"Hello, friends," dear class and visitors,

Denounce and find your freedom from fear or love of anything opposed to God! Sometimes you might jokingly think of this Bible Lesson as the 'mouthful lesson' because of its long title. Do you like Oreos? If you're like me, it's very, very hard to have just one Oreo... and you might have even ended up with a few Oreos in your mouth at once. But the more Oreos you eat, and the more you have in your mouth, the less appetizing they are. They seem so attractive, but once you're 'sucked in' to devouring them, they are less and less interesting. To conclude the metaphor, while being mesmerized by 'the powers of the world' may seem interesting and attractive, the farther one gets into the influence of matter, the less satisfying it is. (Note: please don't take this metaphor too seriously; I do love Oreos and don't mean to say they are the tools of a necromancer!) As we consider this week's Bible Lesson together, see how the possibility of turning away from that mouthful attraction of material gain is illuminated in each section, and how you can really live these ideas. (portions edited and adapted from Cedars Camp Metaphysical

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(S&H 320:24-25, 547:23-25) Inside the Lesson/Overview: The one important interpretation of Scripture is the spiritual

<u>Golden Text:</u> Fear not, error is as nothing. God is at hand/ *When you go out looking for your old adversaries you won't find them - Not a trace of your old enemies, not even a memory. That's right. Because I, your God, have a firm grip on you and I'm not letting go. I'm telling you, 'Don't panic. I'm right here to help you.'/ The Message Shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought*

<u>Responsive Reading:</u> Trust in God and be delivered/ Rest in the Lord, be at peace/ God orders your steps/ *I have* seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found. When you go out looking for your old adversaries you won't find them - Not a trace of your old enemies, not even a memory. That's right. Because I, your God, have a firm grip on you and I'm not letting go. I'm telling you, 'Don't panic. I'm right here to help you.' Don't bother your head with braggarts or wish you could succeed like the wicked. Get insurance with God and do a good deed, settle down and stick to your last. Open up before God, keep nothing back; he'll do whatever needs to be done: Quiet down before God, be prayerful before him. Don't bother with those who climb the ladder, who elbow their way to the top. Before you know it, the wicked will have had it; you'll stare at his once famous place and - nothing! Down-to-earth people will move in and take over, relishing a huge bonanza.

God keeps track of the decent folk; what they do won't soon be forgotten. Stalwart walks in step with God; his path blazed by God, he's happy. I saw Wicked bloated like a toad, croaking pretentious nonsense. The next time I looked there was nothing - a punctured bladder, vapid and limp. The spacious, free life is from God, it's also protected and safe. God-strengthened, we're delivered from evil - when we run to him, he saves us/ The Message

<u>Section 1:</u> **TIME TO SUIT UP!** /To denounce hypnotism, know what it is/ Animal magnetism is a false belief, a negation/ God is infinite ALL, Omnipotent/ Put on the whole armour of God/ *Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil*

<u>Section 2:</u> **WOE, AND AGAIN, OH WOE!** /To denounce hypnotism, know how it operates/ Discern the Truth that Divine Mind governs/ Yield to Divine Mind and remove the illusion of error/ Man in Science is governed by Divine Mind/ *If sinners entice thee, consent thou not*

Section 3: THE SAVING AND GUIDING HAND OF THE LORD /To denounce hypnotism, know how to defeat it as malpractice/ Open your eyes and fear not/ Shut the door of thought to the illusion of material sense/ Know ALL is under the control of divine Mind/ *He shall not come into this city*

<u>Section 4:</u> **POSSESSED AND THEN DEPOSSED!** /To denounce hypnotism, know that the divine will, not human will, heals/ Demonstrate Christ as the power of Spirit/ Remove the false influence of mortal mind/ Know Divine Mind is in control in the Kingdom of God/ *Every city or house divided against itself shall not stand*

<u>Section 5:</u> "I HEAR YA KNOCKING [WORLD] BUT YA CAN'T COME IN!" *JJJJ* / To denounce hypnotism, know how to challenge world beliefs/Beware the false belief and imaginary power of false prophets of popular beliefs. Know Divine Love is omnipotent/ Be restored to wholeness by casting out false beliefs. Drop the imaginary power of false beliefs as quackery/ Be free of the false beliefs of animal magnetism and find harmony. Uproot and destroy the false beliefs of mortal mind/ *Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy*

Section 6: Summary – GOD, THE ONLY AND "NO OTHER" (COMMANDMENT #1) POWER AND PRESENCE /To denounce hypnotism, know how to prove Truth as supreme and hypnotism as nothing/ Know that omnipotent Truth annihilates all error/ Be conscious of supreme Truth and demonstrate healing/ Man as God's reflection knows omnipotent Truth/ *Knowing the claim of animal magnetism*

See you in the morning.

With love, Joan / Mrs. Davis 🂝

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So, you want a piece of him, tough guy? Com' on then... and knock yourself out! ...Standeth God...

Keeping watch above His own. Christian Science Hymn # 258:3



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