



The Power and Meaning of “Light” in Christian Science

“Day. The irradiance of Life; light, the spiritual idea of Truth and Love. ... Life is divine Principle, Mind, Soul, Spirit.” ^(S&H) The “irradiance of Life” or “light” illuminates Truth and Love. That’s the *highest* purpose of light – the bright smile that crowns the risen day.

“Light, the spiritual idea of Truth and Love” fills all space. There is no darkness – no disease, doubt, fear, death, sin or evil belief. Truth and Love are illuminated. Eternity *is* a reality of Truth and Love, illuminated by irradiant Life.

The power of light follows. Christian Science is perfect harmony. The meaning of light is divine Science understood. It is Life as the irradiance of divine Principle, Mind, Soul, and Spirit.

“Let there be light. And there *was* light.” (Gen.) Physical light and darkness are but symbols for a *true* consciousness. The juxtaposition of light and darkness scientifically introduces an awakening to Truth and Love. No error in Truth and no hate in Love, and no darkness in light explain the all-ness of God, infinite good, and the perfect quality and character of His manifestation. Comes a loud declaration, “There is no darkness.”

Light and darkness is useful metaphor, a kind of syllogism, in which **only** light as the irradiance of Life can actually exist. In a physical sense pure light and absolute darkness cannot exist together. The term darkness only highlights the irradiance of Life, God. Likewise, intelligence and non-intelligence is an impossible coalescence. In divine Science health and disease is a contradiction. The metaphysical syllogism of light and darkness cancels dualism of belief just as light extinguishes darkness. A human sense of good and evil dwelling side by side disappears in the irradiance of Life as it illuminates Truth and Love. The same syllogism fills all **mental** space explaining divine reflection as the understanding of reality.

The *full* power of light as Christian Science, appears.

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