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Hymn 97

**Hymn 97, 98**

THOMAS HASTINGS

*Adapted*

(97)

**ILSLEY**

FRANK G. ILSLEY

(98)

**IN BABILONE**

DUTCH TRADITIONAL MELODY

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He that goeth forth with weeping,  
Bearing still the precious seed,  
Never tiring, never sleeping,  
Soon shall see his toil succeed;  
Showers of rain will fall from heaven,  
Then the cheering sun will shine;  
So shall plenteous fruit be given,  
Through an influence all divine.

Sow thy seed, be never weary,  
Let not fear thy thoughts employ;  
Though the prospect seem most dreary,  
Thou shalt reap the fruits of joy:  
Lo, the scene of verdure brightening,  
See the rising grain appear;  
Look again, the fields are whitening,  
Harvest time is surely here.

Hymn 162

**Hymn 160–162, 447**

**SATISFIED**

MARY BAKER EDDY

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**GLOAMING**

JOHN STAINER

(161)

**FORTITUDE**

WALTER E. YOUNG

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**SATIS**

PERCY WHITLOCK

It matters not what be thy lot,  
So Love doth guide;  
For storm or shine, pure peace is thine,  
Whate'er betide.

And of these stones, or tyrants' thrones,  
God able is  
To raise up seed—in thought and deed—  
To faithful His.

Aye, darkling sense, arise, go hence!  
Our God is good.  
False fears are foes—truth tatters those,  
When understood.

Love looseth thee, and lifteth me,  
Ayont hate's thrall:  
There Life is light, and wisdom might,  
And God is All.

The centuries break, the earth-bound wake,  
God's glorified!  
Who doth His will—His likeness still—  
Is satisfied.

Hymn 150

**Hymn 150**

WILLIAM P. MCKENZIE

(150)

**ST. DENIO**

WELSH HYMN MELODY

In mercy, in goodness, how great is our King;  
Our tribute, thanksgiving, with glad hearts we bring.  
Thou art the Renewer, the Ancient of Days,  
Who givest, for mourning, the garment of praise.

We thank Thee for work in the wide harvest field,  
For gladness that ripens when sorrow is healed;  
Made strong with Thy goodness that meets every need,

We gather the fruit of the Sower's good seed.

Dear Father and Saviour, we thank Thee for life,  
And courage that rises undaunted by strife,  
For confident giving and giving's reward,  
For beauty and love in the life of our Lord.

Ps. 112:1 Blessed (to ), 2

- 1 Blessed *is* the man *that* feareth the LORD,
- 2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

Luke 13:18-21

- 18 ¶ Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?
- 19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.
- 20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?
- 21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

Acts 3:1-14, 18, 19, 25, 26

- 1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the ninth *hour*.
- 2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;
- 3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.
- 4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.
- 5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.
- 6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.
- 7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted *him* up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.
- 8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.
- 9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:
- 10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.
- 11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.
- 12 ¶ And when Peter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

- 13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.
- 14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;
- 18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.
- 19 ¶ Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;
- 25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.
- 26 Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

Acts 4:1-10, 13-24, 31, 33

- 1 AND as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,
- 2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.
- 3 And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.
- 4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.
- 5 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,
- 6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.
- 7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?
- 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,
- 9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;
- 10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole.
- 13 ¶ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.
- 14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.
- 15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

- 16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them *is* manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny *it*.
- 17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.
- 18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.
- 19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.
- 20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.
- 21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all *men* glorified God for that which was done.
- 22 For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.
- 23 ¶ And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.
- 24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou *art* God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:
- 31 ¶ And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.
- 33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

Acts 5:12, 14, 42

- 12 ¶ And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.
- 14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)
- 42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

Acts 6:7-10, 15

- 7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.
- 8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.
- 9 ¶ Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called *the synagogue* of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.

10 And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

15 And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

Acts 7:55, 56

55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

Acts 8:5-8

5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed *with them*: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

8 And there was great joy in that city.

Acts 8:25, 26

25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

Acts 9:19 Then, 20-22

19 Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

21 But all that heard *him* were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

Acts 9:26-35

26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

- 27 But Barnabas took him, and brought *him* to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.
- 28 And he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem.
- 29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slay him.
- 30 *Which* when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Cæsarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus.
- 31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judæa and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.
- 32 ¶ And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout all *quarters*, he came down also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda.
- 33 And there he found a certain man named Æneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.
- 34 And Peter said unto him, Æneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.
- 35 And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.

Acts 11:20, 21

- 20 And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus.
- 21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

Acts 13:52

- 52 And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

Acts 14:8-10 And

- 8 And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:
- 9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,
- 10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

Acts 14:21, 22

- 21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,
- 22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, *and* exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

Acts 16:4, 5

4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem.

5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.

Mark 16:17, 18, 20 (to 1st .)

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with *them*, and confirming the word with signs following.

SH 117:10-13

God's essential language is spoken of in the last chapter of Mark's Gospel as the new tongue, the spir-

12 itual meaning of which is attained through "signs following."

