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There should be in all things one single devotion, one motive, one desire and aspiration. Differences of nature and mind are inevitable; each should therefore accord to all the same toleration he asks for himself, and then the single thread of devotion will unite all into one Universal Brotherhood. The power would be immense; if this were put into operation it would send to all, along the invisible but real currents, a stream of help for mind, soul, and body, uniting all on the inner plane, and thus show the world the real power of co-operation on all the planes of force and consciousness.

— KATHERINE TINGLEY

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*To feel the fire of Theosophy with its stimulative
redemptive power in your lives, your minds must
become as free and receptive as the flowers to the
sunlight.*

— KATHERINE TINGLEY

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THE THREE LEADERS OF THE THEOSOPHICAL
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Katherine Tingley

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Katherine Tingley:

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Her Views on Marriage and the Home

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IT was the lovely climate of Southern California, and particularly of San Diego, that attracted me to the Golden State and the Silver Gate city to escape the rigors of an eastern winter. I knew nothing about Theosophy, and all I knew about Madame Katherine Tingley was derived from reading a sensational article about the Theosophical Leader and its subsequent retraction made some few years ago in a large eastern paper. I could not help but admire the spirit of justice, not merely to herself and in defence of her own reputation, but to the Society of which she is the head, and in defence of its principles and beliefs, which seemed to actuate the Theosophical Leader's insistence on the publication of the retraction. It was a moral victory, but knowing nothing of the Theosophical teachings I was satisfied at the time with the feeling of gratification that a woman had had the courage to stand by her womanhood and had won out.

From that day however I learned that while many were indifferent, the people whom I met were, generally speaking, divided into two camps, those in the one great admirers of Madame Tingley, and even if not in any sense Theosophists, recognising her as one of the humanitarian and educational leaders of today; those in the other, holding just the opposite, and as I took pains to inform myself, often entirely ignorant of the facts of Madame Tingley's life and work and teachings,