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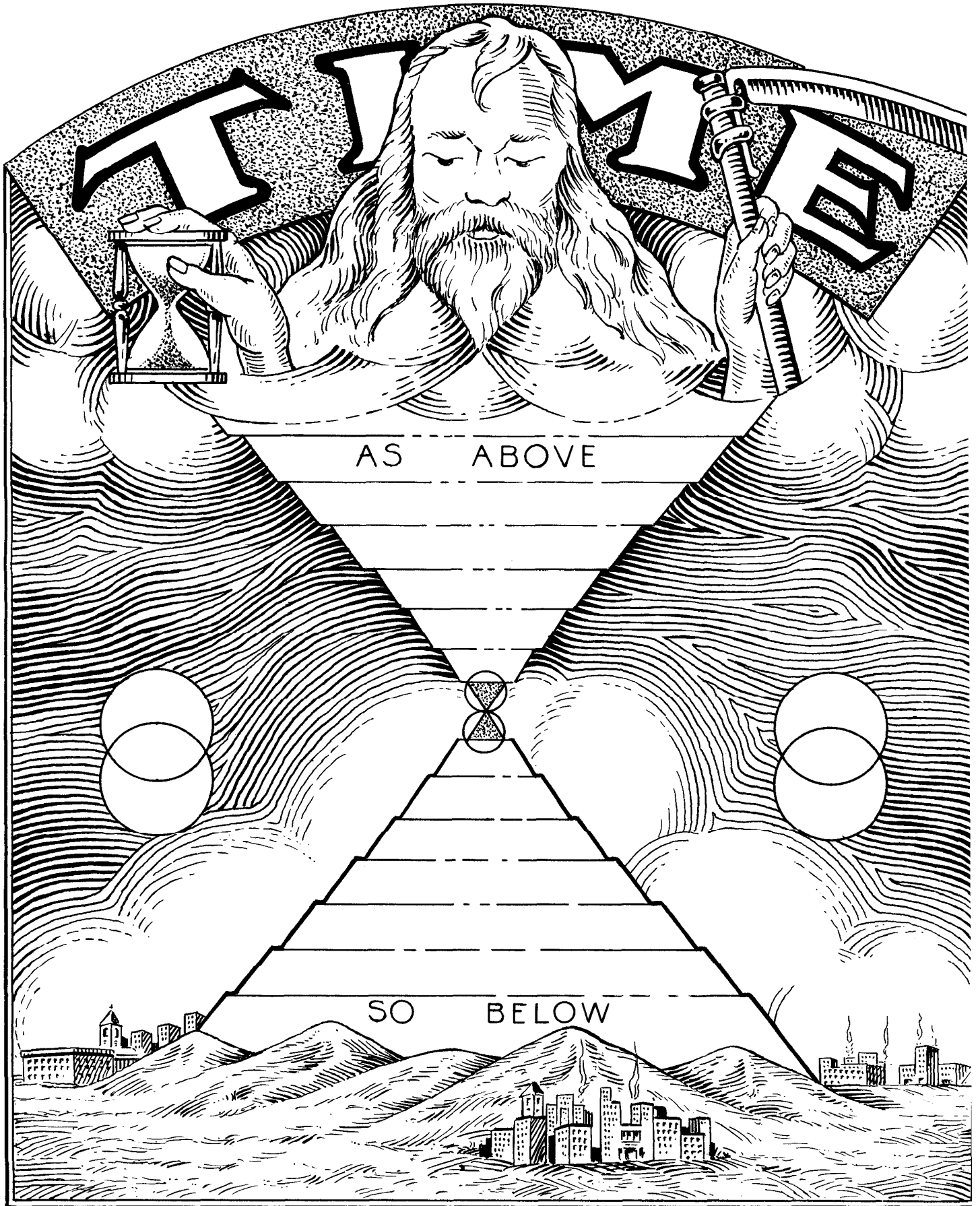
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Beloved Companion:

Upon completion of Lesson No. 11 you are no longer considered a neophyte, and you have been admitted into Third Degree Mayanry, which carries the designation, MAYAN LECTOR. To receive your Certificate of Degree you were required to complete Parts 1, 2, and 3 of Lesson No. 11 and return them to Headquarters. Upon receipt of these completed Parts, then a Certificate is issued to you. Yours may now be in your possession or will be received soon, if you followed the above instructions.

In this Lesson, you will enter into even fuller companionship with the other members of Mayanry who also have attained the Third Degree through participation in a beautiful Ceremony of Initiation. The inspiration and revelation of truth while performing the Ceremony with your Companions will draw you to heights you have never experienced before.

