WEDNESDAY READINGS "EVERLASTING LIFE IS OUR *PRESENT* KNOWLEDGE OF GOD"

– BIBLE –

(From the KJV, The New International and The Message)

Deuteronomy 7

9 **Know** that the LORD your God is one God; and He is faithful, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who **know** and love him and keep his commands.

Ecclesiastes 3

14 I **know** that whatever God does, that's the way it will be, always. There are no additions, no subtractions. God has done it, and it is complete.

15 Whatever was, is. And whatever will be, is. That's how it is with God, always.

Galatians 4

8-11 Earlier, before you **knew** God, you were enslaved to so-called gods that had nothing of the divine about them.

But now that you **know** the real God—because God is **knowing** you—how can you possibly enslave yourselves again to those false gods, those paper tigers?

1 Corinthians 3

16-17 You **know**, don't you, that you are the temple of God and God himself is present in you - that, as God's temple, you are sacred.

18-20 Don't think that you can be wise merely by being up-to-date with the times. What the world calls smart and wise, God calls foolish, and He exposes the foolishness of the so-called wise.

21-23 So no more foolish pride in yourself, or in anyone else. **Know** that everything is already yours as a <u>gift</u>— whether the present or the future -- all of it is yours. You are wedded to Christ, and Christ is wedded to God.

Ephesians 3

14 For this reason I kneel before the Father. 16 Out of his glorious riches he strengthens you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts.

19 In **knowing** this love that surpasses knowledge, you are filled with the fullness of God.

Matthew 16

1 The Pharisees with the Sadducees tempted Jesus, asking him to show them a sign from heaven. 2 He said unto them, When it is evening, you say it will be fair weather: for the sky is red. 3 And in the morning, it will be foul weather, for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, you can **discern** the face of the sky, but not the signs of the times.

John 8

12 "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

13 The Pharisees said, "Your testimony is not valid."

14 Jesus said, "But it is, because I **know** where I came from and where I am going. You have no idea where I come from or where I am going.

17 In your own Law it is written that the testimony of two men is valid. 18 Very well. I am witnessing for myself, and my other witness is the Father who sent me." 19 They asked him, "Where is your father?"

Jesus answered, "You don't **know** me or my Father. If you **knew** <u>me</u>, you would also **know** my Father."

27 But they did not understand him. 28 So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man in your own hearts, then you will **know** that I am the one I claim to be and that I don't do anything on my own but only speak what the Father has taught me."

31 Then to the Jews who believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, then you're really my disciples. 32 And you will <u>know</u> the truth, and the <u>truth</u> will set you free."

Psalm 100

3 **Know** that the LORD is good and his love endures forever, that it is He who made us, and we are his.

John 17 3 This is eternal life.

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S&H iii:1

Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. --John viii. 32

S&H 410:4

Jesus defines everlasting life as a present **knowledge** of his Father and of himself.

Mis. 189:21-25 For you to **know** Life as it is, namely **God**, the eternal good, gives you not merely a sense of existence, but an accompanying consciousness of spiritual power, which subordinates matter and destroys sin, disease, and death.

<u>S&H 84:28</u>

All we correctly **know** of Spirit comes from God, divine Principle, and is learned through Christ and Christian Science. If this Science has been thoroughly learned and properly digested, we can **know** the truth more accurately than the astronomer can read the stars or calculate an eclipse.

<u>S&H 85:15</u>

Our Master rebuked the <u>lack</u> of this power when he said: "O ye hypocrites! ye can **discern** the face of the sky; but can ye not **discern** the signs of the times?"

<u>S&H 258:13</u>

We **know** no more of man as the true divine image and likeness, than we **know** of God.

<u>S&H 201:1</u>

Knowing this and **knowing** too that one affection would be supreme in us and take the lead in our lives, Jesus said, "No man can serve two masters."

Un. 23:22-1 An evil, material mind, so-called, can conceive of God only as like itself, knowing both evil and good; but a purely good and spiritual consciousness has no sense whereby to cognize evil.

Un. 18:2-3 Let us think of **God** as saying, I am infinite good; therefore I do not and cannot **know** evil.

Mis. 194:25-28 Then are you baptized in the Truth that destroys all error, and you receive the sense of Life that knows no death, and you know that God is the only Life.

Un. 17:20-23 Error says **God** must **know** evil because He knows all things.

Un. 41:7-10 But knowledge of evil, or belief in it, involves a loss of the true sense of God.

Mis. 23:30-24:24

All must be Mind and Mind's ideas; since, even according to natural science, God, Spirit, could not change its species and evolve matter.

St. Paul writes: "To be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." This knowledge came to me in an hour of great need. This knowledge is practical, for it wrought my immediate recovery from an injury caused by an accident and pronounced fatal by physicians. On the third day thereafter, I called for my Bible, and opened it at Matthew ix. 2. As I read, the healing Truth dawned on my sense, and the result was that I rose, dressed myself, and ever after was in better health than I had before enjoyed.

I learned that mortal thought evolves a subjective state which it names matter, thereby shutting out the true sense of Spirit. *Per contra*, Mind and man are immortal; and knowledge gained from mortal sense is illusion, the opposite of Truth; therefore it cannot be true.

A knowledge of both good and evil (when good is God, and God is All) is impossible.

<u>S&H 253:25</u>

Never believe in any supposed necessity for sin, disease, or death, **knowing** that God never requires obedience to a so-called material law, for no such law exists.

Un. 9:28-1 When you are **knowing** the unreality of disease, sin, and death, you are demonstrating God's allness.

Un. 27:12-15 We shall find that evil is egotistic, — boastful, but fleeting... like a shadow at daybreak... while God is egoistic, **knowing** only His own all-presence, all-knowledge, all-power.

<u>S&H 13:5</u>

God knows our need before we tell Him about it.

<u>S&H 7:17</u>

The "divine ear" is the all-hearing and all-**knowing** Mind, to whom each need of man is <u>always</u> known, and by whom it will be supplied.

<u>S&H 129:7</u>

If you wish to **know** the spiritual fact, you can discover it by reversing the material fable, be the fable pro or con,--be it in accord with your preconceptions or utterly contrary to them.

Mis. 185:19-26 The spiritualization of our sense of man is what opens the gates of paradise which the so-called material senses would close. [It] reveals man infinitely blessed, upright, pure, and free; having no need of statistics by which to learn his origin and age, or to measure his manhood.

Mis. 115:15-21 Your means of protection and defense from sin are constant watchfulness and prayer that you enter not into temptation and are delivered from every claim of evil, till you intelligently **know** and demonstrate, in Science, that evil has neither prestige, power, nor existence, since **God**, good, is All-in-all.

<u>S&H 242:9</u>

There is but one way to heaven, harmony, and Christ in divine Science shows us this way. It is to **know** no other reality--to have no other consciousness of life--than good, God and His reflection, and to rise superior to the so-called pain and pleasure of the senses.

<u>S&H 231:20</u>

To hold yourself superior to sin, to hold yourself superior to sickness and death, is in accordance with divine Science. To fear them is impossible, when you fully apprehend God and **know** that they are no part of His creation.

S&H 410:4

"This is life eternal," says Jesus,--is, not shall be; and then he defines everlasting life as a <u>present **knowledge**</u> of his Father and of himself,--the **knowledge** of Love, Truth, and Life.

S&H 492:7

Being is holiness, harmony, immortality. It is already proved that a **knowledge** of this, even in small degree, will uplift the physical and moral standard of mortals, will increase longevity, will purify and elevate character.

<u>S&H 571:15</u>

Know thyself, and God will supply the wisdom and the occasion for a victory over evil.