

THE KEY TO ALL CURES

For some time I have been among the sick and many of those around me are seriously afflicted. One finds them talking every day about medicines, foods, climates and various treatments, to one or more of which they look for a cure. This is only natural; it would not seem reasonable for a sufferer to neglect the use of physical means in which he had faith. There are physical measures which will relieve every ailment and help effect a cure and if we do not employ them we are negligent in our duty. But is it right for a patient to place his faith entirely in something outside himself for a cure? We do not believe it is. We believe he is responsible for his condition and a cure must come principally as a result of his own efforts, either consciously or subconsciously put forth.

Sickness of any nature is evidence of discord—inharmony. It shows we have violated a Law of Nature—we have sinned. Very often we cannot recall a violation commensurate with the severity of our sickness. Medical Astrology will give us Light. We know it is possible to cast an infant's horoscope as soon as it is born and tell the weak parts of its body, its tendencies toward certain ailments. Heredity, alone, will not satisfactorily explain those tendencies. We do not believe a just God would permit any soul to be born with a predisposition to certain diseases unless it deserved them. The infant has not sinned or violated Nature's Laws in this life. There seems only one reasonable answer to what causes it to be born with those tendencies: It has sinned in a past life. In that former life it held certain false and distorted ideas, which it built into this body as it came to rebirth. We build our own bodies and build them according to our previous thoughts and ideas. We learn to build right by building wrong. We only attract harmony—health—to the extent that we previously manifested them.

If sinning or violating Nature's Laws is the cause of disease, the remedy suggests itself. We must change our life. We must live in harmony with God—Good, Universal Law. We must earnestly seek to know wherein we have sinned. We must strive to control the weaknesses that brought discord into our body. And if we have grown to maturity, we know what those weaknesses are, for they have already manifested as temptations or violations in this life.

Christ taught the forgiveness of sins. He taught us that if we learned our lessons, the Law would not permit former violations—sins—to react upon us and cause us to suffer. He could forgive us and “wipe the deed off the slate”; that is, if we had changed our life and there was little chance of our committing the same offense again. In that teaching there lies a great hope for us.

We believe, in effecting a cure of any ailment, the most efficient means, aside from using all physical measures in which we have faith, is to earnestly and prayerfully seek out our weaknesses and eradicate them. For some of us this is not easy, as it necessitates changing our lives and requires time, patience, and perseverance. But by living in harmony with Universal Law, we make it possible for our Father, the Great Physician, to restore harmony in our bodies, and such a cure is a permanent cure. We have sought and are manifesting “the Kingdom of Heaven and its Righteousness and all things will be added unto us”—health included.