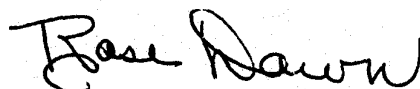
This Initiation Ceremony is not a requirement for the Third Degree, but, rather, is a time of close fellowship with your other classmates at a specific hour, which creates a greater bond than has existed heretofore. It is our hope that you will be able to perform it at the exact hour and day given for your class participation.

First, read this Lesson in its entirety, including the Initiation Ceremony. Then, re-read the Special Instructions, which give you additional information and the key to the Third Mayan Password needed to participate in the actual Ceremony with your Companions on the chosen day and hour.

After doing so, you may have some doubts as to your worthiness to participate. Let me hasten to assure you that this reaction is a normal one often expressed by our Companions from time to time as they approach a higher degree, for the true seeker of Truth never reaches the stage where he feels entirely worthy of the magnitude of blessings that come through enlightenment. It is the normal emotion of the sincere, earnest seeker. But let me remind you that you have already proved your worthiness, you have already met the requirements of the Third Degree, and are ready now to join with your Companions in the beautiful Ceremony of Initiation.

Now, continue on ... and may your observance of this Initiatory lead you forward and upward to new heights of knowledge and development as you move forward into the revelations and mysteries of the Third Degree.

Yours in Companionship,



YOUR INSTRUCTOR.

P.S. If the time set is one on which it is absolutely impossible for you to participate, please let me know soon, and I will give you another day and hour, for in every class there are a few who must join together at a later date. R.D.

THE TWELFTH REVELATION

BELOVED COMPANION:

Under this grand symbol of Time, we bring you your Initiation into Full Companionship in the Third Degree of Mayanry. You have been tried and found worthy of receiving the three passwords. You have proved that the things expressed by these three words are within you and an actual part of your nature. May these richest blessings be yours forevermore.

Your preparation has given you a glimpse of the divine truth that all blessings are within you just as you are within the midst of all blessings. To receive them merely requires the act of bringing them to your consciousness and thus into reality.

You have learned that all creation springs from Mind. Anything that you create in thought actually exists even though you never carry it out in physical or material expression.

An architect may create a house in his Mind. He may work out all the problems of construction, the dimensions and the proportions, the stresses and the distribution of masses, the plumbing and the wiring, the color scheme and the decorative features. He may do all this without ever actually building the house. Yet that house exists - in his Mind. If he is a skilled architect, he can bring it into material being EXACTLY AS HE HAS CREATED IT IN HIS MIND any time he wants to call together the labor and the material for constructing it.

A musician may create a song in his Mind. The song exists. Even though he never sets the notes on paper, even though he never so much as sings it, still the song has actual being. It is created in that musician's Mind.

MIND ACTUALLY CREATES.
THOUGHTS ARE THINGS,
THEY HAVE BEING.

EVEN THOUGH THEY RE-
MAIN FOREVER INVISIBLE -
STILL THEY EXIST.

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The man or woman capable of realizing this becomes blessed. That person needs never be unhappy. That person, in time, becomes stamped with the grandeur of his thoughts. The majesty of the things his Mind creates is reflected in his countenance. He is a man apart, a leader, a teacher to whom all thoughtful persons will harken and yearn.

When two such persons meet, there is instantly formed a Companionship. There is more than a physical meeting; it is a joining of Minds, a telepathic

attunement, a recognition of and respect for the mentality expressed by one mind to the other.

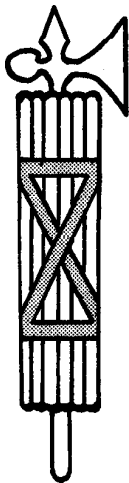
It is this universal Companionship of noble mentality that has drawn you to The Mayan Order. It is this quality of noble mentality that has caused you to seek Companionship with those of like Mind. You have found it. You have shown that you possess the qualities expressed by the three Mayan passwords. The quest is ended. Be then content to follow forever upward on the path, never forsaking, until the reward of Mastery is yours.

You have received the title of Mayan Lector. With it come new duties, and yet they are not really new to you. The word, "Lector", comes from remote and ancient sources. It means "one who reads and teaches or lectures". As we have discussed in Lesson 11, teaching comes about in various ways - through speaking to others about those things you have learned, either individually or in groups; or by living the Truth you have learned, practicing it so consistently in your own life that others are drawn to find the Source of Light so evident in you.

As given by today's dictionaries, the origin of the word, "Lector", is said to be from the Latin word, "legere", meaning "to read". This is not entirely correct as its source is older than the Latin tongue. We can easily trace it back two thousand years before Christ to the ancient Etruscans. The Etruscans were the race from whom ancient Rome received its first teachings of Philosophy and the niceties of civilization although even then the Etruscans, as a race, were declining. There is little doubt but what the Etruscans were one branch of the survivors of Atlantis, just as other Atlantean survivors reached the shores of America and lived among the ancient Maya.

