

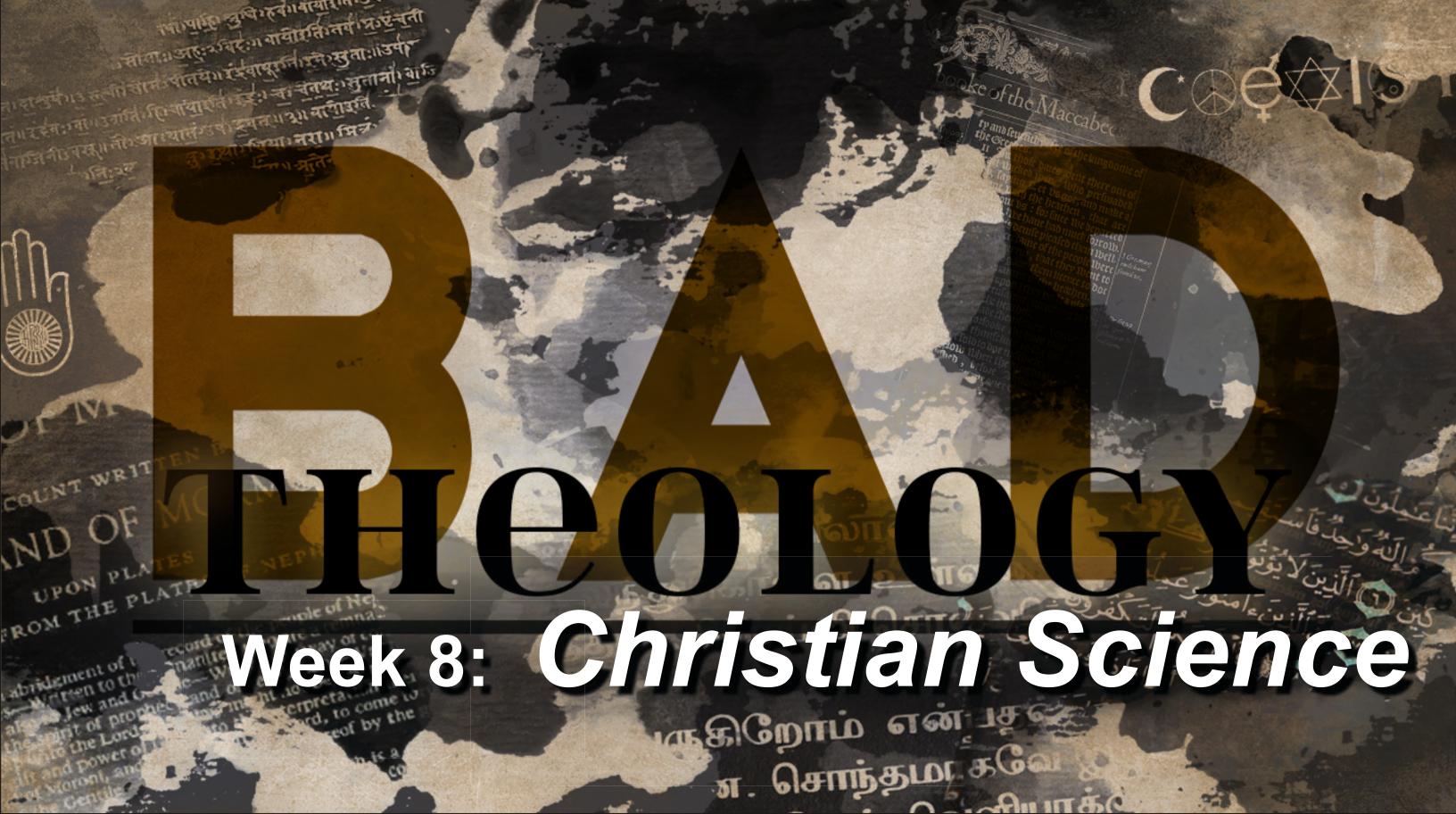


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### Christian Science in America

### Top Five States

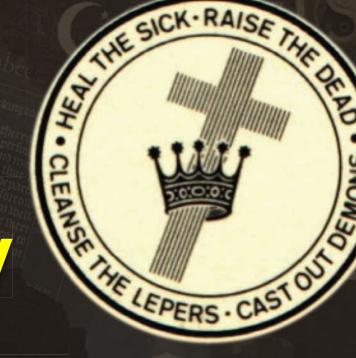
- 1. (295 Branches) California
- 2. (108 Branches) New York
- 3. (104 Branches) Ilinois
- 4. (94 Branches) Florida
- 5. (93 Branches) Texas





# Christian Science in America Top Five Counties

- 1. (75 Churches) L.A. County
- 2. (38 Churches) Cook, IL
- 3. (26 Churches) King, WA
- 4. (23 Churches) San Diego
- 5. (20 Churches) The OC!







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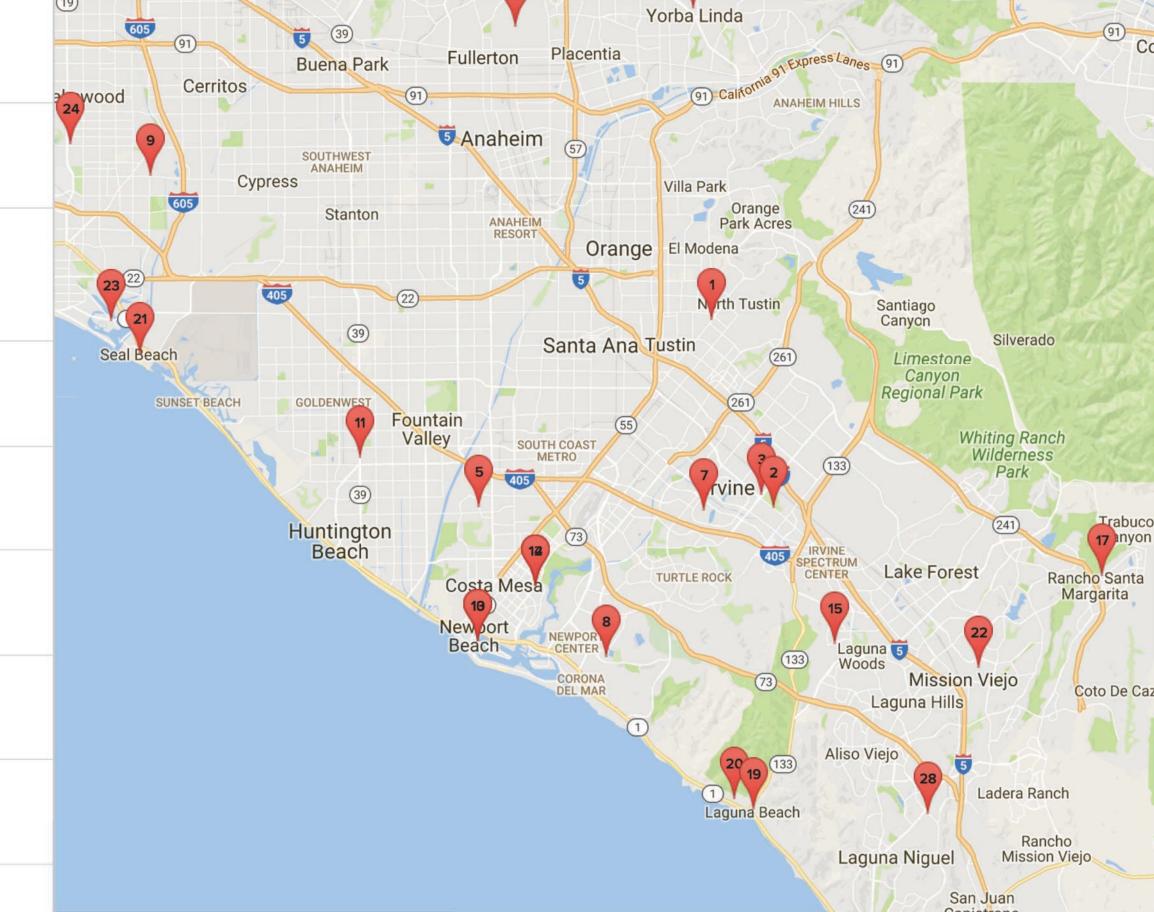


