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1. Ps. 126:5, 6

- 5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
- 6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves *with him*.

2. II Sam. 1:1, 2, 4, 11, 12

- 1 Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag;
- 2 It came even to pass on the third day, that, behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and so it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.
- 4 And David said unto him, How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me. And he answered, That the people are fled from the battle, and many of the people also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also.
- 11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the men that *were* with him:
- 12 And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword.

3. II Sam. 3:2 unto, 3

- 2 ... unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his firstborn was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;
- 3 And his second, Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur;

4. II Sam. 13:1, 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 14, 15, 19, 21–23, 28, 29, 38, 39

- 1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name *was* Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.
- 2 And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she *was* a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.
- 6 ¶ So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.
- 7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him meat.
- 11 And when she had brought *them* unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister.
- 12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.
- 14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.
- 15 ¶ Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her *was* greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone.
- 19 ¶ And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that *was* on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.
- 21 ¶ But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.
- 22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.
- 23 ¶ And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal-hazor, which *is* beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons.
- 28 ¶ Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then kill him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant.
- 29 And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man gat him up upon his mule, and fled.
- 38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.
- 39 And *the soul of* king David longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

5. II Sam. 14:24–26

- 24 And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him not see my face. So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face.
- 25 ¶ But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.

26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled *it*: because *the hair* was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.

6. II Sam. 15:2–6, 12–14 2nd And, 23, 30

- 2 And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was *so*, that when any man that had a controversy came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, Of what city *art* thou? And he said, Thy servant *is* of one of the tribes of Israel.
- 3 And Absalom said unto him, See, thy matters *are* good and right; but *there is* no man *deputed* of the king to hear thee.
- 4 Absalom said moreover, Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice!
- 5 And it was *so*, that when any man came nigh *to him* to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him.
- 6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.
- 12 ... And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased continually with Absalom.
- 13 ¶ And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.
- 14 And David said unto all his servants that *were* with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.
- 23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness.
- 30 ¶ And David went up by the ascent of *mount Olivet*, and wept as he went up, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the people that *was* with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up.

7. II Sam. 16:5–9, 11, 12

- 5 ¶ And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name *was* Shimei, the son of Gera: he came forth, and cursed still as he came.
- 6 And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men *were* on his right hand and on his left.
- 7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou bloody man, and thou man of Belial:
- 8 The LORD hath returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead

- thou hast reigned; and the LORD hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom thy son: and, behold, thou *art taken* in thy mischief, because thou *art* a bloody man.
- 9 ¶ Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head.
- 11 And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, which came forth of my bowels, seeketh my life: how much more now *may this* Benjamite *do it*? let him alone, and let him curse; for the LORD hath bidden him.
- 12 It may be that the LORD will look on mine affliction, and that the LORD will requite me good for his cursing this day.

8. II Sam. 17:24

- 24 Then David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him.

9. II Sam. 18:5–15, 17, 33

- 5 And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, *Deal* gently for my sake with the young man, *even* with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.
- 6 ¶ So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the wood of Ephraim;
- 7 Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and there was there a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand *men*.
- 8 For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and the wood devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.
- 9 ¶ And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that *was* under him went away.
- 10 And a certain man saw *it*, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.
- 11 And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou sawest *him*, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? And I would have given thee ten *shekels* of silver, and a girdle.
- 12 And the man said unto Joab, Though I should receive a thousand *shekels* of silver in mine hand, *yet* would I not put forth mine hand against the king's son: for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none *touch* the young man Absalom.
- 13 Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against *me*.
- 14 Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took three darts in his hand,

and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he *was* yet alive in the midst of the oak.

- 15 And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.
- 17 And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and laid a very great heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.
- 33 ¶ And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!

10. Ps. 42:1–6 (to :), 7–11

- 1 As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.
- 2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?
- 3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?
- 4 When I remember these *things*, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.
- 5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and *why* art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him *for* the help of his countenance.
- 6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: ...
- 7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.
- 8 *Yet* the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song *shall be* with me, *and* my prayer unto the God of my life.
- 9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?
- 10 As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?
- 11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.

11. Ps. 43:1–5

- 1 Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.
- 2 For thou *art* the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?
- 3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy

hill, and to thy tabernacles.

- 4 Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.
- 5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who* is the health of my countenance, and my God.

12. Eph. 6:1–4, 12, 13

- 1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.
- 2 Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;
- 3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
- 4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.
- 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.
- 13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

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1. SH 405:5–18

- Christian Science commands man to master the propensities, — to hold hatred in abeyance with kindness, to conquer lust with chastity, revenge with charity, and to overcome deceit with honesty. Choke these errors in their early stages, if you would not cherish an army of conspirators against health, happiness, and success. They will deliver you to the judge, the arbiter of truth against error. The judge will deliver you to justice, and the sentence of the moral law will be executed upon mortal mind and body. Both will be manacled until the last farthing is paid, — until you have balanced your account with God. “Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”

Mental
conspirators

2. SH 61:24

- 24 Is not the propagation of the human species a greater responsibility, a more solemn charge, than the culture of your garden or the raising of stock to increase your flocks

27 and herds? Nothing unworthy of perpetuity should be transmitted to children.