The Etruscans, too, were pyramid builders although they usually built their pyramids in dome-shaped formations. They, like the Egyptians, usually used their pyramids as tombs; whereas, in America, the true Pyramids were not used as burial places.

Investigation of the Etruscan tombs has brought forth much new knowledge obtained through examination of decorated pottery contained in them.



We find from this source that the Etruscan wise men who knew and foretold the future and who taught their sciences and arts, were always preceded as they went through the ancient streets of their cities in the country that is today Italy by twelve men called "Lictors". The Lictors carried curious axes with a bundle of twelve sticks just below the blades. These were called "fasces" and the Romans, in appropriating the custom, also took the name. From the Etruscan word, "Lictor" comes the modern word "Lector" which literally means "teacher, protector of the faith, reader of wisdom, lecturer". You are now considered as such in The Mayan Order, and you will be led to find which facet of the work is to be yours.

You will observe the fasces we have illustrated here. It is copied from an ancient vase. You will notice there are three parts to the blade; one heart-shaped, one sharp and pointed and one triangular and keen-edged. The significances of these you

should readily understand as Soul, Mind, and Spirit, while Body is represented by the body of the instrument.

The fasces itself, of course, represents union: a drawing together, a Companionship. The twelve sticks composing the fasces, as well as the twelve men who bore the fasces, symbolized the twelve forms of teaching the ONE principle of all creation. Later, it conformed to the twelve signs of the Zodiac and, in Christ's time, it was symbolized by the twelve Apostles. In Mayanry, it is symbolized in the Twelve Revelations you receive before Initiation.

The symbol for Being as well as the symbol for Time is represented in the way the twelve sticks are tied together. A little further study of this drawing on your part will surely reveal to you something else that is clearly symbolized here.

The fasces was not used as a weapon nor as a tool but purely as a symbol of office and as an emblem of power. It is your symbol in your new degrees of Mayanry. Remember that it symbolizes more than mere union and harmony, more than merely united strength. It also symbolizes close Companionship - Oneness.

From the standpoint of the teachings that you have been given, and from the standpoint of worthiness, you are now prepared for the Initiation. There are two more preparations to make, however, before you perform the actual Ceremony:

(1) Read the SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS on pages 5 and 6 that will reveal to you the Third Password, as well as information on the secret signals used by The Mayans for identification of those members in the Third Degree.

(2) Provide yourself with three candles and candleholders (or receptacles) to place them in. Also, take into the room where you study in private, two bowls or similar receptacles. Provide yourself with a small quantity of incense and place it in one bowl. Place a sufficient but very small quantity of pure water in the other bowl. You are then prepared for your Initiation.

Final Word: Remember that your own mental attitude will govern the extent of your reception and attunement. A materially-minded man will look at a work of art by a master painter and will see only the paint or perhaps a pleasing picture, while a man of developed intellect and of higher sensibilities will gaze at it and actually feel the mood of the artist who created it and thus share with the artist the thrill of genuine attunement, of real Companionship, of Oneness with him.



With the dawning of intelligence in man, came recognition of the mysteries; a sensing of a Supreme Power over everything that has Being. Early men recognized a single Supreme Deity and considered the sun to be his symbol. Later, as we have explained, other tribes worshipped Deity in strange birds or beasts or stone or man-made idols. The early Greeks and others had many gods, rulers of the wind, love, beauty, wisdom, etc. But down through the ages, regardless of his concept

or understanding of Deity, man in his most solemn moods has followed ceremonies and rituals until today they seem to be ingrained in our Sub-consciousness.

Rituals have become a key to unlock the Inner Forces so that their blessings flow forth more readily. You will find, when you carry out this Mayan Ceremony, following it in thoughtful solemnity, remembering that other members of your class in The Mayan Order are also carrying out at the same time in various parts of the world, that this act in itself will stimulate your imagination, which is a mental process, and will inspire and aid you to assimilate in your Mind the truth that is taught.



SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

(To be read before you complete your examination of the Initiation.)

Read the Initiation Ceremony once or twice before the time to actually perform it, to familiarize yourself with it. When the time comes for actual performing of it, let it be with the realization that others in your class are performing it at the same time, that it is a solemn moment and a solemn ceremony and that it actually represents a rebirth.

Properly carried out, it will be highly inspirational and beneficial to you. While your Companions on the Path have thus far been invisible to you; at this time of initiation, you will feel their presence with and surrounding you as, with you, they also participate in the ritual of initiation. Some of your Companions have distinguished learning in Occultism, some are distinguished in other walks of life, many are beginners in the study of Truth, but all, like you, are seeking enlightenment. Remember that you, yourself, were chosen from among many applicants.

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Needed in the Initiation Ceremony is the Third Mayan Password. It is a word that, like the other two that have previously been revealed to you, represents something you have shown yourself to possess.