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#### 9. Christian Science Churches































# CHRISTIAN SCIENCE READING ROOM





# Christian Science in Popular Culture





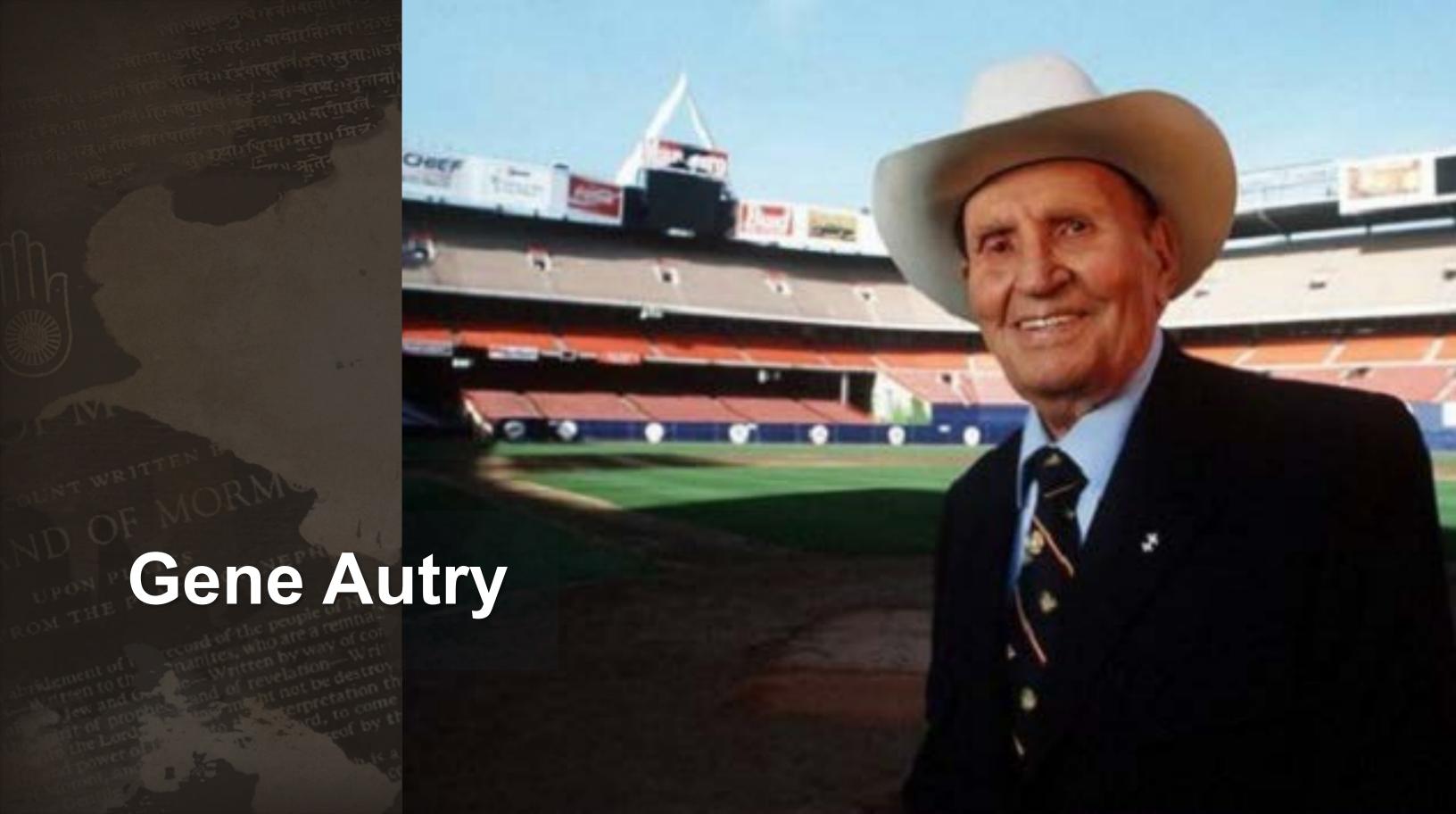


















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"What I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." — JESUS

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Severe sore throat healed

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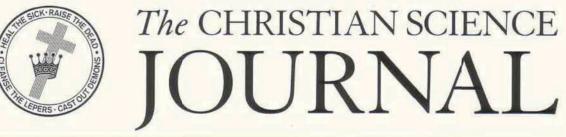
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Arab Spring? Not likely. But Egyptians' frustrat er President Sisi's heavy hand and a faltering ec ed the currency on Thursday under pressure fro h which Egypt is negotiating a loan.





"...designed to bear aloft the standard of genuine Christian Science." — MARY BAKER EDDY

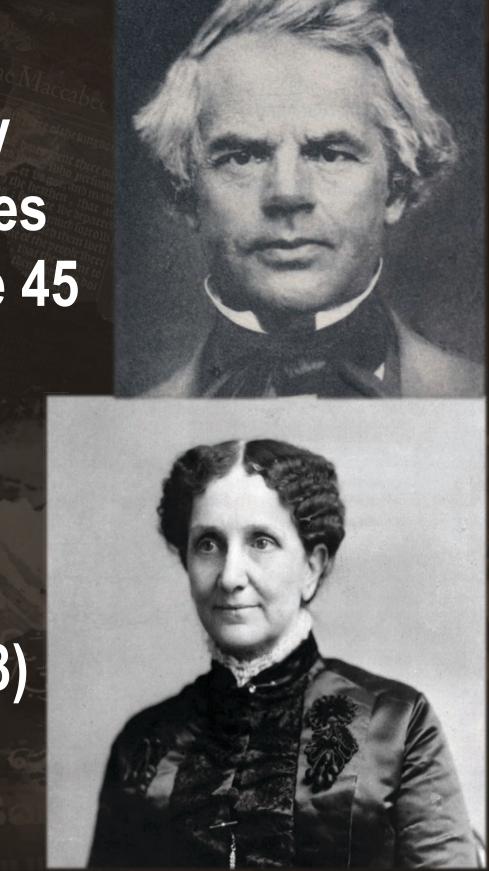
## Mary Baker Eddy

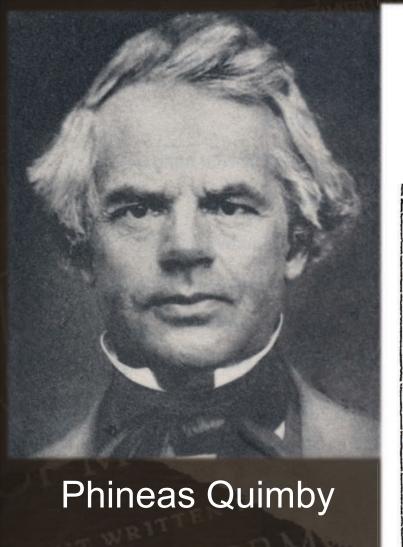
- Born 1821 in New Hampshire
- Raised in Calvinist Church
- As teen she Rejected Predestination
- Married George Glover at 22 (died 7 mo)
- Gave birth to George Jr.
- Her Mother died 5 years Later
- George Jr. given up for adoption (sickly)
- Married again (Dan Patterson at 32)
- Divorce Dan claiming Desersion
- Protracted Illnesses



