

## WEDNESDAY BIBLE READINGS

### OUR "SPRINGTIDE OF FREEDOM"

(Translations: The KJV, Message and New International)

#### Isaiah 61

1 The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release of the prisoners from darkness.

#### Joel 2

32 Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD is saved; there is deliverance.

#### Romans 8

28 All things work together for good to those who love God, who have been called according to his purpose.

#### Galatians 5

1 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and don't let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

#### Romans 8

5 Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accord with the Spirit have their minds set on what Spirit desires. 9 If the Spirit of God lives in you, you are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit.

#### Genesis 39

Now Joseph was well-built and handsome, 7 and after a while his master's wife took notice of him and said, "Come to bed with me!"

8 But he refused. "How could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" he said. 10 And though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused.

11 One day he went into the house to attend to his duties, 12 and she caught him by his cloak and said, "Come to bed with me!" He left immediately, but she caught his cloak.

13 Then she called in her household servants and said, "Look, this Hebrew came in to sleep with me, but I screamed, and he ran and left his cloak.

19 When Potiphar heard the story, he had Joseph thrown in prison. But even there, 21 the LORD was with him and showed him kindness. The warden put Joseph in charge of all the prisoners, and he was made responsible for everything done in the prison. The LORD gave Joseph success in whatever he did.

## **1 Peter 2**

16 Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God. 17 Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood, love God.

## **Daniel 6**

15. When Daniel learned that a decree had been published stating no man could pray to any god except the king, he went home and, as he had done before, three times a day got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God.

16 So they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. And the king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, save you!"

17 At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. 20 calling called out to Daniel in an anguished voice, and Daniel answered, "King, live forever! 22 My God sent his angel and shut the mouths of the lions. I was found innocent in God's sight, so the beasts haven't hurt me."

23 The king was overjoyed and issued a decree that in every part of his kingdom people must fear and reverence the God of Daniel. "For he is truly the living God," the king said, "He endures forever; 27 And He rescues and saves."

## **Romans 8**

1 There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ. 2 because through Christ the law of the Spirit of life has set me free from the law of sin and death.

14 Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you have received the Spirit of sonship and freedom.

16 Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17 And if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ.

**Luke 4**

16 Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, and stood up to read. 17 The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him and, unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and to release the oppressed,

**Psalm 119**

33 Teach me, O LORD, to follow your decrees;  
and I will keep them to the end.

64 The earth is filled with your love, O LORD;  
44 I will always obey your law,  
45 and so I will always walk in freedom.

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## Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures and Prose Works

by Mary Baker Eddy

### **Mis. 331:8**

Abiding in Truth, the warmth and sunlight of prayer and praise and understanding will ripen the fruits of Spirit, and goodness will have its springtide of **freedom** and greatness.

### **S&H 90:24**

The admission to one's self that man is God's own likeness sets man **free** to master the infinite idea. This conviction shuts the door on death, and opens it wide towards immortality.

### **S&H 103:6**

The destruction of the claims of mortal mind through Science, by which man can escape from sin and mortality, blesses the whole human family. As in the beginning, however, this **liberation** does not scientifically show itself in a knowledge of both good and evil, for the latter is unreal.

### **S&H 227:14**

Discerning the rights of man, we cannot fail to foresee the doom of all oppression. Slavery is not the legitimate state of man. God made man **free**. Paul said, "I was **free** born." All men should be **free**. And "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." Love and Truth make **free**. Evil and error lead into captivity.

### **S&H 228:11**

[But] the enslavement of man is not legitimate. It will cease when man enters into his heritage of **freedom**, his God-given dominion over the material senses. Mortals will some day assert their **freedom** in the name of Almighty God. Then they will control their own bodies through the understanding of divine Science. Dropping their present beliefs, they will recognize harmony as the spiritual reality and discord as the material unreality.

### **S&H 114:23**

Christian Science explains all cause and effect as mental, not physical. It lifts the veil of mystery from Soul and body. It shows the scientific relation of man to God, disentangles the interlaced ambiguities of being, and sets **free** the imprisoned thought. In divine Science, the universe, including man, is spiritual, harmonious, and eternal.

### **S&H 227:21**

The illusion of material sense, not divine law, has bound you, entangled your **free** limbs, crippled your capacities, enfeebled your body, and defaced the tablet of your being.... Christian Science raises the standard of liberty and cries: "Follow me! Escape from the bondage of sickness, sin, and death!" Jesus marked out the way.

**S&H 191:16**

The human thought must **free** itself from self-imposed materiality and bondage.

**S&H 22:23**

Final deliverance from error, whereby we rejoice in immortality, boundless **freedom**, and sinless sense, is not reached through paths of flowers nor by pinning one's faith without works to another's vicarious effort.

**S&H 454:14**

Right motives give pinions to thought, and strength and **freedom** to speech and action. Love is priestess at the altar of Truth. Wait patiently for divine Love to move upon the waters of mortal mind, and form the perfect concept. Patience must "have her perfect work."

**S&H 241:31**

Denial of the claims of matter is a great step towards the joys of Spirit, towards human **freedom** and the final triumph over the body.

**S&H 225:29**

Men and women of all climes and races are still in bondage to material sense, ignorant how to obtain their **freedom**.

**S&H 236:28**

Jesus loved little children because of their **freedom** from wrong and their receptiveness of right. While age is halting between two opinions or battling with false beliefs, youth makes easy and rapid strides towards Truth.

**S&H 225:14**

The history of our country, like all history, illustrates the might of Mind, and shows human power to be proportionate to its embodiment of right thinking. Love is the **liberator**.

**S&H 480:26**

Man is tributary to God, Spirit, and to nothing else. God's being is infinity, freedom, harmony, and boundless bliss. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is **liberty**."

**S&H 247:31**

The recipe for beauty is to have less illusion and more Soul, to retreat from the belief of pain or pleasure in the body into the unchanging calm and glorious **freedom** of spiritual harmony.

**S&H 475:28**

Man is incapable of sin, sickness, and death. The real man cannot depart from holiness, nor can God, by whom man is evolved, engender the capacity or **freedom** to sin.

**Mis. 297:28-29**

Trust Truth, not error; and Truth will give you all that belongs to the rights of **freedom**.

**Mis. 204:12-17**

The baptism of the Holy Ghost is the spirit of Truth cleansing from all sin; giving mortals new motives, new purposes, new affections, all pointing upward. This mental condition settles into strength, **freedom**, deep-toned faith in God; and a marked loss of faith in evil, in human wisdom, human policy, ways, and means.

**Mis. 331:8**

Thus abiding in Truth, the warmth and sunlight of prayer and praise and understanding will ripen the fruits of Spirit, and goodness will have its springtide of **freedom** and greatness.

**S&H 480:26**

Like the archpriests of yore, man is **free** "to enter into the holiest,"--the realm of God.

**S&H 227:21**

Citizens of the world, accept the "glorious liberty of the children of God," and be **free**! This is your divine right.

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