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Mortals and Immortals

GOLDEN TEXT

Romans 8:6

To set the mind on the flesh is death,
but to set the mind on the Spirit is life
and peace.

*The Golden Text is from the
Revised Standard Version of
the Bible.*

RESPONSIVE READING

**Romans 6:22 now; 7:12, 14, 15, 18, 20–
25 (to); 8:2**

6:22 . . . now being made free from sin,
and become servants to God, ye have
your fruit unto holiness, and the end ev-
erlasting life.

7:12 **Wherefore the law is holy, and the
commandment holy, and just, and good.**

14 For we know that the law is spiritual:
but I am carnal, sold under sin.

15 **For that which I do I allow not: for
what I would, that do I not; but what
I hate, that do I.**

18 For I know that in me (that is, in my
flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will
is present with me; but how to perform
that which is good I find not.

20 **Now if I do that I would not, it is no
more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in
me.**

21 I find then a law, that, when I would
do good, evil is present with me.

22 **For I delight in the law of God after
the inward man:**

23 But I see another law in my mem-
bers, warring against the law of my mind,
and bringing me into captivity to the law
of sin which is in my members.

24 **O wretched man that I am! who
shall deliver me from the body of this
death?**

25 I thank God through Jesus Christ
our Lord. So then with the mind I myself
serve the law of God;

8:2 **For the law of the Spirit of life in
Christ Jesus hath made me free from the
law of sin and death.**

SECTION 1

The Bible

1 | [1 Peter 3:10-12](#) *he (to :)*

¹⁰ he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

¹¹ Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. ¹² For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers:

2 | [Proverbs 12:19](#) (to :), [20 to, 28](#)

¹⁹ The lip of truth shall be established for ever:

²⁰ to the counsellors of peace is joy.

²⁸ In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

3 | [Romans 13:12](#) (to :)

¹² The night is far spent, the day is at hand:

4 | [Romans 8:6](#)

⁶ For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy

1 | [292:27-28](#)

This carnal material mentality, mis-named *mind*, is mortal.

2 | [263:7-11](#)

When mortal man blends Mortal man a mis-creator his thoughts of existence with the spiritual and works only as God works, he will no longer grope in the dark and cling to earth because he has not tasted heaven. Carnal beliefs defraud us.

3 | [42:6](#)

Death will be found at A belief in death length to be a mortal dream, which comes in darkness and disappears with the light.

4 | [218:32-2](#)

When we wake to the truth of being, all disease, pain, weakness, weariness, sorrow, sin, death, will be unknown, and the mortal dream will forever cease.

5 | [289:2, 25-27](#) (to 1st .), [31-32](#)

Mortal man can never rise from the temporal *débris* of error, belief in sin, sickness, and death, until he learns that God is the only Life. The belief that life and sensation are in the body should be overcome by the understanding of what constitutes man as the image of God. Then Spirit will have overcome the flesh.

The spiritual fact and the material belief of things are contradictions; but the spiritual is true, and therefore the material must be untrue.

Man is not the offspring of flesh, but of Spirit, — of Life, not of matter.

6 | 95:5-6

Paul said, "To be spiritually minded is life."

7 | 336:14

The spiritual man's consciousness and individuality are reflections of God. They are the emanations of Him who is Life, Truth, and Love. Immortal man is not and never was material, but always spiritual and eternal.

8 | 209:1-2, 5-8

Man, being immortal, has a perfect indestructible life.

Mind, supreme over all its formations and governing them all, is the central sun of its own systems of ideas, the life and light of all its own vast creation; and man is tributary to divine Mind.

Allness of
Truth

SECTION 2

The Bible

5 | Ecclesiastes 7:29

²⁹ Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions.

6 | Galatians 6:3, 8

³ For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

⁸ For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

7 | Romans 8:7 the

⁷ the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Science and Health

9 | 345:26

The apostle says: "For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." This thought of human, material nothingness, which Science inculcates, enrages the carnal mind and is the main cause of the carnal mind's antagonism.

10 | 348:18-21

Is it not well to eliminate from so-called mortal mind that which, so long as it remains in mortal mind, will show itself in forms of sin, sickness, and death?

11 | 234:17-18

If mortals would keep proper ward over mortal mind, the brood of evils which infest it would be cleared out.

12 | 311:3

What we term mortal mind or carnal mind, dependent on matter for manifestation, is not Mind. God is Mind: all that

Mind, God, is, or hath made, is good, and He made all. Hence evil is not made and is not real.

13 | [295:11](#)

Mortals are not like immortals, 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 forever intact, will appear.

SECTION 3

The Bible

8 | [Isaiah 26:3, 4 \(to 1st \)](#)

³ Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. ⁴ Trust ye in the Lord for ever:

9 | [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.

10 | [John 6:2, 28, 29, 63](#)

² And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased.

²⁸ Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of

God? ²⁹ Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

⁶³ It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

11 | [Mark 4:34 he expounded, 36-39](#)

³⁴ he expounded all things to his disciples.

³⁶ And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships. ³⁷ And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

³⁸ And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? ³⁹ And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

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14 | [539:27-30](#)

The divine origin of Jesus gave him more than human power to expound the facts of creation, and demonstrate the one Mind which makes and governs man and the universe.

