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JAH-BUL-ON

Jahbulon as identified by the Masonic Ritual is a combination of 3 dieties! It is a mix of "Jehovah" with 2 Pagan dieties!

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Here is an actual scanned copy from the "Duncan's Masonic Ritual and Monitor or guide to the three symbolic degrees of the Ancient York Rite and to the degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and the Royal Arch" by Malcom C. Duncan, David McKay Company, Inc. New York.

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places his right foot forward with the hollow in front, so that the toe touches the heel of his companion on the right. This is called "three times three;" that is, three right feet forming a triangle, three left hands forming a triangle, and three right hands forming a triangle. They balance in the same manner, and then, with hands raised, repeat the words Jah-buh-lun, Jeho-vah, G-o-d, at low breath, as described before. (See pp. 224-25, Fig. 32.) 1

1 The WORD of the Royal Arch Degree, as worked in England, is Jao-Bul-On.

"Macrobius, in his Saturnalia (lib. i. 18), says that it was an admitted axiom among the heathen, that the triliteral JAH, or rather IA Ω , was the sacred name of the Supreme God. And the Clarian oracle, which was of unknown antiquity, being asked which of the deities was named $IA\Omega$, answered in these memorable words:

"The initiated are bound to conceal the mysterious secrets. Learn thou, that $IA\Omega$, is the Great God Supreme, who ruleth over all."

"Now it so happens, that in the gems of the early Christians we find these very letters, $IA\Omega$, which are an abbreviation of the name of JEHOVAH, used as a monogram to express the name of the Saviour of mankind, who was thus represented as existing before time was, and shall exist when time shall be no more. It was first adopted by the Eastern Church, and signified Ingovs. Alsa Oueya, Jesus, Alpha Omega, or in other words: Jesus, the First and the Last."—The Insignia of the Royal Arch, p. 32.

The Royal Arch Word to have been perfectly in keeping with the Degree, and with the general construction of Masonry, should have been a triad, not only of syllables, but also of letters. Our transatlantic brethren have seen it in its true light; but they have corrected the error unlearnedly. It ought to have been, if the principle of its construction be allowed, to be orthodox:

Syriac. Chaldee. Hindoo.

The Insignia of the Royal Arch, p. 34.

That is to say, instead of JAO-BUL-ON, or JAH-BUH-LUN, Dr. Oliver suggests:

> Syriac. Chaldee. Hindoo. JAO. BEL. AUN. or or or BUL. JAH. AUM.

For at page 15 of The Insignia, he writes thus: "But the Royal Arch Degree is founded on the number three, and therefore each member of the word ought to have been triliteral. Among the Syrians, the Chaldeans, the Phænicians and others, the ineffable name of the Deity was Bel, Bal, Bul, Baal, or Belin. . . . Again, the Egyptians and Hindoos reverenced On or Om, i. e., Aun, or Aum, as the name of their chief Deity.

And vide Historical Landmarks, vol. ii. p. 549:

"One says it was Jau, another thinks it was Jaoth, a third, Java; others, Juba, Jao, Jah, Jehovah, and Jove. In a word, the letters of the name are perishable, and the pronunciation of little moment; but the Being himself is ineffable, incomprehensible, and worthy of our utmost veneration. He was called by the Romans Jove, or Jah; by the Chaldeans, the Phonicians, and the Celtæ, Bel or Bul; and by the Indians, Egyptians, and Greeks Om or On." and Greeks, Om or On.

Please note that they are saying that the Early Eastern Church <u>mistakenly</u> represented the Greek letters $^{\text{IA}\Omega}$ as "Jesus, the first and the Last."

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But the Royal Arch Degree has "seen it in its true light; but they have corrected the error unlearnedly. It ought to have been..."

Then they spell out the blasphemous name <u>JAH BUL ON</u> confirming this word to the combination of the names of the Syrian God, the Chaldea God and the Egyptian God.

Are these other God's the same God of the Christian faith?

JAH- representing the name JAHOVAH, the blessed name of the Lord in the Old Testament. The name "Jesus" means "Jehovah is Salvation."

BUL- representing the name BAAL or BEL, an Old Testament demon god. (1 Kings 16:29-33)

ON- represents the name of the Egyptian Sun god, another demon god. (Gen. 41:45, 50)

They have mixed the name of the Lord with DEMON GODS!

... and make <u>no mention</u> of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy <u>mouth</u>. Exodus 23:13

But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to **devils**, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have **fellowship with devils**. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: <u>ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table</u>, and of the table of devils. (1 Cor 10:20-21 KJV)

Be ye **not unequally yoked** together with unbelievers: for **what fellowship** hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore **come out** from among them, and **be ye separate**, saith the Lord, and **touch not the unclean thing**; and I will receive you, (2 Cor 6:14-17 KJV)

JAH BUL ON the Masonic replacement for the name Jesus Christ, is ANTICHRIST! The Mason (who claims to be a Christain) is forbidden by oath, to evangelize his Mason "brothers" and proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord! The name of Jesus Christ is an offense to those who are perishing. So they devise a name by which the Christian and the Pagans can both use without offending each other!

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Personally, I don't believe that any Mason is a "saved" Christian, but rather someone who thinks they are saved, never **really** having surrendered their heart to Jesus. They **do not have the Holy Spirit** to give them the discearnment to know what is right and what is wrong in the eyes of the living God. The Holy Spirit will not allow a child of God to partake in these rituals, swear these death oaths, or declare a blasphemous name for God. Without the Holy Spirit indwelling, the person is NOT saved and still a subject of God's wrath on judgment day!

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Romans 8:14

For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, they are the sons of God.

Romans 8:8-9

So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. [9] But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

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Freemasonry and Shriners

MASONRY

You CANNOT keep a secret without telling a lie! If a Mason should tell the truth, he has broken his oath, and if they should keep the terms of their oath, he is subject to death! The Mason, when confronted with direct questions about the Lodge, must say nothing, or lie to protect the secrets of his idol and in doing so, places his soul in danger of hell! More often than not, their pride gets in

the way, and they will respond and lie. One Mason whom I confronted, helped me to correctly pronounce their Blasphemous replacement name of God, "Jahbulon", and then, 15 minutes later he denied that he ever heard of the word. (This man eventually left the Lodge)

Rev. 21:8

..... and idolaters, and <u>all liars</u>, shall have their part in the <u>lake which burneth with fire and brimstone</u>: which is the second death.

Who is your "Worshipful Master?" And who is your "Worshipful Grand Master"? In each Lodge, every initiate bows his knee to another Mason whom he addresses as "Worshipful Master" as he swears his death oath of secrecy. In their ritual in which Hiram Abiff is glorified (shown later on this page to be Lucifer), they identify him as their "Worshipful Grand Master".

"Worshipful" is defined in the Webster's Dictionary as "worthy of being worshiped"

These men act in direct disobedience to Jesus who said:

"No one can serve two **Masters**; for he **Will** hate the one and love the other.. (Matt. 6:24) "Neither be ye called **Masters**; for **ONE** is your Master, even **Christ.**" (Matt. 23:10)

THE <u>ONLY</u> MASTER IS JESUS CHRIST AND <u>NO ONE ELSE</u> IS TO BE WORSHIPPED! (Rev. 19:10)

They have also exalted some men in the Lodge (Shriners) as the "Imperial Grand Potentate", a designation which belongs to Jesus Christ alone.

Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and <u>ONLY Potentate</u>, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; (1 Tim. 6:15)

The **Masonic** Lodge is the <u>Father</u> of many occultic religions which have spun from the rituals of the Lodge such as "The Order of the Golden Dawn", the "Rosicrucians", "Ordo Templi Orientis", the "Order of the Trapeziod", the "Illuminati", and the <u>Mormon</u> Church (or "Latter day Saints"). You can learn more about these occults in the review of Albert Pikes "<u>Morals and Dogmas</u>" and the <u>Occults</u> of Freemasonry!

In Matt. 5:33-37 Jesus says NOT to make Oaths.

Matt 5:33-37

"Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine <u>oaths</u>: But I say unto you, <u>Swear not at all</u>; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne: Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: <u>for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil</u>." (from the devil)

Yet the Master Mason makes a solemn oath on the Bible to "Acknowledge and obey all due signs and summons sent to me from a Master Masons' Lodge... all this I most solemnly and sincerely swear... So help me God"

[&]quot;Grand" in definition includes "to swell up, pride, most important"

[&]quot;Master" is defined as "one who rules others, has control, authority"

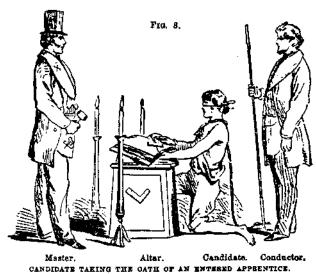
In Making the above oath, the Mason has sworn the Master Mason's Lodge as his LORD AND MASTER! He has SWORN to OBEY **EVERY order** the Lodge gives him! You CANNOT serve TWO MASTERS! A TRUE Christian has committed his life to OBEY Jesus!

Jesus said this oath comes from Satan (evil) in Matthew 5:37 shown above! "...for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil."

The Mason has SINNED by making this oath, forsaking the words of Jesus Christ, and puts himself in danger of breaking up 4 of the 10 Commandments! The Mason, unknowingly has placed himself and his family under a devils CURSE that only Repentance can break. Your words hold a lot of value, and every single word you speak, will one day stand before the judgment seat of God!

Matthew 12:36

But I say unto you, That **every idle word** that men shall speak, they **shall give account thereof** in the day of judgment.



"Kneeling on my naked left knee, my right forming a square; my left hand supporting the Holy Bible square, and compasses, my right resting thereon."

Above picture is from the <u>Duncan's Masonic Ritual and Monitor!</u> Here the Candidate is **blindfolded**, has a rope around his neck, half naked, kneeling before the Worshipful Master, with his hands on the Bible, he then proclaims a curse upon himself before God! This ritual is Satanic! He enters the Lodge **Blinded** and remains spiritually blinded as long as he remains in the Lodge!

" they be **blind leaders of the blind**. And if the **blind lead the blind**, both shall fall into the ditch." Matthew 15:14

(Duncan's Masonic Ritual can be purchased at $\underline{\text{Amazon.com}}$, Barnes and Noble or $\underline{\text{Books-A-Million}}$.)

Fox News 2004 - Man accidently shot to death during Masonic initiation!

I met one man who had his fingers chopped off, accidentally, during a Masonic initiation. They asked him to write everything he knew about the Lodge (which is forbidden). The initiation ritual at his lodge, used a sword, in which they would slam on the table to frighten the initiate, so that he would never think about writing their secrets again. The man with the sword got TOO close and

cut off his fingers. Each Lodge uses their own method of creating this "fear" during the ritual. The Fox News link above, reports of one that used a gun! Of course, this would be an appropriate way of killing a man, and making it look like an accident, especially if the investigating officer is also one of the Lodge members! Regardless, their inititaion ritual can create, fear, injury or even death!

