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God the Preserver of Man

GOLDEN TEXT

Psalms 16:1

Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalms 37:3, 4, 7, 11 *the*, **19, 23, 24, 28** (to :), **40** (to :); **Psalms 140:7, 12**;
Nehemiah 9:6 (to 2nd ;)

Ps. 37:3 Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

7 Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

11 . . . the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

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

24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

28 For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever:

40 And the Lord shall help them, and deliver them:

140:7 O God the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

12 I know that the Lord will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the right of the poor.

Neh. 9:6 Thou, even thou, art Lord alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all;

SECTION 1

The Bible

1 | [Psalms 24:1](#)

¹ The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 | [Psalms 36:6](#) *O Lord*

⁶ O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.

3 | [Psalms 84:3, 12](#)

³ Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my King, and my God.

¹² O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

4 | [Psalms 1:3](#)

³ And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

5 | [Psalms 93:1, 5](#)

¹ The Lord reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.

⁵ Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, for ever.

6 | [Ecclesiastes 3:11](#) (to :)

¹¹ He hath made every thing beautiful in his time:

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1 | [525:20-21](#)

Everything good
or worthy, God made.

No baneful
creation

2 | [516:9-12, 21](#)

God fashions all things,
after His own likeness. Life
is reflected in existence, Truth in truthfulness, God in goodness, which impart their own peace and permanence.

Love imparts
beauty

Man and woman as coexistent and eternal with God forever reflect, in glorified quality, the infinite Father-Mother God.

3 | [550:5-7](#)

God is the Life, or intelligence, which forms and preserves the individuality and identity of animals as well as of men.

4 | [70:12-13](#)

The divine Mind maintains all identities, from a blade of grass to a star, as distinct and eternal.

SECTION 2

The Bible

7 | [Psalms 118:14](#)

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and song,
and is become my salvation.

8 | [Joshua 14:6](#) *the*, [7](#) (to ;), [10](#), [11](#) (to :)

⁶ the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the Lord said unto Moses the man of God concerning me and thee in Kadesh–barnea. ⁷ Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the Lord sent me from Kadesh–barnea to espy out the land;

¹⁰ And now, behold, the Lord hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the Lord spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

¹¹ As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me:

9 | [Isaiah 26:4](#)

⁴ Trust ye in the Lord for ever: for in the Lord JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:

10 | [Numbers 6:24–26](#)

²⁴ The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:
²⁵ The Lord make his face shine upon

thee, and be gracious unto thee: ²⁶ The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

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5 | [336:27–28](#)

The Science of being God the
parent Mind
furnishes the rule of perfection,
and brings immortality to light.

6 | [244:23](#) (only)

Man in Science is neither young nor old.

7 | [151:23–24](#)

The divine Mind that made man maintains His own image and likeness.

8 | [246:5–6, 17](#)

The perfect and immortal are the eternal likeness of their Maker.

Never record ages. Undesirable
records
Chronological data are no part of the vast forever. Time-tables of birth and death are so many conspiracies against manhood and womanhood. Except for the error of measuring and limiting all that is good and beautiful, man would enjoy more than threescore years and ten and still maintain his vigor, freshness, and promise. Man, governed by immortal Mind, is always beautiful and grand. Each succeeding year unfolds wisdom, beauty, and holiness.

9 | 208:25-31 A

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

Sickness as
only thought

10 | 249:5-9

Let the "male and female" of God's creating appear. 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 rejoice that we are subject to the divine "powers that be."

Renewed
selfhood

SECTION 3**The Bible****11 | Psalms 46:1**

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

12 | I Kings 19:1-8 Ahab

¹ Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of

them by to-morrow about this time.

³ And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there. ⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers. ⁵ And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat. ⁶ And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. ⁷ And the angel of the Lord came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. ⁸ And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.

13 | I Peter 5:5-7 God

⁵ God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. ⁶ Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: ⁷ Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

Science and Health

11 | [174:9–14](#)

The footsteps of thought, Rise of thought rising above material standpoints, are slow, and portend a long night to the traveller; but the angels of His presence — the spiritual intuitions that tell us when “the night is far spent, the day is at hand” — are our guardians in the gloom.

12 | [581:4](#)

ANGELS. God’s thoughts passing to man; spiritual intuitions, pure and perfect; the inspiration of goodness, purity, and immortality, counteracting all evil, sensuality, and mortality.

13 | [299:11](#)

Angels are God’s representatives. These upward-soaring beings never lead towards self, sin, or materiality, but guide to the divine Principle of all good, whither every real individuality, image, or likeness of God, gathers. By giving earnest heed to these spiritual guides they tarry with us, and we entertain “angels unawares.”

14 | [567:3–6](#)

These angels deliver us from the depths. Truth and Love come nearer in the hour of woe, when strong faith or spiritual strength wrestles and prevails through the understanding of God.

15 | [393:12](#)

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 man.

SECTION 4

The Bible

14 | [Psalms 119:89, 105](#)

⁸⁹ For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven.

¹⁰⁵ Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

15 | [I Kings 18:46 \(to ;\)](#)

⁴⁶ And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah;

16 | [I Kings 19:9–12](#)

⁹ And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah? ¹⁰ And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

¹¹ And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and

strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: ¹² And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

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16 | [471:18-19](#)

God is infinite, therefore ever present, and there is no other power nor presence.

