

🗨 Hymns 470, 473, 174

🗨 King James Bible

1. Mal. 3:10 prove

¹⁰ ... prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall not be room enough to receive it.*

2. Isa. 66:9, 13

⁹ Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut *the womb*? saith thy God.
¹³ As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

3. I Sam. 1:1–28

¹ Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim–zophim, of mount Ephraim, and his name *was* Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite:
² And he had two wives; the name of the one *was* Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.
³ And this man went up out of his city yearly to worship and to sacrifice unto the LORD of hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of the LORD, *were* there.
⁴ ¶ And when the time was that Elkanah offered, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions:
⁵ But unto Hannah he gave a worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: but the LORD had shut up her womb.
⁶ And her adversary also provoked her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut up her womb.
⁷ And *as* he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.
⁸ Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieved? *am* not I better to thee than ten sons?

- 9 ¶ So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD.
- 10 And she *was* in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and wept sore.
- 11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.
- 12 And it came to pass, as she continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.
- 13 Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.
- 14 And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.
- 15 And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I *am* a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD.
- 16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.
- 17 Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant *thee* thy petition that thou hast asked of him.
- 18 And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more *sad*.
- 19 ¶ And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her.
- 20 Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, *saying*, Because I have asked him of the LORD.
- 21 And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.
- 22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, *I will not go up* until the child be weaned, and *then* I will bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide for ever.
- 23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou have weaned him; only the LORD establish his word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.
- 24 ¶ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child *was* young.
- 25 And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.
- 26 And she said, Oh my lord, *as* thy soul liveth, my lord, I *am* the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.

- 27 For this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition which I asked of him:
28 Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the LORD. And he worshipped the LORD there.

4. I Sam. 2:1–5, 11, 12, 18–23

- 1 And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.
2 *There is* none holy as the LORD: for *there is* none beside thee: neither *is there* any rock like our God.
3 Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let *not* arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD *is* a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.
4 The bows of the mighty men *are* broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength.
5 *They that were* full have hired out themselves for bread; and *they that were* hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble.
11 And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did minister unto the LORD before Eli the priest.
12 ¶ Now the sons of Eli *were* sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD.
18 ¶ But Samuel ministered before the LORD, *being* a child, girded with a linen ephod.
19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought *it* to him from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.
20 ¶ And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, The LORD give thee seed of this woman for the loan which is lent to the LORD. And they went unto their own home.
21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the LORD.
22 ¶ Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
23 And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? for I hear of your evil dealings by all this people.

5. I Sam. 3:1–12 (to :), 13, 15–17 (to :), 18–20

- 1 And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; *there was* no open vision.
2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli *was* laid down in his place, and his eyes began to wax dim, *that* he could not see;
3 And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God *was*, and Samuel was laid down *to sleep*;
4 That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here *am* I.
5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called

not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.

6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.

7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him.

8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the child.

9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

11 ¶ And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.

12 In that day I will perform against Eli all *things* which I have spoken concerning his house: ...

13 For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not.

15 ¶ And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision.

16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he answered, Here *am* I.

17 And he said, What *is* the thing that *the Lord* hath said unto thee? I pray thee hide *it* not from me: ...

18 And Samuel told him every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, It is the LORD: let him do what seemeth him good.

19 ¶ And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground.

20 And all Israel from Dan even to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel *was* established *to be* a prophet of the LORD.

6. Prov. 22:6

6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

7. Gal. 4:4 when, 5, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 31

4 ... when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

- 19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,
22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a
freewoman.
23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman
was by promise.
26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.
27 For it is written, Rejoice, *thou* barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that
travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an
husband.
31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.

🗨 *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy

1. SH 582:28–4

CHILDREN. The spiritual thoughts and representa-
tives of Life, Truth, and Love.

- 1 Sensual and mortal beliefs; counterfeits of creation,
whose better originals are God's thoughts, not in em-
3 bryo, but in maturity; material suppositions of life, sub-
stance, and intelligence, opposed to the Science of being.

