

WEDNESDAY - BIBLE – The Message – “TRUE VISION”

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(S&H 264: 13)**

Proverbs 29

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1 Samuel 3

1 As a boy, Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. And in those days hearing the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

2 One night Eli was lying down in his usual place. 3 and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4 At that moment, the LORD called Samuel, and he answered, "Here I am" and ran to Eli, saying, "You called me." But Eli said, "NI didn't call; go back and lie down." Samuel lay down, and again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and rushed to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I didn't call; go back and lie down."

7 Now the word of the LORD hadn't yet been revealed to Samuel; he simply didn't know Him: 8 But the LORD called him again a third time, and Samuel got up, raced in to Eli and said, "I'm here, you called me." Only then did Eli realize it was the LORD calling the boy. 9 So he told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, you say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 And the LORD came and stood there, calling in the same way, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

Psalms 46

7 The LORD Almighty is with us; 1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. 8 Come and see the works of the LORD. 10 "Be still, and know that I am God.

Genesis 15

2 Abram said to the Lord, "LORD, what can you give me? I remain childless. You've given me no children; a servant of my household will be my heir."

1 But the LORD came to Abram in a vision and said: "Don't be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, and I'm your great reward." 6 And Abram believed the LORD.

10 Now Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Haran. 11 He stopped for the night when the sun set, and lay down to sleep. 12 And he had a dream, in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. 13 There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants all the land on which you are lying, 14 to the west and the east, to the north and the south, and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. 15 I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I won't leave you until I have done what I have promised."

16 When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, " This place is awesome! The LORD is here. It's none other than the house of God; the gate of heaven." And so he called the place Bethel.

Isaiah 7

13 "Hear now. The Lord himself will give you this sign: A virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

3 And he will delight in the LORD. 2 And the Spirit of the LORD will rest on him— the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,

Luke 6

39 And Jesus told them this parable: "Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? 41 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?

42 How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,' when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? First take the plank out of your eye, and then you'll see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

Matthew 18

If your eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It's better for you to enter life with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into the fire of hell.

John 4

4 Now Jesus came to a town in Samaria called Sychar. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there.

7 When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" 9 She said to him, "You're a Jew, and I'm a Samaritan 10 Jesus said, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that's asking you for a drink, you would have asked, and he would have given you living water."

11 "Sir," the woman said, " where can you get this living water? 13 Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water? He'll be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

19 "I can see that you're a prophet," the woman said, "a seer... 21 I know that Messiah, called Christ, is coming. And when he comes, he'll explain everything to us." 26 Jesus said, "I am he. I'm speaking to you."

Revelation 21

1 I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 And I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband... 3 And heard a loud voice in heaven saying, "The dwelling of God is with men now, and he lives with them. They are his people now. God himself is with them and is their God.

4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning, crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

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5 "I am making everything new! Write it down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

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S&H 593:4

PROPHET. A spiritual seer; the disappearance of material sense before the conscious facts of spiritual Truth.

S&H 269:9

Metaphysics resolves things into thoughts, and exchanges the objects of sense for the ideas of Soul.

S&H 84:3

The ancient prophets gained their foresight from a spiritual, incorporeal standpoint, not by foreshadowing evil and mistaking fiction for fact,--predicting the future from a groundwork of corporeality and human belief. When sufficiently advanced in Science to be in harmony with the truth of being, men become seers and prophets involuntarily... It is the prerogative of the ever-present, divine Mind, and of thought which is in rapport with this Mind, to know the past, the present, and the future.

S&H 535:29

In St. John's vision, heaven and earth stand for spiritual ideas, and the sea, as a symbol of tempest-tossed human concepts advancing and receding, is represented as having passed away.

S&H 572:23

The Revelator had not yet passed the transitional stage in human experience called death, but he already saw a new heaven and a new earth. Through what sense came this vision to St. John? Not through the material visual organs for seeing, for optics are inadequate to take in so wonderful a scene. The Revelator was on our plane of existence, while yet beholding what the eye cannot see,-- that which is invisible to the uninspired thought. This testimony of Holy Writ sustains the fact in Science, that the heavens and earth to one human consciousness, that consciousness which God bestows, are spiritual, while to another, the unilluminated human mind, the vision is material.