THE OATH

The initiate can break up to 4 Commandments of God simply by taking the oath to become a Mason.

- "...binding myself under <u>no less</u> penalty than that of having my <u>throat cut across, my tongue</u> <u>torn out by its roots, and my body buried in the rough sands of the seas</u>... <u>So help me</u> <u>God</u>.."
- 1. "Thou shalt <u>not Kill</u>" This includes your own body. Suicide is murder. Thus breaking the <u>6th</u> **Commandment**.
- 2 "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord in Vain" If you say the oath is not taken seriously, you have used God's name in vain, even kissing the Bible. Thus you have broken the <u>3rd</u> **Commandment**.
- 3. Breaking the **2nd Commandment**, the Square and Compass are reverenced as "Idols" on the alter.
- 4 Breaking the <u>1st Commandment</u>, "Thou shalt have <u>no other God's</u> before Me." The God of Freemasonry is NOT THE GOD OF THE BIBLE.

Every Mason who swears this blood oath has placed his family under a curse! For an illustration of this curse by Chick tracts, <u>click here!</u>

Prayer to break Masonic Curses

Southern Baptists view of Freemasonry

Assemblies of God view of Freemasonry

WHAT IS GOD'S NAME?

The Royal Arch candidate is given the "Lost name of God" which they claim is "JAH-BUL-ON." Then the High Priest of the Royal Arch says this is "the divine Logos, or "Word" referred to in John 1:1-5." If you are a Christian, you know John 1:1-5 "The Word" is Jesus Christ, the Author of Life, NOT the Blasphemous name JAH-BUL-ON. Nor the Destroyer, "Abaddon" of the Scottish Rite.

JAH- representing the name JAHOVAH

BUL- representing the name BAAL or BEL, an Old Testament Demon god. (1 Kings 16:29-33) ON- represents the name of the Egyptian Demon Sun god. (Gen. 41:45, 50)

Henry Wilson Coil in *Coil's Masonic Encyclopedia* (95:516) and the *Masonic Ritual and Monitor* (58:226) admit that "Bul" or "Bel" refers to the Assyrian or Canaanite deity BAAL and that "ON" refers to the Egyptian deity OSIRIS.

In the Scottish Rite (17°) they declare God's name to be "Abaddon". Abaddon is a Hebrew word (Strongs Concordance #11) that means "destroyer" which is a demon and is referred to in Rev. 9:11. Who would be foolish enough to consider a Demon to be God!

Click here " <u>JAH-BUL-ON</u> " for visual copy of "Duncan's Ritual and Monitor" page 250 which clearly shows BUL and ON to be the demon gods of other nations.

SHRINERS OATH in the name of another god!

The full name of the Shriners is the "Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine".

Every Shriner who has confessed an oath to "Allah" which is the great *Shahada*, or "confession," which faithful Muslims around the world declare daily, has denied the Lord Jesus Christ by committing idolatry! Please read this study on the idol called <u>Allah</u>. To read the <u>Shriners oath click here!</u>





This Shriner symbol shown above, is the <a href="symbol of "Islam", the worship of the moon god, (Allah) represented by the crescent moon, and the godess (Al-lat, Al-uzza and Manat) represented by the star. In the crescent moon, you will also notice the face of the Sphinx, (a lions body with a face of a man) which literally means "the strangler" (Websters). In Greek mythology, the sphinx at Thebes strangles all those who passby that are unable to guess its riddle. The scimiter or sword used through the centuries to behead the Christians who would not deny Jesus and confess "Allah" as God (and Muhammad as God's prophet), hangs over the crescent moon! Review some of the Islamic nations flags and you will see this symbol of the crescent moon often, sometimes with the star. The Encarta Encyclopedia identifies the red hat, called a "Fez" (or tarboosh) as "a Muslim symbol". Fez, Morocco is where the Muslims, in the 8th century, murdered every person who refused to bow their knee to Allah and Muhammad. The red hat represents the blood of the martyrs who refused to comit this idolatry! The first Shriner temple organized in Sept., 1872, was named "Mecca", the "holy" city of the Muslim religion and birthplace of Muhammad. Mecca is the very center of the Islam faith. Every day, Muslims around the world, face towards Mecca, and bow down to pray to their idol.

Each Temple or Shrine, has a "Potentate" and a "High Priest and Prophet". I must ask, "High priest and prophet of WHICH god"? As far as I have seen, each Shrine is named after a Muslim or Egyptian city or place of worship! Is the name of Jesus Christ ever invoked upon in prayer within the Shrine? I understand it is not!

If you are in the Shrine and claim to be a Christian, you have unknowingly (or maybe knowingly) forsaken the living God into a confession of serving the idol God of the Muslims, and proudly wear the symbols of the worlds most feared terrorists and most horrible enemies of the Christian faith!

It is interesting to me, how a man feels that he must comit to, and Serve another God, in order to do good works, help children and build burn centers! As Albert Pike wants to promote, that Lucifer (the god of Islam, and the god of the Masonic Lodge) is the "God of light and God of Good", and Adoney, the God the Christian faith, is the "God of Darkness, and Evil"!

IS LUCIFER THE GOD OF THE MASONIC LODGE?

Albert Pike, the highest Mason in his day, in "Morals and Dogma" Pg. 321, calls Lucifer "the Light-bearer."

Pike is quoted as giving this instruction to a council of very high level Freemasons:

"The **MASONIC RELIGION** should be, by all of us of the high degree, maintained in the purity of the **LUCIFERIAN** doctrine If Lucifer were not God, would Adonay (sic) whose deeds prove his cruelty, perfidy and hatred of man, barbarism and repulsion for science, would Adonay and his priests calumniate him?

Yes, LUCIFER IS GOD, and unfortunately Adonay is also god...
Thus, the doctrine of Satanism is a heresy; and the true and pure philosophical religion is the BELIEF IN LUCIFER, THE EQUAL OF ADONAY but Lucifer, God of Light and God of GOOD, is struggling for humanity against Adonay, the GOD OF DARKNESS AND EVIL." (de Larive, A.C., La Femme et l'enfant dans la Franc, Maconnerei Universelle, Paris, 1889, p. 588)

God's word says in <u>Isaiah 5:20</u> "Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil, who put darkness for light, and light for darkness."

Masonic scholar, Manly P Hall writes:

"When the Mason learns that the key to the warrior on the block is the proper application of the dynamo of the living power, he has **LEARNED THE MYSTERY OF HIS CRAFT. The seething ENERGIES OF LUCIFER ARE IN HIS HANDS** and before he may step onward and upward, he must prove his ability to properly apply this energy. ("The Lost Keys to Freemasonry", p.48)

Each degree is teaching Luciferian Doctrine. Who is really behind this "Religion" of Freemasonry as Albert Pike so correctly states it? Yes, the very author of evil himself...Lucifer.

God has a charge against the Masons in <u>Matt. 23:25-29</u>. Verse 28 says "you also outwardly <u>appear righteous</u> to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness."

Who is Albert Pike? Click here!

The initiate, from the first degree, is being indoctrinated unknowingly, in a search for "the light", which is finally revealed to be Lucifer as they prepare to swear the oath in the 33°! The following is a quote from an e-mail debate I had with a 32° Mason. This man, who claimed to be a Christian, is now ready to make his 33° sworn oath to Lucifer as God, thinking that it is another name for Jesus:

Did you know that the ancient Christians also **called Jesus** <u>lucifer</u>? Bet you didn't. :-) I'll give you a hint. Consult the Latin translation of 2 Peter 1:19. You will see there that Peter speaks of <u>lucifer</u> arising in our hearts.

D. C. P., 32°, K.T.

Until the initiate has been indoctrinated to accept Lucifer "the light-bearer" as God, the initiate cannot go forward from the 32° to the 33°. At this point, they are convinced that Lucifer is NOT Satan! As you will note on my page Morals and Dogma, Albert Pike makes a strong argument

that Satan, the spirit of Darkness, does NOT equate with Lucifer! He argues that Lucifer IS the one "who bears the light!"

"LUCIFER, the Light-Bearer! Strange and mysterious name given to the Spirit of Darkness! Lucifer, the Son of the Morning! Is it he who bears the light ... doubt it not!" (Morals and Dogma pg 321)

This is the light of which the Masonic initiate is led to in his quest for "light" through the progressive rituals of the Lodge from one degree to the next, although he is not aware of the end of his quest in his early degrees as the secret society cannot reveal these secrets or true meaning of the symbols, until the initiate reaches the next or highest degrees.

Albert Pike writes: "The Blue Degrees are but the outer court or portico of the Temple. Part of the symbols are displayed there to the initiate, but he is intentionally mislead by false interpretations. It is NOT INTENDED that he shall understand them, but it is intended that he shall IMAGINE he understands them. (Pike, p 819)

WHO IS THE LIGHT?

A candidate is blindfolded, a rope is put around his neck and led to the door of the lodge he knocks. A voice responds: "Who comes here?" The guide responds: Mr. (initiates name), who has long been in darkness, and now seeks to be brought to light..

Albert Pike has already claimed:

"...the true and pure philosophical religion is the BELIEF IN LUCIFER, THE EQUAL OF ADONAY but Lucifer, God of Light and God of GOOD..."

If the candidate is a Christian, he has just **insulted Jesus** who said in John 8:12 "I AM THE LIGHT of the world He who follows ME shall NOT walk in DARKNESS, but have the LIGHT OF LIFE"

The initiate continues to be deceived as he progresses in the Lodge and begins to partake in rituals that glorify a man named Hiram Abiff, a biblically disguised name for Lucifer!

HIRAM ABIFF who is he?

Hiram Abiff is the Masonic "Christ Figure"! He is the "hero" idolized by every Mason as you will learn in the Hiram legend I will discuss next! In the scriptures, He is the King of Tyre (2 Chron 2:3,11) and in Ezekiel 28:12-19 we find that the King of Tyre is revealed as **Lucifer** himself.

Hiram Abiff, a Biblically disguised name for **Lucifer**, in the "Duncan's Ritual and Monitor", is glorified as the "*greatest man in the world*" (page 88) and on page 114 he is defined as "*your Worshipful Grand Master*". In pages 112-115, the Master Mason, or Third Degree candidate, places a curse upon himself by an oath as guilty for the death of Hiram.

Every Christian, by authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, is the destruction of **Lucifer!** Every Christian, who goes through this ritual, is ritualistically **REPENTING** for destroying, or having anything to do with the destruction of **Lucifer**, and spiritually place themselves in agreement with Lucifer! You cannot serve TWO masters!

