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April 8, 2023

8:30 am
Breakfast

10:00 am
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11:30 am
Rameses Grotto

1:30 pm
Globe Chapter
No. 7 R.A.M.

WB Ernie Miranda
2023 Master

The First Two Pillars

Today in Masonic History we present the First two Pillars.

Freemason's are familiar with the pillars of Solomon's temple, biblically these are not the first two pillars mentioned.

First some back story leading to the first two

pillars. Genesis, in part, tells the story of Cain and Abel. Biblically they are the first sons of Adam and Eve after they leave the Garden of Eden. Cain slew Abel and Cain was cast out to never live in the sight of God again. After Cain's departure Adam and Eve have another son Seth. It is the offspring of Cain and Seth which leads us to the building of the first two pillars. Biblical scholars are somewhat undecided on this subject.

In the first version of the creation of the two pillars, Seth's descendants, including Enoch and Lamech, led virtuous lives. It should be noted Cain had descendants also named Enoch and Lamech. The descendants of Seth are credited with developing astronomy, the division of time into weeks, months and years (both solar and lunar) and to have evolved Hebrew Characters. They were warned by a prophecy of the end of the World. To protect their knowledge they inscribed the it on two pillars. Both writings were identical in the hopes one or the other survived the destruction of the World. The first was made of brick, the other of stone.

In the other version it is the descendants of Cain, the children of Lamech, who actually are the ones who develop the knowledge and inscribe the information on the pillars. Lamech

married two women, the first was Adah. Adah gave birth to Jubal and Jabal. Jubal is said to have been the father of stringed instruments and pipes. Jabal was the father of "those who live in tents and raise livestock." Lamech's second wife was Zilla, she gave birth to Tubal-Cain

who "forged all kinds of tools out of bronze and iron". Tubal-Cain also had a sister Naamah (sometimes Na'amah) who is believed to have been the first person to undertake weaving. Again the information is inscribed on the brick and the stone pillars when there is a prophecy of the destruction of the World.

In both versions of the story, the method of the destruction is not clear in the prophecy. It is either inundation (flooding or a deluge) or conflagration (fire or burning).

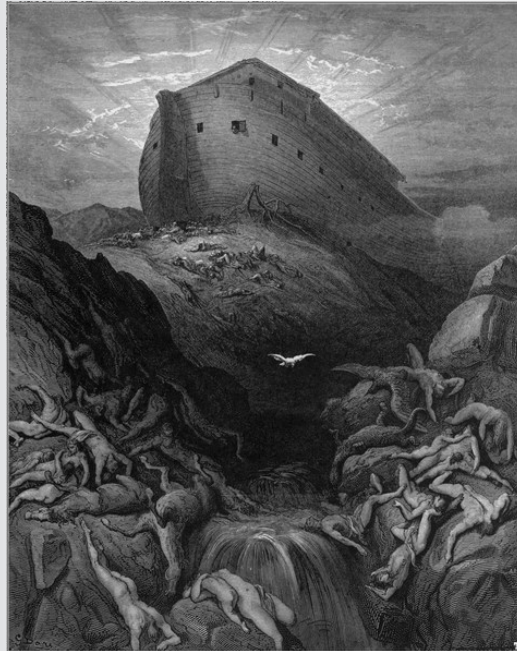
In both stories the motivation for inscribing the information on the two pillars is to survive inundation and conflagration. The concept of preserving knowledge was later applied to the pillars of King Solomon's Temple. Regardless of which antediluvian (before the biblical flood) story is ascribed to, the original pillars were meant to safeguard the knowledge which had been accumulated prior to the destruction of the World. Just as knowledge is believed to have been stored in the pillars of King Solomon's Temple.

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Ernie Miranda

2022 Master

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Fraternally,
Dewey Jefferson
Junior Past Master
White Mountain Lodge No. 3

What is an "EAVESDROPPER" ?