This word will be found on Page One, in the frontispiece of the Eleventh Revelation, below the inverted pyramid of Cosmic Time. It is the emblem of Seven Circles.

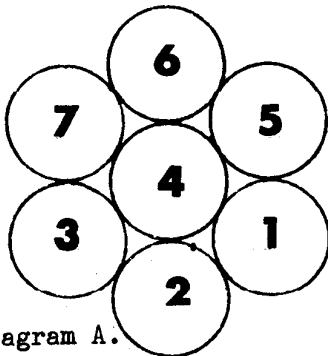


Diagram A.

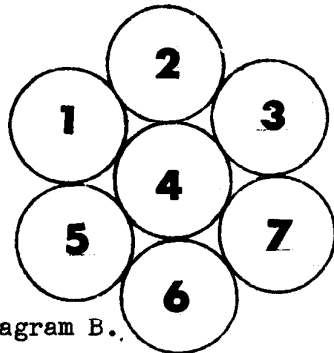


Diagram B.

It contains the six-pointed star whose meaning has already been partly revealed to you. In the center of and at the points of this star are seven secret-cipher letters, which are the letters of the Third Password.

To read them, first number the circle in the order shown in Diagram A, to the left.

After you have numbered the seven circles on Page 1 in the Eleventh Revelation, turn that page upside-down. This will make the numerical order run as shown in Diagram B on this page.

By decoding the circles as arranged in Diagram B, starting with the circle numbered "1", then circle number "2" and continuing in numerical order to circle number "7", you will obtain the Third Password. To help make it clear, the letter in circle number "1" is L. The letter in the circle numbered "2" is C. Simply decode the letters in the order of their numbering, being sure to remember that the seven-circle emblem on Page One of the Eleventh Revelation must be turned upside-down.

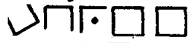

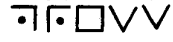


It is intended that it only be known to those who have

received the Initiation and the title of M. L. The Third of these words completes the symbol. The sign for these three words shall be Δ .

Now that you have completed these steps, you will see that the Third Password is:



A Mayan of the Third Degree may communicate his rank to another Mayan while shaking hands. If the other Mayan is of equal rank he simply returns the signal. But if he has progressed to a higher Degree - in addition, he communicates that special signal indicating his Degree and waits. If the first Mayan should also be of the higher Degrees, he will know how to reply. If not, then of course, he will not know.

The signal of this Degree, as given by handclasp, is communicated by shaking the other's hand in the conventional way, except that it is shaken   While doing this, you also  with  .

Other signals will be given to you as you proceed on the Path. Some of these signals you will receive from us will be recognized by the various secret societies dwelling today in the jungles of the old Mayan country. Others, of course, remain solely the secrets shared only among the Members of our Order.

In closing these notes, let me add that we would appreciate a note or a letter from you, describing your feelings and experiences during the Initiation and after. While we await your letter, feel that we are drawing ever closer - -

In Beloved Companionship,

The Mayans

From the 3rd Chapter of John

"We know that thou art a teacher come from God: for NO MAN CAN DO THESE MIRACLES THAT THOU DOEST, EXCEPT GOD BE WITH HIM.

Jesus answered and said unto him, 'Verily, verily, I say unto thee, EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN AGAIN, he cannot see the kingdom of God.'

Nicodemus saith unto Him, 'How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb, and be born?'

Jesus answered, 'Verily, verily, I say unto thee, EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN OF WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and THAT WHICH IS BORN OF THE SPIRIT is spirit. MARVEL NOT THAT I SAID UNTO THEE, YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound

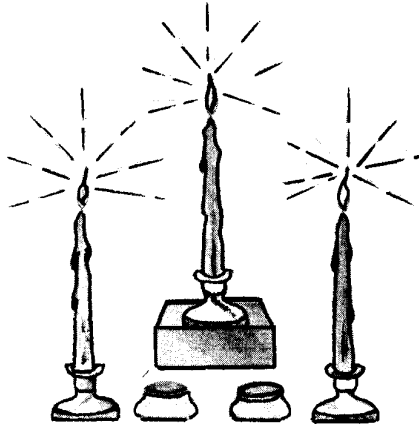
thereof, but CANST NOT TELL WHENCE IT COMETH, AND
WHITHER IT GOETH: SO IS EVERY ONE THAT IS BORN OF
THE SPIRIT.'"

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Make arrangements for complete privacy during this Initiation Ceremony.

PREPARE YOUR ALTAR IN ADVANCE.

At one end of your study room please arrange upon a box or table, three candles in the form of a triangle. Now mount the center candle on something higher so it will



stand higher than the other two; thus, their flames will form a triangle. Many students use a metal box for safe keeping of their Lessons, and this could be used to elevate the center candle.