3. SH 62:4–19

The entire education of children should be such as to form habits of obedience to the moral and spiritual law, 6 with which the child can meet and master the belief in so-called physical laws, a belief which breeds disease.

If parents create in their babes a desire for incessant 9 amusement, to be always fed, rocked, tossed, or talked to, those parents should not, in after years, complain of their children's fretfulness or fri- 12 volity, which the parents themselves have occasioned. Taking less "thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink"; less thought "for your body what 15 ye shall put on," will do much more for the health of the rising generation than you dream. Children should be allowed to remain children in knowledge, and should 18 become men and women only through growth in the understanding of man's higher nature.

Inheritance
heeded

4. SH 475:13–14

Man is idea, the image, of
Love; he is not physique.

5. SH 183:21–24

21 Divine Mind rightly demands man's entire obedience, affection, and strength. No reservation is made for any lesser loyalty. Obedience to Truth gives man 24 power and strength.

6. SH 544:14–17, 24–25

No mortal mind has the might 15 or right or wisdom to create or to destroy. All is under the control of the one Mind, even God.

First evil
suggestion

24 Man is the likeness of Spirit, but a material personality is not this likeness.

Material
personality

7. SH 491:25

Per-
sonality is not the individuality of man. A wicked man
27 may have an attractive personality.

8. SH 285:2-1

Man's individu-
3 ality is not material. This Science of being obtains not
alone hereafter in what men call Paradise, but here
and now; it is the great fact of being for time and
6 eternity.

What, then, is the material personality which suffers,
sins, and dies? It is not man, the image and likeness
9 of God, but man's counterfeit, the inverted
likeness, the *unlikeness* called sin, sickness,
and death. The unreality of the claim that a mortal is
12 the true image of God is illustrated by the opposite na-
tures of Spirit and matter, Mind and body, for one is
intelligence while the other is non-intelligence.

The human
counterfeit

15 Is God a physical personality? Spirit is not physical.
The belief that a material body is man is a false con-
ception of man. The time has come for a
18 finite conception of the infinite and of a ma-
terial body as the seat of Mind to give place
to a diviner sense of intelligence and its manifestations, —
21 to the better understanding that Science gives of the
Supreme Being, or divine Principle, and idea.

Material
miscon-
ceptions

By interpreting God as a corporeal Saviour but not as
24 the saving Principle, or divine Love, we shall continue
to seek salvation through pardon and not
through reform, and resort to matter instead
27 of Spirit for the cure of the sick. As mortals
reach, through knowledge of Christian Science, a higher
sense, they will seek to learn, not from matter, but from
30 the divine Principle, God, how to demonstrate the Christ,
Truth, as the healing and saving power.

Salvation
is through
reform

It is essential to understand, instead of believe, what
1 relates most nearly to the happiness of being.

9. SH 337:5

Man reflects
the perfect

Material personality is not realism; it is not
6 the reflection or likeness of Spirit, the perfect God. Sensualism is not bliss, but bondage. For true happiness, man must harmonize with his Principle, divine Love; the
9 Son must be in accord with the Father, in conformity with Christ. According to divine Science, man is in a degree as perfect as the Mind that forms him. The truth of be-
12 ing makes man harmonious and immortal, while error is mortal and discordant.

10. SH 576:26-4

Divine sense
of Deity

The term Lord, as used in our version of the Old
27 Testament, is often synonymous with Jehovah, and expresses the Jewish concept, not yet elevated to deific apprehension through spiritual trans-
30 figuration. Yet the word gradually approaches a higher meaning. This human sense of Deity yields to the divine
1 sense, even as the material sense of personality yields to the incorporeal sense of God and man as the infinite
3 Principle and infinite idea, — as one Father with His universal family, held in the gospel of Love.

11. SH 66:9

Salutary
sorrow

9 Sorrow is salutary. Through great tribulation we enter the kingdom. Trials are proofs of God's care. Spiritual development germi-
12 nates 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 suc-
15 cessive stage of experience unfolds new views of divine goodness and love.

12. SH 57:24

Help and
discipline

24 The wintry blasts of earth may uproot the flowers of affection, and scatter them to the winds; but this severance
27 of fleshly ties serves to unite thought more closely to God, for Love supports the struggling heart until it ceases

to sigh over the world and begins to unfold its wings for
30 heaven.

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