17 | [559:8-12](#)

The “still, small voice” of scientific thought reaches over continent and ocean to the globe’s remotest bound. The inaudible voice of Truth is, to the human mind, “as when a lion roareth.” It is heard in the desert and in dark places of fear.

18 | [306:25](#)

Undisturbed amid the jarring testimony of the material senses, Science, still enthroned, is unfolding to mortals the immutable, harmonious, divine Principle, — is unfolding Life and the universe, ever present and eternal.

19 | [323:6-9, 28-32](#)

Through the wholesome chastisements of Love, we are helped onward in the march towards

A bright
outlook

righteousness, peace, and purity, which are the landmarks of Science.

The effects of Christian Science are not so much seen as felt. It is the “still, small voice” of Truth uttering itself. We are either turning away from this utterance, or we are listening to it and going up higher.

Childlike
receptivity

SECTION 5

The Bible

17 | [Psalms 16:1](#)

¹ Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

18 | [Matthew 14:14](#)

¹⁴ And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.

19 | [Matthew 9:20-22](#)

²⁰ And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: ²¹ For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. ²² But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

20 | Psalms 36:7, 9 (to :)

7 How excellent is thy lovingkindness,
O God! therefore the children of men put
their trust under the shadow of thy
wings.

9 For with thee is the fountain of life:

Science and Health**20 | 347:14–17**

Christ, as the spiritual or true idea of God, comes now as of old, preaching the gospel to the poor, healing the sick, and casting out evils.

Essential
element of
Christianity

21 | 12:1–5, 10

“The prayer of faith shall save the sick,” says the Scripture.

Prayer for
the sick

What is this healing prayer? A mere request that God will heal the sick has no power to gain more of the divine presence than is always at hand.

It is neither Science nor Truth which acts through blind belief, nor is it the human understanding of the divine healing Principle as manifested in Jesus, whose humble prayers were deep and conscientious protests of Truth, — of man’s likeness to God and of man’s unity with Truth and Love.

22 | 230:1

If sickness is real, it belongs to immortality; if true, it is a part of Truth. Would you attempt with drugs, or without, to de-

stroy a quality or condition of Truth? But if sickness and sin are illusions, the awakening from this mortal dream, or illusion, will bring us into health, holiness, and immortality. This awakening is the forever coming of Christ, the advanced appearing of Truth, which casts out error and heals the sick. This is the salvation which comes through God, the divine Principle, Love, as demonstrated by Jesus.

23 | 285:27

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

24 | 496:15

Hold perpetually this thought, — that it is the spiritual idea, the Holy Ghost and Christ, which enables you to demonstrate, with scientific certainty, the rule of healing, based upon its divine Principle, Love, underlying, overlying, and encompassing all true being.

25 | 355:11

Let discord of every name and nature be heard no more, and let the harmonious and true sense of Life and being take possession of human consciousness.

SECTION 6

The Bible

21 | [Psalms 34:8, 17, 20, 22](#)

8 O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

22 The Lord redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

22 | [Psalms 32:7 thou shalt](#)

7 thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

23 | [Acts 20:7-12](#)

7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. 8 And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together. 9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead. 10 And Paul went

down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him. 11 When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed. 12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

24 | [Jude 1:24, 25](#)

24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, 25 To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

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26 | [458:14-15 \(to 2nd .\)](#)

Divinity is always ready. Divinity
ever ready
Semper paratus is Truth's motto.

27 | [402:8](#)

The time approaches Indestructible
life of man
when mortal mind will forsake its corporeal, structural, and material basis, when immortal Mind and its formations will be apprehended in Science, and material beliefs will not interfere with spiritual facts. Man is indestructible and eternal. Sometime it will be learned that mortal mind constructs the mortal body with this mind's own mortal materials. In Science, no breakage nor dislocation can re-

ally occur. You say that accidents, injuries, and disease kill man, but this is not true. The life of man is Mind. The material body manifests only what mortal mind believes, whether it be a broken bone, disease, or sin.

28 | [392:27](#)

When the condition is present which you say induces disease, whether it be air, exercise, heredity, contagion, or accident, then perform your office as porter and shut out these unhealthy thoughts and fears. Exclude from mortal mind the offending errors; then the body cannot suffer from them. The issues of pain or pleasure must come through mind, and like a watchman forsaking his post, we admit the intruding belief, forgetting that through divine help we can forbid this entrance.

Guarding
the door

29 | [424:5–11](#)

Accidents are unknown to God, or immortal Mind, and we must leave the mortal basis of belief and

Accidents
unknown
to God

unite with the one Mind, in order to change the notion of chance to the proper sense of God's unerring direction and thus bring out harmony.

Under divine Providence there can be no accidents, since there is no room for imperfection in perfection.

30 | [530:5–6](#)

In divine Science, man is sustained by God, the divine Principle of being.

31 | [151:26](#)

All that really exists is the divine Mind and its idea, and in this Mind the entire being is found harmonious and eternal. The straight and narrow way is to see and acknowledge this fact, yield to this power, and follow the leadings of truth.

32 | [521:5–6, 12 \(only\)](#)

All that is made is the work of God, and all is good.

The harmony and immortality of man are intact.

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