(Rom 16:20 KJV) And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly.

(Ezek 28:7-9 KJV)

Behold, therefore I will bring strangers (Christians) upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords (the Word of God) against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.

They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas.

Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I am God? but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.
(Parenthasis added)

The Mason, who now becomes possessed by this "Spirit of Hiram" through this ritual and oath which I will quote below, but not knowing it, begin to quench the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in their church's. Pastors can feel the oppression when a Mason sits in the pew as he preaches, and he feels the hindrance of their spirit as though they are challenged by that spirit to proclaim the truth of the gospel, or even to rebuke the sins of the Masonic Lodge. There is a FEAR to confront Masons, by a demon spirit that has now taken them captive. Ask any Pastor who loves the Lord Jesus and has tried to confront the sins of the Masons in his church. You should try to confront a Mason, and you will learn exactly what I am speaking about!

I trust and believe that is why the presence and power of the Holy Spirit is forbidden in denominations that freely accept Masons into their congregations, and allow them into their pulpits as Elders, Deacons and Pastors! The Masonic devil infiltrating the church's, although they appear to be Christian outwardly, are actually working with the powers of darkness to drive the power and presence of the Holy Spirit out of God's church's, turning these church's into dead sepultures! These lifeless church's claim to know God, but they freely excuse sin and deny God's power to deliver one from sin. They refuse to believe in the power of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, that these gifts can operate in the church today, and they buy the excuse that the powers of these gifts passed away with the apostles. This anti-christ spirit drives the spirit of Christ out!

Titus 1:16

They **profess that they know God; but in works they deny him**, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

2 Tim. 3:4-5

In the <u>Last days</u>.....Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; [5] <u>Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof:</u> from such turn away.

Every Christian who Takes the following oath puts himself under a curse when he proclaims:

"Oh! that my throat had been cut across, my tongue torn out by its roots, and buried in the rough sands of the sea ... ere I had been accessory to the death of so good a man as our <u>Grand Mastor</u>, Hiram Abiff." (Duncan's Ritual and Monitor page 112).

Then the Mason excersises a ritual of Raising Hiram Abiff **FROM THE DEAD!**

"K. S. -- You twelve Fellow Crafts will now go and assist in RAISING THE BODY." (page 116)

The ritual is SATANIC! Wherewith Jesus, the ONLY one to ever rise from the dead, has in this ritual, been replaced by the Lodge member with Lucifer through the name of Hiram Abiff!

Needless to say, Hiram is not, nor was "a good man"! He was, like all men, a sinful man. Jesus declared that there is "none good but God" and that "ALL have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Matt. 19:17; Rom. 3:10,12, 23)

There is no evidence in scripture, that Hiram ever believed in the God of Israel (which has always been a requirment for salvation) and may be in the very heart of Hell today as a sinful man whom never repented of his wicked deeds and a worshipper of pagan gods (idols)! ALL we know from scripture, is that he was hired to build the Temple in Jerusalem.

The fabricated stories of the Lodge to glorify such a man, was skillfully designed to entice the Lodge member to exalt Lucifer through a name that they could not recognize as the very enemy of our souls himself! To blatantly use the name of Lucifer, would have run away many Lodge members in their earlier degrees long before they could ever be indoctrinated to accept that Lucifer is the "Light bearer" as Albert Pike declares!

For the actual scanned copies of the above pages in the Masonic Manual showing this accursed ritual and the scriptures of the Curse of Hiram, click Curse of Hiram Ritual

MASONIC MYTH ON THE DEATH OF HIRAM

In Masonic ritual, the initiates are taught that Hiram was killed before he could finish building King Solomons Temple. They claim that Hiram possessed secrets by which they could "earn a Masters wage". Knowing that the Temple was near completion, 15 Fellow Crafts entered a conspiracy to gain these secrets or take his life. In refusing to give this "Masters Word", three "ruffians" named "Jubela, Jubelo, and Jubelum", killed Hiram. Hiram, they claim, is eventually buried near the "Holy of Holies" of the Temple. In the Master Mason (3rd degree) ritual, the Masonic initiate partakes in a ritual of raising Hiram from the dead using the secret grip of the Master Mason and the 5 points of fellowship while speaking a "substitute" word for the "lost Masters Word", which I will abreviate M__ H__ B__. (Duncans Ritual pages 119-123)

While many Masons actually believe this whole story to be true, I would like to end this myth with scripture! The scriptures declare that, 13 years after the Temple was completed, King Solomon gave Hiram 20 cities (it appears these cities were for payment or a bonus to Hiram for his work. Yet Hiram dispised them and was not pleased with this gift or payment)!

1 Kings 9:1

And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the Lord, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do,

1 Kings 9:10-12

And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, when Solomon had built the two houses, the house of the Lord, and the king's house, [11] (Now Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar trees and fir trees, and with gold, according to all his desire,) that then king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee. [12] And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had given him; and they pleased him not.

(For those who wish to dig into this more, King Solomon began the building of the Temple in his 4th year of reign (1 Kng 6:1), and it was completed in the 11th year, which was 7 years in the building of it (1 Kngs 6:14, 37-38). At the end of 20 years (1 Kings 9:10), which is 13 years after the completion of the Temple, Solomon gives Hiram the cities)

Although the Temple was completed in 7 years, it then took another 13 years for Solomon to build his own house (1 Kng 7:1) 1 Kngs chapter 8 gives the detailed dedication ceremony for the Temple and in chapter 9 Solomon gives Hiram the cities as payment.

SO THEN, 13 years AFTER the temple was completed, Solomon gives Hiram 20 cities!

Sorry Hiram, I guess you didn't get your "Masters wage" you desired from Solomon!

(1 Kings 9:27 again makes mention of Hiram sending Navy servants to Solomon, long after the Temple was completed)

In the Masonic Ritual, the Lodge members play out the role of killing Hiram (who is played by one of their members). They then proceed in the ritual of raising him from the dead as the Hiram actor plays dead, then raised from the dead!

CAN YOU EVENGELIZE YOUR PERISHING MASON "BROTHERS"?

Let me ask you, CAN YOU PREACH the gospel of JESUS CHRIST AT YOUR MEETINGS? Can you tell your Muslim or Hindu "brother" that he MUST be born again by faith in Jesus Christ to enter heaven? (John 3:3)

Of course NOT, it's forbidden! Yet the scripture says:

(2 Tim 4:5 KJV) "... do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."

"Masonry, around whose alters the <u>Christian</u>, the <u>Hebrew</u>, the <u>Moslem</u>, the <u>Brahmin</u>, the followers of <u>Confucious</u> and <u>Zoroaster</u>, <u>can assemble as brethren and unite in prayer</u> to the one God who is above all the Baalim." (<u>Morals and Dogma</u>, pg 226, Albert Pike)

2 Cor. 6:14-17 condemns this theology by Albert Pike! Pike's doctrine is similar to the cult called "Uniterianism", which teaches that ALL religions have the truth needed to be saved by doing good works! But God declares that these false religions are temples of devils and that we should seperate ourselves from them!

2 Cor. 6:14-17

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? [15] And what concord hath Christ with Belial (Baal)? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? [16] And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. [17] Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

THE "POINT WITHIN THE CIRCLE"

What does it mean? Albert Mackay, 33° explains its deeper meaning:

"The point within the circle is an...important symbol in Freemasonry, but it has been debased in the lectures (given in lodges) that the sooner that the interpretation is forgotten by the Masonic

student, the better will it be. The symbol is really a beautiful but somewhat abstruse allusion to the OLD SUN-WORSHIP, and introduces us for the first time to the modification of it, known among the ANCIENTS AS THE **WORSHIP OF THE PHALLUS**. (Albert Mackey, The Manual of the Lodge, Clark Maynard Co., New York, 1870, p. 156)

Webster's Dictionary defines "Phallus" - "A representation or image of <u>the penis</u> as the reproductive organ, worshipped as a symbol of generative power, as in the Dionysiac festivals of ancient Greece.

The Washington Monument, built by the masons, in truth, is an obscenity and idol of pagan worship! You will find this obscenity over many graves of deceased masons, who, although they claimed to be Christian, forsook the cross and traded it in for an obelisk!

The Obelisk in the Bible is called "Asherah" in Hebrew, the KJV uses the word "groves"!

For a deeper study with photos and Biblical history of the symbol, click Obelisk.

OSIRIS AND ISIS

The initiation rites and rituals of the Masonic Lodge come from the ancient Egyptian pagan gods Osiris and Isis. Osiris and Isis is a Romeo and Juliet type legend in which Osiris is cut into pieces and his lover Isis searches and finds all of his pieces except his genital organ. Without this part, she could not restore him to life. The story is symbolized in the "Hiramic Legend."

Albert Pike makes mention of Osiris and Isis on p.476 (Morals and Dogmas) We have therefore, in the 24th degree (Masonic Ritual), recited the principal incidents in the **legend of Osiris and Isis** ...

On page 22 he writes: "Masonry, successor of the Mysteries, STILL FOLLOWS the ancient manner of teaching. <u>Her ceremonies are like the **ANCIENT MYSTIC SHOWS**."</u>

Then Albert Mackey writes: ".. the secret worship of the pagan gods. Each of the pagan gods had besides the public and open, A SECRET WORSHIP paid to him, to which none were admitted but those who had been selected by PREPARATORY CEREMONIES CALLED **INITIATION."** (Albert Mackey, Mackey's Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, p.497)

Admittedly, the very initiation into the Masonic lodge, according to Albert Mackey 33°, and its symbols, touches the ceremonies of ancient pagan worship.

Shown below, is the pentagram of the Order of the Eastern Star (O.E.S.), and the same pantagram of Satanism (the Baphomet also known as the Goat of Mendes)! Notice any similarities?







Baphomet of Satanism and Witchcraft!

Another symbol is the Sun (Osiris). In the Temple, the Lodge members face east to worship the Sun-God "On" identified in the square and compass with a capital "G". Higher degree masons (or Past Worshipful Masters) get the emblem with the Sun God (Osiris) instead of the "G", showing Osiris himself.







These symbols shown, the later two which were on the car of a Mason, replaces the Sun God "Osiris" in the place of the "G", identifying the God of freemasonry! Albert Pike reveals what they are: "Osiris and Isis were the Sun and Moon ... and is the All-Seeing Eye in our Lodges ... Osiris was invoked as the God that resides in the Sun" (Morals and Dogma, pg 476-477)

The scriptures reveal that these men in the Lodge, who face to the East in their Lodges (Temples), are acting out the same abominations as the men of Judah who were committing idolatry in God's house in Old Testament times!

