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## *Spirit in Action*

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From "Omnipresence" in  
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by Daisy Baum (1909)

"[Omnipresence]...is the basis of all thinking, healing and living. As we find the truth of Omnipresence, we find the Truth of God and [humanity]. In Divine Science the term Omnipresence is used more than any other word, and it is really the foundation principle of all our work.

Wherever we use the term Omnipresence, we mean to convey to the student the eternal fact of the all-inclusive, all-pervading, all-infilling, all-sustaining Life, which [humanity] has pleased to call or name God, and of which [humanity] is a part. We see this Presence as Cause, Source...its nature eternal, self-sustaining, indivisible, boundless, unlimited. The substance of this One who is ALL is Spirit. Its activity is Life. Its attributes are Love, Wisdom, Joy, Peace, Wholeness, Perfection.

... back of all the visible universe there must be an invisible cause, and perhaps no one has given us a clearer idea of the Omnipresence than [19th century English philosopher] Herbert Spencer in his statement: "We are forever in the Presence of an Infinite and Eternal energy from which all things proceed," which corresponds with the Bible statement: "One God...of all, who is above all, and through all and in you all."

Since Omnipresence is all-inclusive as Life, Substance and Intelligence, the individual must help to make up that all-inclusive Life, and in so far as he [or she] is awake to the truth of this statement he [or she] enjoys the fullness of the Omnipresence. In carrying out this wonderful truth, that each individual helps to make up this Omnipresent Life, we can emphasize the statement of Jesus: "I and the Father are one", and also "[One] that hath seen me hath seen the [Divine]."

Following along in our search for truth, we find, "Heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ," which certainly would in its deepest sense signify that every living soul has the same inheritance as had Jesus, and reveals the [Divine] Presence as Life, Substance and Intelligence, which would cause all seekers for absolute Truth to see the Omnipresence in themselves.

...The Reality of the universe being the all-inclusive Life which is perfect, and including within itself all that is, we must conclude that all we see that is unlike this One Presence is but seeming. "Appearance," Jesus called it, unreality, false conception, and it passes away as we become conscious of Truth. All fear and worry in the world is a lack of understanding, therefore, a lack of faith and trust in the Omnipresence of God, the All-Good, in which there is no sin, sickness, disease or death. Taking this All-presence into your thought as Divine Love pervading and filling all, would bring you into realization of peace and rest in greater measure than any other Truth you could possibly meditate upon. To become conscious of this Divine Presence is the one thing needful today; to know it as eternal Life, all-caring Love, infinite Abundance and all-pervading Health, is the supreme desire of every aspiring soul.

Divine Science Prayer  
A Reflection by Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins

*In Divine Science, our prayers may seem less structured than some other spiritual traditions. Our diversity of approaches while being laser focused on Omnipresence may, in fact, be part of the power of our path.*

*Divine Scientists often pray simply by going within and communing with the One Presence, and then allowing the Presence to reveal what is needed.*

*Some simply sit in the Silence, believing communion with God (Good) is enough to solve any problem. Others, in the Silence, use visualization, and if they have difficulty visualizing will employ affirmations, silently, or spoken softly but fueled with feeling. And others, motivated by the stories of Malinda Cramer and Nona Brooks, will in the Silence imagine a healing light surrounding every person and condition for whom prayers are offered.*

*Many pray the prayer Jesus taught, the Lord's Prayer (often in the present tense: "thy kingdom comes, thy will is done...thou givest us this day our daily bread...etc.).*

*Still others follow a six step method: (1) Recognize God. (2) Realize we are one with God (since God is omnipresent). (3) Deny that there is anything to oppose God or God's good (since God is omnipresent). (4) Affirm the Truth of God's Good. (5) Give thanks. (6) And release the prayer to divine right action.*

*Some may use all 6 steps over time, but only 2 or 3 or 4 in any given treatment, being led by inner guidance. Some find that the steps need not always be "in order."*

*And there are still others who use all of these methods and more. The point of power seems to be in the awareness of the Omnipresence. If God is where we are, we must be an expression of what God is. Any prayer that helps us focus on and trust this Truth is bound to be effective.*

