

A script from



"Behind Enemy Lies"

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- What** Based on C.S. Lewis' "The Screwtape Letters," this skit seeks to expose the enemy's plans and negative intentions for our lives. **Themes:** Demons, Oppression, Sin, Temptation, Fear, Worry, Enemy, Hell, Satan
- Who** Hornswoggle
Evan
- When** Present day
- Wear (Props)** Both actors should be dressed as if going to a business interview
Fake resume/portfolio
Desk- optional
2 Chairs
- Why** 1 Peter 5:8
- How** It is important to keep the pacing brisk throughout the skit. This script is dialogue driven and will drag if the pace is too slow. It is crucial that the characters are portrayed genuinely and not stereotypes of "demons."
- Time** Approximately 6-8 minutes

Hornswoggle stands behind the desk as Evan enters.

Hornswoggle: Uh, Evan, you're next. *(They shake hands)* Welcome to the Tempt agency. Come on in and sit down.

Evan: Thanks for meeting with me, Mr. Hornswoggle.

Hornswoggle: Of course, it's my pleasure. You know with the economy the way it is our business is BOOMING, and we're always looking for new and talented individuals.

Evan: Well, I really think I'm your demon.

Hornswoggle: Well, we'll just have to wait and see. Tell me about yourself, Evan. Where are you from?

Evan: *(Awkwardly)* Uh...Hell.

Hornswoggle: Obviously, but what part?

Evan: Just north of the lake of fire.

Hornswoggle: That's a nice area. *(Beat)* So, let's just cut to the chase. What makes you think you're Tempt Agency material?

Evan: Well, I recently graduated from Underlings School for the Deceivers with a Masters in Fear and Worry, and I think I'm ready for the big dance.

Hornswoggle: An Underlings man. You know I went to Underlings back in the day.

Evan: Oh yeah?

Hornswoggle: Oh, those were the good 'ole days. I remember my senior project was to deceive someone into trying to start their own religion.

Evan: How'd you do?

Hornswoggle: Have you heard of a little thing called Scientology?

Evan: That was you?

Hornswoggle: Needless to say, I got an "A."

Evan: *(Excited)* This is exactly why I want to work here. I want to be trained by the best in the business and the Tempt Agency has the highest heaven-to-hell ratio of any of the Devil's Alliance companies.

Hornswoggle: You've done your research, impressive.

Evan: I know everything there is to know about your company. I know that your top tempter last year was Pete "The Deceit" Taylor, who not only headed up the booming "Blaspheme Project" but also led four mega church pastors into sin that destroyed their careers.

Hornswoggle: Pete had a good year last year.

Evan: I also know that the Tempt Agency was crucial in the campaign to turn the enemies name into a swear word and played a pivotal role in the push to make "church" synonymous with "boring" and the word "Christian" synonymous with "hypocrite."

Hornswoggle: Well it's always been our mission to lie, cheat, and manipulate, and we do it better than anyone. But I want to hear more about you. What kind of projects would you like to work on?

Evan: Well, like I said, I got my degree in Fear and Worry; so I guess I would really like to put those skills to work. I'm particularly good at getting people to worry about the past and future. My philosophy has always been to get my subjects to think as little about their day-to-day lives, the people that they meet, the things that need to be done, the opportunities that are in front of them, etc. Instead, I fixate their minds on the past and the future, two areas where they have absolutely no control. This has proved to be not only effective but also fun. Last year, I was able to convince a guy to leave his wife by simply reminding him daily of what he had "given up" by getting married. He was in this terrible hair band in college but I convinced him that they could have made it big, if he had just not settled down.

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ENDING:

Hornswoggle: An ever increasing craving for an ever diminishing pleasure.

Evan: Exactly.

Hornswoggle: That's it, I've heard enough. You are a sick, sadistic liar with a propensity for deception and an ego the size of hell itself, and I just want to be the first one to say, "welcome to the team!"

Evan: Are you serious?

Hornswoggle: Would I lie?

Evan: Yes.

Hornswoggle: Of course I would, but I'm not now, you're hired. *(Beginning to walk offstage)* Let's just go get you a real tempter's name. I mean Evan, really, that rhymes with Heaven for evils sake. You must do better than that. From now on we'll call you, Scabsworth.

Lights out.