## Mary Baker Eddy

- In 1862 (age 41) Turns to Phineas Quimby
- Undergoes variety of Alt. Medical Practices
- Falls and incurs Spinal Inflamation at age 45
- Claims a Miraculous Healing
- Age 54 Publishes "Science & Health"
- Teaches New Perspective on Healings
- Marries her Student (Asa Eddy) at age 56
- Establishes her Church in Boston (age 58)
- Founded Metaphysical College (1881)
- Died at age 89 in 1910





#### True Origin of Christian Science

Documentary Evidence Refuting Mrs. Eddy's Claim That Her System Was Revealed to Her by God.

EVIDENCE has come into the possession of Type New York Times which throws flood of light on the hitherto more or less mysterious origin of "Christian Science," and reveals exactly what that origin was.

This evidence proves—what hitherto has only been suspected—that Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy's present version of its origin, the only one she has given or admitted for many years, is absolutely false; that her system of healing was not, as she asserts, revealed to her by God in the year 1866; but that, for at least four years after that time, she not only admitted but proclaimed that it was revealed to her by Phineas Parkhurst Quimby of Portland, Me.; and that neither she nor Quimby had at that time ever made any claim of divine revelation.

So far as this evidence is documentary, it is derived from Horace T. Wentworth of Stoughton, Mass., in whose house Mrs. Eddy lived for the three years 1868-70. It is supported by oral statements from residents of Stoughton.

The matter is of the gravest importance. "Christian Science," supposed to be a divinely revealed religion and a specially discovered science, has spread tremendously in a quarter of a century. Thousands of persons accept it as their creed, and it is the foundation of a church; immense sums of money, contributed by those who believe in it have enriched Mrs. Eddy and her friends; and many persons, including children unable to care for themselves, have died without medical attendance because this religion teaches that disease is merely a belief and matter is nothing.

If, therefore, this religion is not of divine origin, is not the discovery of Mrs. Eddy, but is merely a slight elaboration of the humanly invented theories of a Maine Yankee, it is of the utmost importance that the fact should be known, not only that "Christian Science" may be put in its true light, but that parents who may be tempted to join this church and endanger the lives of their children may have full knowledge beforehand of the exact extent to which God is re-

It has long been hinted by opponents of "Christian Science" that Mrs. Eddy

fact should be stated that it may be kept

The charge made by Mr. Wentworth and based on this manuscript and on the statements made by Mrs. Eddy in Stoughton is not that the exact language of Quimby is reproduced verbatim in "Science and Health." Mrs. Eddy's language is presumably her own. The charge is that she did not discover "Christian Science" in 1866; that Quimby, and not God, revealed it to her; and that her statements to the contrary are flatly contradicted by her own statements in Stoughton, made after the date when she says the "final revelation" was made to her.

Mrs. Eddy has held that her claim to the discovery of "Christian Science" is officially confirmed by the decision of a court which upheld her claim to the copy-

MRS EDDY AS SHE WAS IN 1868.
From an old picture given by her to
Lucy Wentworth.

of Dr. Quimby as reverently as we speak of Jesus."

The rest of this statement does not relate to the Quimby matter, so it will not be quoted here, except the concluding paragraphs;

"She sent her attorney to Waterville in June, 1883, to interview me regarding her work with Dr. Quimby in Portland in 1864; and asked me to give an affidavit, which I did not do, because it would not be true.

"As I learned, she wanted my testimony in a suit where she claimed a student had infringed upon her copyright of 'Science and Health.'

"Since then I have only public knowledge of her."

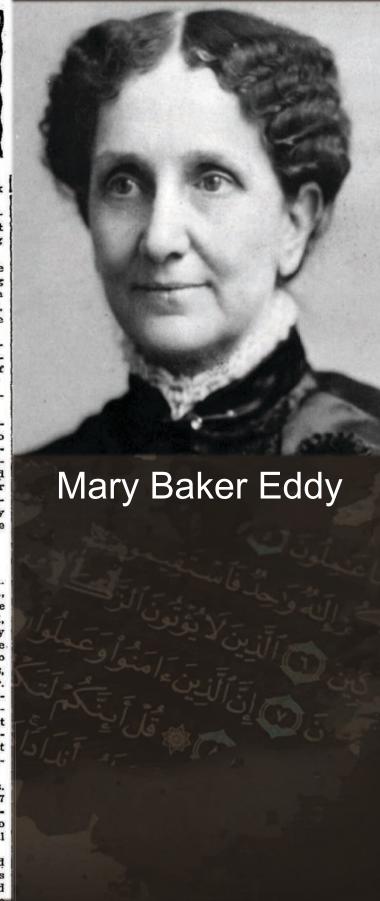
Quimby died Jan. 16, 1866. Subsequently, in the same year, Mrs. Glover, who had removed to Lynn, fell on an icy sidewalk and hurt herself. The official Eddy version of this incident is that it led to the discovery of Christian Science. Her Bible opened to the account of the healing of the palsied man; she immediately saw the truth, and recovered without the aid of medicine.

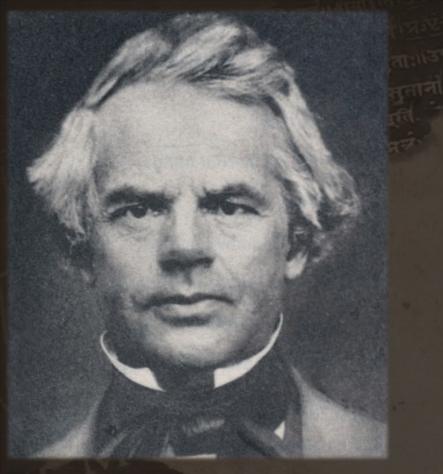
#### Treated by a Physican.

The physician who attended her, Dr. A. M. Cushing, now of Springfield, Mass., gives a different version. He says he found her nervous and semi-hysterical, and gave her a quieting medicine every fifteen minutes, and subsequently gave her morphine. Next day she went to Swampscott. In the course of the visits, Dr. Cushing says, "she spoke of a Dr. Quimby of Portland, Me., who had treated her for some severe illness with remarkable success. I inferred from what she said that the treatment he prescribed was somewhat different from that usually given by either of the two recognized schools of medicine."

But whatever the circumstances of Mrs. Glover's recovery, she turned up in 1867 at Stoughton, living in the house of Hiram. S. Crafts. She had undertaken to teach him the new system of mental healing.