Ezekiel 8:16-17

And he brought me into the inner court of the Lord's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the Lord, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the Lord, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the SUN toward the east.

[17] Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here?



The All-Seeing Eye of Osiris in the Lodge!

Another symbol is the white apron, which covers the Lodge members private parts, even as Adam and Eve covered themselves with leaves to cover their shame and nakendness. It is symbolic of MAN'S attempt to hide his sins by his OWN good works, rather than trusting Jesus! It is, according to the scriptures, the blood of Jesus Christ that removes our shame, not an apron with pagan symbols of foreign God's sown on!

THE BLUE DEGREE MASON HAS BEEN WILLFULLY DECEIVED BY ITS HIGHER RANKING MEMBERS!

The Bible never calls God "the Great Architect of the Universe", He is the CREATOR, and His name is JESUS!

Albert Pike writes: "The Blue Degrees are but the outer court or portico of the Temple. Part of the symbols are displayed there to the initiate, but he is <u>intentionally mislead</u> by false interpretations. It is NOT INTENDED that he shall understand them, but it is intended that he shall IMAGINE he understands them. (Pike, p 819)

How do you like being intentionally LIED to! Do you <u>REALLY</u> know what the symbols you wear and stick on your car or your lapel mean? For example Tubal-Cain (the putter with two golf balls) is a joke on you. It's a "2 ball cane" with a strong sexual connotation.

1 Corinthians 10:21 "You cannot partake of the Lord's table and the table of demons"



Ever wonder what this symbol means on the back of your <u>Dollar Bill</u>? It actually shows how high the Masonic Lodge actually goes past the 32 degree!

THE MASONIC LURE!

The Masonic Lodge can make you rich as they purpose to favor each other and do business with one another! The "Fraternal" brothers are obligated by oath to help one another in every way! It has a "Form of Godliness" and an appearance of "Good Works". Leave the Masonic Lodge, and these "Good men" will threaten, slander and bankrupt the former member and

destroy his reputation! They don't have the mind of Christ, but the evil wisdom of the world (James 3:14:18)

Here is a recent threat that was sent to me from a Mason! I suppose he thinks he is a "Good Man" while making godless threats in hopes of creating a devilish fear, revealing the spirit of the Lodge, the spirit of fear! When I tried to write him the same day, he, being cowardice, had used a phony email address and my message was returned "undeliverable":

"Shut this site down or suffer the consequences!" Here is the address he sent it from: secretpal@hotmail.com 1/24/04

I questioned him what consequences he proposes! Bodily harm? murder? And yet they claim to be "Good men"?

In conclusion:

The Masonic initiate cannot mention the **name of Jesus** to his Muslim fraternal brother! But be warned:

THE MASON MAY AQUIRE RICHES, BUT HE WILL LOSE HIS OWN SOUL!

Mark 8:34-38 And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.

For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

Whosoever therefore shall be <u>ashamed of me</u> and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of **him also shall the Son of man be ashamed**, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

THE MASON MAY APPEAR GODLY, BUT HE IS A TRAITOR!

(2 Tim 3:2 -5 KJV) For men shall be lovers of their own selves, **covetous, boasters, proud,** blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, **unholy,**

Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

THE MASON APPEARS BEAUTIFUL OUTWARDLY, BUT INWARDLY HE IS UNCLEAN!

(Mat 23:27-28 KJV) Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear <u>beautiful outward</u>, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

Even so ye also **outwardly appear righteous unto men**, but within ye are full of **hypocrisy and iniquity**.

Don't be deceived by the "outward appearance" of the Shriner with the crippled boy photos and the Shriner hospitals, which are only a coverup to their wicked deeds done behind closed doors!

THE MASON CLAIMS FELLOWSHIP WITH THOSE WHO WORSHIP THE DEVIL!

2 Cor. 6:14-17 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial (Baal)? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel (unbeliever)?

And what agreement hath the **temple of God with idols**? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore <u>come out from among them, and be ye separate</u>, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

"<u>Masonry</u>, around whose alters the <u>Christian</u>, the <u>Hebrew</u>, the <u>Moslem</u>, the <u>Brahmin</u>, the followers of <u>Confucious</u> and <u>Zoroaster</u>, <u>can assemble as brethren and unite in prayer</u> to the one God who is above all the Baalim." (<u>Morals and Dogma</u>, pg 226, Albert Pike)

The Muslim worships the Meccan moon god idol, "Allah!" The Hindu worships 300,000,000 million idol gods! Yet the Christian Mason, forbidden by oath to evangelize his fellow Mason, disregards the scripture by fellowshipping with "Unbelievers, unrighteousness, darkness, Belial or Baal, idols!" The scripture says you MUST come out from among them and be separate! Your allegiance should be to Jesus Christ and your Christian Church ... NOT the Masonic Lodge!

IF YOU WISH TO SUPPORT A HOSPITAL, BUILD OR SUPPORT A CHRISTIAN ONE!

In June, 1986, a daily newspaper in Florida, the Orlando Sentinel published a report on the Shrine hospital program. 98% of the money the Shriners raise in these circuses wasn't going to the hospitals. It went to the Shriners for their parties. Ninety-eight percent of the money they raise at these hospital gatherings went toward the parties they are so well known for. Ninety-eight percent went to their little cars and their little boats and their temples, their little hats and stuff. Two percent went to the hospitals.

If you would like to know where your "Shriner" money is going, look at their "Shrines" (Temples), Harley Davidsons, go carts, jewlery, and the cars they drive! Are they any different than the covetous prosperity preachers that use an honorable and charitable cause in order to fatten their own pocketbook?

FREEMASONRY IS A SATANIC CULT! REPENT AND GET OUT NOW!

What in the world are you doing in the Masonic Lodge?

Have you really researched to find out what you are involved with? IGNORANCE is No excuse when you stand before the throne of God. According to <u>Albert Pike</u> and Albert Mackey, you are in training to be LUCIFER'S disciple. Even Aleister Crowley a <u>master SATANIST</u> and antichrist, was a Mason (*Masonry Beyond the Light* page 204).

William Schnoebelen (former 32° Mason now Christian), as a former witch, was encouraged to become a Mason in order to perfect his witchcraft! http://www.withoneaccord.org/

The only way to break the curse of your oath, is to REPENT! Ask the Lord Jesus Christ to forgive you, and get OUT! Stop paying your dues, destroy your Mason symbols and literature!

By oath, the fellow Mason can **murder** (see footnote at bottom) another Mason who leaves the Lodge. Yet, Jesus said "Do not fear them!"

Mat 10:26-28 **Fear them not therefore**: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops.

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

The Masonic Lodge is truly and knowingly deceiving you. You are obligated to do your own research to find out what you are part of!

"For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink <u>IN MY NAME</u>, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his <u>reward</u>." (Mark 9:41)

Don't let Freemasonry receive the glory for your good deeds! In heaven, there are <u>no rewards</u> for your good deeds done in the name of Freemasonry. Jesus gets <u>ALL the GLORY!</u> Period

Hosea 4:6

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, <u>I will</u> <u>also reject thee</u>, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, <u>I will also forget thy children</u>."

Every Mason who takes the blood oath has placed his family under a curse! If you repent, Jesus will break the curse by HIS blood!

I have met many Masons through the years whom have testified of tragic and horrible deaths in their immediate family!

Please don't stop here! Dig deeper at this web site for more detailed knowledge about FREEMASONRY

For more information read:

"Masonry Beyond the Light" by William Schnoebelen (former 32° Mason), 1991, Chick Publications P.O. Box 662, Chino, CA 91708-0662. Tel. (909) 987-0771; Fax. (909)941-8128 or visit his web site at: http://www.withoneaccord.org/

"Facts on The Masonic Lodge" by John Ankerberg & John Weldon, 1989, Harvest House Publishers, Eugene, Oregon 97402

"Freemasonry" by Jack Harris (former Worshipful Mastor), 1983, Whitaker House, 30 Hunt Valley Circle, New Kensington, PA 15068

Footnote on Masonic murders: A detailed description of the kidnapping and execution of Captain William Morgan was recorded by Rev. <u>Charles Finney</u> in the book *The Character, Claims and Practical Workings of Freemasonry*, written in 1879, copyrighted, sold and transferred

to the Ezra A. Cook and Co. in Chicago, Illinois, March 14,1879. The book is available in the Library of Congress in Wash. D.C. (Also found in "Freemasonry" by Jack Harris pg 116-128)

After Morgans murder, 45,000 Masons quit the Lodge.

President <u>John Quincy Adams</u>, President of the U.S from 1825-1829 also referenced the Murder of Morgan in a speech where he spoke out against the Masonic Lodge! President Adams speech gives the complete details of the conspiracy of <u>6 Lodges and 69 Masons</u>, some in high ranking governmental positions in State and Military offices, working together for the planned execution of one of their own members who revealed the secrets of the Lodge.

"A more perfect agent for the devising and execution of <u>conspiracies against church or state</u> could scarcely have been conceived."

"Freemasons, so far from thinking themselves to be violating, were literally following the injunction which they felt to be laid upon them in their oaths. The Law of Masonry was to them more than that of Civil government or of the Deity, even when it was known directly to conflict with them." "The men who actually participated in the murder have gradually dropped off (disappeared by help of foreign Masons), until it may be said that not a single individual remains within the United States. But they lived and died secure from every danger of legal punishment. The oath of Masonry came in conflict with the duty to society and to God, and succeeded in setting it aside."

(Above quotes from **President John Quincy Adams** speech)

Rev. D. L. Moody boldly spoke out against Freemasonry!

Masons are still willing to kill today to guard their dark secrets.

Masons are running Pastors out of the pulpit when they speak out against Freemasonry!

Here is an excellent <u>Sermon</u> preached by a Pastor to his congregation when he resigned from the Lodge!

The Masonic Lodge boasts in Pastors who would perfer to leave the Christian church than resign from the lodge! On this Masonic web page, they give testimony to such a man, a Methodist Pastor Moses F. Shinn, who left the ministry to embrace the Masonic Lodge!

Freemasonry and Southern Baptists.

Freemasonry and the Occult

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Satanist Aleister Crowley was a Mason

http://members.tripod.com/crossbearer-brian/id192.htm

Morals and Dogma

I have recently, come in contact with the book "Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prepared for the Supreme Council of the Thirty Third Degree for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States and Published by its Authority... Esoteric Book, For Scottish Rite use Only; to be returned upon death withdrawal or death of Recipient Copyright 1950. Entered according to Act of Congress, in the year 1871, by Albert Pike, in the Office of the Librarian of Congress, at Washington".

I believe that every Christian who wishes to determine whether or not the Masonic Lodge is the occult, should take a look at this book.

First, I would like to define Esoteric, since Albert Pike deems this book to be "**Esoteric**" and this is the sum and conclusion of all of Freemasonry!

