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## 1. John 3:3 Except

3 ... Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

## 2. Jer. 29:1, 5–7, 10–13

- 1 Now these *are* the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;
- 5 Build ye houses, and dwell *in them*; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;
- 6 Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.
- 7 And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.
- 10 ¶ For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.
- 11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.
- 12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.
- 13 And ye shall seek me, and find *me*, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

## 3. Jer. 30:10, 17 (to ;), 22

- 10 ¶ Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid.

17 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD;

...

22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

#### 4. Jer. 31:3 Yea, 8, 11, 12, 29–34

3 ... Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, *and* with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.

11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of *him that was* stronger than he.

12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

29 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

30 But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

31 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

33 But this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, 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.

34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, 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.

#### 5. Jer. 32:1–3, 5, 6, 8 Hanameel, 9, 15, 17

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which *was* the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.

2 For then the king of Babylon's army besieged Jerusalem: and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the prison, which *was* in the king of Judah's house.

3 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of

Babylon, and he shall take it;

5 And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall he be until I visit him, saith the LORD: though ye fight with the Chaldeans, ye shall not prosper.

6 ¶ And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

8 ... Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the prison according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me, Buy my field, I pray thee, that *is* in Anathoth, which *is* in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance *is* thine, and the redemption *is* thine; buy *it* for thyself. Then I knew that this *was* the word of the LORD.

9 And I bought the field of Hanameel my uncle's son, that *was* in Anathoth, and weighed him the money, *even* seventeen shekels of silver.

15 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.

17 Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, *and* there is nothing too hard for thee:

## 6. Jer. 34:8, 9 (to ;), 10–14, 17, 21

8 ¶ *This is* the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, after that the king Zedekiah had made a covenant with all the people which *were* at Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto them;

9 That every man should let his manservant, and every man his maidservant, *being* an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free; ...

10 Now when all the princes, and all the people, which had entered into the covenant, heard that every one should let his manservant, and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more, then they obeyed, and let *them* go.

11 But afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids.

12 ¶ Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; I made a covenant with your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

14 At the end of seven years let ye go every man his brother an Hebrew, which hath been sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee: but your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour: behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

- 21 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which are gone up from you.

#### 7. Jer. 39:1, 2, 11, 12

- 1 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.
- 2 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth *day* of the month, the city was broken up.
- 11 ¶ Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard, saying,
- 12 Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee.

#### 8. Jer. 40:2, 4, 5 So

- 2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him, The LORD thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place.
- 4 And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chains which *were* upon thine hand. If it seem good unto thee to come with me into Babylon, come; and I will look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, all the land is before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go.
- 5 ... So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go.

#### 9. Jer. 52:31–33

- 31 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth *day* of the month, *that* Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the *first* year of his reign lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison,
- 32 And spake kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were* with him in Babylon,
- 33 And changed his prison garments: and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.

#### 10. John 14:1, 2

- 1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
- 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

**1. SH 473:7–10**

Christ the  
ideal Truth

The God-  
principle is omnipresent and omnipotent. God is every-  
9 where, and nothing apart from Him is present or has  
power.

**2. SH 582:4 (only, to .), 9**

**BENJAMIN** (Jacob's son). ...

9 Renewal of affections; self-offering; an improved  
state of mortal mind; the introduction of a more spiritual  
origin; a gleam of the infinite idea of the infinite Prin-  
12 ciple; a spiritual type; that which comforts, consoles,  
and supports.

**3. SH 592:18**

18 **NEW JERUSALEM.** Divine Science; the spiritual facts  
and harmony of the universe; the kingdom of heaven,  
or reign of harmony.

**4. SH 572:19–25**

In Revelation xxi. 1 we read: —

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first  
21 heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was  
no more sea.

The Revelator had not yet passed the transitional  
24 stage in human experience called death, but he already  
saw a new heaven and a new earth.

**5. SH 574:10**

This ministry of Truth, this message from divine Love,  
carried John away in spirit. It exalted him till he be-  
12 came conscious of the spiritual facts of being  
and the “New Jerusalem, coming down from  
God, out of heaven,” — the spiritual outpour-  
15 ing of bliss and glory, which he describes as the city  
which “lieth foursquare.” The beauty of this text is,  
that the sum total of human misery, represented by

Vials of  
wrath and  
consolation

18 the seven angelic vials full of seven plagues, has full  
compensation in the law of Love. Note this, — that the  
very message, or swift-winged thought, which poured  
21 forth hatred and torment, brought also the experience  
which at last lifted the seer to behold the great city, the  
four equal sides of which were heaven-bestowed and  
24 heaven-bestowing.

## 6. SH 575:10–13 (to 1st .)

The builder and  
maker of this New Jerusalem is God, as we read in the  
12 book of Hebrews; and it is “a city which hath founda-  
tions.”

The city  
foursquare

## 7. SH 576:3

3 This heavenly city, lighted by the Sun of Righteous-  
ness, — this New Jerusalem, this infinite All, which to  
us seems hidden in the mist of remoteness, —  
6 reached St. John’s vision while yet he taber-  
naced with mortals.

Revelation’s  
pure zenith

## 8. SH 577:19

This city  
of our God has no need of sun or satellite, for Love  
21 is the light of it, and divine Mind is its own interpreter.  
All who are saved must walk in this light. Mighty  
potentates and dynasties will lay down their honors  
24 within the heavenly city. Its gates open towards light  
and glory both within and without, for all is good, and  
nothing can enter that city, which “defileth, . . . or  
27 maketh a lie.”

