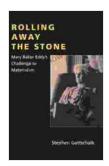
Mary Baker Eddy's Revolutionary Challenge to Materialism and Religion in North America



Mary Baker Eddy (1821-1910) was an American religious leader who founded the Church of Christ, Scientist. She was a prolific writer and lecturer, and her work has had a profound impact on religious thought and

practice in North America. Eddy's writings challenged the prevailing materialism of her time, and she offered a new understanding of religion that emphasized the power of mind over matter. Her work has inspired millions of people around the world, and it continues to be a source of inspiration and healing today.



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Eddy's Early Life

Mary Baker Eddy was born in Bow, New Hampshire, on July 16, 1821. Her father was a farmer and her mother was a devout Methodist. Eddy had a difficult childhood. She was often ill, and she had to endure the death of her beloved sister at a young age. These experiences led her to question the nature of reality and the existence of God.

Eddy's Search for Healing

In 1866, Eddy was involved in a serious accident that left her bedridden. Doctors told her that she would never walk again. However, Eddy refused to accept this prognosis. She began to study the Bible, and she became

convinced that God could heal her. Eddy's faith was rewarded, and she was eventually able to walk again.

The Discovery of Christian Science

Eddy's experience of healing led her to the discovery of Christian Science. She believed that God is the only real power in the universe, and that all disease is the result of a false belief in the power of matter. Eddy developed a system of healing that emphasizes the power of mind to overcome disease. She called this system Christian Science.

The Founding of the Church of Christ, Scientist

In 1879, Eddy founded the Church of Christ, Scientist. The church's mission is to teach Christian Science to the world and to help people to heal from disease. The church has grown rapidly over the years, and it now has millions of members around the world.

Eddy's Writings

Eddy was a prolific writer and lecturer. She wrote a number of books, including *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, which is considered the most important text of Christian Science. Eddy's writings have been translated into more than 100 languages, and they have been read by millions of people around the world.

Eddy's Influence

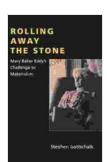
Eddy's work has had a profound impact on religious thought and practice in North America. Her emphasis on the power of mind has inspired many people to seek healing through spiritual means. Eddy's work has also influenced the development of other religious movements, such as New Thought and Unity.

Mary Baker Eddy was a remarkable woman who made a significant contribution to religious thought and practice in North America. Her work challenged the prevailing materialism of her time, and she offered a new understanding of religion that emphasized the power of mind over matter. Eddy's work has inspired millions of people around the world, and it continues to be a source of inspiration and healing today.

Further Reading

To learn more about Mary Baker Eddy and Christian Science, please visit the following websites:

- The Church of Christ, Scientist
- The Mary Baker Eddy Library
- Mary Baker Eddy: Her Life and Legacy



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