"<u>esoteric</u>" means that it is intended for or understood by only a few chosen people as an <u>inner group</u> of disciples or initiates.

In the Book, Albert Pike gives the significance of every degree from the 1° to the 32° of the Masonic Lodge. It is the most occultic book I have every laid hands on.

The <u>Kabbalah</u> is often quoted by Albert Pike and used to explain hidden secrets. It is filled with <u>Gnosticism</u>. Gnosticism, in the early days of the Christian church, was a cultic doctrine that arose which taught that salvation was obtained by knowledge.

The 18° of the Masonic Lodge is called "Knight Rose Croix", which is recognized by the well known cult called "Rosicrucian's" which I define below. The Rosicrucians are also tied in with another magical cult called the Order of the Golden Dawn. Any web search will reveal the occultic nature of these two Orders. In this chapter, Albert Pike has no trouble comparing Jesus Christ with Osiris, Chrishna, Kioun-tse, Sosiosch, Dhouvanai, Har-Oeri, Love (Plato), Balder and the list continues. He goes into a lengthy illustration to show how all of these Gods are really one and the same. They were all redeemers of mankind against the powers of darkness.

Every Christian can see the error of this doctrine!

I will finish this page with the definition of Gnosticism and Kabbalah, which is what the Masonic Lodge is seeking. These secrets are so secret, that Masons take a death penalty oath in order to protect them from getting into the wrong hands. In Morals and Dogma, Albert Pike reveals the secrets of the symbols and meanings of the Lodge. There is much detail and comparisons between writings of Christianity, Zoroastrian, Gnostic, Egyptian, Jewish, Philo, Aristotle and many others as a form of Unitarian church, where ALL religions have hidden secrets that when applied together by the initiate whom has received the illumination of

the whole picture, can receive secret hidden power, and in effect, become their own Gods!

Very simply, the Masonic initiate is passing from one degree to the next, as high level Masons determine if they are qualified to receive such profound and mystical knowledge. If they are faithful, they can proceed to the next level.

Ultimately, the initiate could become empowered by magical powers and the saviors of their own soul by their secret knowledge.

Freemasonry Leads the initiate to Lucifer!

The Mason initiate can rise to the 32° simply by paying their fees and going through the Rituals. But to go on to the 33° and higher, they must be personally selected to go on by High ranking Masons. (A result of their "esoteric" secret or hidden revelations which can only be given to the special group of people who are able to receive it as defined in Kabbalah below.)

I have heard, that the 33° Mason, swears his oath to Lucifer, as God! By this time in the Lodge, their minds have been disciplined to grasped the idea that Lucifer means "Light bearer", which is what every Mason is seeking, and have rejected the idea that he is Satan!

WM (Worshipful Master) - Why leave you the West and travel to the East?

SD (Candidate replies) - In search of Light

(Duncan's Ritual of Freemasonry pg 32 Entered Apprentice or 1°)

When they find the light, they find Lucifer! Strongs Concordance defines Lucifer as follows **heylel**, *hay-lale'*; from Hebrew 1984 (halal) (in the sense of *brightness*); the *morning-star*:- lucifer.

Here is a quote from an email debate I had with a 32° Mason. This man, who claimed to be a Christian, is now ready to make his sworn oath to Lucifer as God, thinking that it is another name for Jesus:

Did you know that the ancient Christians also called Jesus <u>lucifer</u>? Bet you didn't. :-) I'll give you a hint. Consult the Latin translation of 2 Peter 1:19. You will see there that Peter speaks of <u>lucifer</u> arising in our hearts.

D. C. P., 32°, K.T.

On page 102, Albert Pike defines **Satan** as "the negation of God ... For the initiates, this is **not a Person, but a Force**, **created for good**, but which may serve for evil ... They represent this Force ... the <u>Light-bearer</u> or Phosphor, of which the poets have made the **false Lucifer of the legend**."

Albert Pike says that the Bible lied when it identified Lucifer as Satan, and that Satan is NOT a person, but a Force, by which the Bibles testimony of Lucifer as

Satan was a false legend! Thus he lays the foundation for the exaltation of Lucifer, as god!

"LUCIFER, the Light-Bearer! Strange and mysterious name given to the Spirit of Darkness! Lucifer, the Son of the Morning! Is it he who bears the light ... doubt it not!" (Morals and Dogma pg 321)

"The MASONIC RELIGION should be, by all of us of the high degree, maintained in the purity of the LUCIFERIAN doctrine If Lucifer were not God, would Adonay (sic) whose deeds prove his cruelty, perfidy and hatred of man, barbarism and repulsion for science, would Adonay and his priests calumniate him?

Yes, LUCIFER IS GOD, and unfortunately Adonay is also god...
Thus, the doctrine of Satanism is a heresy; and the true and pure philosophical religion is the BELIEF IN LUCIFER, THE EQUAL OF ADONAY but Lucifer, God of Light and God of GOOD, is struggling for humanity against Adonay, the GOD OF DARKNESS AND EVIL." (de Larive, A.C., La Femme et l'enfant dans la Franc, Maconnerei Universelle, Paris, 1889, p. 588)

But, in truth, he is FALLEN, and has **no brightness** today.

Ezekiel 28:7-9

Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness. [8] They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas. [9] Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I am God? but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.

Isaiah 14:12-20

How art thou fallen from heaven, O <u>Lucifer, son of the morning!</u> how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! [13] For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: [14] I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. [15] Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. [16] They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; [17] That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners? [18] All the kings of the nations, even all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house. [19] But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet. [20] Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.

Gnosticism

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Pronunciation: [nostisizm]

History: (Gr gnosis, 'knowledge')

A system of belief which became prominent within 2nd-c Christianity, but which may have had earlier, non-Christian roots. Gnostics believed that they were an elect group, saved through acquiring secret revealed knowledge about cosmic origins and the true destiny of the spirit within people; in later forms, this knowledge was imparted by a heavenly redeemer figure. Gnosticism was considered a heresy by the early Church Fathers, particularly for its appeal to secret traditions, its deprecatory view of the Creator God, and its docetic view of Christ.

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The Kabala was

Kabbalah and the Supernatural

There has always been a religion for the masses, for the ordinary, average person who was satisfied with general rules and regulations. So long as he could safely follow a pattern which more or less gave sense to his life and answered what (for lack of a better term) were called his spiritual needs, he found fulfillment in his faith, and happiness.

But there were others to whom this type of faith was insufficient and, therefore, unsatisfactory. It lacked depth and true meaning. Nevertheless, they were also aware that the profound knowledge they really craved was beyond the grasp of man's limited intelligence. **Only by mystical vision and ecstatic experience** could they approach, and in some exceptional cases, actually attain and preserve this state.

They were conscious that the **majority of people were unable to follow and understand them** and the fact that their pursuit and preoccupation carried tremendous mental and spiritual dangers.

Such "esoteric" groups with their carefully guarded secrets existed in various ancient cultures.

All esoteric knowledge, of course, was far **beyond the grasp of the uninitiated**. Its daring speculations would at best be totally misunderstood by them and, at worst, would cause confusion in their minds. From the very beginning, therefore, the **exceptional men who steeped themselves in this type of search and mystical contemplation did not reveal it to outsiders.** Their refusal to do so was not prompted by false intellectual and spiritual pride nor by the wish to create an exclusive, power-wielding circle of initiates.

Naturally, those who had acquired the rare and precious insight did not want to see it wasted. To keep it for themselves, therefore, would have defeated the very purpose of their dangerous pioneering mission. So sharing the revelation they had received with those able to absorb it, became to them a sacred duty. Hence the **mystic scholars**, **with great care and caution**, **selected those they regarded as worthy and ready** to have the message revealed to them, thereby to become a link in that chain transmitting the heritage of esoteric tradition.

To "receive" in Hebrew is called kabal. The volume of mystical knowledge handed from one generation to another became thus known as Kabbalah, a term which could be rendered as "receiving" and "tradition." But in its specific meaning, it referred exclusively to the carefully transmitted profound mystical insight. The **Kabbalah taught that the Bible, apart from the**

<u>literal meaning of its text, had deep occult meaning, contained in each of its words and letters.</u> To interpret Scripture "in (mystical) depth" was the hallowed task of the Kabbalist!

To begin with, the speculations of the Kabbalah had been taught orally, because of their very nature and danger of their falling into wrong hands. But they were eventually recorded, through fear of their getting lost. They became the contents of some significant works. These included The Book of Creation, The Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba, and The Book of Splendor or the Zohar which, in fact, has been called "the Bible of Mysticism." Other manuscripts of similar kind were discovered among the Dead Sea Scrolls.

The knowledge of the Kabbalah and certain of its most treasured details, however, remained the exclusive property of some few individuals who claimed the special gift of mystical intuition. They further developed the occult message they had received and became experts in supernatural art and practice. Greatly revered, they were at times looked upon as "wonder workers." But as was only to be expected under the circumstances, the secret lore presented a fruitful field for abuse as well. Unscrupulous men exploited it and took advantage of it for their own enrichment and power.

The Kabbalah was assiduously studied by many mystics and searchers after supernatural wisdom, no matter of which faith. It helped them in their exploration and possible application of the profound secrets of existence. The Kabbalah has proved a truly rewarding source for devoted study and has left also its deep imprint on the art and teaching of the occult.

See Also: Kabbalah paranormal

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"All truly dogmatic religions have issued from the **Kabalah** and return to it: everything scientific and grand in the religious dreams of all the <u>Illuminati</u>... is borrowed from the <u>Kabalah</u>; all the <u>Masonic associations owe to it their</u> <u>Secrets and their Symbols</u>". (Morals and Dogma, pg 744, Albert Pike)

Rosicrucians,

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international fraternal order devoted to the pursuit of esoteric wisdom. (esoteric means that it is intended for or understood by only a few chosen people as an inner group of disciples or initiates) Two such orders in the United States are the Rosicrucian Fraternity and the Ancient Mystical Order Rosae Crucis, usually abbreviated AMORC. The former group has a headquarters in Quakertown, Pennsylvania; the latter group has an international headquarters in San Jose, California. Both groups hold that the order began in remote antiquity in Egypt and continued in existence through periods of deliberate secrecy. Rosicrucian teachings combine elements of

Egyptian Hermetism (Magic, alchemic which is the power to change one thing into another by magic),

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<u>Gnosticism</u> (an occult salvation system, stressing knowledge as essential for salvation. A combination of mythology, ancient Greek philosophy, ancient religions and Christianity)

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<u>Jewish Cabalism</u> (an occult philosophy of certain Jewish Rabbis, esp. in the Middle ages, based on a mystical interpretation of the Scriptures),

and other occult beliefs and practices.