## 9. SH 567:27–5

27 The beast and the  
false prophets are lust and hypocrisy. These wolves in  
sheep’s clothing are detected and killed by innocence, the  
30 Lamb of Love.

Divine Science shows how the Lamb slays the wolf.  
1 Innocence and Truth overcome guilt and error. Ever  
since the foundation of the world, ever since error would

3 establish material belief, evil has tried to slay  
the Lamb; but Science is able to destroy this  
lie, called evil.

Warfare  
with error

## 10. SH 451:8

Students of Christian Science, who start with its letter  
9 and think to succeed without the spirit, will either make  
shipwreck of their faith or be turned sadly  
awry. They must not only seek, but strive,  
12 to enter the narrow path of Life, for “wide is the gate,  
and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and  
many there be which go in thereat.” Man walks in the  
15 direction towards which he looks, and where his treasure  
is, there will his heart be also. If our hopes and affec-  
tions are spiritual, they come from above, not from be-  
18 neath, and they bear as of old the fruits of the Spirit.

Treasure  
in heaven

## 11. SH 20:25

The truth is the centre of all  
religion. It commands sure entrance into  
27 the realm of Love. St. Paul wrote, “Let us  
lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so  
easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that  
30 is set before us;” that is, let us put aside material self  
and sense, and seek the divine Principle and Science of  
all healing.

Behest of  
the cross

## 12. SH 203:31–11

God, divine good, does not kill a man in order to give  
him eternal Life, for God alone is man’s life. God is at  
1 once the centre and circumference of being. It is evil  
that dies; good dies not.

3 All forms of error support the false conclusions that  
there is more than one Life; that material history is as  
real and living as spiritual history; that mortal  
6 error is as conclusively mental as immortal  
Truth; and that there are two separate, an-  
tagonistic entities and beings, two powers, — namely,  
9 Spirit and matter, — resulting in a third person (mortal  
man) who carries out the delusions of sin, sickness, and

Spirit the only  
intelligence  
and substance

death.

### 13. SH 275:1

1 Matter has no life to lose, and Spirit never dies. A  
partnership of mind with matter would ignore omnipres-  
3 ent and omnipotent Mind. This shows that  
matter did not originate in God, Spirit, and is  
not eternal. Therefore matter is neither substantial, living,  
6 nor intelligent. The starting-point of divine Science is  
that God, Spirit, is All-in-all, and that there is no other  
might nor Mind, — that God is Love, and therefore He  
9 is divine Principle.

Spirit the  
starting-point

### 14. SH 373:1–15

1 If we are Christians on all moral questions, but are in  
darkness as to the physical exemption which Christian-  
3 ity includes, then we must have more faith  
in God on this subject and be more alive to  
His promises. It is easier to cure the most  
6 malignant disease than it is to cure sin. The author has  
raised up the dying, partly because they were willing to  
be restored, while she has struggled long, and perhaps in  
9 vain, to lift a student out of a chronic sin. Under all  
modes of pathological treatment, the sick recover more  
rapidly from disease than does the sinner from his sin.  
12 Healing is easier than teaching, if the teaching is faithfully  
done.

Disease far  
more docile  
than iniquity

The fear of disease and the love of sin are the sources  
15 of man's enslavement.

### 15. SH 227:7–26

The law of the divine Mind must  
end human bondage, or mortals will continue unaware  
9 of man's inalienable rights and in subjection to hope-  
less slavery, because some public teachers permit  
an ignorance of divine power, — an ignorance that  
12 is the foundation of continued bondage and of human  
suffering.

Discerning the rights of man, we cannot fail to fore-  
15 see the doom of all oppression. Slavery is not the legiti-



mate state of man. God made man free.  
Paul said, "I was free born." All men should  
18 be free. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." Love and Truth make free, but evil and error lead into captivity.

Native  
freedom

21 Christian Science raises the standard of liberty and cries: "Follow me! Escape from the bondage of sickness, sin, and death!" Jesus marked out the  
24 way. Citizens of the world, accept the "glorious liberty of the children of God," and be free! This is your divine right.

Standard  
of liberty

## 16. SH 228:11

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.  
Mortals will some day assert their freedom in  
15 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  
18 unreality.

God-given  
dominion

## 17. SH 22:11–22

"Work out your own salvation," is the demand of  
12 Life and Love, for to this end God worketh with you.  
"Occupy till I come!" Wait for your reward, and "be not weary in well doing." 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.  
18 When the smoke of battle clears away, you will discern the good you have done, and receive according to your deserving. Love is not hasty to deliver us from  
21 temptation, for Love means that we shall be tried and purified.

Wait for  
reward

## 18. SH 254:16–32

During the sensual ages, absolute Christian Science may not be achieved prior to the change called death,

18 for we have not the power to demonstrate what we do  
not understand. But the human self must be evangel-  
ized. This task God demands us to accept lovingly  
21 to-day, and to abandon so fast as practical the material,  
and to work out the spiritual which determines the out-  
ward and actual.

24 If you venture upon the quiet surface of error and are  
in sympathy with error, what is there to disturb the waters?  
What is there to strip off error's disguise?

27 If you launch your bark upon the ever-agitated but  
healthful waters of truth, you will encounter storms.

Your good will be evil spoken of. This is the  
30 cross. Take it up and bear it, for through it  
you win and wear the crown. Pilgrim on earth, thy home  
is heaven; stranger, thou art the guest of God.

The cross  
and crown