2. SH 130:15

- 15 Christian Science, properly understood, would dis-
abuse the human mind of material beliefs which war
against spiritual facts; and these material
18 beliefs must be denied and cast out to make
place for truth. You cannot add to the contents of a
vessel already full. Laboring long to shake the adult's
21 faith in matter and to inculcate a grain of faith in God, —
an inkling of the ability of Spirit to make the body har-
monious, — the author has often remembered our Master's
24 love for little children, and understood how truly such as
they belong to the heavenly kingdom.

Children
and adults

3. SH 593:4

PROPHET. A spiritual seer; disappearance of mate-
rial sense before the conscious facts of spiritual Truth.

4. SH 116:1, 4

1 *Third Degree: Understanding.*

In the third degree mortal mind disappears, and man as
God's image appears. Science so reverses the evidence
6 before the corporeal human senses, as to make
this Scriptural testimony true in our hearts,
"The last shall be first, and the first last," so that God
9 and His idea may be to us what divinity really is and
must of necessity be, — all-inclusive.

Spiritual
universe

5. SH 236:12–20 (np)

12 A mother is the strongest educator, either for or
against crime. Her thoughts form the embryo of an-
other mortal mind, and unconsciously mould
15 it, either after a model odious to herself or
through divine influence, "according to the pattern
showed to thee in the mount." Hence the importance
18 of Christian Science, from which we learn of the one
Mind and of the availability of good as the remedy for
every woe.

A mother's
responsibility

21 Children should obey their parents; insubordination
is an evil, blighting the buddings of self-government.
Parents should teach their children at the
24 earliest possible period the truths of health
and holiness. Children are more tractable than adults,
and learn more readily to love the simple verities that will
27 make them happy and good.

Children's
tractability

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

1 A little girl, who had occasionally listened to my ex-
planations, badly wounded her finger. She seemed not
3 to notice it. On being questioned about it she answered
ingenuously, "There is no sensation in matter." Bound-
ing off with laughing eyes, she presently added, "Mamma,
6 my finger is not a bit sore."

It might have been months or years before her parents

would have laid aside their drugs, or reached the mental
9 height their little daughter so naturally attained. The more stubborn beliefs and theories of parents often choke the good seed in the minds of
12 themselves and their offspring. Superstition, like “the fowls of the air,” snatches away the good seed before it has sprouted.

Soil and
seed

15 Children should be taught the Truth-cure, Christian Science, among their first lessons, and kept from discussing or entertaining theories or thoughts about
18 sickness. To prevent the experience of error and its sufferings, keep out of the minds of your children either sinful or diseased thoughts.

Teaching
children

6. SH 154:16–2

If a child is exposed to contagion or infection, the mother is frightened and says, “My child will be sick.”
18 The law of mortal mind and her own fears govern her child more than the child’s mind governs itself, and they produce the very results which might
21 have been prevented through the opposite understanding. Then it is believed that exposure to the contagion wrought the mischief.

Children’s
ailments

24 That mother is not a Christian Scientist, and her affections need better guidance, who says to her child: “You look sick,” “You look tired,” “You need rest,” or “You
27 need medicine.”

Such a mother runs to her little one, who thinks she has hurt her face by falling on the carpet, and says, moaning
30 more childishly than her child, “Mamma knows you are hurt.” The better and more successful method for any mother to adopt is to say: “Oh, never mind! You’re not
1 hurt, so don’t think you are.” Presently the child forgets all about the accident, and is at play.

7. SH 359:20

From Puritan parents, the discoverer of Christian Science early received her
21 religious education. In childhood, she often listened with joy to these words, falling from the lips of her

Author’s
parentage

24 saintly mother, “God is able to raise you up from sick-
ness;” and she pondered the meaning of that Scripture
she so often quotes: “And these signs shall follow them
27 that believe; . . . they shall lay hands on the sick,
and they shall recover.”