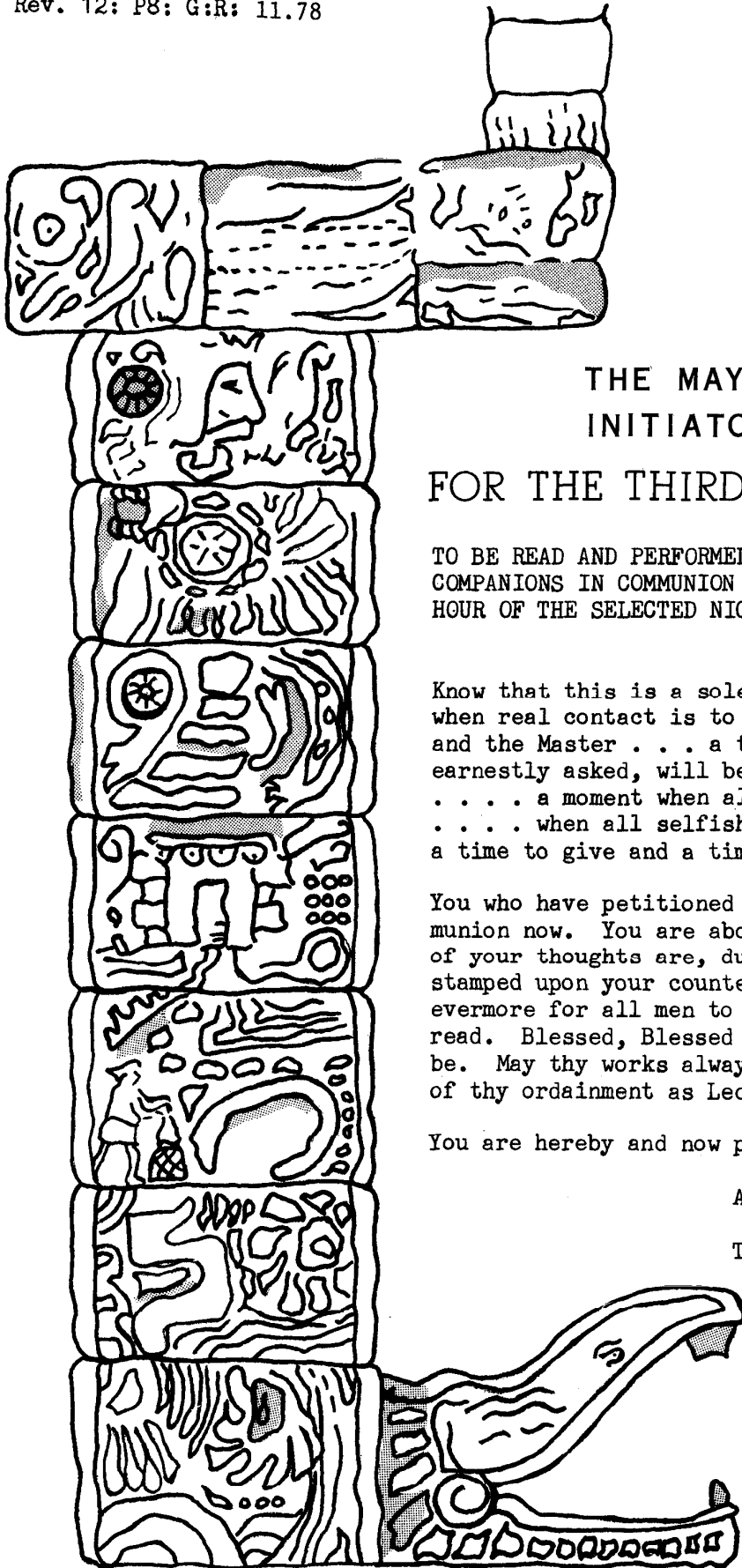
The triangle has been used by many races of man to symbolize many things. We use it to symbolize what we term the Law of Three. The triangle formed by the three points of living flame represents to us: The Father -- The Son -- and The Holy Ghost. These three living flames also represent the immortal parts of us: Soul, Mind and Spirit. This triangle has many other meanings as you know, but these are the chief ones.

At the base of the Triangle of the Flames, place two receptacles (two bowls will answer the purpose). In the one to your left place the incense enclosed with this Lesson; in the other a very small amount of pure water. You have now prepared the Altar to be used during your Initiation Ceremony.

The Initiation of your class will be performed at 12:00 o'clock Midnight, on the night of DEC 19 1979. For those who cannot take part then, other ceremonies will be conducted at 9:00 P.M. the following night.

