

Spirituality in Action

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Learn and Embody Science of Mind Principles – January

Book: *The Science of Mind*

Quote: *"The practice of Science of Mind calls for a positive understanding of the Spirit of Truth; a willingness to let this inner Spirit guide us, with the conscious knowledge that "The law of the Lord is perfect." ~ Ernest Holmes, Science of Mind, p. 55*

Jan 6 - The Thing Itself

Jan 13 - The Way It Works

Jan 20 - What It Does

Jan 27 - How To Use It

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Seek the Common Good – Oneness – February

Book: *Beyond Religion: Ethics for a Whole World*, by H.H. Dalai Lama

Quote: *"The first principle is the recognition of our shared humanity and our shared aspiration to happiness and the avoidance of suffering; the second is the understanding of interdependence as a key feature of human reality, including our biological reality as social animals. From these two principles we can learn to appreciate the inextricable connection between our own well-being and that of others, and we can develop a genuine concern for others' welfare."*

Quote: *"I know that every apparent death is a resurrection. Therefore, gladly, I die to everything that is unlike the good. Joyfully I am resurrected into that which is beautiful, enduring and true. Silently I pass from less to more, isolation into inclusion, separation into oneness."* ~ Ernest Holmes

Feb 3 – Oneness

Feb 10 – Recognition of Our Shared Humanity

Feb 17 – Understanding Our Interdependence

Feb 24 – What is the Common Good?

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Be Truthful in Facts and Motives - *Integrity* – March

Book: *The Inward Journey*, by Dr. Howard Thurman

Quote: *"In the quietness of this place, surrounded by the all-pervading Presence of God, my heart whispers: Keep fresh before me the moments of my High Resolve, that in fair weather or in foul, in good times or in tempests, in the days when the darkness and the foe are nameless or familiar, I may not forget that to which my life is committed. Keep fresh before me the moments of my high resolve."*

Quote: *"Many people may be under the mistaken concept that the metaphysical philosophy is attractive to people because it says God is Good and everything is all right; therefore, there is nothing to fear. This is far from the truth. What it says is this: Do you wish to be loved? Then stop hating. Do you want to be happy? Then be sure that you are never the occasion for unhappiness in others" ~ Ernest Holmes*

March 3 – Integrity

March 10 – How God Works Through Us

March 17 – Living A Spiritual Life

March 24 – Our Highest Values

March 31 – Developing Our Inner Life

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Promote Diversity and Inclusion - *Diversity* – April

Book: *Stained Glass Spirit: Becoming a Spiritual Community Where Oneness Does Not Require Sameness*, By Tracy Brown

Quote: *"Ignoring the beauty and value and uniqueness of different types of people is equivalent to ignoring God and refusing to see all the ways God shows up as humanity. We don't do that with dogs, or flowers ... or trees or clouds or spices or nature or art ... so why would we do it with humans?"*

Quote: *"Man's three greatest needs are to feel that he is needed, wanted and loved - to feel that he belongs to the Universe in which he lives, and to have an object or objects upon which to shower his affection." ~ Ernest Holmes*

April 7 – Diversity

April 14 – Unique but Different

April 21 – EASTER SUNDAY

April 28 – Inclusion – Beyond "Otherness"

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Care for Others – *Compassion* – May

Book: *The I of the Storm*, by Gary Simmons

Quote: "*How would your life be if you lived as if 'Nothing and no one can be against me'?*"

Quote: "*You are using the Law of Life every time you think. No matter how long you may have been using It wrongly in your ignorance, the very day, that hour, yes the very moment, you begin to use this Power rightly, the effects of having used It wrongly will pass from your experience.*" ~ Ernest Holmes, *The Art of Life*

May 5 – Compassion

May 12 – Cause and Effect

May 19 – Who Are "The Poor?"

May 26 – Inner Peace

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Protect the Vulnerable – Empowerment – June

Book – *A New Republic Of The Heart* by Terry Patten

Quote – “Ultimate empowerment is fueling and strengthening another's ability to trust in an ever existing Intelligence. The distinction between constantly seeking and solidly recognizing (trusting) is the distinction between presuming something is lacking, thus working at getting something, to an engaged practice of reenacting wholeness in our entire affairs.”

Quote: “If day by day we have a greater understanding and a clearer concept, if daily we are realizing more of Truth and applying It in our actions, then we are on the right path and eventually shall be made free.” ~ Ernest Holmes

June 2 – Empowerment

June 9 – Translating Heartbreak into Action

June 16 – Creating Meaningful Conversations

June 23 – Different Worldviews – What to Do?