A listener. The punishment which was directed in the old lectures, at the revival of Freemasonry in 1717, to be inflicted on a detected cowan was: "To be placed under the eaves of the house in rainy weather, till the water runs in at his shoulders and out at his heels." The French inflict a similar punishment: "On le met sous une gouttiere, une pompe, ou une fontaine, jusqu'à ce qu'il soit mouillé depuis la tete jusqu'aux pieds," meaning They put him under the rain-spout, a pump, or a fountain, until he is drenched from head to feet. Hence a listener is called an eavesdropper. The word is not, as has by some been supposed, a peculiar Masonic term, but is common to the language. Skinner gives it in his Etymologicon, and approvingly calls it vox sane elegantissima, aptly sound word; and Blackstone (Com, mentaries iv, 13) thus defines it:

Eavesdroppers, or such as listen under walls, or windows, or the eaves of a houses to hearken after discourse and thereupon to frame slanderous and mischievous tales, are a common nuisance and presentable at the court or are indictable at the sessions. and punishable by fine and finding sureties for their good behavior. ~ Mackey

Spring is here!

Brethern,
Spring is here (at least I hope it is by the time you are reading this). It's a time for nature to renew itself and bring forth new beginnings. Let's take a little time to reflect on what we can do to renew ourselves. Maybe take time to break of that piece of stone that doesn't fit quit right in our temple design. Work on molding that piece that may irritate others and bring better harmony in our lives. Nature can teach us a lot about renewal. That time to learn from her and enjoy life. I'm going to borrow a piece of masonic ritual which I believe is very important " Remembering that life is short and the uncertainty of it's continuance".

God bless,

Education:

Below are included some segments of text from pages 692 & 693 of volume 3 of the Mackey's Revised History of Freemasonry - Clegg edition; by Robert Ingham Clegg. If you have access to this set you will enjoy reading the 'preceding chapter' Brother Clegg mentions below.

*"The use of prayer in the Scottish Lodges of the 17th century is not a supposition. That is proved by actual records. Brother Lyon, in his invaluable work, to which we have been almost wholly indebted for the facts in the present and the preceding chapter, supplies us with two forms of prayers, one 'to be said at the convening,' and the other 'to be said before dismissing.' Both are taken from the minute-books of Mary's Chapel Incorporation for the year 1699." *

*"Oh Lord, we most humbly beseech thee to be present with us in mercy, and to bless our meeting and haill (whole) exercise which wee now have in hand. O Lord, enlighten our understanding and direct our hearts and mynds, so with thy good Spirit, that wee may frame all

our purposes and conclusions to the glory of thy name and the welfare of our Brethren; and therefore O Lord, let no partiall respect, neither of ffeed (enmity) nor favour, draw us out of the right way. But grant that we may ever so frame all our purposes and conclusions to the glory of thy name and the welfare of our Brethren. Grant these things, O Lord, unto us, and what else thou sees more necessarie for us, and that only for the love of thy dear son Jesus Christ, our alone Lord and Saviour; To whom with thee, O Father, and the belesed Spirit of Grace, Wee render all praise, honor and glory, for ever and ever. Amen." *

*"The Second Prayer, or that used at the dismissal of closing of the Lodge is as follows: *

*"Oh Lord, wee most humbly acknowledge the goodnesse in meeting with us together at this tyme, to confer upon a present condition of this world. O Lord, make us also study heaven and heavenly myndednesse, that we may get our souls for a prey, and O Lord, be with us and accompany us the rest of this day, now and forever. Amen." *

*"The importance of this record of prayers at opening and closing in the Scottish Lodges, is that it adds great force to the claim that a similar custom existed in the English Lodges at the same period." *

Fraternally,

Bill Greenen
2023 Senior Warden
White Mountain Lodge No. 3

Our History

OFFICERS FOR 1990

Thomas Dempster
 Doug King
 Timothy Conrad
 Ed Mackey
 Frank Stapleton

WM
 SW
 JW
 Treas
 Secty

New Affiliations:

