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The first part of the text discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. This is essential for ensuring the integrity of the financial data and for providing a clear audit trail. The second part focuses on the role of internal controls in preventing fraud and error. Strong internal controls are critical for safeguarding the organization's assets and ensuring that management's policies are effectively implemented. The final part of the text addresses the need for transparency and communication with stakeholders. Regular reporting and open communication are key to building trust and maintaining a healthy relationship with investors, regulators, and other interested parties.

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## CHAPTER I

## WHAT THEOSOPHY IS

“There is a school of philosophy still in existence of which modern culture has lost sight.” In these words Mr. A. P. Sinnett began his book, *The Occult World*, the first popular exposition of Theosophy, published thirty years ago. During the years that have passed since then, many thousands have learned wisdom in that school, yet to the majority its teachings are still unknown, and they can give only the vaguest of replies to the query, “What is Theosophy?”

Two books already exist which answer that question: Mr. Sinnett's *Esoteric Buddhism* and Mrs. Besant's *The Ancient Wisdom*. I have no thought of entering into competition with these standard works; what I desire is to present a statement, as clear and simple as I can make it, which may be regarded as introductory to them.

We often speak of Theosophy as not in itself a religion, but the truth which lies behind all religions alike. That is so; yet, from another point of view, we may surely say that it is at once a philosophy, a religion and a science. It is a philosophy, because it puts plainly before us an explanation of the scheme of evolution of both the souls and the bodies