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*All things arise and cease due to
interdependent causes and conditions*

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Chart: The Ageless Wisdom Roots of Ancient Freemasonry

N	Principle	Human Nature	Essence	Main Pillars	Concealed/Revealed	State	Forcefield of Endeavor	Path (Quest)	Indra (Conquest)	Chakra	Spectrum Color	Music Key (Harmony)	Yoga
7	Volitional	Intention	Will	W.M.	Wisdom Master	Potentate	Service	3°	Vajra	Crown	Red	A	Raja
6	Intuitive	Virtues	Wisdom	S.W.	Strength of Wisdom	Immaculate	Meditation	2°	Tantra	Brow	Yellow	G	Dharma
5	Altruistical	Ideals (Precepts)	Wholeness	J.W.	Justice of Wisdom	Initiate	Study (Integrative)	1°	Yantra	Throat	Blue	F	Mandala
4	Rational	Ideas (Concepts)	Reason	S.D.	Strength of Devotion	Associate	Philosophy	4	Sutra	Heart	Indigo	E	Jñāna
3	Emotional	Desires (Forcepts)	Aspiration	J.D.	Justice of Devotion	Novitiate	Religion	3	Mantra	Gut	Violet	D	Bhakti
2	Plasmat	Sensations	Temperance	I.G.	Investigative Governor	Candidate	Science	2	Tanmatra	Gender	Green	C	Kundalini
1	Physical	Senses	Attention	O.G.	Overseeing Governor	Expatriate	Ritual (the Arts)	1	Mudra	Base	Orange	B	Karma

(All boxes with numbers, kindly read lines from down upwards. Observe keenly the horizontal correlations. The total integrated unity is our perfected humanity.)

Ancient Freemasonry is a pioneering service for the betterment of humanity. The main mission of masculine Ancient Freemasonry is in tempering the pugnacity of the macho male who are the instigators, exacerbators, and perpetuators of wars waged on the planet. The righteous role of Co-Masonry is in restoring the responsibility for the inalienable rights of the discriminated and dejected downtrodden, the belabored laborers, the unaccounted abused, the deprived, distressed, disfranchised and demeaned (still lingering unresolved in the rest of the world, especially with women). Both movements who wear the apron of service are meant to work together in the upliftment of our orphaned humanity.

Wars are about fighting. The result is destruction. And the fighting arises out of the pugnacious preponderance of the machismo male.

Peace is about harmony. The outcome is constructive. Here the female species excel in the dedicated and faithful upkeep of the home environment. Therein to cool and assuage the tired labors of the day, the fevered brow, the troubled breast, the disfunctioned elderly, and, most of all, to safeguarding, caring, and rearing the children into healthy maturity.

But the male species take their kind among the adult innocent children, turning them into ferocious fighters as killing machines waging war. Thus it came to be that the Unknown Guardians of humanity brought forth the ideals of wisdom, of brotherhood and of harmony in segregated Ancient Freemasonry (the touch of the blade revealed and assured that the upper anatomy was that of a male person). Brothers-at-Arms (with armaments) to attack or defend are to be transformed into Brothers-in-Arms (of the body) embracing each other in kinship, reconciled to the ways of peace.

As the opposite of war is peace, in like manner, the opposite of destruction is construction. Thus the construction industry was the main focus whereby the pugnacious male would be introduced towards being constructive rather than being destructive. Construction follows the destruction of every war that is fought. Unfortunately in preparation for the next war. Therefore, in overcoming such a trend, the construction of

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temples came first. For temples were the main educational institutions in the building of and for a lasting peace. The development of construction skills was and is founded on the awakening of wisdom. For without wisdom, the

Matter Energy

Matter	Energy
Plasmat Physical	
7 • Atomic	• Nuclear
6 • Periodic	• Chemical
5 • Magnetic	• Electrical
4 • Plasmic	• Thermal
Dense Physical	
3 • Gaseous	• Pneumatic
2 • Liquid	• Hydraulic
1 • Solid	• Mechanical

The Two Sentinels and the Five Gates of the Senses

Nature	Essence	Consciousness
Discovery	Understanding	II Heart, Space
Investigatory	Thinking	I Head, Time
Respiratory	Smelling	5 Breath, Air
Gustatory	Tasting	4 Liquid, Water
Visionary	Seeing	3 Light, Fire
Cutaneous	Touching	2 Form, Earth
Auditory	Listening	1 Sound, Wave

tools of the trade would be for the manufacture of weapons instead of for activating spirituality.