June 30 – Heart-Centered Social Engagement

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Advocate for Freedom of Thought – Creativity – July

Book: *"The Sun Does Shine,"* by Anthony Ray Hinton & Laura Love Hardin

Quote: *"Despair was a choice. Hatred was a choice. Anger was a choice. I still had choices, and that knowledge rocked me. . . . I could choose to give up or hang on. Hope was a choice. Faith was a choice. And more than anything else, life was a choice. Compassion was a choice."*

Quote: *"Your own choice has decided you."* ~ Ernest Holmes, Beverly Hills Lectures

July 7 – Creativity

July 14 – Moving Beyond Our Story

July 21 – Living in Choice

July 28 – Living an Empowered Life

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Respect other Nations and Peoples – *Gratitude* – August

Book: *"The Gentle Art of Blessing"* by Pierre Pradervand

Quote: *"To bless is to acknowledge the omnipresent, universal beauty from material eyes; it is to activate that law of attraction which, from the furthest reaches of the universe, will bring into your life exactly what you need to experience and enjoy."*

Quote: *". . . for all tomorrow's good May rest today upon your gratitude, For he who gives thanks before the wine Is pressed from grapes still clinging to the vine Has shown a faith above, beyond the present hour And his thanksgiving holds the future flower."* ~ The Voice Celestial by Ernest and Fenwicke Holmes

August 4 – Gratitude

August 11 – Blessings as Gratitude

August 18 – Respect as a Virtue

August 25 – Honoring All People

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Ensure the Stewardship of Our Planet – Love – September

Book: *Spiritual Ecology: The Cry of the Earth*, by Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee

Quote: *"We need to reawaken to the power of love in the world. It is our love for the Earth that will heal what we have desecrated, that will guide us through this wasteland and help us bring light back into our darkening world. Love links us all together in the most mysterious ways, and love can guide our hearts and hands. And the central note of love is oneness. Love speaks the language of oneness, of unity rather than separation."*

Quote: *"Every day and every hour we are meeting the eternal realities of life, and in such degree as we cooperate with these eternal realities in love, in peace, in wisdom, and in joy—believing and receiving—we are automatically blessed. Our prayer is answered before it is uttered."* ~ Ernest Holmes

Sept 1 – Love – Frankie Timmers

Sept 8 – Love in Action

Sept 15 – Transcending Fear

Sept 22 – Community and Connection

Sept 29 – Healing Our Planet

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Cherish the Human Family – Unity – October

Book: *"The Principle of Oneness"* by Russell Anthony Gibbs

Quote: *"Everything that lives proclaims the Glory of God. Every person who exists manifests the Life of God. There is One Spirit in which we live, One Mind by which we think, One Body of which we are a part and One Light that lighteth every man's pathway."* ~ Ernest S. Holmes, Sermon by the Sea at Asilomar, Saturday, August 15, 1959

Oct 6 – Unity

Oct 13 – The Principle of Oneness

Oct 20 – God and the Universe

Oct 27 – Seeing Others as One

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Spiritually Motivated Moral Leadership – *Spirituality* – November

Book: *The Tao of Leadership* by John Heider

Quote: *"The wise leader knows what is happening in a group by being aware of what is happening here and now... By staying present and aware of what is happening, the leader can do less yet achieve more."* P. 93

Quote: *"Developing confidence in ourselves, in our ability to meet and handle all undesirable situations, requires that we must have confidence in that Something which is greater than we are. Then we will have spiritual self-reliance. When this is done the lesser must always submit to the greater."* ~ Ernest Holmes

Nov 3 – Spirituality

Nov 10 – Self-Mastery

Nov 17 – Leading from the Heart

Nov 24 – Science of Mind and Morality

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Celebrating Science of Mind Through the Holy Days – December

Book: *Thou Art That*, by Joseph Campbell

2. Quote: *"What we have to recognize is that these celestial bodies represented to the ancients two different modes of eternal life, one engaged in the field of time, like throwing off death, as the moon its shadow, to be born again; the other, disengaged and eternal. The dating of Easter according to both lunar and solar calendars suggests that life, like the light that is reborn in the moon and eternal in the sun, finally is one."*

Quote: *"It is not, then, in lavish gifts that we find true giving, but in the sweet simplicity of remembrance, in the kindly thought, the tolerant mind, and the gentle act. Love alone can give love, sympathy alone can sympathize, and only goodness can really do or be good."* ~ Ernest Holmes, 1929

Dec 1- Science of Mind and Rohatsu

Dec 8 - Science of Mind and the Solstice

Dec 15 - Science of Mind and Hanukkah

Dec 22 - Science of Mind and Christmas

Dec 29 - Science of Mind and Kwanzaa