

Lecture On Christian Science Draws Many

Dr. Hendrik Jan de Lange
Addresses Birmingham
Audience Tuesday

A large audience in attendance at Baldwin high school auditorium Tuesday evening heard Dr. Hendrik Jan de Lange, C. S. B., lecture on "Christian Science: The Science of Divine Dominion." Dr. de Lange, a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, came to Birmingham from New York City, under the auspices of the local Church. He was introduced by Robert L. Bigler.

Dr. de Lange spoke essentially as follows:

The problem of achieving power and dominion confronts every phase of human existence now as it has done in the past. It confronts the world of to-day. The necessity for a conclusive solution to this problem is beyond cavil, a solution that will not only satisfy the present need, but also be able to meet future requirements. Christian Science claims to be authorized to give the solution.

This Science is understood in the measure that it comprehends the omnipresence, ever-presence, and omnipotence of a perfect God, or First Cause, man in His image and likeness, possessing no other qualities and powers than those derived from Deity.

The Discoverer and Founder

Christian Science was discovered by one whose clear spiritual insight was original enough and pure enough to seek and find the way for lifting human thought out of the finite and material into the realm of infinite and spiritual reality. The Discoverer found this spiritual understanding a present possibility. What is more, her great discovery was given to the world as a Science. This implies that every one of us may practice it, here and now, in present human experience. To educate human thought and to find the true source of power in God, the divine Mind, was the inspired purpose of this loving and noble New England woman, Mary Baker Eddy.

The revelation received by Mary Baker Eddy is embodied in the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures." Her life-work included also the founding of the Christian Science movement upon such a spiritual basis that it could not be disintegrated by any form of malicious aggression.

She gained the scientific certainty that all existence is vested in God, divine Mind, and that all effect is therefore Mind's mental phenomenon. Searching the Scriptures she found the Science of Mind that should take the things of God and show them to the creature, thus revealing the great creative Principle, Love. In this prophetic search the Bible was her only textbook. The spiritual meaning of the Scriptures appeared to her. "Thus it became clear that the mighty works of the prophets and of Christ Jesus had been accomplished in accordance with divine Principle by applying the rules of spiritual Science and metaphysical healing."

God's Dominion

While theoretically most religious systems concur in ascribing omnipotence—all power—to God, dominion—to God, Christian Science alone adheres to the conclusion inevitably deduced from this fundamental truth. Christian Science presents to us every one of us, man, woman, child, as a workable basis for our everyday lives and problems.

This Science of Christianity starts out from the truth that since God is the only Cause, all true creation, including our perfect selfhood, exists from the standpoint of effect. Our identity,

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our ability to think, to exercise power and discernment, are not derived. It recognizes that we and our world owe our true existence to this First or primal Cause, which, in the words of the Christian Science textbook (p. 587), "is understood to be 'God. The great I am; the all-knowing, all-seeing, all-acting, all-wise, all-loving, and eternal Principle; Mind; Soul; Spirit; Life; Truth; Love; all substance; intelligence.'"

Discovery and Invention

On every hand we are beholding and hearing of great and new achievements in the world. They are displayed in the air, on the land, on the seas. We cannot scan a newspaper or magazine without reading of some notable feat or remarkable invention contributing to the overcoming of time and space. Humanity is constantly urged to widen its outlook and free itself from limiting, cramping concepts. It need not be wondered at that there was made the greatest and most fundamental discovery of all the discovery of Christian Science. This Science of Science is encouraging mankind to think evermore beyond and above its present limitations. A liberating thought has always preceded the appearance of any discovery or invention. The vision of the Wright brothers, the genius of Marconi had to free them men from the limitations of material concepts and conventional thinking in order to enable the airplane to climb the clouds and the radio waves to encircle the globe. In the light of Christian Science, inventions and discoveries are not the appearing of something new, but the evidence of the gradual overcoming in the human consciousness of its own beliefs in material limitations.

Although our present state of consciousness is to a great extent still hampered by the customary material ways of thinking, a remarkable liberation is going on in a field of knowledge. In the field of physics, in the past the very stronghold of materiality, a change is coming about since Albert Einstein pronounced his theory of relativity. One of our friends, a professor of physics in Holland's foremost university, lately formulated the new law of physics. While it had formerly been the purpose of physicists to find the nature of matter, the modern tendency, he stated, was to denaturalize matter. He also declared that the smallest elements of which matter consists are rather events or occurrences than material things.

At such times, sooner or later, this friend and every other physicist will come to the inevitable conclusion that for the denaturalization of matter one cannot look into matter, but must go above and beyond matter into the realm of metaphysics, into the realm of spiritual ideas, the solution of a problem being never in the problem itself. Then they will understand that the Discoverer of Christian Science, by her pure and original spiritual-mindedness, understood more than half a century before when she wrote that "matter disappears under the microscope of Spirit" (Science and Health, p. 264).

