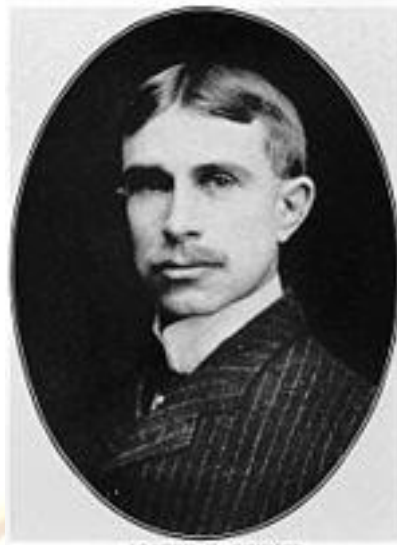


# MONEY

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We will now take up the consideration of what is money. The dictionary says money is “any material \_\_\_ by agreement serves as a common medium of exchange and measure of value in trade.”

But let us see if we cannot bring out the spiritual idea, the real meaning and purpose of money; for as you must realize money is not used or needed in Heaven. Then it must be a substitute for something that is used there, but which man either cannot or will not use here in his dealings with his fellow men.

Think on this for a bit and see if it must not be true.

First let us consider why money is not used or needed in Heaven. Must it not be because there everyone loves and trusts each other and wants to help and do unto others as they would be done by? Is that the case here? Then because of this money must have been invented as something needed that could serve as a substitute and could be invested with a value that everyone would accept for what was being sold or exchanged.

But that not being necessary in Heaven, what there took the place of money? Let us see.

Did we not show you that in the Kingdom we ever live in an atmosphere of Love; that that atmosphere is God’s Love, and it is so wonderful an atmosphere that from it we derive everything we need and are—that it sustains, strengthens and gives us our life—is our life, and it not only supplies us with the necessary food to sustain that life, but inspires our every thought, word and act?

Can you not see that God's Love is our sole support, supply and sufficiency in all things at all times—that It is there what men have made **money** to be here?

Ponder on this until you see how true it is, and then see if you can glimpse what is necessary before money can be to you what it really should be, and not what you and your fellowmen have made it to be.

Take a coin or a bill out of your pocket and hold it in your hand, and try to see it as a symbol of God's Love. That may seem difficult at first; but as every manifest thing is a symbol of an idea, you will of course have to put all other ideas formerly held about money out of your mind, and must not even see the coin or bill but must look right through it and try to see, or rather **feel**, God's Love flowing to you from out the symbol.

Persist in trying this until you **do** feel that Love, and then note the wonderful things that follow—the impressions and feelings that illumine mind and heart—the realization that God and money are most intimately related, and that God **does** want you to have the abiding evidence and the fullest sufficiency of what money really represents—His blessed Love and the accompanying Understanding and Power that belong to every one of His children.

What will this mean to you? Think! If you **can** feel that Love, and thereby get the Understanding, then, dear one, you connect your mind and its consciousness with God's Consciousness, and through the channel of the symbol of the idea you are holding in your hand, the door is opened wide and there is no longer anything to prevent the reality of what the symbol truly represents from flowing to you in rich abundance—for you have tapped the Source, the Spiritual Idea that brought the symbol into being.

But beware of how you use this wonderful truth. We have given it to you, in order that you may know the reality back of the symbol, and no longer will look upon money as the monster which men have made it.

Anyone who attempts to use this truth for the getting of money for purely selfish purposes will learn to his everlasting regret that spiritual truths and forces cannot be used for the benefit of self, and that a heavy penalty must be paid for every such attempt. On the other hand, those who seek through this truth to prove the real meaning of money, as God's Love, and thereby to come closer into oneness with Him, helping thus to eliminate self and its desires utterly, will find themselves invested with a Knowing and a consequent Power, that is inconceivable to a mind still seeking money for itself or anything that money can buy.

Money or the possession of money has given to man a fraudulent power that will surely bring about his own destruction. His love of money with his false idea of money's purpose have grown to such distorted proportions and

have brought about such a perversion of its original purpose that the destruction of both money and all who thus misuse it, cannot help but follow; for they are deliberately misusing God's Love, the most powerful force in the universe.

Instead of using Its symbol for the helping and blessing of humanity, man has allowed himself to be enticed into seeking it purely for selfish or personal ends, either to provide for his material needs or to build for himself a power and prestige among his fellows whereby he can exercise authority over them, and compel them to create for him more money and power.

Just think of man's perverting the visible symbol of God's Love in such a way, and the penalty he must pay for so doing! Then think of what might be if man could use money always and only as a tangible expression of God's Love flowing freely through him! We wonder if that could possibly be! What a different world we would then live in!

Let us give you a word of caution. Do not be surprised or dismayed if the false value and power money now possesses is altogether taken from it in the near future, and that possibly money will become worthless. For if the Kingdom is to come down and be on earth and money is not needed in the Kingdom, the destroying of money's power will be a clear sign of the near approach of that great Coming. And remember, all of the old order—everything built for selfish ends or even to maintain the system of competition of individuals against individuals, industries against industries, countries against countries; which means practically all our institutions, commercial, industrial, financial, educational and even religious—must go, and will utterly vanish from our midst, before the Kingdom can be established here and we be a part of it.

Therefore begin now and make your peace with money; learn always to see and know it as an expression of God's Love and Power, for it is the Power that can make you anything you will—when your will is united with His Will by such seeing and knowing.

God, Who is All in all, Who is therefore all that you are and all that money is, when your mind and its ideas are thus united with His on the money idea you are in its vibration, are on its wavelength—to use a radio term; and it **must** flow to you from the All of **His Mind**, as long as you keep the channel of your mind open by a perfect seeing and knowing.

Then whenever money comes to you or you give it to others, always see and feel it as a direct evidence of God's Love that you are either receiving or giving. Let your love flow forth to God in return—to God Who is within both you and your brother—Who is All in all—Who is the Love which always blesses, when we see Him as He IS.

We have given you these truths to help you in these dark hours of trial

and tribulation. Praise God and thank Him daily, hourly, for His many blessings. Prove to Him now that you are worth of what He has given you and of all that He is waiting to deliver to you.