Tom Evans
 Eldo Frueh
 Bob Conrad

Deceased:

Homer Cordry	Joe Pearson
Irving McNeil	Robert Whitworth
Robert Beavers	Claude Rector
George Humphries	Lester Greenhalgh
Al Davenport	Frueh William
Dave McCreary	Denzil Ingram



Anniversary Pins presented:

55 year pin - Hitchens

The lodge voted to donate \$25.00 to Correctional Department for cleaning of cemetery

The voted to donate \$ 25.00 to the Salvation Army

Grand Lodge: Oscar T Lyon Jr. elected Senior Grand Warden

Masonic Anniversaries

Ernest Miranda	April 5, 2014	9 years
Roy Putman	April 5, 1983	40 years

Birthdays

Pau Swietek	April 12th
Brian Hanne	April 13th
Jim Rasmussen	April 16th
Ronald Dewey	April 17th
Tom Pifer	April 20th
Avery Cantwell	April 21st
Duke Jones	April 21st
Terry Tanner	April 27th

Clothe a Child Campaign

White Mountain Lodge No. 3 continues to be a leader in the Globe/Miami community by raising money for the annual Clothe a Child campaign for needy youth.

Year after Year White Mountain Lodge works with local businesses to raise money to supply chooses children with very needed clothes and school supplies.

This amazing endeavor should be a year around effort to be successful! The Globe, Miami and Claypool area has many worthwhile children that could take advantage of our program!

Please consider making a donation or offering to volunteer for this year's event!

Masonic Charities of Arizona

Throughout its history, grants from Masonic Charities of Arizona have been provided to needy organizations in the various communities within the State of Arizona.

The purpose of the charity is to primarily assist those organizations throughout the State, engaged in relieving human suffering of any kind, which are dependent upon contributions from the public to accomplish their mission.

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White Mountain Lodge No. 3 joins FACEBOOK

To better reach out to the local community and share information with the members, White Mountain Lodge No. 3 has joined the online community of Facebook. We will use the page as a public forum to share the activities of the Lodge with the community of Globe/Claypool/Miami and the surrounding area. We hope that this will not only raise the profile of the Lodge within the community but also help the Lodge be a bigger part of our community as a whole!

We hope that this sharing will not only help our philanthropic efforts but also elevate our standing in the community. We also hope that this will help our Clothe a Child program and other efforts while also letting the locals that we are here to join!



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From the South

Greetings from the South

What a gift! This gift of life!

As a 'Traveling Man' in life, I have been both operative and speculative.

My operative travels started with crawling and walking like most of us.

From there, I branched into many other types of operative travel including running, hiking, climbing, cycling, flying, floating (downstream and downwind), sk

iiing, spelunking, backpacking, and many others. Vehicles played a big part starting with a tricycle and progressing from there to bicycle, unicycle, motorcycles, cars, trucks, kayaks, rafts, planes, trains, and even balloons. Each journey was a communion with my creator and I treasured the connections I made along the way.

My speculative travels included music, meditation, education, philosophizing, fraternizing, teaching, learning, dreaming, and other mental gymnastics. As with my operative travels, a communion with my creator was the purpose and the reward,

As I get older and reflect more often on where I have gone and what I have done, I see the trail that I left behind me that connects every journey with the ones before it and the ones after that are all connected by pathways to each other creating

an organic World Life Web. The web of a traveling man.

As my journeys intersected with the paths of others, I made connections to the path and the companions I gathered along the way. I didn't spend a lot of time gathering money, but became quite wealthy along the way in friends and experiences.

I'm getting older now and my travels have slowed. I getting back to the crawling and walking stage, but the connections I've made and web of life continue to nourish me and make my journey full of wonder

The journey can be full of obstacles, but even those create connections. Pay attention as you travel brother and connect to the world and the people along the way. The connections seem to be what keeps everything in place.

Weave your web with brotherly love, relief, and truth

Fraternally,

Stephen Englund PM
2023 Junior Warden
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Globe Chapter No. 7

Did you know that Globe is home to a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons?

