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Modern Prophets

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Hymn 307

**Hymn 304–309, 456**

**“FEED MY SHEEP”**

MARY BAKER EDDY

(304)

**GUIDANCE**

LYMAN BRACKETT

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**SHEPHERD**

ALBERT F. CONANT

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**CONCORD**

WILLIAM LYMAN JOHNSON

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**LLANFAIR**

ARR. FROM ROBERT WILLIAMS

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**EGERTON**

G. THALBEN-BALL

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**BENEVOLENCE**

E. NORMAN GREENWOOD

Shepherd, show me how to go  
O'er the hillside steep,  
How to gather, how to sow,—  
How to feed Thy sheep;  
I will listen for Thy voice,  
Lest my footsteps stray;  
I will follow and rejoice  
All the rugged way.

Thou wilt bind the stubborn will,  
Wound the callous breast,

Make self-righteousness be still,  
Break earth's stupid rest.  
Strangers on a barren shore,  
Lab'ring long and lone,  
We would enter by the door,  
And Thou know'st Thine own;

So, when day grows dark and cold,  
Tear or triumph harms,  
Lead Thy lambkins to the fold,  
Take them in Thine arms;  
Feed the hungry, heal the heart,  
Till the morning's beam;  
White as wool, ere they depart,  
Shepherd, wash them clean.

#### Hymn 84

### **Hymn 84**

**BASED ON A HYMN BY**  
THEODOR V. OLDENBURG

(84)

### **REPENTANCE**

LUDVIG M. LINDEMAN

God's eternal Word is spoken,  
Piercing mists, around, above;  
Of eternal might the token,  
Emblem of eternal Love;  
Out of darkness, world-enthraling,  
Into Light, O hear it calling.

Word of God, O Word eternal,  
May we hear thy living voice,  
Learn the power of Love supernal,  
Learn obedience,—and rejoice;  
God's commands forever heeding,  
Follow where His love is leading.

#### Hymn 416

### **Hymn 416, 20**

KATE L. COLBY  
*Adapted*

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### **LINWOOD**

GIOACCHINO A. ROSSINI, ARR.

Be true and list the voice within,  
Be true unto thy high ideal,  
Thy perfect self, that knows no sin,  
That self that is the only real.

God is the only perfect One:  
My perfect self is one with Him;  
So man is seen as God's own son,  
When Truth dispels the shadows dim.

True to our God whose name is Love,  
We shall fulfill our Father's plan;  
For true means true to God above,  
To self, and to our fellow-man.

Num. 11:29 1st would

29 would God that all the LORD's people were prophets, *and* that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!

Gen. 12:1-4

- 1 NOW the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:
- 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:
- 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.
- 4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

Gen. 17:1, 3, 5, 6

- 1 AND when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.
- 3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,
- 5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.
- 6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

Gen. 32:24-28

- 24 ¶ And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.
- 25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.

26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

27 And he said unto him, What *is* thy name? And he said, Jacob.

28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

Eph. 4:4, 7, 14, 15

4 *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

14 That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, *and* cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, *even* Christ:

Eph. 5:1, 10

1 BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;

10 Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.

Num. 12:3

3 (Now the man Moses *was* very meek, above all the men which *were* upon the face of the earth.)

Ex. 3:1-4, 10, 13-15

1 NOW Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, *even* to Horeb.

2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed.

3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I.

10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, *when* I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What *is* his name? what shall I say unto them?

14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

- 15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this *is* my name for ever, and this *is* my memorial unto all generations.

Ex. 4:12

- 12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

Num. 11:16, 17

- 16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee.
- 17 And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which *is* upon thee, and will put *it* upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear *it* not thyself alone.

I Kings 17:1-24

- 1 AND Elijah the Tishbite, *who was* of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, *As* the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.
- 2 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,
- 3 Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward, and hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.
- 4 And it shall be, *that* thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there.
- 5 So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.
- 6 And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook.
- 7 And it came to pass after a while, that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land.
- 8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,
- 9 Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which *belongeth* to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.
- 10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman *was* there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.
- 11 And as she was going to fetch *it*, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand.
- 12 And she said, *As* the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I *am*

gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

- 13 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go *and* do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring *it* unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.
- 14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day *that* the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth.
- 15 And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat *many* days.
- 16 *And* the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.
- 17 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, *that* the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.
- 18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son?
- 19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed.
- 20 And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?
- 21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again.
- 22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.
- 23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.
- 24 ¶ And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou *art* a man of God, *and* that the word of the LORD in thy mouth *is* truth.

