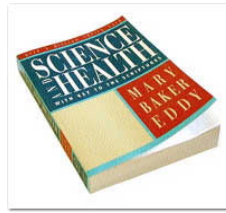


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From **Set yourself above the fray**,
by Colleen Douglass
on spirituality.com

"... I recognized that since we're all governed by a benevolent God who is the source of all intelligence, no human will or despotism could gain control of anyone's thinking and lead that one awry, nor could one of God's ideas gain pleasure or satisfaction from harming another.

"This experience taught me a lot about animal magnetism—a rather foreboding term that's easily demystified when one understands its spurious nature and how to deal with it. ...

"These days, animal magnetism is called mesmerism or hypnotism, but its original term tells a lot about how it works. In essence, it's animal in nature and magnetic in function. In other words, whatever draws one away from God or debases one's true spiritual nature is animal magnetism."

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

Bible, Isaiah 26:3

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**Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.
Shew thy marvellous lovingkindness,
O thou that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust in thee from those that rise up against them.**

Bible, Psalms 17

HALLOWEEN

Excerpts from
High on reality, not alcohol,
by Elizabeth Mata on spirituality.com

"So when I considered how God could help me with my problems, I thought of Jesus' statement, "The kingdom of God is within you." If this were true, then my happiness was right then and there and had always been with me. There was no need to look for it in places where it never had existed. Knowing this, it wasn't possible to be fooled. I didn't have to endlessly pursue happiness like someone running a race that no one ever tells you has no finish line. More and more I could see that God truly is the only source of happiness in the good times and the bad.

"Even though I no longer was being fooled by alcohol, the issues that made me drink in the first place were still there—I needed to feel better about myself and more relaxed around others.

"What I had to learn was to accept myself and to feel comfortable around others. But without the haze of alcohol, I began to make progress. Through the last of my teen years, as I began to understand more clearly that my natural state of being was happiness, it became easier to be myself with others and to stop trying to feel accepted by playing a part."

Soul has infinite resources with which to bless mankind, and happiness would be more readily attained and would be more secure in our keeping, if sought in Soul. Higher enjoyments alone can satisfy the cravings of immortal man. We cannot circumscribe happiness within the limits of personal sense. The senses confer no real enjoyment.

The good in human affections must have ascendancy over the evil and the spiritual over the animal, or happiness will never be won.

Mary Baker Eddy
Science and Health, p. 60



**Thou wilt
shew me the
path of life: in
thy presence
is fulness of
joy; at thy
right hand
there are
pleasures for
evermore.**

Bible, Psalms 16

Excerpts from **The value of being a nonconformist**

By Henry Rutledge, Jr.

Christian Science Sentinel, August 31, 1998

"Did I need to be more on guard against being influenced by thoughts around me?..."

"Self-determination, stemming from a solid understanding of our birthright as God's children, governed entirely by Him, along with humility and a willingness to yield to God's will, provides an effective protection from pressure in all its forms."

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