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FIFTH TENET

(The fifth tenet first appeared in the 1887 tenets, as part of the second tenet.)

Current edition

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.

1887 “Tenets to be Signed by those Uniting ...”

Second. -- We acknowledge one Father, Son and Holy Ghost, - - one God, the brotherhood of man, and Divine Science. And the forgiveness of sin, which is the destruction of sin. And the atonement of Christ, which is the efficacy of Truth and Life. And the way of salvation marked out by Jesus, which is healing the sick, casting out devils [evils], and raising the dead, -- **uplifting a dead faith into Life and Love.**

1892 (from “Church Tenets and Rules”)

2. We acknowledge and adore one Supreme God. We acknowledge His Son, the Holy Ghost, and man in His image and likeness. We acknowledge God’s forgiveness of sin, in the destruction of sin, and His present and future punishment of “whatsoever worketh abomination or maketh a lie.” We acknowledge the atonement of Christ, as the efficacy of Truth and Love. And the way of Salvation as demonstrated by Jesus casting out evils, healing the sick, and raising the dead, -- **resurrecting a dead faith to seize the great possibilities and living energies of the Divine Life.**

1893 (from “Church Tenets and Rules”)

4. We acknowledge the way of Salvation, demonstrated by Jesus, as the power of Truth over error, sin, sickness and death; **and the resurrection of human faith to seize the great possibilities and living energies of the Divine Life.**

81st edition (1894)

5. We acknowledge the way of Salvation demonstrated by Jesus, to be the power of Truth over all error, sin, sickness, and death; **and the resurrection of human faith to seize the great possibilities and living energies of divine Life.**

Fifth tenet (continued)

- 214th edition
(1901)
5. Universal salvation as demonstrated by the Galilean prophet in the power of Truth over all error sin sickness and death; **and the resurrection of human faith and understanding wherewith to seize the great possibilities and living energies of divine life.**
- 237th edition
(1902)
5. We acknowledge universal salvation as demonstrated by the Galilean prophet, in the power of Truth over all error, sin, sickness, and death; **and his crucifixion and resurrection, whereby human faith and understanding are enabled to seize the great possibilities and living energies of divine Life.**
- 251st edition
(1902)
5. We acknowledge that man is saved through Christ -- through divine Truth, Life, and Love, as demonstrated by the Galilean Prophet in the healing of the sick and the overcoming of sin and death. **Also, that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection were designed to elevate human faith and understanding to the spiritual perception of the eternal existence of the good and the real in man.**
- 300th edition
(1904)
5. We acknowledge that man is saved through Christ, divine Truth, Life, and Love, as demonstrated by the Galilean Prophet in the healing of the sick and the overcoming of sin and death. **Also, that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection served to elevate faith and understanding to perceive eternal Life, the allness of Spirit and nothingness of matter.**
- 389th edition
(1906)
5. We acknowledge that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection served to uplift faith and understanding to perceive eternal Life, even the allness of Spirit and the nothingness of matter.
- 1908(a) edition
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.