Tenets of Christian Science

Question. — Have Christian Scientists any religious creed?

Answer. — They have not, if by that term is meant doctrinal beliefs. The following is a brief exposition of the important points, or religious tenets, of Christian Science: —

- 1. As adherents of Truth, we take the inspired Word of the Bible as our sufficient guide to eternal Life.
- 2. We acknowledge and adore one supreme and infinite God. We acknowledge His Son, one Christ; the Holy Ghost or divine Comforter; and man in God's image and likeness.
- 3. We acknowledge God's forgiveness of sin in the destruction of sin and the spiritual understanding that casts out evil as unreal. But the belief in sin is punished so long as the belief lasts.
- 4. We acknowledge Jesus' atonement as the evidence of divine, efficacious Love, unfolding man's unity with God through Christ Jesus the Way-shower; and we acknowledge that man is saved through Christ, through Truth, Life, and Love as demonstrated by the Galilean Prophet in healing the sick and overcoming sin and death.
- 5. We acknowledge that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection served to uplift faith to understand eternal Life, even the allness of Soul, Spirit, and the nothingness of matter.
- 6. And we solemnly promise to watch, and pray for that Mind to be in us which was also in Christ Jesus; to do unto others as we would have them do unto us; and to be merciful, just, and pure.

— Mary Baker Eddy, Science and Health "I began reading the Bible and the Christian Science textbook, and troubles of every kind disappeared before I had read Science and Health through."

— A reader from Seattle, WA

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- the Holy Bible
- Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures
- other writings by Mary Baker Eddy
- Christian Science Quarterly Bible Lessons
- The Christian Science Monitor
- The Christian Science Journal, Christian Science Sentinel, and the Herald of Christian Science — monthly and weekly magazines filled with articles and reports of healing from around the world.

You can also visit **christianscience.com/ebooks** where digital editions of the Bible, *Science and Health*, and other books are available for purchase.

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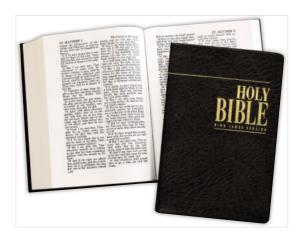
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"The question then as now was, How did Jesus heal the sick?"

> — Mary Baker Eddy, Science and Health

The Bible

The Bible has been loved by generations of readers. They have found guidance and comfort in the courage and spiritual vision of the Old Testament prophets, the inspiring words and works of Christ Jesus, and the ministry of the apostles. For those who have pondered this sacred text, a yearning for a deeper understanding of God grows, along with a desire to find in God answers to the spectrum of human needs.

A lifelong student of the Bible, Mary Baker Eddy established Christian Science, a prayer-based system of healing, on the spiritual laws at the heart of the Scriptures. This is the Science of Christianity anyone can learn and practice. "The Bible has been my only authority," she wrote, having experienced and proved that it "contains the recipe for all healing."

Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy



"He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also..." These words of Christ Jesus are a sweet promise that we can still expect transformative, Christian healing today. Science and Health opens up the Word of the Bible as a divine Science of laws that bring healing, redemption, and restoration

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"The Bible has become a new revelation to me, and I can read it much more understandingly by the light received through the reading of Science and Health."

- A reader from Fairmont, MN

Mary Baker Eddy



Mary Baker Eddy's early life was steeped in the Bible. Reading from it was part of the daily routine of her New England farming family. As an adult, she continued to turn to it through personal losses and chronic ill health. But it was her immedi-

ate recovery from a severe accident through reading one of Jesus' accounts of healing that proved pivotal in what became a new understanding of the Bible.

She wrote, "In the year 1866, I discovered the Christ Science or divine laws of Life, Truth, and Love, and named my discovery Christian Science." Through continued study of the Bible, she came to understand the spiritual laws underlying Jesus' healing ministry. She devoted the rest of her long career to practicing this Science, teaching others how to heal, and sharing her discovery with the world.

She wrote several other books on Christian Science in addition to *Science and Health*, and established ongoing publications, including *The Christian Science Monitor*. In 1879 she founded The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, which today has branches in 67 countries.