Mrs. Wentworth was much interested when she heard of it. She had always taken an interest in such things, and had





Phineas Quimby

From Quimby's "Science of Man," expounded by Mrs. Eddy at Stoughton, 1868-69-70.

"If I understand how disease originates in the mind and fully believe it, why cannot I cure myself?"

"Disease being made by our belief or by our parents' belief or by public opinion, there is no formula of argument to be adopted, but every one must fit in their particular case. Therefore it requires great shrewdness or wisdom to get the better of the error."

"I know of no better counsel than Jesus gave to His Disciples when He sent them forth to cast out devils and heal the sick, and thus in practice to preach the Truth 'Be ye wise as serpents and harmless as doves.' Never get into a passion, but in patience possess ye your soul, and at length you weary out the discord and produce harmony by your Truth destroying error. Then you get the case. Now, if you are not afraid to face the error and argue it down, then you can heal the sick."

"The patient's disease is in his belief."

"Error is sickness. Truth is health."

"In this science the names are given; thus God is Wisdom. This Wisdom, not an Individuality but a principle, embraces every idea form, of which the idea, man, is the highest-hence the image of God, or the Principle."

"Understanding is God."

" All sciences are part of God."

" Truth is God."

"There is no other Truth but God."

"God is Wisdom."

" God is Principle."

"Wisdom, Love, Truth are the Principle."

"Error is matter."

" Matter has no intelligence."

"To give intelligence to matter is an error which is sickness."

From Mrs. Eddy's "Science and Health," the text book of the "Christian Science" she now claims to have discovered in 1866.

"Disease being a belief, a latent delusion of mortal mind, the sensation would not appear if this error was met and destroyed by Truth."

—Page 61. edition of 1898.

"Science not only reveals the origin of all disease as wholly mental, but it also declares that all disease is cured by mind."—Page 62, edition of 1898.

"When we come to have more faith in the Truth of Being than we have in error, more faith in spirit than in matter, then no material conditions can prevent us from healing the sick and destroying error through Truth."—Page 367, edition of 1898.

"We classify disease as error, which nothing but Truth or Mind can heal."—Page 427, edition of 1898.

"Discord is the nothingness of error. Harmony is the somethingness of Truth."—Page 172, edition of 1898.

"Sickness is part of the error which Truth casts out."-Page 478, edition of 1898.

"God is the principle of man; and the principle of man remaining perfect, its idea or reflection—man remains perfect."—Page 466, edition of 1898.

"Man was and is God's idea."—Page 231, edition of 1898.

"Man is the idea of divine principle."Page 471, edition of 1898.

"What is God? Jehovah is not a person. God is principle."-Page 169, edition of 1881.

"Understanding is a quality of God."—Page 449, edition of 1898.

"All science is of God."-Page 513, edition of 1898.

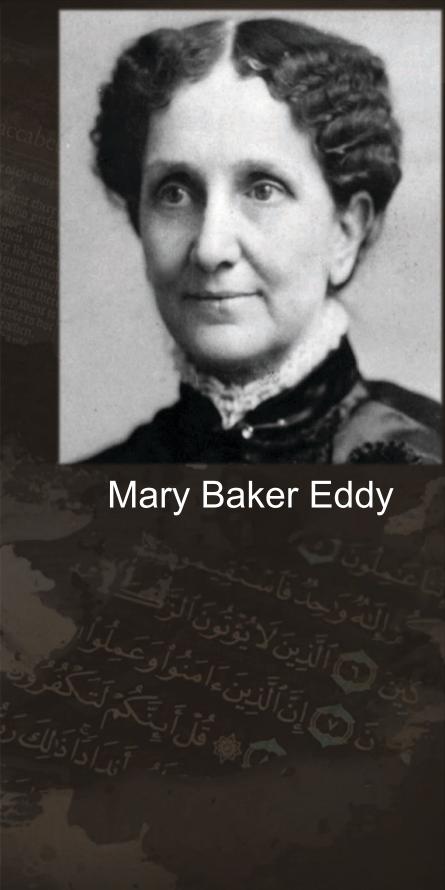
"Truth is God."-Page 183, edition of 1898.

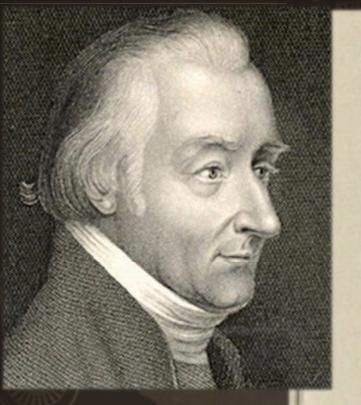
"Truth, God, is not the Father of error."-

"How can I most rapidly advance in the understanding of Christian Science? Study thoroughly the letter and imbibe the spirit. Adhere to its divine Principle, and follow its behests, abiding steadily in Wisdom, Love, and Truth,"—Page 491, edition of 1898.

"Matter is mortal error."—Page 169, edition

"The fundamental error of mortal man is





Lindley Murray

#### The English Reader, p. 98

The man of integrity . . . is one who makes it his constant rule to follow the road of duty, according as the word of God and the voice of his conscience point it out to him. He is not guided merely by affections, which may sometimes give the color of virtue to a loose and unstable character.

The upright man is guided by a fixed principle of mind, which determines him to esteem nothing by what is honorable; and to abhor whatever is base or unworthy in moral conduct. Hence we find him ever the same; at all times, the trusty friend, the affectionate relation, the conscientious man of business, the pious worshiper, the public-spirited citizen.

He assumes no borrowed appearance. He seeks no mask to cover him, for he acts no studied part; but he is indeed what he appears to be, full of truth, candor, and humanity. In all his pursuits he knows no path but the fair and direct one, and would much rather fail of success than attain it by reproachful means.

He never shows us a smiling countenance while he mediates evil against us in his heart.... We shall never find one part of his character at variance with another.

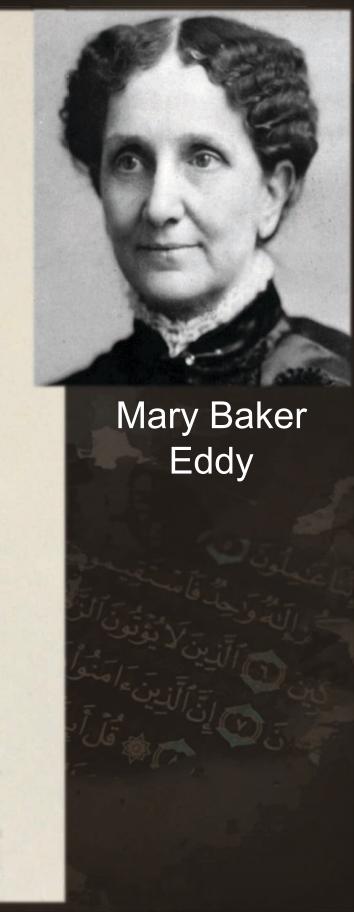
#### Miscellaneous Writings, pp. 147-148

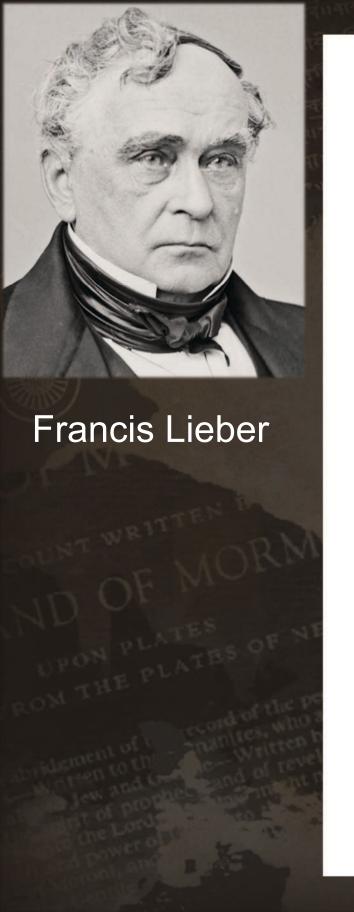
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Lovingly yours, Mary Baker Eddy Sept. 30, 1895





#### From The Metaphysical Religion of Hegel by Francis Lieber

For Hegel and his true disciples there is no truth, substance, life, or intelligence in matter; all is Infinite Mind. Thus matter has no reality; it is only the manifestation of spirit. . . . Therefore science is spiritual, for God is Spirit (85).

