June 2020

Building: Doors & Gates

Foundation stone: Sardius – Courage, Wisdom

Join us in our 12 months of metaphysical building:

- 1. Peace Haven's 2020 theme: "Built on a Rock"
- 2. Peace Haven's furthering the purpose and mission of Church today.
- 3. The Mother Church's 2020 Annual Meeting theme: "Our duty to God, to our Leader, and to mankind."

How can Peace Haven fulfill our duty and follow our Leader, Mary Baker Eddy, through our metaphysical building work?

S&H 577:28

The writer's present feeble sense of Christian Science closes with St. John's Revelation as recorded by the great apostle, for his vision is the acme of this Science as the Bible reveals it.

Let's ponder our Leader's realization of St. John's vision as the acme of Christian Science. Let's follow her vision and see how the building of Peace Haven helps bring the healing Christ / Christ's Kingdom / Holy City / New Jerusalem of St. John's vision to all.

4. St. John's Revelation of the Holy City:

Let's see Peace Haven as a spiritual idea, its building as a representation of New Jerusalem, in the midst of which is the tree of life bearing fruit every month. Let's see our building project bearing this monthly fruit, with the purpose of healing the nations.

See Revelation 21 – 22. See S&H 572:19 – 578:18

Rev. 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev. 22:2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

S&H 573:31 When you read this, remember Jesus' words, "The kingdom of God is within you." This spiritual consciousness is therefore a present possibility.

We invite you to join us by contributing your own "Metaphysical Building Stones!" We'd love to add your inspirations in the form of passages from the Bible and Mrs. Eddy's writings, hymns, and CSPS content. Please email them to Jodie.Maurer@PeaceHavenAssociation.org.

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Prov. 8:1, 3, 34

- 1 Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?
- 3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.
- 34 Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

In building, doors have a two-fold purpose: to welcome and to keep out. Metaphysically, they welcome all of God's good and keep out what's not of God. This admitting and guarding is essential. It's our primary job as porters.

Standing porter requires discernment based on understanding Science, God's law of cause and effect. It's helpful to remember that we're not dealing with conditions, we're dealing with mesmerism.

When we understand that we can only be, know, and do what God causes, the mesmerism breaks.

We can only be what God causes because God's law of cause and effect governs all. This realization awakens us from the dream. With this understanding we act from a standpoint of dominion. We know we're *not trying to fix* a situation.

The fruit of this work is a clear vision of dwelling in the Holy City, conscious of what is real, and thus prepared to serve.

In Matthew 25, watchful, wise virgins, with their oil lamps trimmed, waited for the Christ. Their consciousness was consistently receptive, alert, and expectant of the presence of the Christ and not fooled by materialism, slothfulness, or personal sense. We can follow their example.

Matt. 5:37 let [bold added]

37 ... let your communication be, **Yea**, **yea**; **Nay**, **nay**: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

Rev. 21:1

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

S&H 573:13-28 [bold added]

Accompanying this scientific consciousness was another revelation, even the declaration from heaven, su-

- preme harmony, **that God, the divine Principle** Nearness **of harmony, is ever with men**, and they are of Deity His people. Thus man was no longer regarded as a mis-
- 18 erable sinner, but as the blessed child of God. Why?
 Because St. John's corporeal sense of the heavens and
 earth had vanished, and in place of this false sense was
- 21 the spiritual sense, the subjective state by which he could see the new heaven and new earth, which involve the spiritual idea and consciousness of reality. This is Scrip-
- 24 tural authority for concluding that such a recognition of

- being is, and has been, possible to men in this present state of existence, that we can become conscious,
- 27 here and now, of a cessation of death, sorrow, and pain. This is indeed a foretaste of absolute Christian Science.

Rev 21:3

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

S&H 465:17–1 Principle [bold added]

Principle and its idea is one,

- 18 and this one is God, omnipotent, omniscient, and omni-
- 1 present Being, and His reflection is man and the universe.

S&H 207:20-23

There is but one primal cause. Therefore there can

21 be no effect from any other cause, and there can be no reality in aught which does not proceed from One prima this great and only cause.

S&H 392:24 Stand [bold added]

24 **Stand porter at the door of thought.**Admitting only such conclusions as you wish realized in

bodily results, you will control yourself har- Guarding

- 27 moniously. When the condition is present the door which you say induces disease, whether it be air, exercise, heredity, contagion, or accident, then perform your office
- 30 as **porter** and shut out these unhealthy thoughts and fears. Exclude from mortal mind the offending errors; then the body cannot suffer from them. The issues of pain or
- 1 pleasure must come through mind, and like a **watchman** forsaking his post, we admit the intruding belief, forget-
- 3 ting that through divine help we can forbid this entrance.

Rev. 22:14, 16 [bold added]

- 14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
- 16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

John 10:1–3, 9 [bold added]

- 1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.
- 2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
- 3 To him the **porter** openeth; and the sheep hear his voice; and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
- 9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Rev. 21:22, 25, 27 [bold added]

22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

- 25 And **the gates of it shall not be shut** at all by day: for there shall be no night there.
- 27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

S&H 594:1

- Serpent (ophis, in Greek; nacash, in Hebrew).
 Subtlety; a lie; the opposite of Truth, named error;
- 3 the first statement of mythology and idolatry; the belief in more than one God; animal magnetism; the first lie of limitation; finity; the first claim that there is an oppo-
- 6 site of Spirit, or good, termed matter, or evil; the first delusion that error exists as fact; the first claim that sin, sickness, and death are the realities of life. The first
- 9 audible claim that God was not omnipotent and that there was another power, named evil, which was as real and eternal as God, good.

My. 213:3-5 [bold added]

3 The malicious aim of perverted mind-power, or animal magnetism, is to paralyze good and give activity to evil.

S&H 376:30 [bold added] To fear and admit the power of disease, is to **paralyze** mental and scientific demonstration.

S&H 102:1 [bold added]

- Animal magnetism has no scientific foundation, for God governs all that is real, harmonious, and eternal, and
- 3 His power is neither animal nor human. Its Mere basis being a belief and this belief animal, in negation Science animal magnetism, mesmerism, or hypnotism is
- 6 a mere negation, possessing neither intelligence, power, nor reality, and in sense it is an unreal concept of the socalled mortal mind.

Mis. 30:8

St. John spiritually discerned and revealed the sum total of transcendentalism. He saw the real earth and

heaven. They were spiritual, not material; and they were without pain, sin, or death. Death was not the

door to this heaven. The gates thereof he declared were inlaid with pearl, - likening them to the priceless understanding of man's real existence, to be recognized here

15 and now.

S&H 573:29

Take heart, dear sufferer, for this reality of being will

- 30 surely appear sometime and in some way. There will be no more pain, and all tears will be wiped away. When you read this, remember Jesus' words, "The kingdom of
- 1 God is within you." This spiritual consciousness is therefore a present possibility.

S&H 536:8 The divine understanding reigns,

9 is all, and there is no other consciousness.