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Many scholars believe that the order actually developed in Germany after the publication of the *Fama Fraternitatis* and the *Confessio Rosae Crucis* (1614, 1615; *The Fame and Confession of the Fraternity of the Rosy Cross;* trans. 1652). These pamphlets record a journey to the Orient made by a pseudonymous Christian Rosenkreuz, who was said to have lived at least a century earlier; they claim that the movement was founded by Rosenkreuz in order to impart the secret wisdom he had gained. The symbol of Rosicrucianism is a combination of the rose and the cross, from which the order takes its name.

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Definition of "Gnosticism" and "Cabalism" from Websters New World College Dictionary.

Masons:

In many other groups, loosely attached in some way to the York Rite, members are usually selected but sometimes are elected. They are interested in special aspects of Masonry, including Masonic research. One might say they are offshoots of the main stem. Among them are the Royal Order of Scotland, the Allied Masonic Degrees, the Red Cross of Constantine, **the Masonic Rosicrucian Society** (SRICF), the Rite of Strict Observance (CBCS), the Grand College of Rites, Knight Masons, Order of Corks, the York Cross of Honour, the Blue Friars, and the Holy Royal Arch Knights Templar Priests. There are also what might be called "fun degrees," such as the Shrine, the Grotto, and the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, many of which are of considerable size. In addition some very small groups cater to students of special aspects of the Craft. From "Freemasonry," *Microsoft® Encarta® Encyclopedia 2000.* © 1993-1999 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

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Some statements in Morals and Dogma by Albert Pike

<u>Masonry, like all the religions</u>, all Mysteries, Hermetiscism, and Alchemy, conceals its secrets from all except the Adepts and Sages, or the Elect, and uses false explanations and misinterpretations of it's symbols to mislead those who deserve to be mislead; to conceal the Truth, which it calls Light, from them, and to draw them away from it. Truth is not for those who are unworthy or unable to receive it, or would pervert it. So God Himself incapacitates

many men, by color-blindness, to distinguish colors, and leads the masses away from the highest Truth, giving them the power to attain only so much of it as it is profitable to them to know. Every age has had a religion suited to its capacity.

The Teachers, even of Christianity, are, in general, the most ignorant of the true meaning of that which they teach. There is no book of which so little is known as the Bible. To most who read it, it is as incomprehensible as the Sohar*.

So Masonry jealously conceals its secrets, and **intentionally leads conceited interpreters astray**. (Morals and DogmaPages 104-105)

All truly dogmatic **religions** have issued from the **Kabalah** and return to it: everything scientific and grand in the religious dreams of all the <u>Illuminati</u>... is <u>borrowed from the Kabalah</u>; all the **Masonic associations owe to it their Secrets and their Symbols**. (Morals and Dogma, pg 744, Albert Pike)

Masonry, around whose alters the Christian, the Hebrew, the Moslem, the Brahmin, the followers of Confucious and Zoroaster, can assemble as brethren and unite in prayer to the one God who is above all the Baalim, (Morals and Dogma, pg 226)

The first Masonic Legislator whose memory is preserved to us by history, was **Buddah** (pg 277)

Every Masonic Lodge is a Temple of religion; and its teachings are instructions in religion (pg 213)

We have therefore, in the 24th degree (Masonic Ritual), recited the principal incidents in the **legend of Osiris and Isis** ... Everything good in Nature comes from Osiris... Osiris was the **image of generative power**. This was expressed by his symbolic statues ... Osiris and Isis were the Sun and Moon ... and **is the <u>All-Seeing Eye</u> in our Lodges** ... Osiris was invoked as the God that resides in the Sun (pgs. 474-477)

"The Supreme being of the Egyptians was **Amun**, a secret and concealed God, the **Unknown Father of the Gnostics**, the **Source of Divine Life**, and of all force, the Plenitude of all, comprehending all things in Himself, the original Light. He creates nothing, but everything eminates from Him: and <u>all other Gods are but his manifestations</u>. From Him, by the utterance of a Word, eminated **Neith**, the Divine Mother of all things, the Primitive THOUGHT, the FORCE, that puts everything in movement, the SPIRIT everywhere extended, *the Diety of Light and Mother of the Sun*.

Of the Supreme beings, **Osiris was the image**, Source of all Good in the Moral and Physical World, and a constant foe of Typhone, the Genius of Evil, the Satan of Gnosticism, brute matter, deemed to be always at fued with the spirit that flowed from the Diety; and over whom Har-Oeri, the Redeemer, Son of Isis and Osiris, is finally to prevail." (pg 281)

Freemasonry is simply a conglomerate of combining all religions of the World and comparing them to be one and the same god, manifested to different civilizations by different names. So a Mason simply has to believe in "a god" to join the Lodge!

^{*} Sohar is defined by Albert Pike on page 321 as "the completest embodiments of Occultism."

According to Albert Pike, Freemasonry is THE religion of ALL religions. The embodiment of revelation to the "Elect" of the hidden secrets of ALL religions, wherein they can find eternal life!

Thus, every Mason is in effect, forsaking what the Bible says:

John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, <u>I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh</u> unto the Father, but by me.

2 Cor. 6:14-17

Be ye not unequally yoked together with **unbelievers**: for **what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness**? and what communion hath **light with darkness**?

And what concord hath **Christ with Belial** (Baal)? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel (unbeliever)?

And what agreement hath the **temple of God with idols**? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore <u>come out from among them, and be ye separate</u>, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

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Exposing the Masons

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Here is an excerpt from my journal notes on the work the Lord had given to me to expose this cult. In Jonesboro, LA, I placed an envelope on every church door in the county, with information exposing this cult. NO Pastor has ANY excuse for not informing their church of the dangers of the curse of the oath, and the worship of another god (idolatry), and replacing Jesus by calling a man their Worshipful Mastor in the Masonic Lodge.

If your a Christian, and you wish to expose this cult in your town, please write and I will give you some help on how to do so!

Jonesboro, Louisiana

4-13-2001Friday

Walked the cross in Jonesboro. During the day, many people stopped by to give me their approval, many of whom are Christian. I did have a long talk with an

unsaved man who would not convert to Jesus, but I asked him to come to church Sunday and I think he was seriously considering it.

A woman stopped to give me some water. She loved the Lord and said she was in tears when she saw me. They had been talking about me at her church last night. She had done much study about the Masonic Lodge in the past and she rejoiced that I was speaking out against it. She asked me to come to their church service tonight which started at 7PM. I told her that I had made a commitment but if things changed, I would try to be there. I wanted to see the movie "Who is this Jesus" by Dr. James Kennedy tonight.

So in the evening, I went to Charles and Ileenes home to have dinner and see the movie. Well, they could not get it so they called a friend who was going to tape it for us to see on another day. I decided I would go to the church service. I got to my van and the van wouldn't start. After some 15 minutes I put my head on the steering wheel and said "Well Lord, I guess I wasn't supposed to go to the church tonight." Charles came out to help and finally, I put it in neutral and it started. The park was not engaged completely. I later learned that the woman who invited me to the church was very ill and knew that I would be there tonight so she came to church anyway, asking some friends to pray for her.

When I arrived at the Brown Grove Baptist church, (see the picture below) they all seemed to know who I was and I took a seat. There were several churches gathered together here and the place was packed. The guest preacher had just began his sermon. I listened to him preach a message of walking in holiness after you are saved. When he was finished, my host sat next to me and she said "Do you want to speak?" I really didn't but I said "Well, sure." She instructed "When the woman up front asks for the guests to stand up, just say whatever you want!" But the woman never gave the invitation, which was very abnormal. So my host stood up and said "Maybe all of you have seen this man who carries the cross around town. He has been to Spain and France and many other places. I would like to introduce you to Brian O'Connell." So she told me to go up front. I later learned that there where over 40 ministers in the front who were all Masons. As I walked forward, I asked where I should speak from. They pointed to the podium on the lower floor.

So I walked up to the microphone and introduced myself and gave my testimony. I shared how I came to this city and that there was a heavy darkness over this whole area. Several said "Amen!" I then said "Some of you may not like me for saying this, but if your in the Masonic Lodge, you have put a curse on you and your home, and the only thing that can break the curse is the blood of Jesus. If you will repent, he will set you free!" One or two who knew about the Lodge said "Amen!" Every minister dropped his head in shame. Some looked at me in anger. I said "The best alter call we could have tonight, is that every Mason, and every woman in the Eastern Star, will come forward and break the curse by repenting. And I assure you, the Lord will pour out His Spirit upon this place!"

No one moved!

The Pastor looked around at his superiors for someone to silence me. Non did! The angels of the Lord held them at bay! Then he himself stood at the upper podium, hoping to find an opportunity to interrupt. But it was too late. The truth had been spoken. There was a surprisingly small group who applauded me for the testimony and rebuke against the Masons.

As I went to my seat, a woman hugged me. She too knew about the lodge and its secrets and was against it. The Pastor NEVER said a word about me or my rebuke. He simply went on with the service as if I never existed. That's OK! I'm not looking for his approval, but the approval of my heavenly Master, Jesus Christ

After the service, of the 40 ministers, only one came to greet me. He said he was not Mason and wanted to know more about it since he had spoken against it to a fellow deacon who got mad and walked out on him. Others church members and guests came over to greet me who had either left the Lodge or had learned about the errors of the Lodge. My host wanted me to meet some other people and as we were walking out I noticed a Deacon of this church with a Shriners pin on his lapel. I gave him my Mason tract. He began to question me. I asked him "What is the name of your Worshipful Master?" He looked at me confused. "What are you talking about?" he said. So I repeated myself and he became confused. It was clear that he didn't know whether I was asking him for the name of his Lodge Worshipful Master or the Lord Jesus Christ. He finally blurted out "Jesus Christ!" as he caught on.

When I asked him about <u>JAH BUL ON</u>, he denied that he had any knowledge of this word and he said he had never heard that word before. This is interesting since two weeks ago, another Mason helped to correct me on it's proper annunciation, helping me to say it correctly. I told the Shriner "God's word says that all liars will have their part in the lake of fire. Whether or not your telling me the truth is between you and God!"



Mason cornerstone shown in this church wall

The man then told me that if it wasn't for the Shriners, I wouldn't be here. I looked back at him and said "I'm still here because of Jesus Christ, NOT the Masons!" He then began to argue so I started to pray to the Lord for conviction upon this man. As I was praying he kept grabbing my arm wanting to defend his satanic cult. I then dropped to my knees as I continued to pray. The man stepped back about 15 feet. He was obviously NOT a man of prayer as he was offended at my pleading with the Lord for this mans soul. I got up to walk out and from his distance he pointed at me and said "WHO ARE YOU!" I replied "My name is Brian O'Connell, and I am a born again Christian who is in love with Jesus Christ the Lord!"