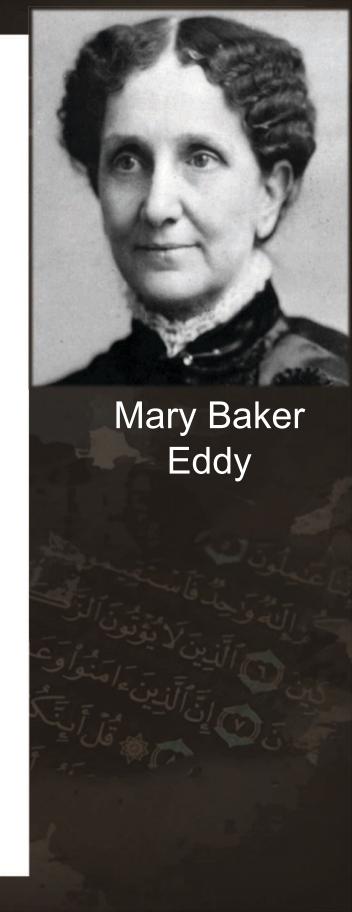
Hegel science brings to light truth and its supremacy, universal harmony, God's entirety, and matter's nothingness. For him there are but two realities, God and the ideas of God, in other words spirit and what it shadows forth. Properly, there is no physical science. The Principle of science is God, intelligence, and not matter. Therefore science is spiritual, for God is Spirit and the Principle of the universe is (man).

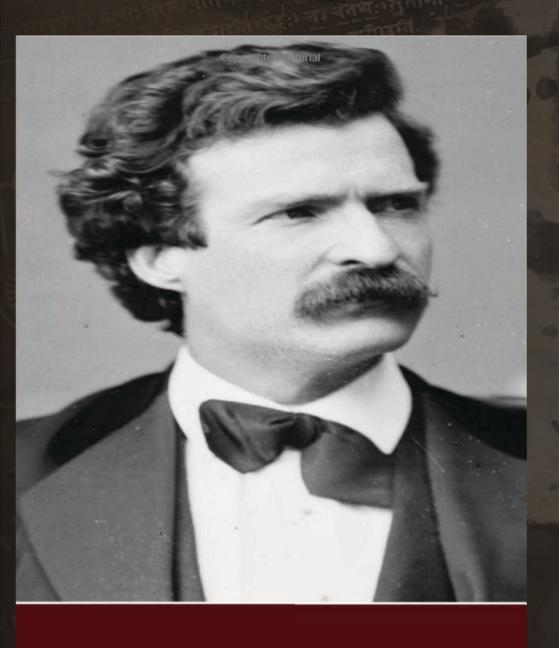
#### From Eddy's Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures

There is no life, truth, intelligence nor substance in matter. All is Infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation, for God is all in all.... Spirit is God, and man is His image and likeness. Therefore man is not material; he is spiritual (468).

Christian Science brings to light Truth and its supremacy, universal mind, the entireness of God, good, and the nothingness of evil (293).

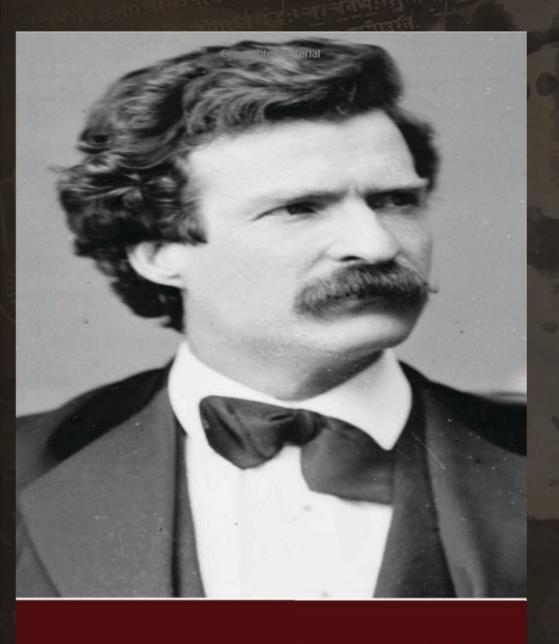
There is no physical science, the principle of science is God, intelligence and not matter; therefore, science is spiritual for God is Spirit and the Principle of the universe and man. We learn from science mind is universal, the first and only cause of all that really is.





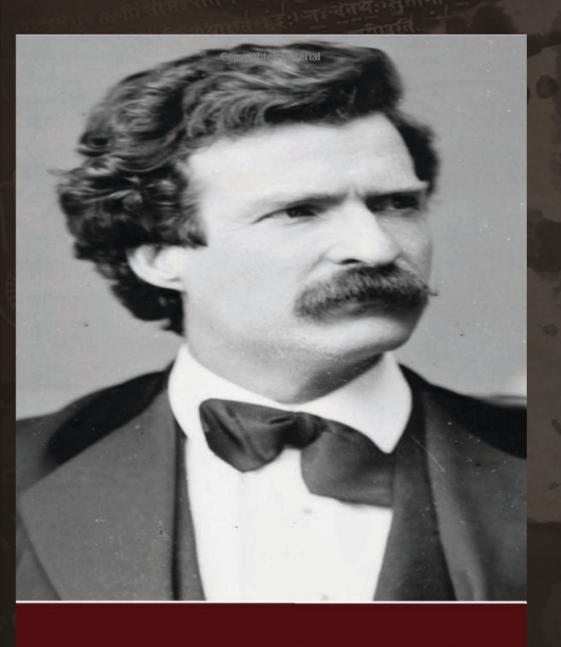
**MARK TWAIN** 

Largely speaking, I have read acres of what purported to be Mrs. Eddy's writings, in the past two months. I cannot know, but I am convinced, that the circumstantial evidence shows that her actual share in the work of composing and phrasing these things was so slight as to be inconsequential. Where she puts her literary foot down, her trail across her paid polisher's page is as plain as the elephant's in a Sunday-school procession. Her verbal output, when left undoctored by her clerks, is quite unmistakable.



