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# NEWSLETTER

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## LESSON TOPICS FOR JULY - AUGUST 2025 SUNDAYS AT 11AM

### JULY 6

#### “THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

Jesus said you shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall set you free. But what is Truth? And, perhaps more importantly, free from what? Truth, as we know, is omnipresent and changeless, and many new thought writers have attributed Truth as being synonymous with God. In other words, if you know the principle of the omnipresence of God, you will be free. To know something is to totally understand it so as to allow it to transform your complete way of being. And then to be free? Free from what exactly? Free from the erroneous view that life is based on appearances in the relative realm rather than in the absolute. Once you can break free of the hypnotic mind that tells you that you are not good enough or that you need more, then you can enjoy complete freedom as a child of God.

### JULY 13

#### “DO NOT BE DISTURBED”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

Why are you so fearful? How is it you can have so little faith? These were the words that Jesus used to rebuke his disciples who were afraid that they might perish in the boat tossed about on the sea. Christ Consciousness is a calming, peaceful influence. Christ Consciousness can be called upon at any time, and it will calm whatever situation is presently disturbing us. We do not need to be afraid, and we can at any time refuse to be disturbed. Remember, do not be so fearful. And, have faith that all is well and right in the kingdom of God, where the only reality exists.

### JULY 20

#### “REVELATION IS WITHIN”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

Emma Curtis Hopkins compared the writings of the Upanishads with the writings of the New Testament. Certain Hindu saints have compared the writings of Patanjali with the book of Revelation. At its core, the concept of the comparison is that the seven churches spoken of (“What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia”) is metaphorically representing the directive to bring your inspired thought from prayer to the individualized energy centers (chakras). Jesus was the master at understanding this process of prayer and meditation, of going within and communing with our inner divine nature, the Father within, and from there God will be revealed.

### JULY 27

#### “HEAT PURIFIES THE SOUL”

Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

When the three men of God refused to worship the pagan gods, they were thrown into the fiery furnace, having violated the laws of the ruling emperor. Being bound together, and unified in their worship of the one true God within, they remained steadfast to Truth. This steadfast prayer allowed them to escape the fiery furnace and with them a fourth man, the son of God, the Christ Consciousness, appeared. So, do not fear the heat of summer, there is a purifying nature to it. The heat purifies our soul.

### AUGUST 3

#### “GOD AND MANKIND”

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Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

In Divine Science, we understand the inherent bond between God and humans. We understand that we are children of God, or to put it more bluntly like God. God creates by becoming. We have all the attributes and inherencies of God. Coming to terms with the true relationship between God and man, body and soul, spirit and flesh, leads to a spiritual life and promotes healing.

### AUGUST 10

#### “GOD KNOWS YOUR NEED”

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The sign of an omnipresent God is that He knows your need before you even have to ask. In Matthew Jesus says, “for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask Him.” This really takes the pressure off. We don’t have to come up with a laundry list of things that we need, that might be good. And further, how would we even know what to ask for among the entire universe of possibilities? God knows. God knows and it is his good pleasure to give you the kingdom. For it is yours already, and always was.

### AUGUST 17

#### “LEARN TO DISCERN”

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Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

The educated and the aristocracy – they are always challenging the prophet who is in touch with spiritual discernment. They look for signs. “The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven. He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, *It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.* And in the morning, *It will be foul weather to-day: for the sky is red and lowering.* O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not *discern* the signs of the times?” Jesus did not want us looking for material signs, but to be able to discern the ways of God in spirit. “A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas.” And the sign to Jonas was preach redemption as God commanded – that is to see as God sees.

#### **To join via telephone**

Call the toll-free number: 669-265-1582; and press#. You will be joined and be automatically muted.

#### **To join via zoom app**

Enter our meeting ID: 7216723017. There will be no password required. You will automatically be muted and disabled to use your video.

