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**Spirit in Action**

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## DAILY AFFIRMATIONS

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 1

Thank you, indwelling God, for grace equal to every need.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 2

An avalanche of blessings is coming my way.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 3

Being one with God, I Am one with All Good. And so it is.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 4

It is in God that I live and move and have my being, and so it is that I Am joyful, serene, and abundantly blessed.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 5

Life loves me and is good to me. I deserve the best Life has to offer.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 6

There is nothing I cannot be, do, or have; and so it is that I embrace my Good with gratitude, today and every day. Amen.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 7

I can accomplish my goals, and I intend to accomplish them.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 8

Dear God, you are All-in-all, and this gives me confidence, peace, and joy. Amen.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 9

I give thanks for miracles.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 10

Divine Life is perfect, everlasting, and omnipresent; and so it is that my life, as an expression of Divine Life, is vibrant, joyful, and continuously blessed. Amen.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 11

I glorify God. God glorifies me. The cycle is endless, wondrous, and beautiful.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 12

I deserve success and prosperity. I Am abundantly supplied.

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 13

I radiate Love today.

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 14

Hope cannot be false; hope is the reminder that Good is everywhere present and everlasting. My hope grows into certainty that ultimately, all is well.

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 15

Our brother and wayshower, Jesus, taught us that Love is the highest ethic and greatest power. Today, I let myself love more, and I accept freely and joyously the love that is offered to me. Let Love's miracles abound. Amen.

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 16

"The angel of supply is ever at hand." (Malinda Cramer)

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 17

"There is Good for me and I ought to have it."  
(Emma Curtis Hopkins)

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 18

"God is everywhere, therefore God is here. What God is, is everywhere; therefore, what God is, is here...health, joy, love, wisdom, supply and power are here." (Nona Brooks)

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 19

"[I Am] a divine idea sent forth in spiritual freedom, majesty and glory, into a world of...order where cosmic Spirit is ever responsive." (Myrtle C. Kate)

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 20

"In the Principle of Good, nothing can be lacking."  
(Florrie Beal Clark)

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 21

"[I Am] infinite in possibility...in quality; and all of the resources of the Universe are open to [my] command..."  
(James A. Edgerton)

Spirit in Action Affirmation – October 22

"I am the child of God, filled and surrounded by the perfect peace of God." (Emmet Fox)

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 23

The past is past and cannot hurt me; it is done and I have claimed my healing and freedom from it. My power is NOW, and my power is equal to every need that presents itself. I Am a child of God and I give thanks for this mighty Truth.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 24

God is One. God is Love. I Am one with God.  
I Am Love expressing, and Love works miracles. Amen.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 25

I expect and accept blessings today; and, as one who is abundantly blessed, I am only too happy to bless others.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 26

My fears are healed by the power of Love! And so it is.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 27

There is Treasure everywhere I look.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 28

I love learning. I wish to continue my spiritual growth. I appreciate Truth regardless of where it is revealed. My life is a joyous journey of discovery.

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 29

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom [or what] shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life..." (Psalm 27)

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 30

"God only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly moved." (Psalm 62)

Spirit in Action Affirmation - October 31

"I know that God my life is nigh; I live in God, I cannot die."  
(Fannie Brooks James)

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## NEW THOUGHT LUMINARIES FOR OCTOBER

### Divine Science

Alice R. Ritchie (1876 – 1960) – early graduate of the Colorado College of Divine Science, Ritchie served on the College board for 7 years. She received a Doctor of Divine Science degree in 1919 and in 1921 became the minister of a Chicago church.

Lucile Frederick (1902 – 1994) – ordained by Irwin Gregg, Frederick was awarded a Doctor of Divine Science degree in 1958. For over 20 years she was the Director of the Divine Science Educational Center in Denver.

### Other New Thought Metaphysicians

Albert Grier (1864 – 1941) – a Universalist minister for 20 years before becoming Founder of the Church of Truth in 1912. He also was the pastor of a Divine Science congregation. He wrote in Truth and Life, "To the inward eye of faith no condition is hopeless." Grier viewed Jesus as a teacher who demonstrated that the Christ Consciousness was within each of us, and by following Jesus' teachings we could become aware of that indwelling Christ Consciousness and demonstrate it as Jesus did.

Barbara L. King (1930 – 2020) – The first bishop of the International Christian New Thought movement of churches. Mentored and ordained by Johnnie Colemon, she studied theology at the Unity School of Christianity and at the Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago. She held degrees in Sociology (Texas Southern University), Social Work (Atlanta University), and Ministry (D.Min, Ecumenical Theological Seminary). She founded Hillside Chapel and Truth Center in Atlanta and was enthroned as a village chief in West Africa. She was a mentor to Iyanla Vanzant.

Brown Landone (1847 – 1945) – as a child "BL" (as his friends would later call him) was considered an invalid. His family hired a nurse to care for him. He was mostly bedridden. One day when he was 13, his nurse left him alone briefly in order to refill one of his medicines. While she was away, BL smelled smoke. He remembered his parents saying that if they ever had to leave suddenly, that there was a chest

in the attack that must be saved. Without considering his illness or weakness, BL went upstairs, grabbed the heavy chest, and started carrying it downstairs. He blacked out and when he regained consciousness, he was outside next to the chest. He had somehow carried the heavy chest the whole way. The fire did minimal damage, but BL's life was forever changed. He decided that if he could unconsciously summon strength to do what seemed an incredible feat, then perhaps he could summon such power consciously, at will. He determined right then to not be "bedridden" anymore, and, indeed, Landone lived in good health for most of his days (living to the age of 98!). Landone studied theology and medicine, and in his medical practice he discovered that positive suggestions often did as much good for his patients as medical treatment. In addition to his career as a healer, Brown Landone also wrote self-help books.

