

Career Planning

Jesus' career was to him both objective and subjective -- often undiscussed concepts in career planning. Understand them in divine Science and they aid you in immortal success. Yet, they may seem unlikely or even nonessential to a career planning process with all its detail – schooling, degree plan, experience, and so forth. Jesus' objective was to demonstrate the spiritual idea of all things. His subjective was his spiritual nature and that defined his career. Your station in life does not define you. Nor does your age! Only your objective and subjective do that. And you have dominion over both of them. The maxim "Do what you love and love what you do" always fits. A short explanation follows.

Jesus told the parable of the talents. He never believed that life was in matter, or limited. His thought was more infinite. There is no multiplying *in* matter which is the theme of the parable. "Science shows that what is termed *matter* is but the subjective state of what is termed by the author as mortal mind." (S&H) Just *look around*. Is your circumstance limited or unlimited? Either way that is your own subjective. *Never* stop there.

The *important* thing is to account for the subjective: then move forward immediately. The key to success is to replace a limited perspective with a more spiritual one. The spiritual is always infinite. Always advance toward the spiritual!

You **will** need a scientific sense of identity. Identity is *analogous* to facets of a diamond. Each facet shows <u>some</u> of the diamond. No one facet reveals all of it. But each facet is unique, individual and **needed**. It is essential to have a good perspective on identity. You are then defining who you are with a higher tone about yourself and others.

Also, a *better* understanding of substance as Life, Truth, and Love is, *in fact*, itself a better supply. Just consider taking that position even if you don't yet quite believe it. If you begin career planning with that big thought in mind you instantly

begin to take limited supply <u>thoughts</u> out of your equation. Better understanding equals more supply. It's a powerful equation.

Jesus thought <u>as</u> Mind thinks, stood <u>as</u> Truth stands, and loved <u>as</u> Love loves. You can too. Use the little word <u>as</u> for terrific results. It models the best career planning.

Now, for added benefit, place your idea-career on the four self-evident propositions found on page 113 of Science and Health. They are *the* foundation for all right thinking. Remember that a self-evident proposition does not need to be proved. It's like a Q.E.D. statement in the proof of a mathematical theorem which means: "the very thing required *is* proved." And, the four self-evident propositions are self-evident to your spiritual sense. As you do, divine Science unfolds infinite dimension for you. Know that your career moves before you — it's a proven fact in spiritual history.

Your career is already within you as a divine idea. Here's a mental exercise just for you. Substitute Life, Truth, and Love for the word Spirit in the following sentence: "Spirit, God, gathers unformed thoughts into their proper channels, and unfolds these thoughts, even as He opens the petal of a holy purpose in order that the purpose may appear." Why do this? Well, it gives a broader sense of substance. And it shows the connectivity within the text of Science and Health and how it aids every step of your career.

Think of the revelation of divine Science as the *model* for your progress. *Do that consciously*. How? Be aware of correlative passages in Science and Health, Prose Works, and the Bible. For a specific Bible correlation, if you like, take a look at the four rivers which are explained in the Glossary of Science and Health. These rivers embody a wonderful sense of beauty, womanhood, science, and universe all leading to innocence and success in life.

"All nature teaches God's love to man." (S&H) That relationship underlies the fact that the moral qualities are actually **whole**. What is honesty without affection? Or temperance without humanity? Every moral quality necessitates every other moral quality for completeness and that understanding leads to the spiritual idea of all things. It is practical – very practical.

There is newness every moment. It is the unfolding of God's day. Newness *first* belongs to God and therefore cannot be obstructed. It is then reflected in you – His idea. Be open to good. Everyone is unique. Remember to think <u>as</u> God thinks, and so naturally connect with Him.

Include a metaphysical approach to career planning. While unlike most other approaches it brings into experience a spiritually scientific view that is <u>self-sustaining</u>. "To those leaning on the sustaining infinite, today is big with blessings." (S&H)

Your career is a divine idea.

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