### AUGUST 24

#### “GOD LIVES WITH US”

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Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

“In Truth one cannot be anything apart from the Infinite. ... Where you see a need, you are to realize that supply is.” This is a powerful statement contained in our Basic Text, Divine Science its Principle and Practice. It is evident that there is a practical application of the principle of the omnipresence of God. For so often the negative view of life is presented to our human eyes and senses. We see poor people on the street, we see hunger, we see disease, and we see death. But this presents an opportunity for a demonstration of a huge lesson for us, we know that Truth, God, is infinite and omnipresent. Therefore, God must be right where we think we see His absence. Jesus, when he saw the five thousand to be fed but only had a few loaves and fishes, did not see lack; he saw abundance. Where he saw a need, he looked to the Father and brought about an opportunity to fulfill that need. For there can be no need without the ever-present source of abundance at hand, just waiting to be realized. He knew that lack was fictionalized, as nothing could be apart from the infinite God. And as he is our way-shower, we too can make a similar demonstration. “God lives with us” is not a platitude but a principle to be applied.

### AUGUST 31

#### “RADICAL RELIANCE ON GOD”

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Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

The word radical means at the root. God is our ever-present source. God is the life energy that is within us, that animates us, that impels us to create by recognizing that we can craft a plan and put it into action with our energy, and afterwards the creation is made. This is our evidence of God in action as individualized expressions of us. For we share the inherited power to think of a thing and then to experience it. God, spirit, creates by becoming the thing it sets out to create. And so, it is with us. We set out to have experiences, and suddenly those experiences we thought of having become our reality. If we want pure material existence, we can have it; but beware, material things do not last, and so neither will our material existence. If we want to experience everlasting joy, love and peace, then we can think God thoughts, we can radically, at our root, rely on God. God will show us the way to perfect peace. All we must do is relax and rely upon God’s ways and means.

## “SEEK YOUR HEALING PRESENCE”

### Rev. Gene PolICASTRI

In Divine Science we strive to experience the method of healing which relies on attaining Christ Consciousness. Our studies and our practice are progressive in that we pray and meditate in silence, seeking communion with our inner divine nature.

Healing is centered in our consciousness. Healing is “...the divine expression of the Creator in the creature, Being expressing itself. ... speak[ing] the Truth until we are conscious of universal Principle, the revelation of the perfect body.” Divine Science, Its Principle and Practice, page 109.

In Luke we read that after preaching for a while, Jesus tells Simon, later known as Peter, to go back out and resume his fishing. He tells him to go into the deeper water and cast his net there. Simon is perplexed and says, “Master, we’ve been fishing all night, and we haven’t caught even a minnow. But . . . all right, I’ll do it if You say.” And to his surprise, they return with their boats so full of fish they almost sink. And then Simon says to Jesus, I am a sinful man.

What does he mean? He means by that that he can see life from only a material basis; but Jesus sees things differently, from a spiritual basis. Which is why He instructs him to go into the deeper water. This symbolically is the deep pool of our own being. Jesus insists that we go into that deep pool of our own being. This is what He means when He ignores Simon’s own erroneous judgment of himself as a sinful (material minded man) and says, “follow me.”

And that is the directive to us. We are to become like Peter, John and the rest of the disciples constantly dwelling with our inner Christhood. Christ Consciousness sees abundance, where we humanly see lack. Christ Consciousness sees health, where we see disease. The disciples questioned Jesus but never stopped dwelling with him. We too should never stop praying; we should never stop communing with this healing, divine presence within, in the deep waters of our Being. Soon, and very soon, our consciousness will be transformed. We will have attained the Healing Consciousness.



#### Ongoing Prayer and Study Group Conference call

Tuesdays  
6:30 pm

If you would like to join, you may do  
so by using the conference call  
number:

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**Access Code 662944#.**

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## PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

The Board of Trustees does not meet during July and August, therefore at the moment we don’t have any new issues to report. However, we are still interviewing qualified contractors who can meet our price and who have the necessary insurances to repair the ceiling in the library as well as some other repairs needed. We are also looking at future use of our sanctuary again as soon as we can. As was mentioned in the last newsletter, we will be actively working on a healing service scheduled for Sunday, October 19 and welcome those who wish to participate in a short play. Please contact us by leaving a message on the church answering service, and we will contact you. You are also invited to participate in a church beautification day, the date will be announced in the next Newsletter.

*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*

Romans 12:12

Shirley Taylor Moore, president  
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*Have A Great Summer!*

