

Soul and Body

GOLDEN TEXT | Acts 17:24, 25

GOD THAT MADE THE WORLD AND ALL THINGS THEREIN, SEEING THAT HE IS LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, DWELLETH NOT IN TEMPLES MADE WITH HANDS; NEITHER IS WORSHIPPED WITH MEN'S HANDS, AS THOUGH HE NEEDED ANY THING, SEEING HE GIVETH TO ALL LIFE, AND BREATH, AND ALL THINGS;

RESPONSIVE READING | Matthew 4:23 Jesus; 5:1, 2; 6:24, 33 (to);
7:24–28 whosoever

- 23 . . . Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.
- 1 **And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:**
- 2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,
- 24 **No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.**
- 33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness;
- 24 . . . **whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:**
- 25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

- 26 **And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:**
- 27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.
- 28 **And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:**

Section 1
The Bible

1 | II Chronicles 6:14 O Lord (to); 18 behold (to ;)

14 O Lord God of Israel, there is no God like thee in the heaven, nor in the earth;
18 behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee;

2 | Psalms 27:4

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

3 | Psalms 35:9 my

9 my soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in his salvation.

4 | Acts 17:28 (to ;)

28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being;

Section 1
Science and Health

1 | 477:19–26

Question. — What are body and Soul?

Answer. — Identity is the reflection of Spirit, the re-
21 flection in multifarious forms of the living Principle,
Love. Soul is the substance, Life, and intelli-
24 gence of man, which is individualized, but not
in matter. Soul can never reflect anything inferior to
Spirit.

Reflection
of Spirit

Man is the expression of Soul.

2 | 478:3

3 What evidence of Soul or of immortality have you
within mortality? Even according to the teachings of
natural science, man has never beheld Spirit
6 or Soul leaving a body or entering it. What
basis is there for the theory of indwelling spirit, except
the claim of mortal belief? What would be thought of
9 the declaration that a house was inhabited, and by a cer-
tain class of persons, when no such persons were ever seen
to go into the house or to come out of it, nor were they
12 even visible through the windows? Who can see a soul
in the body?

A vacant
domicile

3 | 467:17–23

18 Science reveals Spirit, Soul, as not in the body, and
God as not in man but as reflected by man. The greater
cannot be in the lesser. The belief that the
greater can be in the lesser is an error that

Soul not con-
fined in body

21 works ill. This is a leading point in the Science of Soul,
that Principle is not in its idea. Spirit, Soul, is not
confined in man, and is never in matter.

4 | 588:22

IN. A term obsolete in Science if used with reference
to Spirit, or Deity.

5 | 477:6–7

6 Man is not a material habitation for Soul; he is himself
spiritual.

6 | 249:31 (only)

Man is the reflection of Soul.

Section 2
The Bible

5 | Isaiah 43:15, 21

15 I am the Lord, your Holy One, the creator of Israel,
your King.

21 This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew
forth my praise.

6 | Psalms 66:8, 9

8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his
praise to be heard: 9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and
suffereth not our feet to be moved.

7 | Psalms 4:6 *Lord*

6 Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 | I Corinthians 8:6 to (to ;)

6 to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him;

9 | John 8:1, 2, 51

1 Jesus went unto the mount of Olives. 2 And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them.

51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.

10 | John 10:10 I am

10 I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

*Section 2
Science and Health*

7 | 331:1

1 God is divine Life, and Life is no more confined
to the forms which reflect it than substance is in its
3 shadow. If life were in mortal man or mate-
rial things, it would be subject to their limi-
tations and would end in death. Life is Mind, the creator
6 reflected in His creations. If He dwelt within what He
creates, God would not be reflected but absorbed, and the
Science of being would be forever lost through a mortal
9 sense, which falsely testifies to a beginning and an
end.

Life the
creator

8 | 305:5

A picture in the camera or a face reflected in the mirror
6 is not the original, though resembling it. Man, in the
likeness of his Maker, reflects the central light
of being, the invisible God. As there is no cor-
poreality in the mirrored form, which is but a reflection,
9 so man, like all things real, reflects God, his divine Prin-
ciple, not in a mortal body.