I then walked out with my host and several other women who could not believe what they had witnessed tonight. They all rejoiced with me and prayed for the Lord's protection over me. They knew that tonight, all hell was breaking loose in this church. My prayer is that all hell would flee and heavens gates will be opened upon this place.



Closeup of the Masonic Corner stone with the Mason Idol engraved built into the wall of a Baptist church (as well as other denominations) in Jonesboro, Louisiana.

This blasphomous <u>Masonic corner stone</u> attempts to replace Jesus Christ! It appears on most Baptist churches in South Louisiana.

Ephes. 2:19-22

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; [20] And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, <u>Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone</u>; [21] In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: [22] In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

Pastor prayer meeting! 1/10/2002 Thursday

When I arrived home, to Crystal River in October, my prayer was "Lord, in the name of your son Jesus Christ, I ask that you would expose the Masonic Lodge to this community, and that many men would repent of it and turn away from it!"

I was invited to attend a "Ministerial Pastors prayer meeting" and afterwards we had lunch. During the meal, I met a Pastor who shared with me that he had been a former Mason. He was in the "Knights Templars" of the Masonic Lodge and shared that he had **drank wine from a Human Skull**. The Pastor also said that the **63**rd **degree** was called "The **Luciferian Degree**."

After the meal, the Pastors discussed various things. At one point, a brother introduced me and asked me to share what happened at the Inverness Christmas parade. I shared my testimony and then I spoke boldly against the Masonic Lodge, pleading with the Pastors to speak out against it. Afterwards, 2 other Pastors spoke to me favorably, both of whom were former 32nd degree Masons. One said that his church was full of Masons, and that he had been trying to expose it to these men. Many Pastors took my literature to read, including a letter by Charles Finney, a noted 1800 evangelist, who spoke boldly against the Masonic Lodge, and my Mason tract. Several had received my letter which I sent to 77 church's county wide, exposing the Lodge!

I rejoice that the Lord has heard my prayer.

I also prayed to the Lord, that if he should want me to return next year to walk the cross in the parade, He would have to do something with the Chief of Police in Inverness.

The Chief of Police arrested Richard last year while walking the cross in the parade, after Richard told a Mason he needed to repent. The Chief of Police this year ordered his men to stop me from walking the cross in the parade, and passing out my tracts exposing the Masons. Since then, the Chief of Police has been on national news for an incident with a local restaurant owner who failed to produce hamburgers the officer had ordered. During a dispute over the burgers, the restaurant owner touched the plain clothed officers arm and asked him to leave the premises. The Police Chief had the owner arrested for battery. The county is in an uproar over this action and wants the officer removed from his position. I pray this man will repent and surrender his life to Jesus Christ. My God is greater than the Masonic Lodge! While his fraternal brothers are daily writing articles in the newspaper, trying to appease the public, they simply do NOT have the power and strength of my Lord and God Jesus Christ, whom this man has offended! (2-4-2002 update: I learned recently that the Inverness Chief of Police has been removed from his office)

Pray for his salvation!

Masons Proselytizing Pastors

12/30 Sunday

After the evening service, I went to the gas station to fill up with fuel. A Pastor whom I had known for several years pulled up and asked me if I had some information on Masons. He said he had a friend who had recently become Mason and that this friend was soliciting him to join the Masons also. He knew it was a demonic cult and was looking for further information about the Lodge. I gave him my tract and web site information. He said that while he was working as assistant pastor at a local church, 3 men invited him and the Senior Pastor out to lunch. They propositioned them to become Masons with a promise of building them a church, filling it with 500 hundred people and assuring them of \$500 a week. They even told this man also that they would make him Pastor of his own church with the same benefits right outside of Dunnellon. Shortly after this offer, this man had some differences with the Senior Pastor and he left. Since then, this man tells me, the Senior Pastor was given a Cadillac by the Masons.



I've held this sign at street corners throughout Citrus county to bring conviction on these men whom have forsaken their faith in Jesus Christ!

I have heard about these schemes by the Masons but this is the first time I had been given a personal testimony from a Pastor whom had been approached by Masons attempting to "buy the church"! Once the Masonic Lodge "builds" the church by buying out the Pastor, the Pastor becomes a servant of the Masonic Lodge and a "worshipful master" that is Not Jesus Christ!

Matthew 6:24

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Last year, after sending out an e-mail with the details of the Parade in Inverness and our assault on the Masonic Lodge cult, a Pastor of a local church asked me to remove him from my mailing list. I suspect he too had been bought out by this cult.

Although the Masonic Lodge claims they do NOT solicit members, and the only way "to become one you must ask one", it is very evident that there is an active evangelism program targeting certain individuals!

The Masonic Lodge is Satan's most strategic plan to corrupt the church and destroy it from within. They are making disciples of those within the church, ultimately leading them away from Christ.

Acts 20:29-30

For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also **of your own selves shall men arise**, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

Mark 8:36

For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

Psalm 127:1

Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

PLEASE HELP EXPOSE THIS CULT!

You can visit my web site on Freemasonry at http://members.tripod.com/crossbearer-brian/id26.htm

12/8/2001 Inverness, Florida Christmas Parade



Article in last years (Dec. 2000) Citrus Chronicle.

Last year, Richard and I walked the Inverness Parade with the crosses. Near the end of the Parade, as Richard passed out tracts, a man threatened him with physical violence. The man was a Mason and Richard replied that the man needed to repent. The man angrily stormed away and returned with a police officer, who in turn arrested Richard.

I was not aware that Richard was under arrest and crossed the street, thinking that Richard was witnessing to the officer as Richard himself is a former sheriff and often witnesses to police. Several men watching the parade had come over to confront the officer that Richard had done no wrong. The officer then threatened these men with arrest if they did not leave, so they did. I asked this officer if I could speak to the chief of police at which he then said that he was the chief of police. The man released Richard with the order that we speak to NO one. As we walked up the street, a man asked us what that was all about. As we spoke to the man, the officer threatened us with an order Not to speak to anyone!

After the parade, I was informed that this man was a Mason himself! I have not searched to prove this statement, but in my spirit I was cautious that this year they would try to stop me from walking the cross in this parade.

The end of my gospel tracts include a link to my web site which exposes the Masons and Shriners, with the words "for more information on cults such as Masons/Shriners...."

Last week I walked the Crystal River Parade with no hindrances whatsoever! But my suspicion of the Masonic influence on the chief of Police was confirmed at the Inverness Parade when immediately two officers asked me aside and said that I could NOT walk the cross in the parade, and that I could not solicit the people with my tracts. I told the officers that I had the same right to walk along the curb as these people do, as I pointed to many other spectators who were walking past along the curb as I was when stopped. I continued to inform them that these were gospel tracts and that soliciting was asking people for things or selling, so I was NOT soliciting! Nothing is for sale, or asked for. I continued to say "as I walk and people reach out for a tract, then I give them one"

I then left the officers to continue to walk the cross and hand out tracts. The officers followed me and asked me to stop again, repeating that I could not walk the cross down the street and hand out my tracts. One officer said that if I didn't stop walking with the cross and passing out the tracts I would have to speak to the judge on Monday, which was a threat of arrest. I replied "Then I will talk to the judge on Monday" as I was determined to walk the cross even if it meant imprisonment. I told the one officer, "The reason your chief of police doesn't want me walking this parade is because he is offended that I am speaking against Masonry!" He looked surprised and said "I don't know what your talking about!" After the parade someone told me that he was a Mason too. I cannot confirm this to be true! But I do suspicion there are many Masons on this police force.

I turned to continue and they followed me again, this time stepping in front of me not allowing me to pass. With a cruiser officer and a motorcycle officer now present, I consented that I would stay on the sidewalk instead of walking along the curb. They let me go! But at certain points, the crowd was thick all the way between the street and the wall of a building so I stepped out to the street to get around the crowd and as I did so, the motorcycle officer who was following me, parked his motorcycle quickly and said "THAT'S IT!" He was about to arrest me and I said "Officer, I could NOT get around the people who were obstructing my passage! There is NO room on the sidewalk" and I continued to walk on looking for a place to get back onto the sidewalk.

After this, I was able to stay on the sidewalk behind the crowd and finished the parade rout. Officers at each intersection warned me "They don't want you handing out your literature" I kindly reply "Thank you!" and continued handing out the tracts. I believe that, with the help of about 10-15 precious saints that came to help me pass out the tracts, we placed about 4-5,000 tracts in the hands of the spectators, and placed about an equivalent amount into the hands of those who attended the Crystal River Parade last week.

I praise the Lord our God who gave me the ability to continue to walk the cross when my knees were shaking and I felt great fear as I knew that I was pressing on into the resistance of Satan who does not want me to expose the

Masonic Lodge in this community. I suspect that unless Christians rise up to fight this injustice, that one day we will find ourselves in the darkness when no man can work

John 9:4

I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

This scripture sure came true today, as I have walked the cross in the parade now for about 7 years. Now, the night is coming, UNLESS the saints rise up and do something about it, we will no longer have the freedom to speak and lift up the name of Jesus Christ without imprisonment or death! We will no longer be able to speak against cults and lies! We will no longer be able to say "REPENT!"

You can visit my web site on Freemasonry at http://members.tripod.com/crossbearer-brian/id26.htm

In Christ Jesus our Lord, Brian

For more on my travels in the year 2001, go to Year 2001 in Review.

January 2002 Letter sent to Pastors

Dear Pastor.

My name is Brian O'Connell. I carry a cross as a form of street evangelism leading souls to Christ Jesus as Lord! I have traveled to several other countries as a Missionary!

There is an antichrist spirit growing WITHIN the Christian church's which I would like to expose. There is a strong chance that it might even be within YOUR church! It is called Freemasonry!

Ephes. 5:11-12

And have no fellowship with the <u>unfruitful works of darkness</u>, but rather reprove them. [12] For it is a <u>shame even to speak</u> of those things which are done of them in **secret**.

I have included some information for your research on this topic, and a web site which is noted on the Masonic tract for deeper research. I am also including a letter with the words of the noted evangelist of the 1800's, Charles Finney. Their secret is out!

As a Pastor of the church of Jesus Christ, you are accountable to bring your sheep out of bondage and expose the truth! If you are a "hireling" you can run

and let the wolf devour the sheep for which Christ died to save! You stand accountable.

Some of you reading this letter are in this "fraternity" yourselves. Masons have bought many Pastors with money, a church building, cars and increased congregations. I pray you will repent and receive the Lord's forgiveness. Please note what God's word says about this:

Psalm 127:1

Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

If Freemasonry is building your church... it is all in vain!

