



Speaking in Scientific Metaphysics

“**Heart.** Mortal feelings, motives, affections, joys, and sorrows.” is Mary Baker Eddy’s insight on mental anatomy. It’s a defining statement for the whole human body. **Eyes** and **Ears** are, in fact, defined spiritually. It’s a wonderful juxtaposition of human and spiritual. Heaven’s peace and harmony expresses!

Her definition of “**Heart**” beautifully pictures that organ as a mental construct. It presents a more easily accepted definition than would be of say, the “liver.” Yet, what applies to the heart, in mental aspect, also applies to every other organ and function. And mortal emotions, or qualities, can be lifted to higher spiritual discernments and understandings as **Eyes** and **Ears** scientifically represent.

She points to the fact that the heart is a thought or thoughts, even though, it is often circumscribed as a physical object. To get the full context or flavor, the term “PHYSICAL” on page 115 of Science and Health must be understood and acknowledged. Then, what is physical and what is not physical according to divine Science becomes immediately apparent.

One may ask in order to gain a fair perspective, is the heart (your heart or anyone’s heart as it beats in the body) really physical? Is it an evil belief? Does the body think? Then, was Jesus himself physical? – did he have evil beliefs? Once considered, go on to the particulars that really matter.

She invites an amazing look at body, and *actually* at all things, beyond the merely material. “**Heart,**” as posited, is a guide to a broader view. It removes a finite sense of life by redefining an organ for the purpose of improving it by mental means.

Mortal emotions have beginning and ending. As thoughts or perspectives they can be influenced more or less by general opinion and also by what is called mental malpractice. However, in divine Science, individuality belongs to God

while man in God's image is always individual idea. That last thought is the point where a divine, holy influence touches a mental construct through prayer, self-immolation, and spiritual power. It's there for everyone.

Every organ is but a thought – a human concept – described by the human mind as embodied physically and as sometimes partly affected by mortal emotions. All the while it is mostly unaware of itself or of its actions. "If mortal mind knew how to be better, it would be better." (S&H) We are dealing to large degree with a state of ignorance – general belief often manipulated upon for purposes unseen and only slightly defined in the public mind. We therefore must be very patient, kind, and loving.

The word **Temple** in the Glossary gives the correct concept of body. Body is "idea of Life, substance, intelligence; superstructure of Truth; shrine of Love." It's a fulfilling of the higher concept of body – and the "PHYSICAL" (evil beliefs) is replaced with the spiritual idea, the human concept of relationship is replaced with the superstructure, and the so-called dualism of good and evil is replaced with the shrine. It's a wholeness all divine that lifts anatomy to purer, spiritual thought-forms.

The oneness of divine Principle and idea signifies unity. All obstacles to understanding remove. Body and relationship are put on a scientific basis. The fixedness of mortal belief falls away. And the infinite idea of Truth unfolds into incalculable hues as light passing through a prism.

The light of infinite Truth dissolves mortal limitation. We need only to realize the infinite facts of *being* and stand ***within it*** peacefully.

Peace, scientifically understood, is the counter fact improving all mortal emotions and therefore establishing harmony for all bodily functions and forms.

"My peace I leave with you." (Christ Jesus)

Additionally: **If you like**, see "Informative Healing," "A Rule for Everyone" and "Removing Mental Malpractice" on PLIR; also, the River "Hiddekel" explained in the Glossary applies

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