Scientific
offspring

15 | [144:20](#)

Truth, and not corporeal will, is the divine power which says to disease, "Peace, be still."

16 | [570:24](#)

The waters will be pacified, and Christ will command the wave.

17 | [72:12-13](#)

Truth destroys mortality, and brings to light immortality.

Spirits
obsolete

18 | [224:8](#)

There should be painless progress, attended by life and peace instead of discord and death.

19 | [395:6](#)

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. The same Principle cures both sin and sickness. When divine Science overcomes faith in a carnal mind, and faith in God destroys all faith in sin and in material methods of healing, then sin, disease, and death will disappear.

Divine
authority

20 | [506:11-12](#)

The calm and exalted thought or spiritual apprehension is at peace.

SECTION 4

The Bible

12 | [John 9:39](#)

³⁹ And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

13 | [John 15:18-25](#)

¹⁸ If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. ²⁰ Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. ²¹ But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. ²² If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin. ²³ He that hateth me hateth my Father also. ²⁴ If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. ²⁵ But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.

14 | II Corinthians 10:1, 3-5 though

1 Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in presence am base among you, but being absent am bold toward you:

3 though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: 4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Science and Health**21 | 315:11**

The opposite and false views of the people hid from their sense Christ's sonship with God. They could not discern his spiritual existence. Their carnal minds were at enmity with it. Their thoughts were filled with mortal error, instead of with God's spiritual idea as presented by Christ Jesus. The likeness of God we lose sight of through sin, which beclouds the spiritual sense of Truth; and we realize this likeness only when we subdue sin and prove man's heritage, the liberty of the sons of God.

The true
sonship

22 | 151:24

The human mind is opposed to God and must be put off, as St. Paul declares. 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.

23 | 51:28-13

Jesus was unselfish. His spirituality separated him from sensuousness, and caused the selfish materialist to hate him; but it was this spirituality which enabled Jesus to heal the sick, cast out evil, and raise the dead.

From early boyhood he was about his "Father's business." His pursuits lay far apart from theirs. His master was Spirit; their master was matter. He served God; they served mammon. His affections were pure; theirs were carnal. His senses drank in the spiritual evidence of health, holiness, and life; their senses testified oppositely, and absorbed the material evidence of sin, sickness, and death.

Master's
business

Their imperfections and impurity felt the ever-present rebuke of his perfection and purity. Hence the world's hatred of the just and perfect Jesus, and the prophet's foresight of the reception error would give him.

Purity's
rebuke

24 | 475:28-1 The (to 2nd .)

The real man cannot depart from holiness, nor can God, by whom man is evolved, engender the ca-

Man
unfallen

capacity or freedom to sin. A mortal sinner is not God's man. Mortals are the counterfeits of immortals.

25 | [191:4](#)

As mortals give up the delusion that there is more than one Mind, more than one God, man in God's likeness will appear, and this eternal man will include in that likeness no material element.

SECTION 5

The Bible

15 | [1 Chronicles 16:11, 15 \(to 1st ;\)](#)

¹¹ Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his face continually.

¹⁵ Be ye mindful always of his covenant;

16 | [Mark 6:34](#)

³⁴ And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.

17 | [John 10:10 I am](#)

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

18 | [John 11:1, 3-5, 32-34 when, 39-46, 53](#)

¹ Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.

³ Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick. ⁴ When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby. ⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.

³² when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

³³ When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, ³⁴ And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

³⁹ Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stineth: for he hath been dead four days.

⁴⁰ Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? ⁴¹ Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. ⁴² And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go. 45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him. 46 But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done.

53 Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death.

19 | [John 12:10](#) *the, 11*

10 the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death; 11 Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus.

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26 | [429:31-5](#)

Jesus said (John viii. 51),
 "If a man keep my saying,
 he shall never see death." That statement is not confined to spiritual life, but includes all the phenomena of existence. Jesus demonstrated this, healing the dying and raising the dead. Mortal mind must part with error, must put off itself with its deeds, and immortal manhood, the Christ ideal, will appear.

Life
 all-inclusive

27 | [369:16](#)

Jesus never asked if disease were acute or chronic, and he never recommended attention to laws of health, never gave drugs, never prayed to know if God were willing that a man should live. He understood man, whose Life is God, to be immortal, and knew that man has not two lives, one to be destroyed and the other to be made indestructible.

The Christ
 treatment

28 | [444:27](#)

Immortals, or God's children in divine Science, are one harmonious family; but mortals, or the "children of men" in material sense, are discordant and oftentimes false brethren.

29 | [103:25](#)

The truths of immortal Mind sustain man, and they annihilate the fables of mortal mind, whose flimsy and gaudy pretensions, like silly moths, singe their own wings and fall into dust.

30 | [43:17](#)

The final demonstration of the truth which Jesus taught, and for which he was crucified, opened a new era for the world. Those who slew him to stay his influence perpetuated and extended it.

31 | [485:18-19](#)

Not death, but the understanding of Life, makes man immortal.

SECTION 6

The Bible

20 | [Psalms 40:5](#)

⁵ Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.

21 | [Psalms 139:17](#)

¹⁷ How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!

22 | [Psalms 16:11](#)

¹¹ Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

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32 | [256:2-5](#)

Advancing to a higher plane of action, thought rises from the material sense to the spiritual, from the scholastic to the inspirational, and from the mortal to the immortal.

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