Human
reflection

9 | 259:6–11

6 In divine Science, man is the true image of God. The
divine nature was best expressed in Christ Jesus, who
threw upon mortals the truer reflection of God and lifted
9 their lives higher than their poor thought-models would
allow, — thoughts which presented man as fallen, sick,
sinning, and dying.

10 | 468:9–10 There

9 There is no life, truth, intelligence, nor sub-
stance in matter.

11 | 208:25–2 A

A material body
only expresses a material and mortal mind. A mortal
27 man possesses this body, and he makes it
harmonious or discordant according to the
images of thought impressed upon it. You embrace
30 your body in your thought, and you should delineate
upon it thoughts of health, not of sickness. You should

Sickness as
only thought

banish all thoughts of disease and sin and of other beliefs
 1 included in matter. Man, being immortal, has a perfect
 indestructible life.

12 | 335:21

21 Soul must be incorporeal to be
 Spirit, for Spirit is not finite. Only by losing the false
 sense of Soul can we gain the eternal unfolding of Life as
 24 immortality brought to light.

*Section 3
 The Bible*

11 | Psalms 24:3–5

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall
 stand in his holy place? 4 He that hath clean hands, and
 a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity,
 nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive the blessing from
 the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

12 | I Corinthians 3:17 2nd the

17 the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

13 | John 2:13–16, 18–22

13 And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went
 up to Jerusalem, 14 And found in the temple those that
 sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money
 sitting: 15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords,
 he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the

oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew
 the tables; 16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take
 these things hence; make not my Father's house an house
 of merchandise.

18 Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign
 shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?
 19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple,
 and in three days I will raise it up. 20 Then said the Jews,
 Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt
 thou rear it up in three days? 21 But he spake of the temple
 of his body. 22 When therefore he was risen from the dead,
 his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them;
 and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus
 had said.

14 | John 4:23 the, 24

23 the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worship-
 pers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the
 Father seeketh such to worship him. 24 God is a Spirit: and
 they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in
 truth.

*Section 3
 Science and Health*

13 | 140:16–17

We worship spiritually, only as we cease to worship
 materially.

14 | 162:4–7

Christian Science brings to the body the sunlight of Truth, which invigorates and purifies. Christian Science acts as an alterative, neutralizing error with Truth. Truth an alterative

15 | 142:18, 31

As in Jesus' time, so to-day, tyranny and pride need to be whipped out of the temple, and humility and divine Science to be welcomed in. The strong cords of scientific demonstration, as twisted and wielded by Jesus, are still needed to purge the temples of their vain traffic in worldly worship and to make them meet dwelling-places for the Most High. Temple cleansed

Truth

is God's remedy for error of every kind, and Truth destroys only what is untrue. Hence the fact that, to-day, as yesterday, Christ casts out evils and heals the sick.

16 | 365:25–31

If hypocrisy, stolidity, inhumanity, or vice finds its way into the chambers of disease through the would-be healer, it would, if it were possible, convert into a den of thieves the temple of the Holy Ghost, — the patient's spiritual power to resuscitate himself. The unchristian practitioner is not giving to mind or body the joy and strength of Truth. Truth desecrated

17 | 223:3

3 Sooner or later we shall learn that the fetters of man's finite capacity are forged by the illusion that he lives in body instead of in Soul, in matter instead of in Spirit. 6

18 | 272:19–25

It is the spiritualization of thought and Christianization of daily life, in contrast with the results of the ghostly farce of material existence; it is chastity and purity, in contrast with the downward tendencies and earthward gravitation of sensualism and impurity, which really attest the divine origin and operation of Christian Science. Unspiritual contrasts

*Section 4
The Bible*

15 | Psalms 42:11

11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

16 | Luke 4:33–36

33 And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice, 34 Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee

who thou art; the Holy One of God. 35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not. 36 And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out.

*Section 4
Science and Health*

19 | 79:17 (only)

Jesus cast out evil spirits, or false beliefs.

20 | 395:6–10

6 Like the great Exemplar, the healer should speak to disease as one having authority over it, leaving Soul to master the false evidences of the corporeal senses and to assert its claims over mortality and disease.

Divine authority

21 | 414:7

Cure of insanity

The arguments to be used in curing insanity are the same as in other diseases: namely, the impossibility that matter, brain, can control or derange mind, can suffer or cause suffering; also the fact that truth and love will establish a healthy state, guide and govern mortal mind or the thought of the patient, and destroy all error, whether it is called dementia, hatred, or any other discord.