*Keep praying. And thank you for being a bright light in the world.*

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DAILY PRAYERS & REFLECTIONS

Jan 1 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"We have no enemies except those we entertain in our own mentality." Ada B. Fay, DSD (Divine Scientist, author of Divine Science Bible Textbook)

*I allow this new year to be filled with love, hope, and abundance. I have nothing to fear. I am one with a good and infinite Source. This is and will remain a happy new year. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation, Denial, Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 2 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"The desire in the heart for all good things is God tapping at the door of your soul-consciousness with [divine] infinite supply..." Agnes Galer (Divine Scientist who ordained Ernest Holmes)

*There is good for me and nothing can keep it from me. It is mine by right of consciousness. I receive my good with gratitude. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation. Denial. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 3 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“Prayer as taught by Christianity is the process of getting into the stream of God’s will and receiving our inheritance. Prayer is a state of pure receptivity and acceptance on [our] side, of gracious bestowal on God’s side. True prayer is never petition, it is contemplation of the truths of life and establishing these facts in consciousness.” Agnes Lawson (Divine Scientist, worked with Henry Victory Morgan and Albert Grier)

*I am immersed in a Sea of Blessings. I reach out and embrace my good knowing that there is so much more beyond that. Joy, vitality, creativity, and peace are mine to have, to share, to celebrate today. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of a divine Source and unity with It. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 4 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“As we practice the work of forgiveness, we discover more and more that forgiveness and healing are one.” Agnes Sanford (Protestant, Charismatic, and New Thought - a spiritual healer)

*Release of regret. Detachment from pain. Knowing there is something better than the bitter experiences of the past. These statements describe both forgiveness and healing. Perhaps one leads to the other. Perhaps they are one and the same.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Positive argumentation.

Jan 5 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“God is. God is a Reality. God is All-good, All-presence, All-knowledge, All-power, All-wisdom from which we each one, may draw according to our consciousness.” Anna L. Palmer (Divine Scientist)

*God is available to all, for God is All-in-all. I trust God to fill me with peace and joy, and to lead me in paths of fulfillment. Since God is always with me, this must be done and is being done. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 6 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“Begin now to affirm that you are one with the Source of all abundance...Affirm and feel that your supply comes from God through your consciousness of your oneness with God.” Alice R. Ritchie, DSD (Divine Scientist)

*God is my Source. My Source is infinite. Blessings flow without obstruction from my Source into my life. I give thanks and I allow it to be. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of a divine Source and unity with It. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 7 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“We are partakers so completely unified with the [Divine] that we think [God’s] thoughts, speak [God’s] words, and do [God’s] works.” Annie S. Greenwood (metaphysical teacher, wrote articles for Divine Science and other New Thought groups)

*God power flows through me to accomplish wonderful things. Those who enter my atmosphere discover healing, joy, relief, encouragement, insights, and breakthroughs. I am so aware of the divine presence that the light of that presence shines on many. God, through me, is working miracles. Alleluia.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of divine Power and unity with It. Affirmation. Gratitude.

Jan 8 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“The body is wealthy that has health, and the circumstances are healthy that have wealth.” Annie Rix Militz (ordained by Emma Curtis Hopkins, founded the Home of Truth, and after meeting Swami Vivekananda, began to see and share New Thought as an interfaith spirituality)

*Wholeness. That’s my gift. That’s my birthright. That’s what I deserve. That’s what is meant for me. Wholeness. A body that serves me well, a mind that is sharp, a spirit that vibrates with joy, relationships that are harmonious, activity that is good for me and for others...my whole life is meant to be blessed, and I allow it to be and I give thanks that it is so.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 9 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“[Jesus]...said we were to do greater works than he did. At this stage of our development we find this nearly impossible to believe, but this is our destiny. I remember the words and the work of Jesus the Christ. I follow his way to the best of my present understanding. Miracles come to pass as I grow in consciousness.” Barbara L. Wolfe (Divine Science practitioner)

*I am growing in consciousness and I am experiencing God more deeply, more richly, more amazingly as I continue to grow. And so it is.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation Recognition of God. Release.

