Monday Night Bible Lesson Study

(9.4.17 — 9.10.17)

This week’s subject: **Substance**

* **Daily Prayer (Man. - Art. VII, Sect. 4.)**

**“Thy kingdom come;”**

**let the reign of divine Truth, Life, and Love**

**be established in me,**

**and rule out of me all sin;**

**and may Thy Word enrich the affections**

**of all mankind, and govern them!**

**1st Article: True Contentment** – (CSS Feb. 9th, 1924)

* **Hymn** – (# 49)

Dear Lord and Father of us all, Forgive our foolish ways; Reclothe us in our rightful mind; In purer lives Thy service find, In deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea, The gracious calling of the Lord, Let us, like them, without a word Rise up and follow thee.

Breathe through the pulses of desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still small voice of calm.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease; Take from us now the strain and stress, And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace.

**2nd Article**: **Wisdom** – (CSJ August, 1933)

* **The Lord’s Prayer – with its spiritual interpretation from Science & Health**

Our Father which art in heaven, *Our Father-Mother God, all-harmonious,*

Hallowed be Thy name. *Adorable One.*

Thy kingdom come. *Thy kingdom is come; Thou art ever-present.*

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. *Enable us to know, — as in heaven, so on earth, — God is omnipotent, supreme.*

Give us this day our daily bread; *Give us grace for to-day; feed the famished affections;*

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. *And Love is reflected in love;*

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; *And God leadeth us not into temptation, but delivereth us from sin, disease, and death.*

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.— *For God is infinite, all-power, all Life, Truth, Love, over all, and All.*

* **Read Bible Lesson:** **Substance**
* **Hymn** – (# 72)

Glory be to God on high, God whose glory fills the sky; Peace on earth to man is given, Man, the well-beloved of heaven. Gracious Father, in Thy love, Send Thy blessings from above; Let Thy light, Thy truth, Thy peace Bid all strife and tumult cease.

Mark the wonders of His hand: Power no empire can withstand; Wisdom, angels’ glorious theme; Goodness one eternal stream. All ye people, raise the song, Endless thanks to God belong; Hearts o’erflowing with His praise, Join the hymns your voices raise.

**3rd Article: Unlabored Action** — (CSS July 31st, 1965)

**4th Article: Value** — (CSJ August, 1942)

* **Hymn** – (# 224)

O Lord, I would delight in Thee, And on Thy care depend; To Thee in every trouble flee, My best, my ever Friend. When all material streams are dried, Thy fullness is the same; May I with this be satisfied, And glory in Thy name.

All good, where’er it may be found, Its source doth find in Thee; I must have all things and abound, While God is God to me. O that I had a stronger faith, To look within the veil, To credit what my Saviour saith, Whose word can never fail.

He that has made my heaven secure, Will here all good provide; While Christ is rich, can I be poor? What can I want beside? O God, I cast my care on Thee; I triumph and adore; Henceforth my great concern shall be To love and praise Thee more.

* **The Scientific Statement of Being** – (SH 468: 9)

**There is no life, truth, intelligence, nor substance in matter.**

**All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation, for God is All-in-all.**

**Spirit is immortal Truth; matter is mortal error.**

**Spirit is the real and eternal; matter is the unreal and temporal.**

**Spirit is God, and man is His image and likeness.**

**Therefore man is not material; he is spiritual.**

* **The Correlative Scripture according to 1st John**

**Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us,**

**that we should be called the sons of God:**

**therefore the world knoweth us not,**

**because it knew him not.**

**Beloved, now are we the sons of God,**

**and it doth not yet appear what we shall be:**

**but we know that, when he shall appear,**

**we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.**

**And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself,**

**even as he is pure. —** (1st John 3: 1 – 3)

* **6th Tenet**

**And we solemnly promise to watch,**

**and pray for that Mind to be in us which was also in Christ Jesus;**

**to do unto others as we would have them do unto us;**

**and to be merciful, just, and pure.**

* **Science & Health pg. 497: 24**