Christian D. Larson (1866 - 1955) - Studied at Meadville Theological School (a Unitarian seminary) and was influenced by "Mental Science" teachings. Larson was one of the spiritual teachers who influenced Ernest Holmes and later Larson worked with Holmes as the associate editor and frequent contributor for Science of Mind magazine. In 1912 Larson developed the Optimist Creed, which in 1922, was adopted by Optimist International, aka the Optimist Clubs. Larson taught, "We have...marvelous powers--even miracle powers--in the depth of mind and soul; and they are there to be used. We can use them, however, only as we deepen our thought, raise our consciousness, and go farther into the spirit..."

Florence Scovel Shinn (1871 - 1940) - an actor, illustrator, and writer. She wrote mainly about metaphysical spirituality. She believed that "Owing to the vibratory power of words, whatever [one] voices, [one] begins to attract." Louise Hay once acknowledged Shinn as one of her early spiritual influences.

Goddard Neville (1905 - 1972) - Neville was born in Barbados and moved to the US in 1922. He was a writer and public speaker. He wrote, "An awakened imagination works with a purpose. It creates and conserves the desirable, and transforms or destroys the undesirable." He was mentored by a mystic known as "Abdullah" and provided psychological insights into religious themes and texts.

Henry Thomas Hamblin (1873 - 1958) - was an English New Thought author. The essence of Hamblin's philosophy was of the omnipresence, omnipotence and all-goodness of God. In his 1921 book, *Dynamic Thought*, he wrote: "I want you to realize: That within you are infinite power and possibilities. That the inward Power can be aroused and brought into expression by holding high ideals in the mind and by affirmations and meditation. That it is necessary to spend a short time in the Unseen both night and morning. That by so doing you can enter a super-conscious realm where your word is creative... Therefore, picture a higher life--the highest you can conceive, and affirm that it is yours."

Myrtle Fillmore (1845 - 1931) - Myrtle contracted tuberculosis at a young age and spent many years experiencing herself to be chronically frail. She attended a lecture by metaphysician E.B. Weeks in 1886 and learned of the efficacy of affirmative prayer. She started declaring for herself, "I am a child of God, and therefore I do not inherit sickness." In time, she found herself to be the picture of health. She was so excited about the discovery of the power of affirmative prayer that she started working with others with healing needs. She and her husband Charles went on to found the Silent Unity prayer ministry (and Unity School of Christianity and Unity Village, all of which are still in operation today). At the age of 86, Myrtle made her transition from this experience of life to the next on October 6, 1931.

Ursula Gestefeld (1845 - 1921) - a student of Mary Baker Eddy, she and Eddy had a falling out and Gestefeld became an independent teacher of spiritual healing. She wrote a treatment for releasing the past; it included these words: "I have no sorrow, no regrets; I am filled with praise and rejoicing...Nothing that anyone can say of me can hurt me or turn me aside. I press forward steadily with no thought of blame for them who judge me according to the dead past...All malice, hatred, and enmity are left with the past. I bow only to love; I feel only love, for every human being. I begin to know God, for God is Love."

## Other Philosophers & Theologians

Paul Tillich (1886–1965) – 20th century theologian who blended contemporary biblical scholarship, existential philosophy, ontology (study of being), and psychological insights to articulate a profound understanding of God. He denied the existence of the God in whom he deeply believed; that is, he denied God was a being (even a supreme one) but instead was the ground of being. God does not exist; rather, God IS existence. God is the power to be. Theological language and symbols, for Tillich, were symbolic.

Thich Nhat Hanh (1926 – 2022) – author, peace activist, poet, coined the term “engaged Buddhism.” Hanh not only sought personal enlightenment, but believed a personal spiritual journey could benefit others and he was dedicated to reducing suffering in the world. Beyond his monastic training in Vietnam, Hanh also studied at Princeton and Columbia in the U.S. He met Trappist monk Thomas Merton and was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He was a symbol of the Mindfulness Movement. His Plum Village in France became the largest Buddhist monastery in the West with over 200 monks and more than 10,000 visitors annually.

Bro. Wayne Teasdale (1945 – 2004) – a Catholic monk best known as a proponent of mutual understanding between the world’s religions, for an interfaith dialogue which he termed “interspirituality”. He was also an active campaigner on issues of social justice.

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**October's Divine Science Lesson**  
**"Healing by the Christ Method"**  
**Malinda Cramer**

Wholeness, includes the all of Life, Intelligence, Truth and Substance, for which all are seeking.

The basis of the manifestation of power in the Christ Method of Hearing is a realized knowledge of the at-one-ment of [humankind] with God. [Oneness with God] means one and the same, and not two. The Creator of an ever-present, living creation must necessarily be an infinite and limitless Creator, from eternity to eternity; hence, there is no finite being to be limited, and no limitation.

...Whatever lives, lives within, and unto the omnipresent God, or Creator, and is, therefore, living within and unto eternity...

They who say, "If one can be healed, another can; hence, healing is for me," speak wisely. They virtually declare the eternal truth for themselves, that "God is no respecter of persons." This, and similar decisions, make receptive all mental conditions and beliefs, and is a preparation for successful results...

God creates all things, but does not create our beliefs concerning them. It is a matter of free will whether we pronounce with [God], or otherwise. "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve," whether it be the truth that the infinite whole is God, and is perfect, or whether it be the false supposition that there is something else that is imperfect, which is not in Truth. Those wanting to be healed must do their part and be willing to recognize and receive unto themselves, and be that which is whole. The record of Life says that we have eternal life with God. This being true, we must necessarily have eternal health, and be satisfied and happy.

## My Notes

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## **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...