

# WEDNESDAY READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 14, 2022



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## TURNING TO GOD HELPS US SHAKE OFF MORTALITY

### Isa. 52:2

- 2 Shake thyself from the dust; arise, *and* sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

### Gen. 19:1, 15–17 when, 26

- 1 And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing *them* rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;  
15 ... when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.  
16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.  
17 ¶ And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.  
26 ¶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

### Ex. 14:13–16 Moses

- 13 ... Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to-day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to-day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.  
14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.  
15 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:  
16 But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea.

### Num. 2:34

- 34 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses: so they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families, according to the house of their fathers.

**Rom. 11:2 (to .)**

2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. ...

**I Tim. 6:5–7, 9–11**

5 Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

7 For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out.

9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

**Luke 17:32**

32 Remember Lot's wife.

**Isa. 51:7–9 (to .)**

7 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart *is* my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.

8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation.

9 ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. ...

**Deut. 4:36 (to :)**

36 Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee: ...

**Matt. 24:1 Jesus (to :)**

1 ... Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: ...

**Matt. 16:24, 25**

24 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

**I Pet. 2:9 ye, 10**

9 ... ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous

light:

- 10 Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

**Heb. 12:28**

- 28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

**Deut. 12:26**

- 26 Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt take, and go unto the place which the LORD shall choose:

**Ezek. 1:12**

- 12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; *and* they turned not when they went.

**Jer. 46:5 look (to :)**

- 5 ... look not back: ...



SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES BY MARY BAKER EDDY

**SH 400:9–11**

- 9 Mortals obtain the harmony of health, only as they forsake discord, acknowledge the supremacy of divine Mind, and abandon their material beliefs.

**SH 182:5–9, 12**

- The demands of God appeal to thought only; but the  
6 claims of mortality, and what are termed laws of nature, appertain to matter. Which, then, are we to accept as legitimate and capable of producing  
9 the highest human good?

Physiology  
or Spirit

- 12 It is impossible to work from two standpoints. If we attempt it, we shall presently “hold to the one, and despise the other.”

**SH 418:5–6**

- Stick to the truth of being in contradistinction to the  
6 error that life, substance, or intelligence can be in matter.

**SH 268:6–9**

6 Belief in a material basis, from  
which may be deduced all rationality, is slowly yielding  
to the idea of a metaphysical basis, looking away from  
9 matter to Mind as the cause of every effect.

**SH 287:4–5**

All creations of Spirit  
are eternal; but creations of matter must return to dust.

**SH 521:12 We**

12 We  
should look away from the opposite supposition that man  
is created materially, and turn our gaze to the spiritual  
15 record of creation, to that which should be engraved on  
the understanding and heart “with the point of a diamond”  
and the pen of an angel.

**SH 228:11–13, 17–24**

The enslavement of man is not legitimate. It will  
12 cease when man enters into his heritage of freedom, his  
God-given dominion over the material senses.

Dropping their present beliefs, they will recognize har-  
18 mony as the spiritual reality and discord as the material  
unreality.

If we follow the command of our Master, “Take no  
21 thought for your life,” we shall never depend on bodily  
conditions, structure, or economy, but we shall be masters  
of the body, dictate its terms, and form and control it with  
24 Truth.

**SH 416:24**

24 The sick know nothing of the mental process by  
which they are depleted, and next to nothing of the  
metaphysical method by which they can be  
27 healed. If they ask about their disease, tell  
them only what is best for them to know. Assure them  
that they think too much about their ailments, and  
30 have already heard too much on that subject. Turn  
their thoughts away from their bodies to higher ob-

Evil thought  
depletes

jects. Teach them that their being is sustained by

- 1 Spirit, not by matter, and that they find health, peace,  
and harmony in God, divine Love.

### SH 237:23

- Some invalids are unwilling to know the facts or to
- 24 hear about the fallacy of matter and its supposed laws.  
They devote themselves a little longer to their  
material gods, cling to a belief in the life and
  - 27 intelligence of matter, and expect this error to do more  
for them than they are willing to admit the only living and  
true God can do. Impatient at your explanation, unwill-
  - 30 ing to investigate the Science of Mind which would rid  
them of their complaints, they hug false beliefs and suffer  
the delusive consequences.

Deluded  
invalids

### SH 537:16

- Error tills its own barren soil and buries  
itself in the ground, since ground and dust stand for
- 18 nothingness.

### SH 348:21

- 21 Instead of tenaciously defending the supposed  
rights of disease, while complaining of the suffering dis-  
ease brings, would it not be well to abandon the defence,
- 24 especially when by so doing our own condition can be im-  
proved and that of other persons as well?

### SH 324:13

- Be watchful, sober, and vigilant. The way is straight  
and narrow, which leads to the understanding that God
- 15 is the only Life. It is a warfare with the flesh, in which  
we must conquer sin, sickness, and death, either here  
or hereafter, — certainly before we can reach the goal
  - 18 of Spirit, or life in God.

### SH 21:9–12

- 9 If the disciple is advancing spiritually, he is striv-  
ing to enter in. He constantly turns away from ma-  
terial sense, and looks towards the imperishable things
- 12 of Spirit.

**SH 22:11–12, 14**

“Work out your own salvation,” is the demand of  
12 Life and Love, for to this end God worketh with you.

If

15 your endeavors are beset by fearful odds, and you receive  
no present reward, go not back to error, nor become a  
sluggard in the race.

Wait for  
reward

**SH 13:20–24**

If we pray to God as a corporeal person, this will  
21 prevent us from relinquishing the human doubts and  
fears which attend such a belief, and so we  
cannot grasp the wonders wrought by infi-  
24 nite, incorporeal Love, to whom all things are possible.

Corporeal  
ignorance

**SH 351:2**

When we lose

3 faith in God's power to heal, we distrust the  
divine Principle which demonstrates Christian  
Science, and then we cannot heal the sick. Neither can  
6 we heal through the help of Spirit, if we plant ourselves  
on a material basis.

Truth a  
present help

**SH 263:7–10**

When mortal man blends his thoughts of existence  
with the spiritual and works only as God works,  
9 he will no longer grope in the dark and cling  
to earth because he has not tasted heaven.

Mortal man  
a mis-creator

**SH 322:9**

9 It is highly important — in view  
of the immense work to be accomplished before this recog-  
nition of divine Science can come — to turn our thoughts  
12 towards divine Principle, that finite belief may be pre-  
pared to relinquish its error.

**SH 266:10–12**

When this hour of development comes, even if  
you cling to a sense of personal joys, spiritual Love will  
12 force you to accept what best promotes your growth.

**SH 458:32-1**

Christianity causes men to turn naturally from matter  
1 to Spirit, as the flower turns from darkness to light.

**SH 213:11-12**

Every step towards goodness is a departure from materi-  
12 ality, and is a tendency towards God, Spirit.

**SH 255:1-6**

1 **E**TERNAL Truth is changing the universe. As mor-  
tals drop off their mental swaddling-clothes, thought  
3 expands into expression. “Let there be light,”  
is the perpetual demand of Truth and Love,  
changing chaos into order and discord into the  
6 music of the spheres.

Inadequate  
theories of  
creation



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