

Part I: “ABIDE IN ME...”

RESURRECTION/ASCENSION

LESSON VII

“Behold, saith the LORD, I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brothers, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Our textbook, *Divine Science Its Principle and Practice*, reminds us that, “The way we grow and release ourselves from our limited experiences is by the changing of our thought patterns. Each unfoldment of thought is a resurrection. Out of some dead concept our mentality rises to a greater realization of the living Truth. The more conscious we are of the Truth of Life, the fuller our understating of the forms of life. It is man’s thought of life that awakens in consciousness to fuller comprehension of what is. The revelation of truth by which man sees more and more clearly is evolution. We ascend to realize our perfect Self, the Christ. *All things await man’s recognition and acceptance.*”

Christ is God’s Word in activity as Man. This is the Lord (God’s rule of action governing creation) also called the Law that abides in our inward parts. It is the Word that is imprinted in the heart and soul of each of us. Resurrection in consciousness is experienced as we obey the law that life expresses itself from the inner to the outer realm. This activity of God in conscious awareness is our constant guide and our eternal refuge.

MEDITATION PRACTICE

The heart of the meditation practice is in the surrender and the silence. This is not accomplished through individual will but instead it is the individual will that is surrendered. Know God’s Powerful Presence in His Holy Silence.

ASSIGNMENT FOR LESSON VII

Read *The Spirit of Prayer, Chapter V – The Prayer of Power*

The three expressions of Trinity can be described as Invisible, Visible and Indivisible. Different words may be used but why are these always given in this same order? From your own understanding, given an explanation of the Law of Expression.

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IDENTITY

LESSON VIII

When Moses was called upon to face the Pharaoh, he asked God for guidance. “Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? What shall I say unto them?

And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM.”

The name or nature of God revealed to Moses means “Life Infinite, the Ever Present Now.” God is always and ever Infinite Life and Infinite Being. His nature is not only the ultimate source of life but also the immediate source.

In turning to God again and again, we come to experience more of God’s Infinite nature. Eventually, we find that we turn to God continuously and instinctively in every situation: a perception of need, a desire for understanding, an outpouring of gratitude. By practicing the awareness of God’s Presence, we grow in our relationship with Him.

As we increasingly experience God to be ever present and ever available, we feel a personal relatedness and begin to understand God as “My God” and as “my Lord.” In our deepest awareness, we realize the “the Lord is my shepherd.” Because of this deepening trust and love, we find our own nature being transformed. This is our experience as it was the experience of many in the Bible who were so transformed that their names were changed.

“Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore they shall know in that day that I am he that doth speak: Behold, it is I. And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the LORD: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.”

MEDITATION PRACTICE

“Be still and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.”

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ASSIGNMENT FOR LESSON VIII

Read *The Spirit of Prayer, Chapter VI – The Measure of a Man*

Focus this week on the meaning of the word “Integrity.” At the end of the week, write out your insights into the meaning of the statement:

Divine Science is a Christian religion.
Love is our Principle.
Integrity is our method of translation.