

GLORIOUS SPRING

Glorious Spring! It's just about upon us! As I walk down the driveway, bundled up in a warm coat against the blustery winds, wondering about the stormy blasts and chilling predictions all around, the spring flowers, budding at my feet, shout out a different story. They meekly, joyfully respond with the eternal chorus of Spring — *Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths*. (Prov. 3:5, 6)

What a beautiful, simple reminder of who's in charge, who's really in control. Isn't hibernation a wonderful time to take stock, listen carefully, and prepare for the coming Spring (springing into action). I'm reminded of this statement from *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy where she says, *Beholding the infinite tasks of truth, we pause,* — wait on God. Then we push onward, until boundless thought walks enraptured, and conception unconfined is winged to reach the divine glory. (SH 323:9)

Spring is that time of eternal renewal. Being a gardener, I love to see what Love has in store for my wife and me in the flower beds and planting areas we tend. A gardener is a steward with an important responsibility, an important part to play. As such, we don't create plants or make them grow and blossom. However, as partners in the process, part of our role is tending to the quality of the soil and keeping the weeds out.

Likewise, thinking of Christian Science nursing, both at Desert View, and in the field at large, now is a natural renewal time. Love has been preparing the way for a new season of activity. *In the soil of an "honest and good heart" the seed must be sown; else it beareth not much fruit, for the swinish element in human nature uproots it.* (SH 272:6–8) writes Mary Baker Eddy. Our role? Preparing our hearts for the message of divine renewal, keeping the "weedy thoughts" out, and ready to tend as the angels direct.

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