MARK TWAIN

Her enemies charge that she surreptitiously took from Quimby a peculiar system of healing which was mind-cure with a Biblical basis. She and her friends deny that she took anything from him. This is a matter which we can discuss by-and-by. Whether she took it or invented it, it was—materially—a sawdust mine when she got it, and she has turned it into a Klondike; its spiritual dock had next to no custom, if any at all: from it she has launched a world-religion which has now six hundred and sixty-three churches, and she charters a new one every four days.



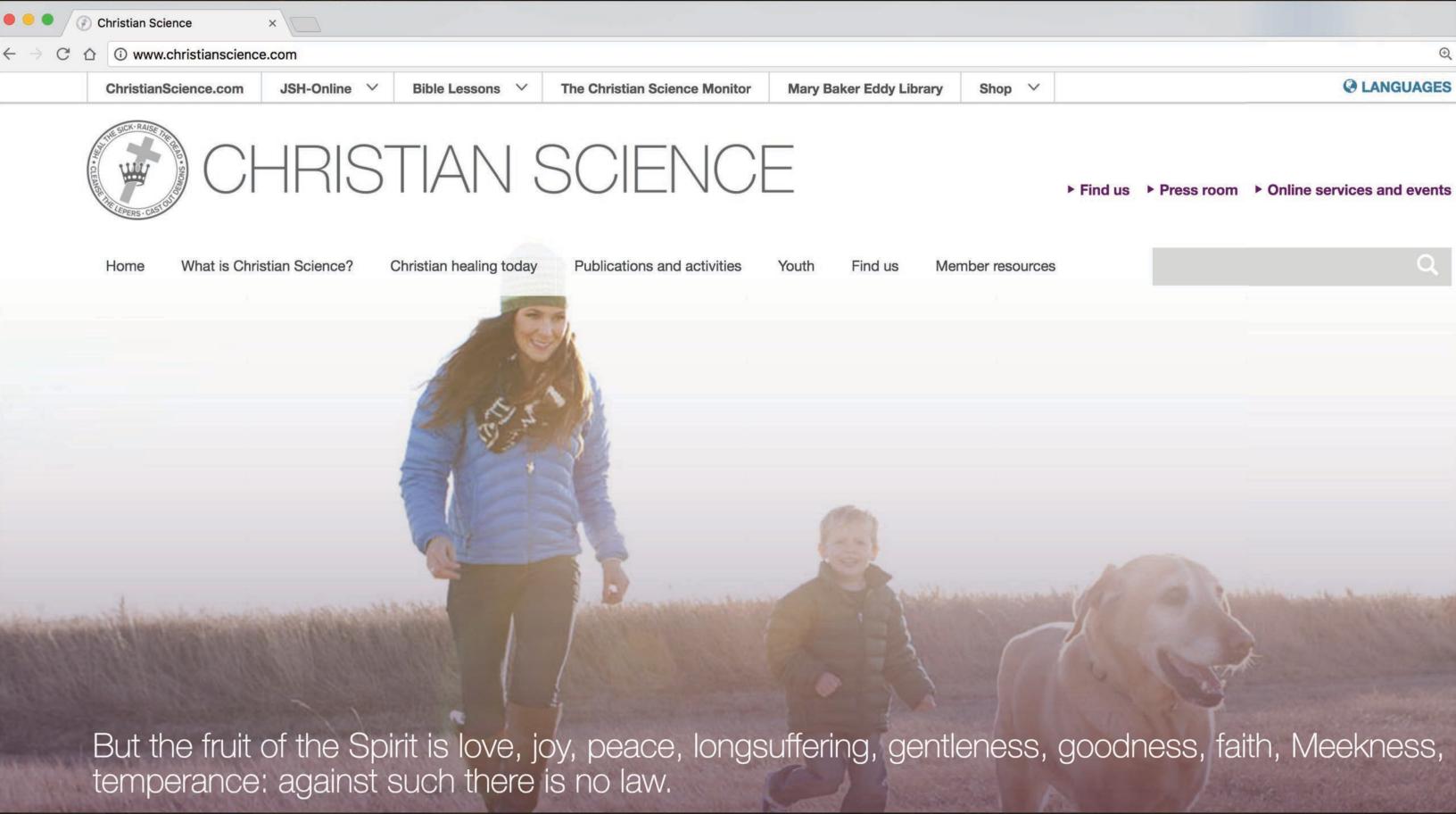
MARK TWAIN

I think it is quite clear that the reason why Mrs. Eddy has concentrated in herself all powers, all distinctions, all revenues that are within the command of the Christian Science Church Universal is that she desires and intends to devote them to the purpose just suggested—the upbuilding of her personal glory—hers, and no one else's; that, and the continuing of her name's glory after she shall have passed away

# Defining Christian Science

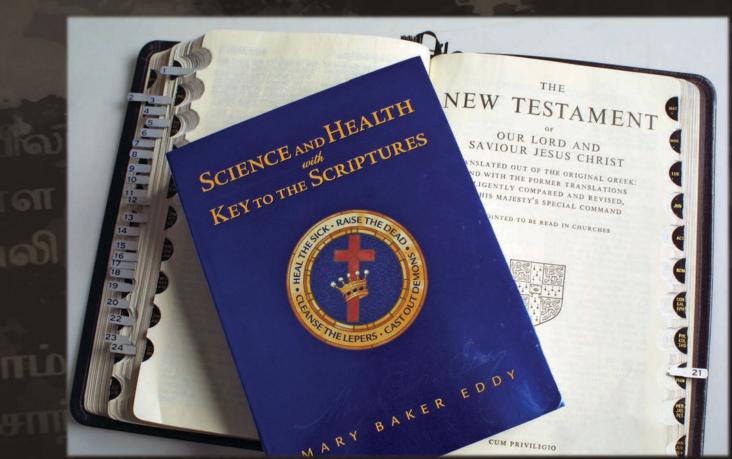
- AKA: "Christian Science Church"
- AKA: "The Church of Christ Science"
- AKA: "The [First / Second / etc.] Church of Christ, Scientist"
- Not "Scientific" Denies Physical Realities & their Subjection to Natural Laws
- Provides "Salvation" from Every Phase of Evil (incl. Sin & Death)
- Practices Healing Diseases by Spiritual Means Alone





# Authority in Christian Science

The Bible (though not reliable according Eddy)



"... the manifest mistakes in the ancient versions; the thirty thousand different readings in the Old Testament, and the three hundred thousand in the

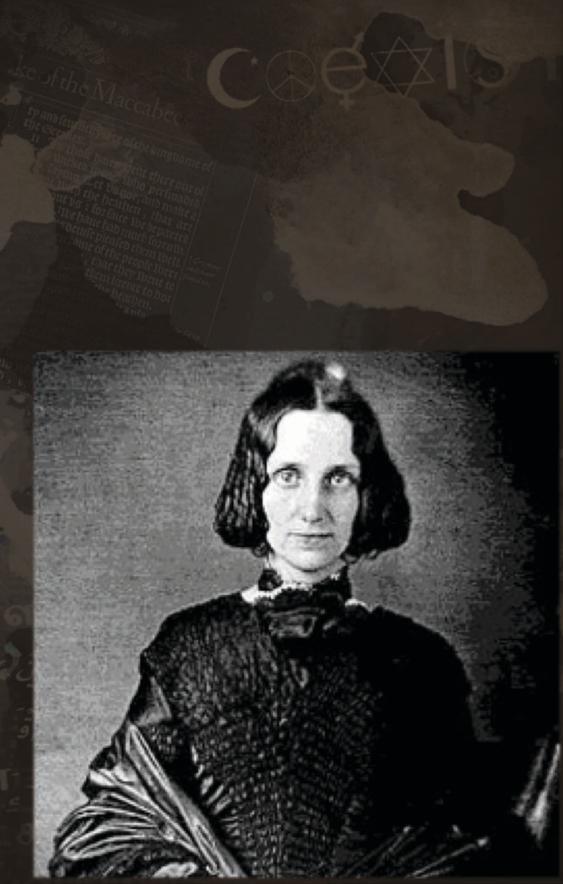
New—these facts show how a mortal and material sense stole into the divine record, with its own hue darkening, to some extent, the inspired pages."

