

What is the

ART

of Healing

&

the

DESIGN

of Love?



Christian Science Reading Room

Find out in the

Christian Science Reading Room - 21 West Main Street

Our Reading Room is divided into two sections.



**In the Sales Room you can borrow or purchase:**

- \* A variety of King James Bibles along with Bible reference books.
- \* A companion book to *The Bible, Science and Health with Key to the Scripture* by Mary Baker Eddy which contains 100 pages of testimonies from people who were healed by reading this book.
- \* A Bible Lesson which provides a daily study program for those wanting more insight into The Bible.
- \* *The Christian Science Monitor*, a daily international newspaper and winner of 7 Pulitzer prizes.
- \* Weekly and monthly magazines that include verified cases of spiritual healing.
- \* Assorted pamphlets that focus on healing family, health, and personal problems.
- \* A children's section with books about Jesus' healings, and cards and posters for learning the 10 Commandments and the Beatitudes.
- \* Vocal and instrumental CDs with uplifting and healing messages.

**In the Study Area you can:**

- \* Pray, read, research, and study.
- \* Listen to the Christian Science Sentinel - Radio Edition.
- \* Use the computer resources to access [www.Spirituality.com](http://www.Spirituality.com) and many other helpful websites.

We hope you feel free to use our Reading Room as your spiritual resource center no matter what your faith or religious background. The Reading Room is open:

Monday - Thursday 12-4 pm  
Saturday 10-2 pm

Christian Science Reading Room - 21 West Main Street  
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**10:30 am** on Sunday mornings  
**7:30 pm** on Wednesday evenings  
where personal testimonies of  
Christian healing are shared

**A warm welcome awaits you!**

## Questions and Answers about Christian Science

### 1. What are the most important Biblical teachings to Christian Scientists?

The 10 Commandments, the Sermon on the Mount, and Jesus' life and healing ministry. Christian Science sermons draw from both the Old and New Testaments and view the Bible's spiritual insights as the foundation for healing and living a pure, Christian life. In fact, Mrs. Eddy ordained *The Bible and Science and Health* as our dual pastor.

### 2. Who was Mary Baker Eddy?

Mrs. Eddy is the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science. She was born in New Hampshire in 1821, grew up in a devoted Congregational family, and always had a great love for God and the Bible.

In 1866 she was healed of a severe injury as she read the account of one of Jesus' healings in the New Testament. This led to her discovery of what she came to understand as the Science of Christianity. Later she wrote the Christian Science textbook and many other books.

Before she passed on in 1910 - in her ninetieth year - the religion she founded had spread to many other countries, and Mrs. Eddy was generally recognized as one of the most remarkable religious figures of modern times.

### 3. Do you worship Mary Baker Eddy?

No. In the same way that our Methodist friends don't worship John Wesley, and our Lutheran friends don't worship Martin Luther, Christian Scientists don't worship Mary Baker Eddy. She is loved and respected as the founder of the church, the author of the Christian Science textbook, as well as establishing the Christian Science Monitor, a trusted, Pulitzer Prize winning international daily newspaper, on sale here.

### 4. Does the book *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* replace the Bible for you?

No. Not at all. It provides us with a "key" to the Scriptures - and a key doesn't replace the door it opens. Christian Scientists study the Bible more than most people do because *Science and Health* has made it so wonderfully alive and practical to them.

### 5. Is a Christian Scientist allowed to go to a doctor?

Yes. Students of Christian Science are free to use any form of health care. Most seek healing through prayer, and when they do it's because they've found prayer to be most effective.

### 6. What sort of people are Christian Scientists?

All sorts. Housewives, auto mechanics, bank presidents, actors, farmers, teachers, secretaries, diplomats. They're just *people* - people for whom God has become tremendously real.

### 7. Is a Christian Scientist a Christian?

He certainly is - and trying to be a better one all the time. The Christian Scientist is expected to be a Christian seven days a week and prove his faith by his life.

One of the tenets of Christian Science reads: "And we solemnly promise to watch and pray for that Mind to be in us which was also in Christ Jesus; to do unto others as we would have them do unto us; and to be merciful, just and pure."

### 8. What are your Church Tenets?

1. As adherents of Truth, we take the inspired Word of the Bible as our sufficient guide to eternal Life.

2. We acknowledge and adore one supreme and infinite God. We acknowledge His Son, one Christ; the Holy Ghost or divine Comforter; and man in God's image and likeness.

3. We acknowledge God's forgiveness of sin in the destruction of sin and the spiritual understanding that casts out evil as unreal. But the belief in sin is punished so long as the belief lasts.

4. We acknowledge Jesus' atonement as the evidence of divine, efficacious Love, unfolding man's unity with God through Christ Jesus the Way-shower; and we acknowledge that man is saved through Christ, through Truth, Life, and Love as demonstrated by the Galilean Prophet in healing the sick and overcoming sin and death.

5. We acknowledge that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection served to uplift faith to understand eternal Life, even the allness of Soul, Spirit, and the nothingness of matter.

6. And we solemnly promise to watch, and pray for that Mind to be in us which was also in Christ Jesus; to do unto others as we would have them do unto us; and to be merciful, just, and pure.

### 9. Is Christian Science the same thing as Scientology?

No. They are not at all related.

### 10. Why do you use the word Science to describe your religion?

Because it can be demonstrated.

We see God as the universal, divine Principle underlying the life and healing work of Christ Jesus.

God by His very nature must be unchanging Truth, invariable Love, operating through timeless spiritual laws rather than special miraculous acts.

### 11. Is Christian Science "faith healing?"

No. Christian Science teaches that faith, to be really firm and effective, must rest not on blind belief, but on an understanding of the present perfection of God's spiritual creation.

This is the crucial difference that separates us from "faith healing."

### 12. What is your idea of God?

There's nothing far off or remote about God as we learn to know Him in Christian Science. As the Apostle Paul says, "In him we live and move and have our being." God is all good. God is "the all-knowing, all-seeing, all-acting, all-wise, all-loving, and eternal; Principle; Mind; Soul; Spirit; Life; Truth; Love; all substance; intelligence."

### 13. Where can I learn more about Christian Science healing?

In our Reading Room. Come on in. We offer free literature and have friendly and knowledgeable attendants to help you.

Other resources include:

*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, by Mary Baker Eddy, which contains the definitive statement of its teaching.

[www.spirituality.com](http://www.spirituality.com)

[www.tfccs.com](http://www.tfccs.com) (The First Church of Christ, Scientist).

Other Publications such as *The Christian Science Journal*, *The Christian Science Sentinel*, and *The Christian Science Monitor*, all of which you will find inside our Reading Room.

Listen to *The Christian Science Sentinel - Radio Edition*. Each program features verified testimonies of Christian Science healings. You can find these inspiring and interesting programs two times each Sunday morning:

- 6:00 am on WIBC 1070 AM and WIBC.com;

- 8:00 am on WXNT 1430AM;

Additionally, tune-in to *Inspiradio* 107.5 within 2 blocks of our Reading Room for uplifting 30 minute programs.

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