Presented here, the boxes are in broad outlines with the minimum of explanation. Dare to make your own joyful discovery. Each item in every box represents an aspect of the truth of our human consciousness, leading to self-understanding. Only in the realization of our own true essential wisdom nature within might we perceive the truth, any truth, presented outside of ourselves.

The Lion King of the Jungle

- of ideas
- of desires
- of sensations
- of sense-objects

out of which powerful paws grip, uplift, and resurrect!

The Lost Ageless Initiatic Teachings of Ancient Freemasonry

Arise and shine O Lightbringer! ...

Mahabodhi "..." Muk(ti) Bhūm(a) Nak(anatha)

O Great Clear Light of Wisdom! O Liberated Awesome Lord of Heaven!*

*The Lords of Heaven Worlds are: the Manasaputras, Compassionate Lords of Mind; Barhishad Pitris, Brilliant Lords of Creation; Agnishvattas, Fiery Lords of the Archetypes; and, the Asuras, Unmanifest to Manifest Lords of Divinities, Anupapadakas (the Parentless), Pratyekabuddhas (Selfless Self-born-enlightened Beings), Monads or Divine Sparks of the Divine Flame as the Planetary Logos.

The rituals of Freemasonry become symbolic disciplines toward the exploration of the inner depths or hidden quarries of our own being. Henceforth, beliefs are to be turned into knowledge onto wisdom that is the ideal knowledge put into practice.

Thus the tools of the building trade became ideal symbols in awakening and beautifying consciousness, engaged in the construction of the human temple of spirituality for the upliftment of humanity.

The teachings of the ageless wisdom were revealed as well as concealed. But along the way, the purity of the teachings became obscured from their original clarity. Yet every passing age has a way of refreshing and restoring the inner significance of the potent teachings for the sincere seeker of truth, relevant to the times at hand.

Wars are but the collective inner conflicts of the majority of our humanity. These painful conflicts resonate to the rest of the world. On the positive side, world peace is the collective resolution of our individual conflicts into harmonious living—the oneness of our global reality—where no self is ever separate from every other self.

More importantly, in our human nature, not only do we have physical, vital energy and emotional bodies, but also a mental body of ideas and ideals, as well as an intuitional nature whose qualities are of the spiritual virtues empowered by our spiritual will or trustworthy intentions.

The Freemasonic disciplines and ideals are such powerful tools for the refinement of character and for the true transformation of human consciousness. It is these same ideals that have found their way in the constitutional wordings by the unknown servers behind the birth and growth of the democratic institutions of the world.

The freedom we enjoy is not so much as to do anything we want but the freedom to initiate the mindful responsibility for doing the right thing in every-thing. We progress from folly to wisdom. From cruelty to compassion. From desires to aspirations. From ideas to ideals. From convoluted conceptions to unconditioned perception. From personality stress to stainless spirituality. From self to selflessness. And finally, from the freedom *of* thought to that freedom *from* thought.

For those who yet might already be into the Ancient Freemasonic Orders (Segregated, Masculine or Co-masonic) as well as into the theosophic universals, the

Ancient Freemasonry	Theosophical Objects
1° Apprenticeship	1st Universal Brotherhood
2° Craftmanship	2nd Integrative study of religion philosophy, and science
3° Mastership	3rd Investigation of Nature and our latent powers (virtues)

first three Ancient Freemasonic Degrees correspond, correlate, and complement the three Objects of the later (1875) theosophical movement (*See box*). Integratively, all are reinforced expressions of the ageless wisdom for the enlightenment of humanity.

Seek and live the universal ideals that unite the endeavors of all altruistic movements (ancient to ageless). These ideals are none other than the aspects of our own central essential nature. We grow inwardly and outwardly, thus, expansively, from superstition to belief to knowledge to revelation to realization. From the darkness of ignorance to the brilliant light of wisdom. From bondage to boundlessness onto that ineffable all-knowing bliss of the higher reaches of spirituality. ~ Δ ~