

JOHNNIE COLEMON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

**THE POWER OF THE SPOKEN WORD**

Text: The Power of the Spoken Word – Florence Scovel Shinn

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**Course Outline**  
**The Power of the Spoken Word**

Day & Time: \_\_\_\_\_

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Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of the text is available from the instructor for \$\_\_\_\_\_. The book is also available at all major book outlets.

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**Course Description:**

Our words have the power to change our lives. By paying more attention to how we speak, hence, how we think, we can change our circumstances for the better. The Power of the Spoken Word will help you make the positive changes that you've always wanted to make. Together, we will experience a shift in our lives by consciously using our spoken word to shift a condition in our lives.

**Objectives of this course:**

1. To understand that you shape your world with your words.
2. To learn tools to consciously control our spoken word.
3. To discover and correct misuse of the spoken word.

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Date	Homework Assignments
	Read chapters 2-4. Select your favorite sentence. Complete worksheet.
	Read chapters 5-7. Select your favorite sentence. Complete worksheet.
	Read chapters 8-9. Select your favorite sentence. Complete worksheet.
	Use your words for good and prosper.

In order to receive an elective credit towards the Masters certificate for this course, students must have perfect attendance and complete all assignments.

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### Lesson I

#### Chapter 1 (Weapons Ye Know Not Of)

- I. How do most people limit God?
  - A. They insist on knowing which way or channel God will express through.
  - B. They do not trust the wisdom and ingenuity of God.
    - 1. Trusting in God means to follow intuition.
      - a. Intuition is the “still small voice” commonly called hunches.
      - b. It is the Divine Guidance of God within.
    - 2. Those who have depended on their reasoning ability, find trusting difficult.
    - 3. Each person has the power to choose the magic path of intuition or the long road of experience by following the reasoning mind.
- II. What is the Divine Design?
  - A. It is the spiritual prototype of your body and affairs.
    - 1. Most people have not expressed this Divine Idea because they have impressed contrary pictures upon their subconscious.
    - 2. By giving your subconscious new and positive pictures, you can change your environment for the better.
  - B. The Divine Ideal often flashes across your consciousness as something too good to be true.
    - 1. Each person is fully equipped to fulfill his Divine Plan.
    - 2. Each person is more than equal to every situation faced.

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- C. The first step toward success is to be glad that you are yourself.
  - 1. Your main goal is to fulfill the Divine Plan of your life where all conditions are perfect.
  - 2. Prepare for your blessing, rejoice and give thanks and it will come to pass.

**AFFIRMATION:**

### Lesson II Chapter 2 (I Give Unto You Power)

- I. What is one of the important gifts God has given man?
  - A. The gift of power has been given so that man might exercise dominion over all created things.
    - 1. Man imagines himself weak and the victim of circumstances.
    - 2. When man connects himself with God-power all things are possible.
  - B. You can connect this power by your words. Each of us reaps the fruit of our own words.
  - C. Each person has the power to conquer all doubts, fears and negative vibrations.
    - 1. This God-power is within you, your superconscious mind.
    - 2. It is the realm of miracles and wonders.

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- D. Your only enemies are within yourself. They must vanish when conscious contact is made with God-power.
  - 1. God-power emphasizes that you can only change yourself.
  - 2. Your life is the outpicturing of your subconscious beliefs.
- E. You cannot take blessings from God, they must be given. Your part is to be a grateful receiver.
- F. By “standing still” or keeping your poise, God-power can be expressed through you.

**AFFIRMATION:**

### Lesson II

#### Chapter 3 (Be Strong; Fear Not)

- I. What is man’s most dangerous adversary?
  - A. Fear is the enemy that robs you of all power.
    - 1. It is inverted faith.
    - 2. It attracts to you the very thing you dread.
    - 3. The most prevalent fear is fear of loss.
  - B. Every negative situation in your life is a crystallized thought built out of your imaginings.
- II. How can you control conditions through your thoughts and words?
  - A. Answer every negative thought with a word of authority.

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- B. Starve your fear thoughts by not giving them attention.
- C. Man has reasoned himself into lack, limitations and failure.
  - 1. Jesus' mission was to awaken man from the Adamic dream of opposites.
  - 2. His message was designed to lead man back to the Garden of Eden or the 4<sup>th</sup> Dimension.
- D. When you have truly awakened, you then realize that God uses every person and situation for your good.
- E. Your desires and thoughts must be properly directed for they can lead you to mighty and beautiful results.