22 | 396:26

Keep distinctly in thought that man is the offspring of God, not of man; that man is spiritual, not material; that Soul is Spirit, outside of matter, never in it, never giving the body life and sensation. It breaks the dream of disease to understand that sickness is formed by the human mind, not by matter nor by the divine Mind.

23 | 273:18 (only)

18 Man is harmonious when governed by Soul.

*Section 5
The Bible*

17 | Isaiah 2:22

22 Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?

18 | Lamentations 3:24

24 The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

19 | Psalms 90:1, 2, 17 let (to :)

1 Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

17 let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us:

20 | Matthew 15:29–31

29 And Jesus departed from thence, and came nigh unto the sea of Galilee; and went up into a mountain, and sat down there. 30 And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus’ feet; and he healed them: 31 Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel.

*Section 5
Science and Health*

24 | 45:16 (only)

Glory be to God, and peace to the struggling hearts!

25 | 94:1–3

1 Jesus taught but one God, one Spirit, who makes man
in the image and likeness of Himself, — of Spirit, not of
3 matter.

26 | 468:16–18, 21

Question. — What is substance?

18 *Answer.* — Substance is that which is eternal and incapable of discord and decay.

21 Spirit, the synonym
of Mind, Soul, or God, is the only real substance. The
spiritual universe, including individual man, is a com-
24 pound idea, reflecting the divine substance of Spirit.

27 | 301:5–13, 17–20

6 Few persons comprehend what Christian Science
means by the word *reflection*. To himself, mortal and
material man seems to be substance, but his sense of
substance involves error and therefore is material,
9 temporal.

12 On the other hand, the immortal, spiritual man is really
substantial, and reflects the eternal substance, or Spirit,
which mortals hope for. He reflects the divine, which
constitutes the only real and eternal entity.

18 As God is substance and man is the divine image and
likeness, man should wish for, and in reality has, only
the substance of good, the substance of Spirit,
not matter.

Inverted
images
and ideas

28 | 469:2–3

3 What is termed matter is unknown to Spirit, which
includes in itself all substance and is Life eternal.

29 | 262:5–16

6 Christian
Science takes naught from the perfection of God, but it
ascribes to Him the entire glory. By putting “off the old
man with his deeds,” mortals “put on immortality.”
9 We cannot fathom the nature and quality of God’s
creation by diving into the shallows of mortal belief. We
must reverse our feeble flutterings — our efforts to find
12 life and truth in matter — and rise above the testimony

of the material senses, above the mortal to the immortal idea of God. These clearer, higher views inspire the God-like man to reach the absolute centre and circumference of his being.

30 | 393:10 Take

Take

possession of your body, and govern its feeling and action.
12 Rise in the strength of Spirit to resist all that is unlike good. God has made man capable of this, and nothing can vitiate the ability and power divinely bestowed on
15 man.

Section 6
The Bible

21 | Psalms 62:1 (to :), 7 (to :)

1 Truly my soul waiteth upon God:
7 In God is my salvation and my glory:

22 | Revelation 1:1

1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

23 | Revelation 21:1, 2, 22, 27 (to :)

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie:

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31 | 576:3–11, 14–15, 18–20, 23

3 This heavenly city, lighted by the Sun of Righteousness, — this New Jerusalem, this infinite All, which to us seems hidden in the mist of remoteness, —
6 reached St. John’s vision while yet he tabernacled with mortals. Revelation’s pure zenith

In Revelation xxi. 22, further describing this holy city, the beloved Disciple writes: —

And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

The word *temple* also means *body*. The shrine celestial

18 What further indication need we of the real man’s incorporeality than this, that John saw heaven and earth with “no temple [body] therein”?

24 In divine Science, man possesses this recognition of harmony consciously in proportion to his understanding of God.

32 | 428:3–6 A, 8

3 A demonstra-
tion of the facts of Soul in Jesus' way resolves the dark
visions of material sense into harmony and
6 immortality. Vision
opening

To divest
9 thought of false trusts and material evidences in order
that the spiritual facts of being may appear, — this is
the great attainment by means of which we shall sweep
12 away the false and give place to the true. Thus we may
establish in truth the temple, or body, “whose builder
and maker is God.”