SH 117:31-3 (to .), 6-12

His parable of the

"leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures

118:1 of meal, till the whole was leavened," impels the inference that the spiritual leaven signifies the Science of Christ and its spiritual interpretation,

6 Did not this parable point a moral with a prophecy, foretelling the second appearing in the flesh of the Christ, Truth, hidden in sacred secrecy from the visible world?

9 Ages pass, but this leaven of Truth is ever at work. It must destroy the entire mass of error, and so be eternally

12 glorified in man's spiritual freedom.

SH 361:25-27 (to .)

A germ of in-

finite Truth, though least in the kingdom of heaven, is the

27 higher hope on earth,

SH 209:31-18

Spiritual sense is a conscious, constant capacity to understand God. It shows the superiority of faith by works

210:1 over faith in words. Its ideas are expressed only in "new tongues;" and these are interpreted by the translation of

3 the spiritual original into the language which human thought can comprehend.

The Principle and proof of Christianity are discerned



6 by spiritual sense. They are set forth in Jesus' demon-  
strations, which show — by his healing the  
sick, casting out evils, and destroying death,  
9 “the last enemy that shall be destroyed,” —  
his disregard of matter and its so-called laws.

Jesus' disregard  
of matter

12 Knowing that Soul and its attributes were forever  
manifested through man, the Master healed the sick,  
gave sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, feet to the  
lame, thus bringing to light the scientific action of the  
15 divine Mind on human minds and bodies and giving  
a better understanding of Soul and salvation. Jesus  
healed sickness and sin by one and the same metaphysical  
18 process.

SH 272:9-12

The spiritual  
sense of the Scriptures brings out the scientific sense, and  
is the new tongue referred to in the last chapter of Mark's  
12 Gospel.

SH 354:23-25

The night of materiality is far spent, and with  
24 the dawn Truth will waken men spiritually to hear and  
to speak the new tongue.

SH 225:5-13

You may know when first Truth leads by the few-  
6 ness and faithfulness of its followers. Thus it is that  
the march of time bears onward freedom's  
banner. The powers of this world will fight,  
9 and will command their sentinels not to let truth pass  
the guard until it subscribes to their systems; but Science,  
heeding not the pointed bayonet, marches on. There is  
12 always some tumult, but there is a rallying to truth's  
standard.

Truth's ordeal

SH 348:26

I have never supposed the world would immediately  
27 witness the full fruitage of Christian Science, or that sin,  
disease, and death would not be believed for  
an indefinite time; but this I do aver, that,  
30 as a result of teaching Christian Science, ethics and  
temperance have received an impulse, health has been  
restored, and longevity increased. If such are the pres-  
349:1 ent fruits, what will the harvest be, when this Science is  
more generally understood?

Full fruitage yet  
to come

SH 458:32

Christianity causes men to turn naturally from matter  
459:1 to Spirit, as the flower turns from darkness to light.  
Man then appropriates those things which “eye hath  
3 not seen nor ear heard.” Paul and John  
had a clear apprehension that, as mortal man  
achieves no worldly honors except by sacrifice,  
6 so he must gain heavenly riches by forsaking all worldli-  
ness. Then he will have nothing in common with the  
worldling’s affections, motives, and aims. Judge not the  
9 future advancement of Christian Science by the steps  
already taken, lest you yourself be condemned for fail-  
ing to take the first step.

Advancement by  
sacrifice

SH 239:16

To ascertain our progress, we must learn where our  
affections are placed and whom we acknowledge and  
18 obey as God. If divine Love is becoming  
nearer, dearer, and more real to us, matter is  
then submitting to Spirit. The objects we pursue and  
21 the spirit we manifest reveal our standpoint, and show  
what we are winning.

Standpoint  
revealed

SH 328:20-7

Under-  
21 standing spiritual law and knowing that there is no mate-  
rial law, Jesus said: “These signs shall follow them that  
believe, . . . they shall take up serpents, and if they  
24 drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them. They  
shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.” It  
were well had Christendom believed and obeyed this  
27 sacred saying.

Jesus’ promise is perpetual. Had it been given only  
to his immediate disciples, the Scriptural passage would  
30 read *you*, not *they*. The purpose of his great life-work  
extends through time and includes universal humanity.  
Its Principle is infinite, reaching beyond the pale of a  
329:1 single period or of a limited following. As time moves  
on, the healing elements of pure Christianity will be fairly  
3 dealt with; they will be sought and taught, and will glow  
in all the grandeur of universal goodness.

A little leaven leavens the whole lump. A little under-  
6 standing of Christian Science proves the truth of all that  
I say of it.

Imitation of Jesus

SH 333:16-23 1st The

The advent of Jesus of Nazareth marked the  
first century of the Christian era, but the Christ is

18 without beginning of years or end of days.  
Throughout all generations both before and  
after the Christian era, the Christ, as the spirit-  
21 ual idea, — the reflection of God, — has come with some  
measure of power and grace to all prepared to receive  
Christ, Truth.

The divine  
Principle and  
idea

SH 349:18

The elucidation of Chris-  
tian Science lies in its spiritual sense, and this sense must  
be gained by its disciples in order to grasp the meaning of  
21 this Science. Out of this condition grew the prophecy  
concerning the Christian apostles, “They shall speak with  
new tongues.”