

## Permitting the Noble Dead to Descend to the Underworld

Nile

Hail to ye who art in the sacred desert of the west  
I know you and I know your names  
Save me from these snakes which ar in Rosetjau  
which live on the flesh of men and gulp down their blood  
For I know you and I know your names  
The first one Osiris, lord of all mysterious of body  
gives command  
He puts forth breath into those frightened ones  
who art in the midst of the west  
what has been decreed for me is lordship over those who exist  
I know you and I know your names  
May my place in the darkness be opened for me  
May a spirit shape be given to me in Rosetjau  
Even to the lord of the gloom  
who dies at the devourer of serpents  
His voice is heard but he is unseen  
The great god within Busiris  
Those amongst the languid ones fear him  
Having gone forth unto the shambles of the god  
I have gone forth  
Even I the vindicated Osiris  
The great ones on earth await me  
The scribes on their mats magnify me  
I am as Re the eldest of the gods  
I have taken possession of the sky  
I have inherited the earth  
Who shall take away the sky and earth from me?  
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