Jan 10 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“...love rules the universe, [ourselves] included.” Caroline Munz (Divine Scientist, teacher of spiritual psychology, ordained by Nona Brooks)

*Divine Love is the One Power and Presence, the All-in-all, the Substance of all life. Love is the Law. Love is the Lord. Love is the Light that guides us all. I am enfolded in, filled with, and made of Love. All is well. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 11 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“All that God is, is available to me right here and right now... There is ample good for all... My demonstration is sure. It comes in a perfect time, in a perfect way.” Claudine Whitaker (Episcopal lay deaconess who became a Divine Science minister ordained by Nona Brooks and later became a Religious Science minister)

*When I know that I Am one with God, I find that fear dissolves. What’s to fear if I am forever in and part of God? When I know that I Am one with God, I cannot fear lack since I Am one with the Source of all abundance. When I know that I Am one with God, I cannot fear loneliness because I am never alone. When I know that I Am one with God, I realize that I Am one with All Good, and my Good is made manifest in perfect ways; for this, I am thankful. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Denial. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 12 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“Surely joy and happiness should be a part of our experience now and always.” Daisy Baum (Divine Scientist trained by Fannie Brooks James)

*Divine Source of joy, I ask you to fill my heart with gladness, with peace, with true happiness. I receive this gift with gratitude, and I let the light of joy shine through me to bless others. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God. Invitation to blessings. Acceptance. Gratitude. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 13 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“[God’s] wisdom I translate into wise decisions...[God’s] abundance I translate into willing tithes...of time and talent, and of service too as well as substance. I translate [God’s] abundance also in joyous use of all that I possess, giving thanks always. [God’s] strength I translate into perfect health...Oh, I am glad that I am a translator for God!” Elizabeth Searle Lamb (wrote many articles for Divine Science)

*I allow my life to be a love language of God.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation. Recognition of God and unity with God.

Jan 14 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“I open myself to the free-flowing Life that pulsates and surges. The real of me emerges in wondrous ways of harmonious power, radiant light, disarming love that dissolves disease, disaster, dissent and opens the door to glories unknown before. In awe I stand poised in the Great Silence; humbly grateful, I accept – and I let it flow to you...and you...and you...” Elizabeth R. McClellan (a lifelong New Thought adherent)

*I enter into the Silence, and I commune with the divine Presence, and I allow myself to be abundantly blessed. As one who is blessed, I bless others. And so it is.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of the divine Presence and communion with It Affirmation. Release,

Jan 15 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“Thou knowest, my God, the test before me requires indomitable courage, bravery, faith. I look to thee for all I need. Thou gavest me thy Spirit. I use what thou hast given me...My God is with me, therefore all is well.” Elizabeth Nordman (Divine Scientist)

*Dear God, you give me what I need, and so I thank you. You are always with me, and so it is that all is well. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God. Affirmation. Gratitude. Recognition of unity with God. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 16 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“When we give without fear, we are not concerned about limiting ourselves, because we know with an inward knowing that God’s supply is inexhaustible.” F. Bernadette Turner (Divine Science minister who, in her 80s, became an Episcopal priest)

*Giving is an act of faith, a gesture of trust that we have enough to share and that we know our Source is inexhaustible. Giving is an act of love, a way of showing support and goodwill. Giving is an act of gratitude, a way to say thanks to an abundant Universe for its bounty. Giving is an act of worship, a joyful choice to participate in the circulation of divine supply. Giving is very powerful, let us do it with gladness.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation. Commitment to action

Jan 17 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“There is no lack in the universe. God fills it all.” Fannie B. James (Divine Science pioneer, co-founder of the Colorado College of Divine Science, sister of Nona Brooks)

*Since God is the one Presence, all that is must be in and part of this Presence. God, then, is All. There is no lack in all. I must be, and I am, abundantly blessed. Thanks be to God. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Denial. Affirmation. Gratitude Release

Jan 18 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“At last, we are recognizing a divine plan, a divine power, a divine seed of perfection in every living being - the Christ in us, the power of God...” Grace L. Faus (Divine Scientist)

*Divine Light radiates from me. The warmth of goodness is ever present in my life. When things seem uncertain or troubling, I remind myself that I am held in a Love that is everlasting. When trouble comes, I overcome it, move through it, or learn from it, and know all the while that I am growing and rising to new levels of spiritual vitality. The troubling times pass, and the Good that I Am and that I deserve remains untarnished. For this, I give thanks.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition the divine presence and union with it. Affirmation. Gratitude.