(Science & Health 139:16-22)



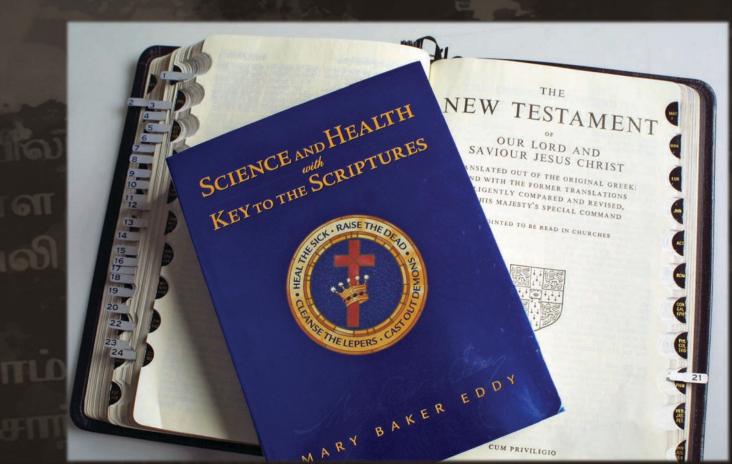
"The material record of the Bible, she said, is no more important to our well-being than the history of Europe and America; but the spiritual application bears upon our eternal life."

(Miscellaneous Writing, p.170)



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- Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures (1875)



I should blush to write of Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures as I have, were it of human origin, and I, apart from God, were its author.



But, as I was only a scribe echoing the harmonies of heaven in divine metaphysics, I cannot be super-modest in my estimate of the Christian Science textbook.

(The First Church of Christ Scientist, and Miscellany p.115)

Humanity had the Bible for close to two millenniums without fully understanding how to use its truths in a scientifically provable way to heal and regenerate people



like Jesus Christ did. To arrive at that kind of understanding, humanity needed to comprehend the Bible on a deeper level. They needed to "unlock" the Bible, so to speak. It was the specific mission of Science and Health to give the world this "key" to the Scriptures—to open up their treasures and enable everyone to use them. (Christian Science website)



"No human pen nor tongue taught me the Science contained in this book, Science and Health..."

(Science and Health with the Key to the Scriptures 110:17-19)

"Your dual and impersonal pastor, the Bible, and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, is with you; and the Life these give, the truth they

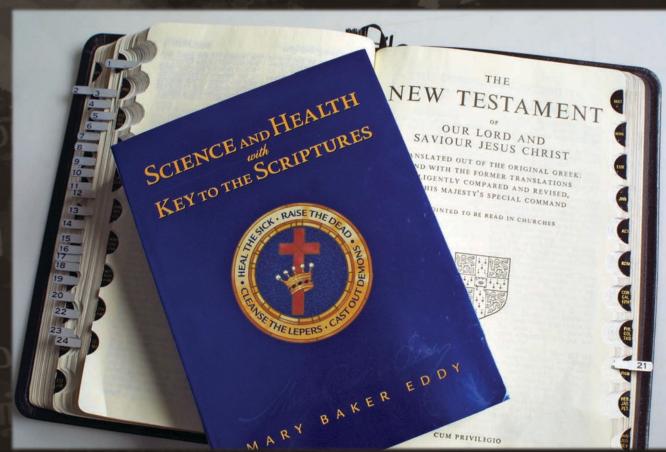


illustrate, the Love they demonstrate, is the great Shepherd that feedeth my flock, and leadeth them 'beside the still waters.'"

(Miscellaneous Writings of Mary Baker Eddy, p.322)

# Authority in Christian Science

- The Bible (though not reliable according Eddy)
- Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures (1875)
- Her writings are the essential "Key" to Understanding Truth
- Unlike Other Groups Her Authority Does Not Pass Down to Today's Christian Science Leaders



## Basic Beliefs of Christian Science

- God is an Impersonal Force
  - -- "God is All-in-all"
  - -- "God is good. Good is Mind" (soul, principle, life)
  - -- "God, Spirit, being all, nothing is matter"
- Jesus was a historical figure
  - -- "Christ is a Divine Idea"
  - -- "Jesus (man) enveloped by the Divine (Christ) Idea"
  - -- Jesus Came to Teach Sickness is Not Real (based on Illusion)



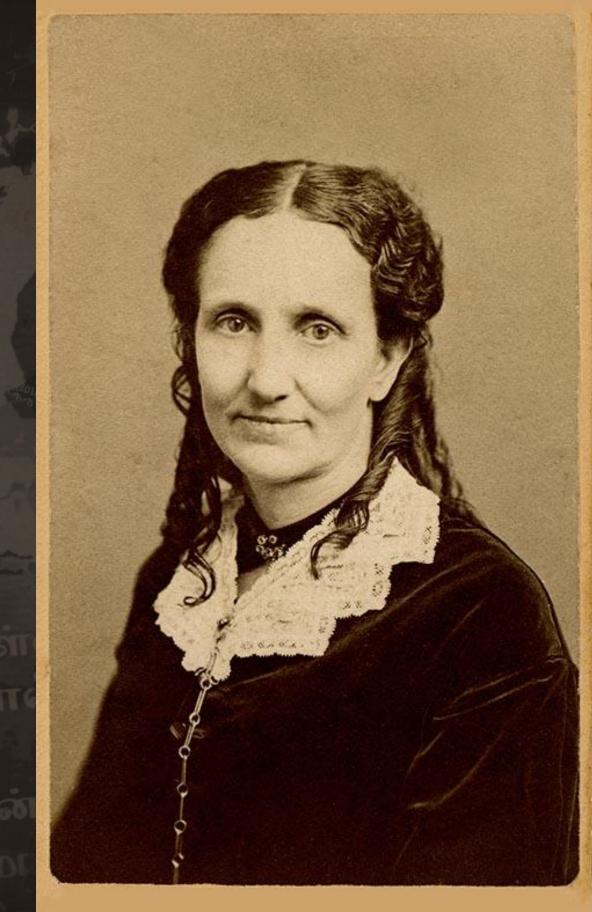
## Basic Beliefs of Christian Science

- The Holy Spirit is "Divine Science"
  - -- "Eternal Life, Truth, and Love"
  - -- "The Divine Principle that Jesus Revealed"
- Humans are not Matter
  - -- "Man is idea" (not flesh and bones)
  - -- "Man is the image of love"
  - -- "The Compound Idea of God"
- Sin is part of Unreal Material
  - -- "Sin does not exist"
  - -- "Incapable of Sin & Sickness"