**AFFIRMATION:**

### Lesson II

#### Chapter 4 (The Glory of the Lord)

- I. How can a person “prove” God?
  - A. You prove God by directing God-power and trusting in it to do the work.

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1. God is Principle.
2. This Principle operates according to Law.
- B. You receive the answers to your prayers in the same manner that you ask.
  1. To change your world you must change your vibration.
- II. By what means does man distribute God-power?
  - A. Your words are the tools by which you distribute this force.
  - B. Understanding faith teaches us how to distribute power constructively.
  - C. The law of laws is to do unto others as you would be done unto.
- III. How does the Law of Indifference operate?
  - A. It is based on an individual seeing only good.
    1. Knowing that even out of seeming evil our good can come.
    2. Judging righteously instead of by appearances.
  - B. It contains within it the attainment of a state of consciousness in which the outer world of sensation has no influence.

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### Lesson III

Chapter 5 (Peace and Prosperity)

Chapter 6 (Your Big Opportunity)

Chapter 7 (In Nothing Be Anxious)

- I. How important is Peace to our success?
  - A. A peaceful person is a wide awake person who sees clearly and acts quickly.
  - B. People who are manifesting the appearance of lack are in a state of fear and confusion.
  - C. Within the superconscious mind there are no burdens or battles.
    1. Most people attract inharmonious conditions because they have been fighting their battles and carrying their own burdens.
    2. We must learn to get out of God's way so that He can harmonize or adjust the situation.
- II. Can your words judge you?
  - A. The vibratory power of words attracts to yourself either happiness or disaster.
    1. Mental pictures impress the subconscious and then work out into the external.
    2. Words spoken never returns void.
  - B. The inexhaustible energy in man is released through his words.
- III. How do you draw good into your life?
  - A. Cultivate a success expectancy.
    1. To the spiritually awakened, nothing is too good to be true.

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2. You combine with what you notice.
- B. Powerful affirmations help to dislodge failure thoughts which have become habitual.
- C. You bring blessings to yourself through your spoken or silent word and the things you see with your inner eye.
- D. All that you desire or require is already on your pathway, but you must be aware to your good in order for it to manifest.

**AFFIRMATION:**

### Lesson IV Chapter 8 (Fearlessness) Chapter 9 (Victory and Fulfillment)

- I. Who are your enemies?
  - A. Your enemies are your doubts and fears, your criticisms and your resentments. Every negative thought is an enemy.
- II. How do you overcome your enemies?
  - A. Make an affirmation
  - B. Give the Lord your full attention
  - C. When you make your statements of Truth, your enemy thoughts are vanquished, dissolved and dissipated, therefore, all adverse appearances disappear.

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- III. What is fearless faith?
  - A. A high state of consciousness.
  - B. A place of safety.
  - C. Where you rise above all adverse conditions, and God's battle is won.
- IV. How does faith work?
  - A. Faith gives one sublime assurance of one's good.
  - B. One may be surrounded by adverse appearances, but this sublime assurance impresses the subconscious mind, and a way opens for the manifestation of health, wealth and happiness.
  - C. The supply is waiting to be released by faith and the spoken word.
  - D. Faith creates expectancy.
- V. What is one way to get rid of fear?
  - A. To transmute it into faith; for fear is the opposite of faith.
  - B. Use your intuition, walk up to the thing you are afraid of and it will put you in a new vibration of success.

### Lesson IV

#### Chapter 9 (Victory and Fulfillment)

- I. How do words condemn?
  - A. By your words you are justified and by your words you are condemned. You are condemned by them because they do not return void.

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- B. Change your words and you change your world, for your word is your world.
- II. What is the value of an affirmation?
- A. You are deliberately building up a constructive idea in your conscious.
  - B. Your consciousness may be crammed and jammed with destructive ideas, but continually making a statement of Truth, will dissolve these negative thought forms.
  - C. These thought forms have been built up from your own vain imaginings.
  - D. With a knowledge of Truth all these external pictures may be changed, for they are only pictures, which change as your subconscious beliefs change.
- III. Enthusiasm
- A. Enthusiasm is divine fire and kindles enthusiasm in others.
  - B. Enthusiasm is divine expectancy – a product of faith.
  - C. We become divinely enthusiastic about your answered prayers, which we call “demonstrations,” for it means that we have demonstrated the truth and have been set free from some limitation.