

Discovering the Mysteries of Freemasonry

Brethren, the substituted secrets of a MM., thus regularly communicated to me. I, as M of this Lodge, and thereby the humble representative of KS, sanction and confirm with my approbation and declare that they shall designate you and all MM throughout the universe, until time or circumstances shall restore the genuine."

"With gratitude to our M we B"

"All gratitude to the MH"

These are quite possibly the most important statements of the entire masonic ritual and unfortunately these days, very rarely heard in an open lodge, due to the regrettable custom of closing a MM Lodge by virtue. We guard an ancient truth so powerful that;-

We must never reveal anything we hear or read regarding our Masonic ritual to the uninitiated.

The only point you can make to anyone who is uninitiated, is that freemasonry has a declared aim; which is to make good men, better men and for the benefit of mankind in general. That's it and it is the truth.

The uninitiated will never understand and many of the initiated will regrettably, just fail to completely understand the extent of the true purpose of our ancient rituals.

1921 – this from Mackey Masonic encyclopaedia:

"the way of progress from darkness to light, from ignorance to knowledge, from the lowest to the highest conceptions of Divine Truth. And this is, after all, the real object of all Masonic science."

Today we will find within our ritual there is a hidden message relating to important matters leading to revelation of divine truth, to which our ancient brethren were sworn not to reveal unless in the presence of two or more Masters.

It is only when you become an experienced craftsman and master mason that you can look back at the journey you began when we were all, symbolically, reduced to the lowest ebb of poverty and distress and previously volunteered ourselves, to be admitted into the secrets and mysteries of ancient free and accepted masons, that we realise that our pre-conceived ideas of actually learning great secrets and exciting mysteries in that first entrance into FM, was somewhat premature and speaking for myself, quite confusing.

At the end of my initiation evening I was both elated and confused because I was a part of something special and yet, I could not figure out what it actually was.

So, I pressed on having been assured the order contained great and invaluable privileges.

After I became an Installed Master in the science, I gave the whole matter considerable reflection and realized that it is necessary to review our long journey and begin to understand the brilliance of those ancient brethren who devised the rituals from which we have derived great personal benefit because we know that our path of virtue and science has taken us to a higher awareness of self and challenged us to improve our intellectual capabilities,

I further concluded that some of us must come to the realization that I found within myself that even now, we were all of us, even from the start, on a pre-programmed path that led us through the paths of heavenly science even unto the throne of God himself; so that we would come into masonic light by a very gradual process requiring a daily advancement in masonic knowledge; during which that mysterious veil which the eye of human reason cannot penetrate unless assisted by that light which is from above, will gradually be lifted over a time no less than 7 years.

Our entrance into FM in a state of helpless indigence was an emblematical representation of all men on this their mortal existence. Our entrance into a Lodge of free and accepted masons; duly opened on the square was an actual event designed to give us a new perspective on our own lives for the purpose of:

Building on our character to confirm to each of us, that our morality and integrity thus far has not be misplaced, but rather recognized and valued by our friends who invited us into this unique and secular but spiritual fraternity of men who value honor and virtue above the external advantages of rank and fortune.

Thus, giving us all the opportunity to practice and build on the virtues of truth and justice for the betterment of the human race. That practice naturally, brings us to a higher level of consciousness.

The reward is the Great invaluable Privilege of spiritual enlightenment associated with knowing yourself and having pride in yourself and your brethren. The revelations contained with the RA degree are confirmation of the knowledge gained in 7 years of masonic study.

We are HA, the third man, who after 7 years, has been entrusted with great secrets which can only be shared when 3 or more than 3 of us are assembled in private conclaves.

But right now, within 10 minutes of our first entrance into our Lodge, we are immediately examined to confirm our willingness to proceed into the darkness, in an unknown environment and therein, we are entrusted with the first and one most important elements of knowledge necessary for us to reach a final understanding of the truth.

“The method of approaching the east in this degree is by three irregular steps of approximately 9, 12, 15 inches” or another unit. We have been given the coordinates of an ancient mathematical theorem.

Education has begun. We must not under estimate the numbers. They are much more than symbols.

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