"At best, matter is only a phenomenon of mortal mind, of which evil is the highest degree; but really there is no such thing as mortal mind though we are compelled to use the phrase in the endeavor to express the underlying thought." -- Mary Baker Eddy

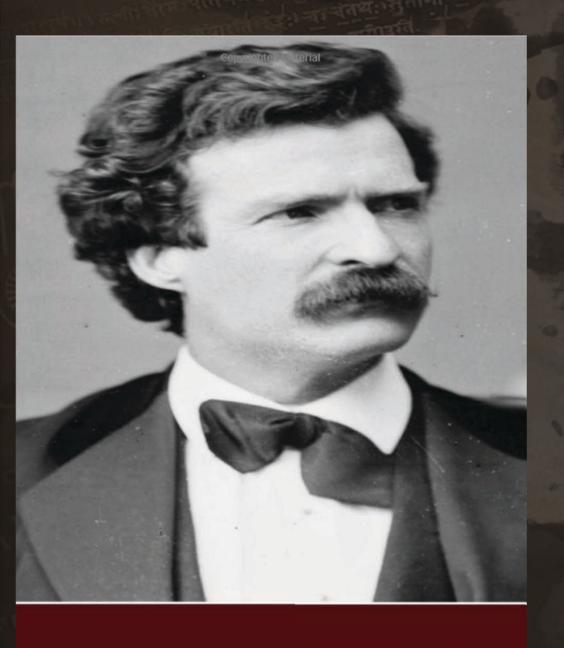
(Unity of Good, p50)



"These are strange words indeed, are they notgiving a name to an illusion that does not exist, representing it as evil, which is equally nonexistent, and then blaming it for all physical woes, which cannot exist, since there is no reality or existence

apart from Mind, or God?
This type of reasoning is
considered sound thinking by
Christian Scientists the world over"

-- Walter Martin, (Kingdom of the Cults, p.263)



MARK TWAIN

At this very day there are thousands upon thousands of Americans of average intelligence who fully believe in "Science and Health," although they can't understand a line of it, and who also worship the sordid and ignorant old purloiner of that gospel -- Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, who they do absolutely believe to be a member, by adoption, of the Holy Family, and on the way to push the Savior to third place and assume occupancy of His present place, and continue that occupancy during the rest of eternity. (Autobiography of Mark Twain, Vol. 2, p. 136)

#### **Basic Beliefs of Christian Science**

- Healing takes place by knowing there is no sickness
  - -- "Sickness is the error truth casts out"
  - -- "Sickness was unreal to Jesus Subduing belief in it"
- Jesus could not & did not suffer for sins
- Jesus did not physically rise from the dead
- Hell is a mortal untrue belief
  - -- "Hell is a state of mind"
- Evil / Devil is error (not real)
  - -- Sin is the opposite of truth
  - -- Death is an illusion



### Basic Beliefs of Christian Science

- Salvation is freedom from believing in matter
  - -- "Man is already saved" (we are God's "idea")
  - -- "Salvation is life, truth, & love Understood & Applied
- Matter has No Life
  - -- "Matter Has No Real Existence"
  - -- "There is no Truth in Matter"
  - -- "All that's Real is Infinite Mind"



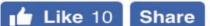
## The Contradiction of Christian Science

- Mary Baker Eddy's Poor Health
  - -- Teeth Had to Be Extracted
  - -- Needed to Wear Glasses
  - -- Depended on Morphine
- The Suffering & Death of Her Loved Ones
  - -- Claimed 3<sup>rd</sup> Husband was Poisoned by 'mentally administered Arsenic'
- December 3, 1910...
  - -- Mary Succumded to the Illusion of Death



#### VAL KILMER IGNORING TUMOR? CHRISTIAN SCIENCE BELIEFS QUESTIONED BY FAMILY AS 'TOP GUN' ACTOR INSISTS PRESS REPORTS ARE FALSE (PHOTOS)

By Robin Lempel February 02, 2015 6:35 PM











# Val Kilmer tweets smiling photo after tumor treatment, as family claim he's killing himself with Christian Science

- The Batman star reportedly entered intensive care in Los Angeles after he began coughing up blood late last month
- Members of Kilmer's family tell TMZ the 55-year-old has a tumor in his neck for which he's refused treatment since the summer
- Kilmer had previously posted to his Facebook page that he'd been admitted to the hospital with a 'complication' for which he needed observation

By MAILONLINE REPORTER

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In his January 31 Facebook post, Kilmer denied having undergone treatment for a tumor.

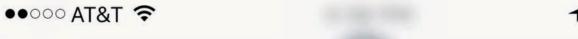
He wrote: 'Thank you for all your sweet support. But I have not had a tumor, or a tumor operations, or any operation.'















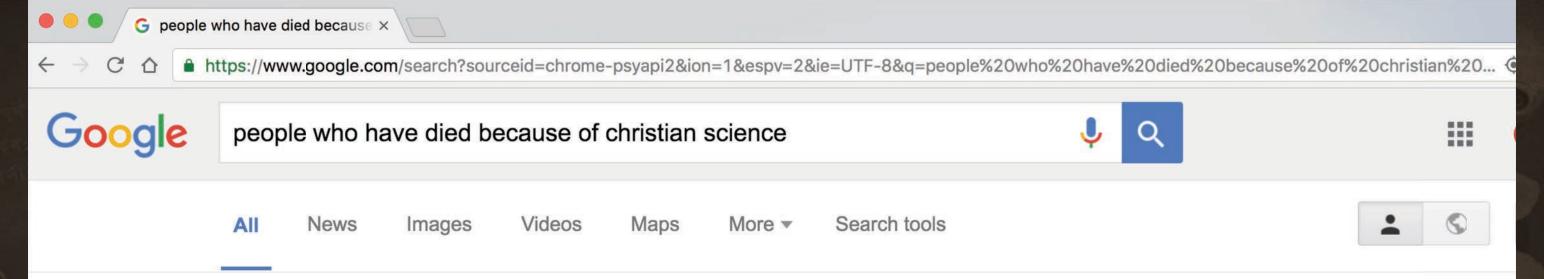
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My great-grandparents were followers of Mary Baker Eddy. They had 12 children, didn't take them to the doctor, and only my grandfather and one other made it to adulthood. Evil stuff. -

Wow really? Yikes

That's the story. Christian Science almost wiped the family out completely.





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They are the tip of the iceberg, as many of these "faith-deaths" are never discovered. Bear in ... In our view, these children's parents are neither bad **people** nor morally innocent. ... His father had left **Christian Science**, but did not **have** custody.

In Child Deaths, a Test for Christian Science - NYTimes.com
www.nytimes.com/1990/08/06/us/in-child-deaths-a-test-for-christian-science.html?... ▼
Aug 6, 1990 - David and Ginger Twitchell, a Christian Science couple from Massachusetts who relied
on prayer rather than on doctors as their young son lay dying from an obstructed bowel, were convicted
of involuntary manslaughter last month. ... But the death of 2-year-old Robyn Twitchell and the ...

Suffering Children and the Christian Science Church - 95.04 www.theatlantic.com/past/docs/unbound/flashbks/xsci/suffer.htm ▼

Most people who have heard of Christian Science know one thing about it: Christian ... Christian Science children who have died and continue to die of diabetes, ...

What's the harm in Christian Science? whatstheharm.net/christianscience.html -

"No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your freque ailments."

1 Timothy 5:23