This hour represents Central Standard Time, U. S. A. If you live in the eastern part of the United States, you will add one hour. If you live in the sector of Mountain Time, subtract one hour. For the Pacific Coast, subtract two hours. Members of this class in other parts of the world merely add one hour for each time zone east of Central United States or subtract one hour for each time zone west. Thus, all Members of this class will be performing this ceremony at the same time.





THE MAYAN INITIATORY

FOR THE THIRD DEGREE

TO BE READ AND PERFORMED BY OUR BELOVED
COMPANIONS IN COMMUNION AT THE CHOSEN
HOUR OF THE SELECTED NIGHT.

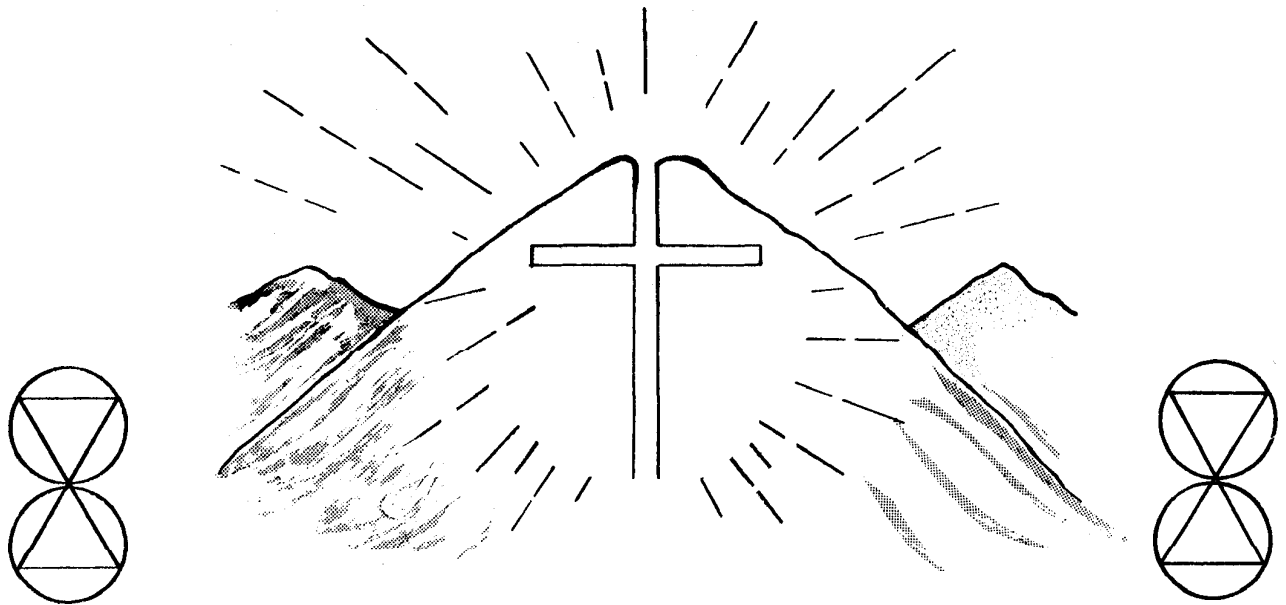
Know that this is a solemn moment. It is a moment when real contact is to be established between you and the Master . . . a time when your worthy desires, earnestly asked, will be started toward fulfillment a moment when all worldliness must be shed when all selfishness must be forgotten . . . a time to give and a time to receive.

You who have petitioned our Companionship are in communion now. You are about to be born anew. The image of your thoughts are, during this Holy moment, being stamped upon your countenance, there to remain forevermore for all men to see and for those who can, to read. Blessed, Blessed are Ye and Blessed Shalt Ye be. May thy works always be good and pure and worthy of thy ordainment as Lector in the good Mayan Order.

You are hereby and now proclaimed a Mayan Lector.

Amen.

THE MAYAN ORDER



THE EIGHT BEATITUDES

To Be Read By The Companion Receiving Initiation

The Time has come. In this Ceremony with Fire and Water, Thou art to be born anew. Into thy new life comes the need for new instruction. Harken, therefore, to the voice of the prophet:

MATTHEW (4:25 and 5:1-16)

"And there followed him great multitudes of people

from Galilee and from Decapolis and from

Jerusalem and from Judea

and from beyond

the Jordan.

And

seeing the

multitudes, He

went up into a mountain

and when He was set, His disciples came

unto Him: And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying

"BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT:

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"BLESSED ARE THEY THAT MOURN:

For they shall be comforted.

"BLESSED ARE THE MEEK:

For they shall inherit the earth.

"BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH DO HUNGER AND THIRST

AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS:

For they shall be filled.

"BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL:

For they shall obtain mercy.

"BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART:

For they shall see God.

"BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS:

For they shall be called the children of God.

"BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH ARE PERSECUTED

FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS' SAKE:

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil things against you falsely, for my sake.

"Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

"YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith would it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

"YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD: A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE MEN, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

As in the minds of some who progress this far may still linger some doubt as to whether these teachings may conflict with their churches' faith; Christ continues: (Matthew 5:17-19)

"Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

"For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

"Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but WHOSOEVER SHALL DO AND TEACH THEM, THE SAME SHALL BE CALLED GREAT IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."

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(At this point in the Ceremony, you, Beloved Companion who have now received the title of Mayan Lector, are to advance to the Altar you have made and, using the bowl or receptacle to your left, prepare to ignite the incense.)

The incense symbolizes Man - the lump of clay moulded in the shape you are (your condition of life). Your approach with lighted match symbolizes the dawning of hope, of change and the beginning of its proper usefulness. It represents the Vision, the Dawn.

Your igniting the incense symbolizes the firing of ambitions and their realization: The full light of day or understanding, the living of life, struggle, the giving forth of energy (work, the refining fire), accomplishment of man's intended purpose. The perfume of the incense represents the sweet radiation of the blessings through purpose fulfilled.

The ashes that are left when it is consumed (dead) represent the absolute purity that remains when the life (fire) of unselfish work and devotion is completed.

The straight rising column of smoke represents the spirit of man and his works.

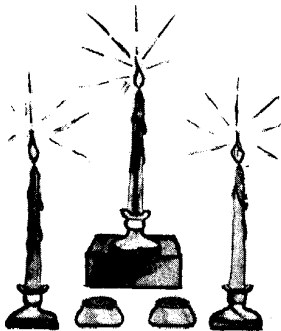
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Turn out the lights in your study-room and - - - -

Strike a match and ignite the incense you have placed in the bowl or receptacle on your left. As it begins to burn, and its fragrance fills the air, repeat these lines by the poet Milton:

"O Welcome, pure eyed Faith, white handed Hope,
Thou hovering angel, girt with golden wings."

1st. Now ignite the highest central candle - which symbolizes the light of Jehovah, The Father, Almighty, and also symbolizes the Immortal Soul. As you perform this, repeat these lines by Milton:



"Above the smoke and stir of this dim spot which
Men call earth, burns the holy beacon of
Eternal Truth."

- 2nd. Next, ignite the candle to your left - which symbolizes the Savior, The Son, The Redeemer, and also symbolizes Understanding (the Mind). As you perform this, repeat these lines:

"Mind is the great lever of all things;
Human thought is the process by which human ends
Are ultimately answered."

- 3rd. From the candle on the left, move to your right. Ignite the candle there - which symbolizes the Holy Ghost, the Inspirer, The Regenerator, and also symbolizes Spirit. As you perform this, repeat these lines:

"Knowledge in truth is the great sun in the
firmament. Life and Power are scattered with
all its beams."

This completes the triangle. Represented are The Father, Son and Holy Ghost - Soul, Mind and Spirit. The living triangle of flame, which you have created, now is considered to represent YOU, born anew in the image you have desired. You are now to step back three paces, pause and repeat these lines:

"One in whom persuasion and belief had
Ripened into Faith and Faith became a
Passionate intuition."

You, as a Mayan Lector, now repeat in a solemn whisper the three Mayan passwords by which you have proved yourself. As you pronounce the first of the three passwords, dip the third finger of your right hand into the water contained in the bowl to your right and anoint your forehead with the water. Repeat this as you pronounce the second and third password.

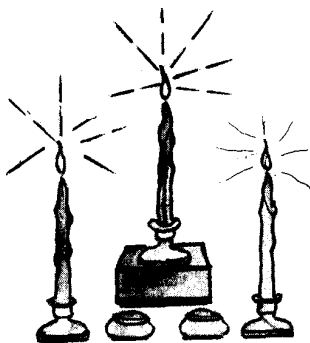
Next, repeat THE MAYAN CREED:

"I believe in one God, the Almighty Father, infinite,
eternal, Creator of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord, the Son of God, begotten before time of one
substance with the Father;

Who for us and our salvation came down and became flesh, not
by the transformation of his divinity into flesh, but by
the taking up of his humanity into God;

Who suffered as we suffer, was buried as we are buried, and
promised us resurrection even as he was resurrected and
ascended unto God the Father, from whence He will come
again in glory;



I believe in the Holy Spirit, not created nor begotten, but proceeding from The Father of Light;

I believe in the holy universal church, the fellowship of believers, the forgiveness of sins, the transformation of the flesh into immortality, and in the life everlasting. Amen."

AGAIN, you, in your office of Mayan Lector, repeat in a solemn whisper, filled with the thought of their meaning, the three Mayan passwords and again anoint your forehead with the drops of water.