The “Capitular” or Chapter Degrees of Freemasonry refers the four degrees of the York Rite system that follow the “blue lodge” or “Craft” degrees. The Holy Royal Arch is the final degree and the culmination of the Chapter experience for a candidate. The Chapter is the second body of the York Rite of Freemasonry (following the Symbolic or 'Blue' Lodge), though in some Jurisdictions it is considered the completion of the initial three degrees and is part of the regular Craft experience.

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Would you like to remember a Masonic family member, Masonic friend or notable Mason? Recent changes in the Arizona Masonic Code now allow you to purchase a Memorial Life Membership for any deceased Mason that you wish to memorialize in White Mountain Lodge No. 3. The fee for these memberships is only 10 times dues. The Deceased Mason's name will remain on the Lodge's register for Perpetual Membership in perpetuity and the Lodge will receive an annuity every year from this help cover Lodge expenses.

Contact Paul Dore Sr. Lodge Secretary for Memorial Perpetual
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WHAT IS AN "EAVESDROPPER" ?

BAAL'S BRIDGE SQUARE IS AN ARTIFACT FOUND IN THE FOUNDATION OF BAAL'S BRIDGE WHICH SPANS THE SHANNON RIVER IN LIMERICK, IRELAND. LIKE THE REGIUS POEM, THE BAAL'S BRIDGE SQUARE IS SOMETHING OF AN ANOMALY WHEN IT COMES TO THE HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY. THE SQUARE WAS FOUND IN 1830 WHEN BAAL BRIDGE WHICH SPANNED THE SHANNON RIVER WAS BRING REMOVED TO MAKE WAY FOR THE NEW BAAL BRIDGE. IT WAS DUG OUT OF THE EASTERN CORNER OF THE FOUNDATION OF THE NORTHERN LAND PIER. IT IS PRESUMED THE SQUARE WAS PLACED IN THE FOUNDATION BY AN OPERATIVE MASON.

THE INTERESTING QUESTION IT RAISES IS WHETHER THE OPERATIVE MASONS OF THE TIME WERE USING ESOTERIC TEACHINGS IN THEIR RITUAL. TAKING THE SQUARE LITERALLY AT FACE VALUE, IT'S INSCRIPTION READS "I WILL STRIVE TO LIVE WITH LOVE & CARE UPON THE LEVEL AND BY THE SQUARE", IT DOES IMPLY OPERATIVE MASONS MAY HAVE BEEN USING ESOTERIC LESSONS IN THEIR WORK. IT COULD ALSO IMPLY THE SQUARE WAS THE BEGINNING OF SPECULATIVE MASONRY WITH IT'S MORE ESOTERIC AND SYMBOLIC VIEW OF MASONIC TOOLS. ALONG WITH THE ABOVE MENTIONED INSCRIPTION, THERE IS ALSO A YEAR OF 1507. BECAUSE OF THE CORRODED STATE OF THE SQUARE THE YEAR HAS BEEN CHANGED AS NEW EYES VIEW IT. IT IS FURTHER CONFUSED BY THE FACT NO ONE KNOWS WHEN THE ORIGINAL BAAL'S BRIDGE WAS BUILT. AT ONE POINT, THE DATE WAS BELIEVED TO BE 1317, INTERESTINGLY THIS PUTS THE SQUARE IN THE SAME CENTURY OF WHEN THE REGIUS POEM IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN (THE REGIUS POEM IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN DOWN IN 1390). LATER THE DATE ON THE SQUARE BECAME 1517 AND EVENTUALLY 1507, WHICH A RUBBING OF THE SQUARE SEEMS TO DEFINITELY INDICATE. TO FURTHER BACKUP THE IDEA THE SQUARE IS MORE THAN 500 YEARS OLD, THERE ARE WRITTEN ACCOUNTS IN TOWN RECORDS OF BAAL'S BRIDGE BEING IN PLACE IN 1558.

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