Matt. 4:18-20

- 18 ¶ And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
- 19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.
- 20 And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.

Matt. 4:21, 22

- 21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father,

mending their nets; and he called them.

22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

SH 308:14-15

The Soul-inspired patriarchs heard the voice of Truth,  
15 and talked with God as consciously as man talks with man.

SH 514:26-28, 30-31

Understanding the control which Love held over all,  
27 Daniel felt safe in the lions' den, and Paul proved the  
viper to be harmless. A realization of this grand  
verity was a source of strength to the ancient worthies.

Creatures of God  
useful

SH 483:19-21

To those natural Christian Scientists, the an-  
cient worthies, and to Christ Jesus, God certainly revealed  
21 the spirit of Christian Science, if not the absolute letter.

SH 98:4-7

The prophet of to-day beholds in the mental horizon  
the signs of these times, the reappearance of the Chris-  
6 tianity which heals the sick and destroys error,  
and no other sign shall be given.

Spiritual  
foreshadowings

SH 109:24-27

When a new spiritual idea is borne to earth, the  
prophetic Scripture of Isaiah is renewedly fulfilled:  
"Unto us a child is born, . . . and his name shall be  
27 called Wonderful."

SH 334:10-12 1st The

The invisible Christ was imperceptible to the  
so-called personal senses, whereas Jesus appeared as a  
12 bodily existence.

The Son's  
duality

SH 482:23

Angels announced to the Wisemen of  
24 old this dual appearing, and angels whisper it, through  
faith, to the hungering heart in every age.

SH 95:25-27

Is the wise man of to-day believed, when he  
beholds the light which heralds Christ's eternal dawn  
27 and describes its effulgence?

SH 139:4-9

From beginning to end, the Scriptures are full of  
accounts of the triumph of Spirit, Mind, over matter.  
6 Moses proved the power of Mind by what men

called miracles; so did Joshua, Elijah, and  
Elisha. The Christian era was ushered in with signs and  
9 wonders.

SH 308:16-28

Jacob was *alone*, wrestling with error, — struggling  
with a mortal sense of life, substance, and intelligence  
18 as existent in matter with its false pleasures  
and pains, — when an angel, a message from  
Truth and Love, appeared to him and smote the sinew,  
21 or strength, of his error, till he saw its unreality; and  
Truth, being thereby understood, gave him spiritual  
strength in this Peniel of divine Science. Then said  
24 the spiritual evangel: “Let me go, for the day breaketh;”  
that is, the light of Truth and Love dawns upon thee.  
But the patriarch, perceiving his error and his need  
27 of help, did not loosen his hold upon this glorious light  
until his nature was transformed.

Wrestling of  
Jacob

SH 309:10-16, 17

He was no longer called Jacob, but Israel, —  
a prince of God, or a soldier of God, who had fought  
12 a good fight. He was to become the father of those, who  
through earnest striving followed his demonstration of the  
power of Spirit over the material senses; and the children  
15 of earth who followed his example were to be called the  
children of Israel, until the Messiah should rename them. If these children should go astray, and forget that Life  
18 is God, good, and that good is not in elements which are  
not spiritual, — thus losing the divine power which heals  
the sick and sinning, — they were to be brought back  
21 through great tribulation, to be renamed in Christian  
Science and led to deny material sense, or mind in matter,  
even as the gospel teaches.

SH 138:17-18

Jesus established in the Christian era the precedent for  
18 all Christianity, theology, and healing.

SH 138:25

The Christian can prove this to-day as  
readily as it was proved centuries ago.

SH 142:18-20

18 As in Jesus' time, so to-day, tyranny and pride need to  
be whipped out of the temple, and humility and divine Sci-  
ence to be welcomed in.

Temple cleansed

SH 254:16

During the sensual ages, absolute Christian Science  
may not be achieved prior to the change called death,  
18 for we have not the power to demonstrate what we do  
not understand. But the human self must be evangel-  
ized. This task God demands us to accept lovingly  
21 to-day, and to abandon so fast as practical the material,  
and to work out the spiritual which determines the out-  
ward and actual.

SH 418:27-29 Cast

Cast out all manner of evil. "Preach  
the gospel to every creature." Speak the  
truth to every form of error.

Morality  
required

SH 254:27

27 If you launch your bark upon the ever-agitated but  
healthful waters of truth, you will encounter storms.  
Your good will be evil spoken of. This is the  
30 cross. Take it up and bear it, for through it  
you win and wear the crown. Pilgrim on earth, thy home  
is heaven; stranger, thou art the guest of God.

The cross and  
crown