S&H 572:12

Love fulfils the law of Christian Science, and nothing short of this divine Principle, understood and demonstrated, can ever furnish the vision of the Apocalypse, open the seven seals of error with Truth, or uncover the myriad illusions of sin, sickness, and death.

S&H 576:3

The heavenly city, lighted by the Sun of Righteousness,-- this New Jerusalem, this infinite All, which to us seems hidden in the mist of remoteness,-- reached St. John's vision while yet he tabernacled with mortals.

S&H 262:9

We cannot fathom the nature and quality of God's creation by diving into the shallows of mortal belief.

We must reverse our feeble flutterings--our efforts to find life and truth in matter--and rise above the testimony of the material senses, above the mortal to the immortal idea of God. These clearer, higher views inspire the God-like man to reach the absolute centre and circumference of his being.

S&H 264:13

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S&H 586:5

Jesus said, thinking of the outward vision, "Having eyes, see ye not?" (Mark viii. 18.)

S&H 479:8

An image of mortal thought, reflected on the retina, is all that the eye beholds. Matter cannot see. It cannot feel, hear, taste, nor smell. It is not self-cognizant,--cannot feel itself, see itself, nor understand itself. Take away so-called mortal mind, which constitutes matter's supposed selfhood, and matter can take no cognizance of matter.

S&H 140:4

Not materially but spiritually we know God as divine Mind, as Life, Truth, and Love.

S&H 333:16

Throughout all generations both before and after the Christian era, the Christ, as the spiritual idea,--the reflection of God,--has come with some measure of power and grace to all prepared to receive Christ, Truth. Abraham, Jacob, Moses, and the prophets caught glorious glimpses of the Messiah, or Christ, which baptized these seers in the divine nature, the essence of Love.

S&H 94:24

Paul said, "To be spiritually minded is life."

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We approach God, or Life, in proportion to our spirituality, our fidelity to Truth and Love; and in that ratio we know all human need and are able to discern the thought of the sick and the sinning for the purpose of healing them.

S&H 281:27

Our false views of matter perish as we grasp the facts of Spirit.

S&H 128:4

A knowledge of the Science of being develops the latent abilities and possibilities of man. It raises the thinker into his native air of insight and perspicacity.

S&H 32:20

Jesus prayed; he withdrew from the material senses to refresh his heart with brighter, with spiritual views.

S&H 428:3

A demonstration of the facts of Soul in Jesus' way resolves the dark visions of material sense into harmony and immortality.

S&H 94:24

Our Master easily read the thoughts of mankind, and this insight better enabled him to direct those thoughts aright.

S&H 255:11

Mortal man has made a covenant with his eyes to belittle Deity with human conceptions. In league with material sense, mortals take limited views of all things.

S&H 195:23

Incorrect views lower the standard of truth.

S&H 239:5

Take away wealth, fame, and social organizations, which weigh not one jot in the balance of God, and we get clearer views of Principle.

S&H 66:6

Spiritual development germinates not from seed sown in the soil of material hopes, but when these decay, Love propagates anew the higher joys of Spirit, which have no taint of earth. Each successive stage of experience unfolds new views of divine goodness and love.

S&H 209:10

The immanent sense of Mind-power enhances the glory of Mind. Nearness, not distance, lends enchantment to this view.

S&H 476:28

Jesus beheld in Science the perfect man, who appeared to him where sinning mortal man appears to mortals. In this perfect man the Saviour saw God's own likeness, and this correct view of man healed the sick.

S&H 246:27

Let us then shape our views of existence into loveliness, freshness, and continuity, rather than into age and blight.

S&H 276:12

The realization that all inharmony is unreal brings objects and thoughts into human view in their true light, and presents them as beautiful and immortal.

S&H 324:5-6

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall **see** God.

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