 elongated, ankylosed joints have been made supple, and  
 carious bones have been restored to healthy conditions.

16 | 425:24–26

24 Correct material  
 belief by spiritual understanding, and Spirit will form  
 you anew.

17 | 76:18

18 Suffering, sinning, dying beliefs are unreal. When  
 divine Science is universally understood, they will have  
 no power over man, for man is immortal and lives by  
 21 divine authority.

*Section 4*  
*The Bible*

9 | Matthew 17:1–9 Jesus

1 Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and  
 bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, 2 And was  
 transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun,  
 and his raiment was white as the light. 3 And, behold, there  
 appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.

4 Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good  
 for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three taber-  
 nacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.  
 5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed  
 them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This  
 is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.  
 6 And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and  
 were sore afraid. 7 And Jesus came and touched them, and  
 said, Arise, and be not afraid. 8 And when they had lifted up  
 their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only. 9 And as they  
 came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying,  
 Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again  
 from the dead.

10 | John 17:1–3

1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to  
 heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son,  
 that thy Son also may glorify thee: 2 As thou hast given  
 him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to  
 as many as thou hast given him. 3 And this is life eternal,  
 that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus  
 Christ, whom thou hast sent.

11 | II Corinthians 5:16 henceforth

16 henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though  
 we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth  
 know we him no more.

Section 4  
Science and Health

18 | 288:27–28

27 Science reveals the glorious possibilities of immortal man, forever unlimited by the mortal senses.

19 | 346:29–30

30 Material beliefs must be expelled to make room for spiritual understanding.

20 | 428:22–23, 26

The great spiritual fact must be brought out that man *is*, not *shall be*, perfect and immortal.

The evidence

27 of man’s immortality will become more apparent, as material beliefs are given up and the immortal facts of being are admitted.

21 | 264:13

15 As mortals gain more correct views of God and man, multitudinous objects of creation, which before were invisible, will become visible. When we realize that Life is Spirit, never in nor of matter, this understanding will expand into self-completeness, finding all in God, good, and needing no other consciousness.

22 | 267:25–28

The robes of Spirit are “white and glistening,” like the raiment of Christ. Even in this world, therefore, “let thy garments be always white.”

23 | 492:3–12

3 For right reasoning there should be but one fact before the thought, namely, spiritual existence. In reality there is no other existence, since Life cannot be united to its unlikeness, mortality.

6 Being is holiness, harmony, immortality. It is already proved that a knowledge of this, even in small degree, will uplift the physical and moral standard of mortals, will increase longevity, will purify and elevate character. Thus progress will finally destroy all error, and bring immortality to light.

Mind one  
and all

Section 5  
The Bible

12 | Habakkuk 3:18 *I will*

18 I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

13 | I John 5:11, 13, 20

11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

14 | Philippians 2:12, 13

12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

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24 | 22:11–12

12 “Work out your own salvation,” is the demand of Life and Love, for to this end God worketh with you.

25 | 593:20

21 **SALVATION.** Life, Truth, and Love understood and demonstrated as supreme over all; sin, sickness, and death destroyed.

26 | 296:4–6

6 Progress is born of experience. It is the ripening of mortal man, through which the mortal is dropped for the immortal.

27 | 430:3–5

3 Mortal mind must part with error, must put off itself with its deeds, and immortal manhood, the Christ ideal, will appear. Life  
all-inclusive

28 | 322:3

3 When understanding changes the standpoints of life and intelligence from a material to a spiritual basis, we shall gain the reality of Life, the control of Soul over sense, and we shall perceive Christianity, or Truth, in its divine Principle. This must be the climax before harmonious and immortal man is obtained and his capabilities revealed. It is highly important — in view of the immense work to be accomplished before this recognition of divine Science can come — to turn our thoughts towards divine Principle, that finite belief may be prepared to relinquish its error. Standpoints  
changed

*Section 6  
The Bible*

15 | Isaiah 43:1 now, 6 bring, 7

1 now thus saith the Lord that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine.

6 bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth; 7 Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

16 | II Corinthians 2:14 *thanks*

14 thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

17 | II Corinthians 5:17

17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

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29 | 337:7

For true happiness, man must harmonize with his Principle, divine Love; the  
 9 Son must be in accord with the Father, in conformity with Christ. According to divine Science, man is in a degree as perfect as the Mind that forms him. The truth of be-  
 12 ing makes man harmonious and immortal, while error is mortal and discordant.

30 | 247:13

Im-  
 mortality, exempt from age or decay, has a glory of its  
 15 own, — the radiance of Soul. Immortal men and women are models of spiritual sense, drawn by perfect Mind and reflecting those higher conceptions of loveliness  
 18 which transcend all material sense.

Eternal  
beauty

31 | 249:5–10

Let the “male and female” of God’s creating appear.  
 6 Let us feel the divine energy of Spirit, bringing us into newness of life and recognizing no mortal nor material power as able to destroy. Let us re-  
 9 joyce that we are subject to the divine “powers that be.”  
 Such is the true Science of being.

Renewed  
selfhood