Jan 19 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“If there is but one Life, then life is omnipresent – it fills all space. There is nothing outside of it. Indeed, there is no outside. There is but one Life. This Life is the universal Principle of Being that [we] call God.” Helen Wilmans (Mental Science writer)

*God is. There is nothing outside or other than God. God is All-in-all. God is All Good. I am safe. I am blessed. I am happy, because there is one Life, It is divine, and It is expressing through and as my life now.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation.

Jan 20 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“Spiritual Substance is really Omnipresence. It is the ‘body of God,’ or the permeating essence.” Helen Zagat (Divine Scientist)

*One power, one presence, one life, one substance, one principle...I call the One, God. And since there is but One, I must be part of the One, and all that God is must be available to me, now. In this powerful truth, I rejoice. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 21 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“[We are] the expression of God and [are] forever one with [our] Source...’I accept the Omnipresence without any reserve.” Ida B. Elliott (Divine Scientist, Malinda Cramer’s niece, ordained by Nona Brooks)

*When I consider that God is the loving presence in which we all exist, the Source from which we draw life, the Mind in which we are each a perfect idea, the only power and this power is all good and everywhere fully present – then I experience peace, joy, and gratitude and I know that ultimately, all is well. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Release

Jan 22 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“...there can be no separation between Spirit and substance or matter. If God is omnipresent, then [God] is present in matter, and the spiritual and material [person] are one.” Kathleen Besly (Divine Scientist)

*God is all-in-all. God is in my world. God is in me. God is not only creator, God is also the stuff from which creation is made, and God is the process of creating. God is all, and so in truth, all is good. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 23 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“The past played its part in bringing you to your present understanding; therefore, it had its place in your unfoldment. Name it ‘good.’ Labor not in the regret of that which was or might have been... Today offers you everything... You live and move and have your being in the now of an omnipresent God. You live in Omniaction!” Lucile Frederick, DSD (Divine Scientist, ordained by Irwin Gregg)

*The past is simply a collection of acts and scenes that led to this moment in life’s spotlight. It is part of a story that is still unfolding, a story that, with my thoughts, feelings, and choices, I am still writing. There has been good along the way, and there is unlimited good still to experience and celebrate. I expect and accept blessings. The wheels of blessing are already turning, now.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation.

Jan 24 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“You cannot do anything ahead, or in the past. Then, let us make more of the now for it never ends; the past holds nothing from us, and is not dominating us and the future holds nothing from us; all is now.” Malinda Cramer (Divine Science founder)

*The eternal Now is where miracles reside. We are now here, or we are nowhere. In this moment I am part and parcel of God. In this moment, all things are possible. In this moment, I choose the Good.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation. Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation.

Jan 25 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“...the real mystic... knows that God is real, for he [or she] experiences that reality within himself [or herself].” Mildred Mann (student of Emmet Fox, founder of Society of Religious Pragmatism)

*I feel the warmth of the inner spark. I experience the pulsating life that flows through creation. I receive the wisdom that comes at once from deep within me and also from beyond, and yet the beyond is here, I am part of It. Words fail. Images are inadequate. This knowing is as much intuition as intellect, as much feeling as learning, as much experience as reason. I understand It differently over time. I describe It differently as I grow; but I know It. I trust It. I depend on It. I commune with It. I am inseparable from It. For now, I call It God. The name itself is too small for what It is. But I do know It. I experience It. What joy! What love. What peace. And so it is.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of the divine Presence. Communion with the Presence. Affirmation. Release.