8. SH 60:4

Kindred tastes, motives, and aspirations are necessary
to the formation of a happy and permanent companion-
6 ship. The beautiful in character is also the
good, welding indissolubly the links of affec-
tion. A mother’s affection cannot be weaned from her
9 child, because the mother-love includes purity and con-
stancy, both of which are immortal. Therefore maternal
affection lives on under whatever difficulties.

Permanent
affection

9. SH 463:6

6 To attend properly
the birth of the new child, or divine idea,
you should so detach mortal thought from its
9 material conceptions, that the birth will be natural and
safe. Though gathering new energy, this idea cannot
injure its useful surroundings in the travail of spiritual
12 birth. A spiritual idea has not a single element of error,
and this truth removes properly whatever is offensive.
The new idea, conceived and born of Truth and Love, is
15 clad in white garments. Its beginning will be meek, its
growth sturdy, and its maturity undecaying. When
this new birth takes place, the Christian Science infant
18 is born of the Spirit, born of God, and can cause the
mother no more suffering. By this we know that Truth
is here and has fulfilled its perfect work.

Scientific
obstetrics

10. SH 412:28–414:3

If the case is that of a young child or an infant, it needs
to be met mainly through the parent’s thought, silently
30 or audibly on the aforesaid basis of Christian
Science. The Scientist knows that there can
be no hereditary disease, since matter is not intelligent
1 and cannot transmit good or evil intelligence to man, and

The cure
of infants

God, the only Mind, does not produce pain in matter.

3 The act of yielding one's thoughts to the undue contem-
plation of physical wants or conditions induces those very
conditions. A single requirement, beyond what is neces-
6 sary to meet the simplest needs of the babe is harmful.
Mind regulates the condition of the stomach, bowels, and
food, the temperature of children and of men, and matter
9 does not. The wise or unwise views of parents and other
persons on these subjects produce good or bad effects on
the health of children.

12 The daily ablutions of an infant are no more natural
nor necessary than would be the process of taking a fish
out of water every day and covering it with dirt
15 in order to make it thrive more vigorously in its
own element. "Cleanliness is next to godliness," but
washing should be only for the purpose of keeping the
18 body clean, and this can be effected without scrubbing the
whole surface daily. Water is not the natural habitat of
humanity. I insist on bodily cleanliness within and with-
21 out. I am not patient with a speck of dirt; but in caring
for an infant one need not wash his little body all over each
day in order to keep it sweet as the new-blown flower.

Ablutions for
cleanliness

24 Giving drugs to infants, noticing every symptom of
flatulency, and constantly directing the mind to such
signs, — that mind being laden with illusions
27 about disease, health-laws, and death, — these
actions convey mental images to children's budding
thoughts, and often stamp them there, making it probable
30 at any time that such ills may be reproduced in the very
ailments feared. A child may have worms, if you say so,
or any other malady, timorously held in the beliefs con-
1 cerning his body. Thus are laid the foundations of the
belief in disease and death, and thus are children educated
3 into discord.

Juvenile
ailments

11. SH 423:32

The so-called substance of bone is formed first
1 by the parent's mind, through self-division. Soon the
child becomes a separate, individualized mortal mind,
3 which takes possession of itself and its own thoughts of

bones.

12. SH 529:5

The first

6 system of suggestive obstetrics has changed. Another
change will come as to the nature and origin of man,
and this revelation will destroy the *dream* of existence,
9 reinstate reality, usher in Science and the glorious fact
of creation, that both man and woman proceed from
God and are His eternal children, belonging to no lesser
12 parent.

13. SH 586:9

9 **FATHER.** Eternal Life; the one Mind; the divine
Principle, commonly called God.

14. SH 592:16

MOTHER. God; divine and eternal Principle; Life,
Truth, and Love.

15. SH 517:18–19

18 God has countless ideas, and
they all have one Principle and parentage.

Divine
personality

16. SH 336:30

30 God is the
parent Mind, and man is God's spiritual offspring.