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OUR THOUGHT FOR EACH DAY

By Mary Baker Eddy

“Every day, every hour, our work increases in effectiveness and power.”

THINK UPON THIS

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Joshua 1:8

A QUOTE FROM THE PAST

It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible.

George Washington

GEMS FROM OUR HERITAGE

Sermons and Articles p. 30

By Doris White Evans

Every time error assails us, the first thing we have to remember is that Satan is always a liar. And the second thing to remember is, with every attack, we get stronger.

JIM'S CORNER

I grew up on an organic farm. Every morning I had to get up early to go out and milk the almonds.

Author Unknown

THOUGHTS FROM MISCELLANEOUS WRITINGS

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Who hath not learned that when alone he has his own thoughts to guard, and when struggling with mankind his temper, and in society his tongue?

Mary Baker Eddy

QUOTES FROM EDWARD A. KIMBALL

“Cast thy burden on the Lord.” These words are not simply in the way of advice or suggestion, but are in the line of scientific demonstration and are definite and mandatory.

Teaching and Addresses, p. 203

QUOTES FROM MARTHA WILCOX

What is age? Where is age? Of one thing we may be sure, God is never aged, and His manifestation, actual man, is never aged.

Mind, or conscious Life, in its very being, is the conscious qualities of enthusiasm, spontaneity, buoyancy, elasticity, agility, vigor, vitality, and these qualities are ever in manifestation as the actual man, the only man.

Addresses, pages 165, 166

“A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD”

**A Visit to Morristown, N.J., with
Bruce Singleterry**

Not far from Plainfield, NJ in the nearby town of Morristown is the historical site of George Washington's Headquarters. There are two primary buildings on this site. One is a museum which contains many informative displays and antique artifacts and documents. The other building is the Ford mansion, which is the place where Washington was permitted to stay during the winter of 1779-1780, while the troops camped nearby in Jockey Hollow. Tours of the Ford mansion are conducted by the National Park Service. Below is a picture of the Ford mansion, the next picture is just inside the front door.



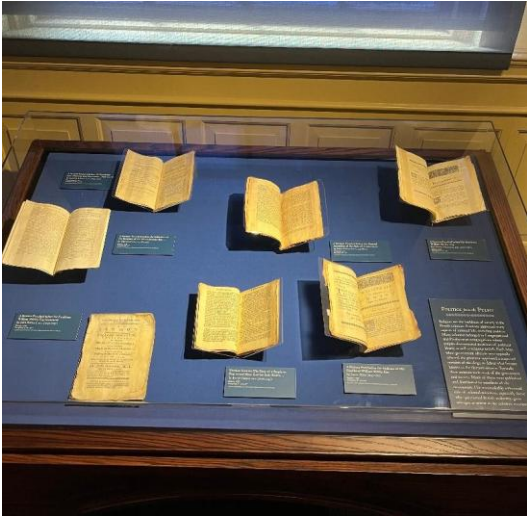
Below are pictures of Revolutionary War canons and flintlock rifles.



At that time religion had a very prominent influence in society. The Congregation-
alist and Presbyterian congregations were
a very persuasive presence. Sermons
from these pulpits addressed many issues
pertaining to the life in the colonies.
Beside religious beliefs, politics were
also taken up in the churches. The

Christian religion had no restrictions and its influence permeated all aspects of society. When government officials were up for election, this issue was taken up unapologetically, and sermons were delivered to take stock of government and society. These sermons were also published and distributed throughout their respective communities. This indicates the degree of influence that the ministers of the gospel had.

Below is one of several displays of published sermons delivered by ministers of the gospel.



Below is the room where Washington held meetings and dispatched letters.



Below is the picture of Washington's office in the Ford mansion.



Below is the central room on the second floor.



**MEMBERSHIP MEETING
May 2025
Website and
Broadcasting Committee
Jeremy Palmer**

Our May Membership meeting had some interesting information about our recent church activities from our Website

and Broadcasting Committee.

First, we just created our twentieth website. This one is in the language of Swahili, which is spoken in many African nations. We are grateful to be reaching even more sincere seekers. Within just two weeks, this website was already visited by 76 visitors who viewed 445 pages.

Since January, our English language website has had 73,000 visitors! And our English YouTube channel had 208,500 visitors and has 6,538 subscribers.

Our Spanish website has had 6,092 visitors and our Spanish YouTube channel has had 10,800 views and has 911 subscribers.

Our German website had 4,176 visitors; and the French website had 2,766 visitors, along with 2,300 YouTube views and 163 subscribers.

Bible Study Committee

Thomas Richards

There are several psalms that we will be going over in the Bible Studies that are referred to as the “travel psalms.” They are very good to pray with when we’re traveling; and since this is the season people often travel, we will be posting them occasionally.

The first is the 121st Psalm.

Psalm 121

¹ I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

² My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

³ He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

⁴ Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

⁶ The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷ The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

⁸ The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Even if we’re not traveling far, we can use this while traveling to work, to the store, any time we get into a vehicle.

These psalms were made when people traveled to Jerusalem for festivals.

Library Committee

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The committee has been doing much preservation and archiving work. Antique and rare editions are being carefully stored in archival boxes to preserve them. Our online catalog now has nearly 700 books, with links to digital copies of the books where you can read the books at home. There is an autobiography of Ginger Rogers, and a biography of Charlotte Greenwood, who was a famous dancer, born in 1890 and made her first stage debut in 1905. They were both Christian Scientists.

Take a look through the Library—you might see something that would interest you!

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