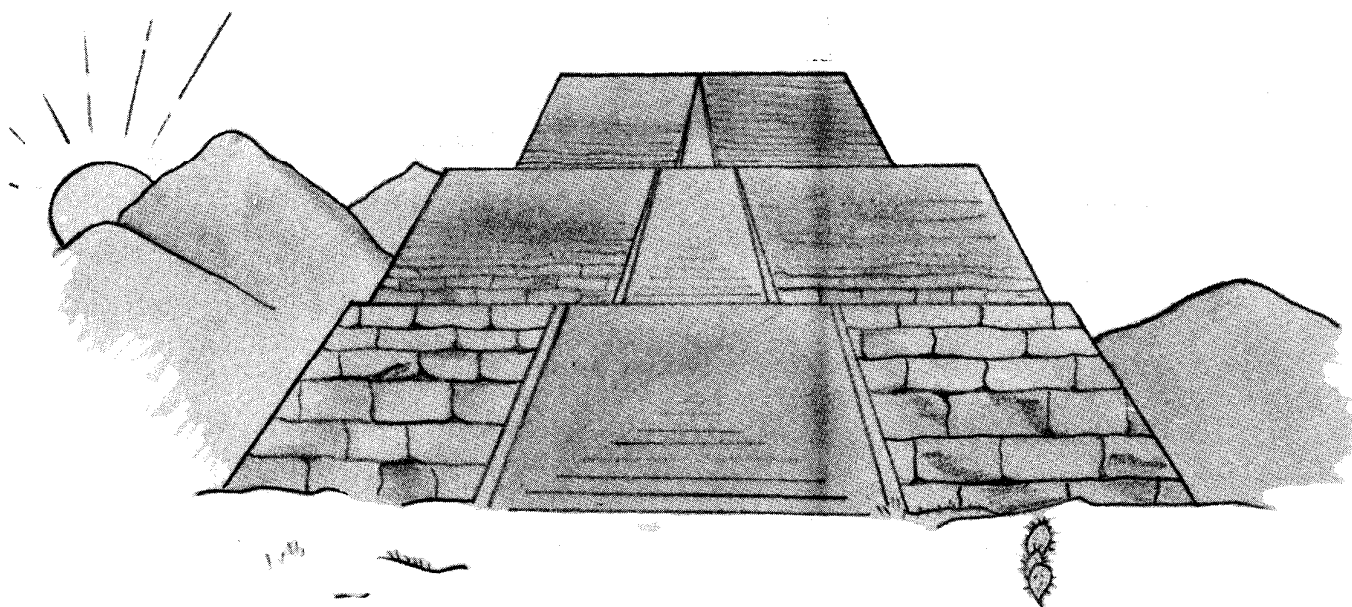
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You now place in the empty bowl or receptacle to your right, some sacrifice. It may be a gift to the poor or needy, it may be a donation to carry on the work of The Mayan Order, or it may be a written vow to use a few hours of your time each week in some charitable cause. This is to be determined entirely by your own feelings, according to your circumstances and your desires. Remember, it is not the amount you give; it is the extent of the sacrifice that amount entails.

As you place your sacrifice upon the altar, repeat the words:

"Give and it shall be given unto you;
Good measure, pressed down,
Shaken together, running over."

Now, making a wish of your own that is good and that is earnestly and truly desired, read the Mayan Convocation.



MAYAN CONVOCATION

ALL whose hearts are heavy laden,
Who seek surcease from the bruises of the day,
Who long for the fulfillment of their wishes,
Join with ours your wishes, as we pray.

In solemn, holy, meditation,
Give thought to this power to grant.
Your innermost, secret, petition
Seeks its fulfillment every day.

Join with us in thought,
United in Mind, Spirit and Soul,
Beloved Companions all;
Believe, and Ye shall be made whole.

Health, wealth or happiness -
All, may be had by you.
Give - receive - in selflessness;
That is the Mayan Spirit true.

As you complete the Mayan Convocation, stand motionless before the altar for a period of about one minute with your eyes fixed upon the flame of the highest candle, letting your Mind be receptive to the thoughts from other members who are carrying out this same ceremony tonight. Revelations often are received during this interval. Be receptive to whatever good thoughts come.

Now, silently and in perfect understanding, offer a prayer to Jehovah that thy will may be His and that His will may be thine.

Extinguish the two lower candles saying, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen," and in the light of the last remaining candle, offer this prayer:

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation
of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight,
O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer."

Now, extinguish the flame of the upper candle; then turn up the lights in your study room. The Ceremony is ended. You are accepted and now inducted into The Third Degree of The Mayan Order.

We salute you, our Beloved Companion and
Mayan Lector, with the ancient Benediction
of St. Augustine:

"O God, Who dost grant us what we ask, If
only when we ask, we live a better life."

Peace ... May God's Blessings Be With Thee.