Wed. 1/11/17Healing the Beliefs of the Past

Job 8:9

9 (For we *are but of* yesterday, and know nothing, because our days upon earth *are* a shadow:)

Job 17:11, 15

- My days are past, my purposes are broken off, *even* the thoughts of my heart.
- 15 And where is now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

Job 29:2, 3, 4, 5

- 2 Oh that I were as *in* months past, as *in* the days *when* God preserved me;
- When his candle shined upon my head, *and when* by his light I walked *through* darkness;
- 4 As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God *was* upon my tabernacle;
- 5 When the Almighty was yet with me, when my children were about me;

Ps. 90:1, 2, 4, 14, 16, 17

- 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.
- 4 For a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday when it is past, and *as* a watch in the night.
- O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
- Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.
- And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

Eccl. 3:15, 14

- I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth *it*, that *men* should fear before him.
- 15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past.

Rom. 11:30-36

- For as ye in times past have not believed God, yet have now obtained mercy through their unbelief:
- Even so have these also now not believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy.
- For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.
- O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable *are* his judgments, and his ways past finding out!
- For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor?
- Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?
- For of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: to whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.

Heb. 13:8

8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever.

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Un. 61:3-4 God is "the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever."

Mis. 100:8-11 (to 1st.)

Past, present, future, will show the word and might of

9 Truth — healing the sick and reclaiming the sinner — so long as there remains a claim of error for Truth to deny or to destroy.

SH 84:11-13

It is the prerogative of the ever-present, divine Mind, and of thought which is in rapport with this Mind, to know the past, the present, and the future.

Mis. 339:15-18

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The past admonishes us: with finger grim and cold it points to every mortal mistake; or smiling saith, "Thou hast been faithful over a few things."

Mis. 330:18-23

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It is good to

talk with our past hours, and learn what report they bear, and how they might have reported more spiritual growth. With each returning year, higher joys, holier aims, a purer peace and diviner energy, should freshen the fragrance of being.

Mis. 130:22-24

Where the motive to do right exists, and the majority of one's acts are right, we should avoid referring to past mistakes.

My. 12:17-28

This was an emphatic rule of St. Paul: "Behold, now is the accepted time." A lost opportunity is the greatest of losses. Whittier mourned it as what "might have been." We own no past, no future, we pos-

- sess only *now*. If the reliable *now* is carelessly lost in speaking or in acting, it comes not back again. Whatever needs to be done which cannot be done now,
- God prepares the way for doing; while that which can be done now, but is not, increases our indebtedness to God. Faith in divine Love supplies the ever-present
- help and *now*, and gives the power to "act in the living present."

Pul. 1:9-11

Time past and time present, both, may pain us, but time *improved* is eloquent in God's praise.

SH 112:16-22

From the infinite One in Christian Science comes one Principle and its infinite idea, and with this infinitude come spiritual rules, laws, and their demon– stration, which, like the great Giver, are "the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever;" for thus are

21 the divine Principle of healing and the Christ-idea charac-

Unchanging Principle

terized in the epistle to the Hebrews.

SH 142:31-4

Truth

143:1 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.

SH 178:8-10 The

The remote cause or belief

of disease is not dangerous because of its priority and the connection of past mortal thoughts with present.

SH 240:19-21

- If mortals are not progressive, past failures will be repeated until all wrong work is ef-
- 21 faced or rectified.

Progress demanded

SH 216:30-1

Give up

your material belief of mind in matter, and have but one Mind, even God; for this Mind forms its 217:1 own likeness.

SH 487:13-18

Question. — You speak of belief. Who or what is it that believes?

- 15 Answer. Spirit is all-knowing; this precludes the need of believing. Matter cannot believe, and Mind understands. The body cannot believe. The
- believer and belief are one and are mortal.

Understanding versus belief

SH 249:14-20

- 12 God is
- the infinite, and infinity never began, will never end, and includes nothing unlike God. Whence then is soulless matter?
- Life is, like Christ, "the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever." Organization and time have nothing to do with Life. You say, "I dreamed last night."

Illusive dreams

(to 1st.)

SH 283:6-7

Mind is the same Life, Love, and wisdom "yesterday, and to-day, and forever."

SH 224:4-7

As the crude footprints of the past disappear from the dissolving paths of the present, we shall better understand

the Science which governs these changes, and shall plant our feet on firmer ground.

My. 109:10-4

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If nineteen hundred years ago Christ taught his followers to heal the sick, he is to-day teaching them the

- same heavenly lesson. Christ is "the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever." "God is Love," the everoperative divine Principle (or Person, if you please) whose
- person is not corporeal, not finite. This infinite Person we know not of by the hearing of the ear, yet we may sometimes say with Job, "But now mine eye [spiritual sense] seeth Thee."

God is one because God is All. Therefore there can be but one God, one Christ. We are individually but

- specks in His universe, the reflex images of this divine Life, Truth, and Love, in whom "we live, and move, and have our being." Divine metaphysics is not to
- be scoffed at; it is Truth with us, God "manifest in the flesh," not alone by miracle and parable, but by proof;
- 110:1 it is the divine nature of God, which belongs not to a dispensation now ended, but is ever present, casting out
- evils, healing the sick, and raising the dead resurrecting individuals buried above-ground in material sense.

Ret. 94:21-24

- There is no "lo here! or lo there!" in divine Science; its manifestation must be "the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever," since Science is eternally one, and
- unchanging, in Principle, rule, and demonstration.

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