Jan 26 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"There is never a time when we have only our human resources on which to depend...we have God's power within us; we have God spirit always with us." Martha Smock (editor of Unity's Daily Word for over 30 years)

*Dear God, you are always with and within me. Today, I remember your presence. I sense it. I trust it. With you to help and guide me, all is well. I rest secure in this Truth. Thank you, God. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 27 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"All forms of life respond to appreciation..." Margaret Stevens (Divine Scientist who led an independent New Thought church for many years)

*Thank you, God, for the blessings I've known and for blessings still to come. Because I am made by you and from you, I now give thanks for my body, my mind, my relationships, my comforts, my successes, the lessons I've learned, the opportunities I have and have had. I give thanks for Life and I give thanks that Life loves me. My life is Good. I am expressing Life's goodness more each day. And so it is.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Gratitude. Recognition of God and unity with God. Gratitude. Affirmation. Release.

Jan 28 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"God formed the universe out of [God's] own substance...all that is...is Spirit; for, since Omnipresence is... there can be but one substance, and that substance must be the substance that is omnipresent, the God-substance." Nona Brooks (early Divine Science pioneer, leader of the movement, co-founder of the Colorado College of Divine Science)

*There is one Power, one Presence, one Substance, one All. God is the I Am that I am. All hope and joy and peace come from the realization that God is All-in-all. God is. My heart sings praises for being part of the All. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 29 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"You cannot leave a situation without spiritual injury unless you leave it lovingly." Peace Pilgrim (peace activist)

*I bless the past with love and release it peacefully. I forgive what needs to be forgiven. I remember fondly what was beautiful and good. I celebrate the healing and growth that I have experienced. This is a new day and I am here for it, ready to thrive. The past is past. I bless it with love and I embrace today's blessings with gratitude. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 30 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

"We live in an ocean of Spirit." Ruth B. Smith (Divine Scientist)

*I am in God and part of God. The droplet. The mist. The foam. The wave. It's all ocean. And so it is that I may show up in different ways at different times, but at all times I am in and part of God. And since I am one of the many ways the divine Ocean is experienced, the power of divinity is always present in my life. I now expect and accept joy, vitality, abundance, harmony, and success. I am forever splashing about in unlimited Good! Thanks be to the God. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God and unity with God. Affirmation. Gratitude. Release.

Jan 31 Daily Prayer by Durrell Watkins

“O Holy Life, O Breath Divine, fill this cup upturned to thee. Pour the nectar of thy Love out, and over, and through all that lives.” Vida Reed Stone (New Thought poet, followed by Hollywood celebrities of her day, some of her work was featured in Divine Science publications)

*As Vida Reed Stone prayed, I now pray for God to fill my life with so much good that it spills over to bless other lives. There is no shortage of Good. There are blessings for all. May we all prosper and live in joy. This is God's will. Yes. Amen.*

**Steps of this prayer:** Recognition of God. Invitation for God's Good to be expressed and experienced. Denial. Affirmation Invitation for more blessings. Affirmation. Release.

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### *Spiritual Leaders to Think about in January*

#### ***Divine Science***

***Alethea Brooks Small (1848 – 1906)*** – sister of Nona Brooks and Fannie Brooks James (early pioneers in the Divine Science movement). She encouraged Nona in her early leadership of Divine Science. Her husband was a business partner of Charles Fillmore before Charles & Myrtle founded Silent Unity.

#### ***Other New Thought Teachers***

***Phineas Quimby (1802 – 1866)*** - generally considered the father of the New Thought movement. He spoke of the “Christ Principle” and considered Jesus to be an inspired soul. He said that mind as matter and mind as invisible essence (or solution) are controlled by a Superior Wisdom, which Jesus understood. Long before Einstein discovered that energy and mass are equal, identical and interchangeable, Quimby was saying that mind as form and mind as solution (or essence) was the same thing. Quimby was known as a healer. He reasoned that dis-ease is really a belief and beliefs can be changed. To change the underlying thought is to change the condition. He described his healing hypothesis in these words, “the trouble is in the mind, for the body is only the house for the mind to dwell in . . . If your mind has been deceived by some invisible enemy into a belief, you have put it into the form of a disease, with or without your knowledge...I come in contact with your enemy and restore you to health and happiness.”