The Nature and Power of Divine Ideas
Christian Science has made the final distinction between divine ideas and material or mortal concepts. In defining "idea" in the Christian Science textbook (p. 115) Mrs. Eddy cites Webster's definition as "an image in Mind; the immediate object of understanding." Then, an idea, being an image in Mind, exists in Mind, and remains there forever. In fact, it is through its idea that Mind is understood.

Material, mortal concepts are a part of that which claims to be the power of God, named by the Discoverer of Christian Science as mortal mind. She declared this mortal mind to be a solicitor. "Nothing claiming to be something" (Science and Health, p. 591), "a product of nothing as a mimicry of something" (ibid., p. 580).

Entertaining mortal concepts, that is, thinking in the ordinary way of the world, accomplishes very little of a constructive character and lots of harm. On the other hand, entertaining in thought divine ideas opens the way for perfect and lasting achievement. Let us live and love to be what we really are in the light of divine Truth! Then in the measure that we understand God and His creation, we are embodying the divine selfhood by reflection. In this measure we are our true selves, indeed, with all the bliss, bounty, dominion, and fullness God's presence implies.

The embodying of right ideas necessarily accomplishes something else as well. Wherever these ideas are being realized, the law of God, the law of Love, the law of divine dominion, comes spontaneously into operation to eliminate, destroy, annihilate mortal concepts. At the same time this divine law acts as a law of adjustment in human affairs. That is the logical and natural outcome of the divine fact that God is All-in-all, and that inevitably God must express Himself infinitely, eternally, omnipotently. The law of God, evidencing God's omnipotence, ever-present, everlasting dominion, does away with all the influences and suggestions which, according to mortal views, parade in the vestment of laws, but which are false beliefs, since they lack the permanency, perfection, and loving power of the only real law, the law of God.

Divine Dominion Versus Mortal Dominion
Thus the dominion revealed by Christian Science realization or treatment does not in any manner

stand for a personal domination or oppression; neither does it mean the pursuing of unworthy ambitions. It cannot be confused with the mere exercise of the human will; nor may it be associated with hypnotism or mesmerism.

The Christian Scientist declares with fullest conviction in the words of the Lord's Prayer, "Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." He understands that this is the true fact, a divine idea which, by the almighty power of its very nature and presence, asserts itself and disposes of any material, personal influence. By such realization he exercises God's primary dominion in any specific case with resistless power and unlimited scope.

Salvation

The scope of prayer must not be limited. Let us not confine it to our human relations and those in whom we are immediately interested. Our affections must be world-wide. This attitude will further world salvation, together with promoting our own well-being. We cannot be saved individually, but holding to the finite concept of a material and imperfect world, Christ Jesus' vision and compassion were universal. This accounts for his influence beyond place and time. He declared himself, that is, Christ, Truth, to be "the light of the world." In accordance with the Master's admonition, Christian Science exhorts us to let this light shine. Let all mankind be included in our prayer, that its divine force may be humanly evidenced by a purer and more unselfish dominion national and international affairs. Let divine Love so permeate our prayers that love is felt wherever we come.

The presence of the Mind "which was also in Christ Jesus" will solve problems of every kind and description, because this Mind has no problems. This is the very reason why problems are being solved, and will be solved. The problem is not a fact, Mind being the actual reality. It is only a false, finite concept about some fact which in all eternity is all right. To reform any concept, we have to correct our own concept. This is the true scientific reformation, which always begins with one's self, goes on with one's self, and ends with one's self. In this way of self-reformation we are also helping to save all mankind, for we are doing our part in exchanging false concepts for true ideas.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to action of the shareholders, FRANK COUGENS, INC., is about to dissolve. All creditors of said Company are requested to file claims with the registered office of the Company, W. B. ATKINSON, Secretary, 112-131, Oct. 17-24-31.

SUMMARIZATION OF CITY COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS (Minutes in detail are available at the city clerk's office.)

OCTOBER 21, 1935, 8 p. m. All members present. Bills approved—\$2,735.68. Payroll approved—\$1,871. A resolution was adopted naming the following as referees for 1935 Refunding Bonds and/or Certificates: IRENE K. HALEY, City Clerk.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on the 20th day of October, A. D. 1935.

Present, Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Warren D. Clabe, Deceased. Union Guaranty Trust Company, Trustee of said estate having filed in said Court its seventh annual account and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof.

It is Ordered, That the fourth day of November, A. D. 1935, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, at said Probate Office, he and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

DAN A. MCGAFFEY, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) FLORENCE DOTY, Deputy Probate Register, Oct. 10-17-24-31.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on the 19th day of October, A. D. 1935.

Present, Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Frances J. Hills, also known as Frances M. Hills, Deceased. Edgar A. Parks, guardian of said estate having filed in said Court his final account to date and petition praying for its examination and allowance thereof.

It is Ordered, That the 9th day of November, A. D. 1935, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, at said Probate Office, he and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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