***H. B. Jeffery (1872 – 1954)*** - Studied with Malinda E. Cramer, Emma Curtis Hopkins and Thomas Troward. He worked with Emma Curtis Hopkins on High Mysticism, and taught courses based on Hopkins' work. His own books include Spirit of Prayer, Fruit of the Spirit, and Coordination. Jeffery taught, “God is the One Good. Thus goodwill is the Will of God manifest in [us].”

#### ***Other Spiritual Traditions***

***Takashi Nagai (1908-1951)***—Mystic of Nagasaki. Nagai witnessed the atomic blast over his city. His wife's charred remains were found in the Catholic cathedral, rosary clasped in her hands. As a physician he worked tirelessly for the survivors. When the radiation left him an invalid he became a contemplative, devoting himself to a life of prayer.

***George Fox (1624-1691)***—Founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers). Fox taught that Christians should live simply, not swear any oaths, not make distinctions of social class, and to oppose war and violence. He opposed ordination of clergy or the use of formal forms of worship. The measure of a person's faith was not in theology or even the Bible, but in their own personal spiritual experience. His followers became known as Quakers, a group which represented the left wing of Puritanism that believed in a divine, Inward Light (“that of God” in every person). Malinda Cramer (Divine Science founder) had a Quaker background.

**George Berkeley (1685 – 1753)** - an Irish philosopher and Anglican bishop. He believed that God is spiritual substance, and everything that is must be made of the same spiritual substance.

**Mohandas K. Gandhi (1869 – 1948)** – Proponent of non-violent resistance to systems of oppression. His philosophy and activism sparked the movement for Indian independence from Great Britain. He was a Hindu but also an admirer of Jesus Christ (though he rejected the dogmatic claims of Christianity) and his example inspired U.S. Civil Rights Leader Martin Luther King, Jr.

### ***Biblical Figures***

***Holy Name of Jesus***—Perhaps as a counterbalance to the ancient pagan festivities around the New Year, the Church came to associate January 1st with the naming of Jesus at his circumcision (Luke 2:21).

***Apostle Paul*** – Thirteen books of the New Testament claim to be written by the Apostle Paul (and a fourteenth was once thought to be written by Paul as well). Today, scholarly consensus is that Paul actually only wrote seven epistles that made it into the New Testament. His writings predate the gospels. The First Letter to the Thessalonians is thought to be the oldest book in the New Testament. According to scripture, Paul was a lay scholar who violently opposed the Jesus Movement but who on the Damascus Road had a mystical experience of Christ and thereafter claimed to be an Apostle commissioned by the Risen Christ to call others to follow the Christ-Way.

***Ss. Timothy & Titus*** – Companions of the Apostle Paul. The first and second letters to Timothy and the Letter to Titus in the New Testament are traditionally considered to be authored by Paul. We now believe that those three letters were written 50-100 years after the Apostle Paul's death.

### ***Divine Scientists (& DS compatible teachers) Quoted This Month***

A.B. Faye, Agnes Galer, Agnes Lawson, Agnes Sanford (spiritual healer),  
Anna Palmer, Alice Ritchie, Annie Greenwood, Annie Rix Militz (Home of Truth),  
B.L. Wolfe, Caroline Munz, Claudine Whitaker, Daisy Baum,  
Elizabeth S. Lamb, Elizabeth McClellan (New Thought), Elizabeth Nordman,  
F. Bernadette Turner, Fannie B. James,  
Grace Faus, Helen Wilmans (Mental Science), Helen Zagat,  
Ida B. Elliott (Malinda's niece, ordained by Nona),  
Kathleen Besly, Lucille Frederick,  
Malinda E. Cramer, Mildred Mann (Religious Pragmatism), Martha Smock (Unity),  
Margaret Stevens, Nona Brooks,  
Peace Pilgrim (peace activist), Ruth B. Smith, Vida Reed Stone





# Divine Science Statement of Being

God is all, both invisible and visible.  
One Presence, One Mind,  
One Power is all.

This One that is all is perfect life, perfect love, and perfect substance.

\*[We are] the individualized expression of God and [are] ever one with this perfect life, perfect love, and perfect substance.

\*Man is...and is...