Every Mason whom has taken the blood oath, has placed a curse upon their families. I have met many Masons in my travels that have had tragic deaths in their family. Only the blood of Jesus Christ can break the curse of the oath. They offend God by calling a man in their lodge "Worshipful Master", and they have changed the name of God from Jesus Christ, to JAH-BAL-ON, a blasphemous name of combining Jehovah, Baal and On (Osiris). On is the city of the worship of the Egyptian sun god.

The Shriner makes a confession to "Allah" as God. Allah is a demon God (idol) worshipped by Muslims. The 33rd degree Mason (of which many masons don't even know about) confesses Satan as God in their initiation! Reinterpreting the scriptures, each degree up to the 33rd degree prepares the initiate for his complete denial of Jesus Christ.

The presence of this antichrist spirit within the church puts out the fire of the Holy Spirit. Any Pastor who attempts to expose Freemasonry in his church, will come into great opposition from his "antichrist" Masonic members. I believe that if all the Pastors of our community work together to expose Freemasonry, the Masons will NOT be able to slander and run our Pastors out of the pulpit! I pray it will backfire upon the Masonic secret darkness!

Luke 8:17

For nothing is **secret**, that shall not be made manifest; neither any thing **hid**, that shall not be known and come abroad.

Please take the time to research this "brotherhood" and expose it to your members, and community! I am sending this letter to some 100 church Pastors. So rest assured this attack on the church has been exposed!

http://members.tripod.com/crossbearer-brian/id187.htm

Curse of Hiram Abiff

Here is an actual scanned copy from the "Duncan's Masonic Ritual and Monitor or guide to the three symbolic degrees of the Ancient York Rite and to the degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and the Royal Arch" by Malcom C. Duncan, David McKay Company, Inc. New York. Pages noted in copy below!

At the bottom of the page, I shall include the scriptures that link Hiram with Lucifer!

MASTER MASON, OR THIRD DEGREE

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One of his companions exclaims: "I am tired, too!" and sits down near the candidate.

Another says: "What course shall we pursue? we must not go and report ourselves; if we do, the twelve will be put to death. Here are three of the poor fellows with us; we must not go and give them up, to be put to death; rather let us take a northwesterly or a southwesterly course. Which way shall we go?"

One of the brethren then replies: "We will go a southwesterly course, and will come up with our brothers." Attempting to get up, he exclaims, "Hallo! what's this?" at the same time pulling up the evergreen—or acacia, as it is styled—at the head of the grave. "What means this acacia coming up so easily? The ground has been newly broken; this has the appearance of a grave," pointing to the candidate on the floor.

One of the brothers, representing one of the three ruffians, in a corner near by, is now heard to exclaim, in a loud, but deep tone of voice:

"Oh! that my throat had been cut across, my tongue torn out by its roots, and buried in the rough sands of the sea, at lowwater mark, where the tide ebbs and flows twice in twenty-four hours, ere I had been accessory to the death of so good a man as our Grand Master, Hiram Abiff."

"Hark! that is the voice of Jubels."

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"Oh! that my breast had been torn open, my heart plucked out, and placed upon the highest pinnacle of the Temple, there to be devoured by the vultures of the air, ere I had consented to the death of so good a man as our Grand Master. Hiram Abiff."

"Hark! that is the voice of Jubelo."

"Oh! that my body had been severed in two, my bowels taken from thence and burned to ashes, the ashes scattered to the four winds of heaven, that no more remembrance might be had of so vile and wicked a wretch as I. Ah! Jubela, Jubelo, it was I

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that struck him harder than you both: it was I that gave him the fatal blow; it was I that killed him."

"That is the voice of Jubelum."

The three craftsmen, having stood by the candidate all this time, listening to the ruffians, whose voices they recognize, say one to another:

"What shall we do? There are three of them, and only three

of us."

One says:

"Our cause is just; let us rush in and seize them."

Upon which the three Fellow Crafts rush forward over benches and chairs, and secure the ruffians in no very gentle manner, and lead them to the Worshipful Master's seat in the east, when one

of them reports to the Master:

"Most Worshipful King Solomon, I, being one who pursued a westerly course, and, on my return, after several days of fruit-less search, being more weary than my companions, sat down on the brow of a hill to rest and refresh myself; and, on rising, accidentally caught hold of a sprig of acacia, which, easily giving way, excited my suspicions. Having my curiosity aroused, I examined it, and found it to be a grave."

As soon as the craftsman has finished this report, another

party arrives with the ruffians, and reports as follows:

"Most Worshipful King Solomon, while sitting down to rest and refresh ourselves, we heard the following horrid exclamations from the clefts of the adjacent rocks. The first was the voice of Jubela exclaiming: 2 'Oh! that my throat had been cut across,

my tongue torn out by its roots, and buried in the rough sands of the sea, at low-water mark, where the tide ebbs and flows twice in twenty-four hours, ers I had been accessory to the death of so good a man as our Grand Master. Hiram Abiff.' The second was that of Jubelo, exclaiming: 'Oh! that my breast had been torn open, my heart plucked out and placed upon the highest pinnacle of the Temple, there to be devoured by the yultures of the air, ere I had consented to the death of so good a men as our Grand Master, Hiram Abiff.' The third was the voice of Jubelum, exclaiming, louder than the rest: 'It was I that gave the fetal blow it was I that killed him. Oh! that are that gave the fatal blow, it was I that killed him. Oh! that my body had been severed in two, my bowels taken from thence, and burned to ashes, the ashes scattered to the four winds of heaven. that no more remembrance might be had of so vile and wicked a wretch as I. Ah! Jubela! Jubelo! it was I that struck him harder than you both: it was I that gave him the fatal blow; it was I that killed him.' Upon which we rushed in seized and bound the rushans, and now have them before your majesty."

K. S.— Jubela, you stand charged as accessory to the death of our Grand Master, Hiram Abiff. What say you, guilty or not

guilty!

One answers, in a very penitent manner:

Guilty, my lord.

K. S.—Jubelo. you also stand accessory to the death of our Grand Master, Hiram Abiff. What say you, sir, guilty or not guilty?

Answer - Guilty, my lord.

K. S .- Jubelum, you stand charged as the wilful murderer of our Grand Master, Hiram Abiff. What say you, sir, guilty or not guilty?

-Guilty, my lord. Answer -

K. S.— Vile, impious wretches! despicable villains! reflect with horror on the atrocity of your crime, and on the amiable character of your Worshipful Grand Master, whom you have so hasely assassinated. Hold up your heads, and hear your sentence. It is my orders that you be taken without the gates of the court, and he avenued assaying to your several imprecations in the and be executed, according to your several imprecations, in the clefts of the rocks. Brother Junior Grand Warden, you will see my orders duly executed. Begone!

They all pass out of the Lodge with a rush, into the anteroom, where they form into a circle. One, acting as the principal mover, raises his right foot from the floor, at the same time his hands, in the manner of slapping them together, makes two false motions, but at the third all bring down their right feet and hands together, producing a very sharp noise. A momentary silence then ensues, during which one of the party groans, as if nearly dying. This is all intended to produce its effect upon the ears of the candidate. It also represents the execution and dying groans of Jubela, the first ruffian, and is repeated twice more to represent the death of the other two ruffians. Some Lodges use a large drum, others roll a large cannon-ball across the ante-room floor, letting it strike on a cushion placed against the wall. This is not, however, practised in city Lodges.

The ruffians being executed, the brethren all return quietly to the Lodge, when one of them reports, in a loud tone of voice: "Most Worshipful King Solomon, your orders have been duly executed upon the three murderers of Grand Master, Hiram

Abiff." 1

K. S .- You twelve Fellow Crafts will go in search of the body, and, if found, observe whether the Master's word, or a key to it, or any thing that appertains to the Master's Degree, is on or about it.

The brethren representing the twelve repentant conspirators now walk out near the spot where the candidate is lying, and,

when close to him, one of the party says:

"Well, brothers, can we find where the acacia was pulled

Approaching the candidate, another replies:
"Yes, this is the place; let us remove the rubbish and dig down here."

A third, lifting up the canvas, says:

"Yes, here is the body of our Grand Master. Hiram Abiff, in a mangled and putrid state. Let us go and report. But what were our orders! We were ordered to observe whether the Master. ter's word, or a key to it, or any thing appertaining to the Master's Degree, was on or about the body; but, brothers, we are only Fellow Crafts, and know nothing about the Master's word, or a key to it, or any thing appertaining to the Master's Degree; we must, however, make an examination, or we will be

put to death."

They then commence to search about the candidate, lifting off the canvas, feeling about his neck, &c., &c.: finally, one of the brethren, taking hold of the jewel which is attached to the yoke about the candidate's neck, exclaims:

This is the jewel of his office."

Another says:

"Let us go and report that we find nothing on or about the body excepting the jewel of his office."

One of the brothers now takes off the jewel from the candidate's neck, and all repair to the Master's seat in the east, and

report:
"Tidings of the body."
"Titlera was it K. S .- Where was it found?

Answer - A westerly course, where our weary brother sat down to rest and refresh himself.

K. S.— Was the Master's word, or a key to it, or any thing appertaining to the Master's Degree, on or about it? 1

Answer — Most Worshipful King Solomon, we are but Fellow Crafts; we therefore know nothing about the Master's word or the Master's Degree. There was nothing found on or about the body excepting the jewel of his office, by which his body was discovered.

They present the jewel to the Master, who, on examination of

it, says:

"This is the fewel of our Grand Master, Hiram Abiff; there can be no longer any doubt as to the identity of the body."

K. S.— You twelve Fellow Crafts will now go and assist in

raising the body.

Turning in his seat toward the Treasurer's desk, he says to the

Treasurer:

"My worthy brother of Tyre, as the Master's word is now lost, the first eign given at the grave, and the first word spoken, after the body is raised, shall be adopted for the regulation of all Masters' Lodges, until future generations shall find out the right."

Tressurer - Agreed.

All now form in a circle around the body, the Master and

Hiram a Biblically disguised name for Lucifer, Is the most exalted man of the Masonic Lodge!!!

2 Chron. 2:3

And Solomon sent to **Hiram** the **king of Tyre**, ...

Ezekiel 28:12-19

Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyre, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty. [13] Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. [14] Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. [15] Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. [16] By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with

violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. [17] Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee. [18] Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee. [19] All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

Ezekiel 28:2-10

Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyre, Thus saith the Lord God; Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, I am a God, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God: [3] Behold, thou art wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee: [4] With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures: [5] By thy great wisdom and by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches: [6] Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God; [7] Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness. [8] They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas. [9] Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I am God? but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee. [10] Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God.

Isaiah 14:12-15

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! [13] For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: [14] I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. [15] Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

Interesting to note that in Isaiah 14, it goes on to say that Lucifer will be "Like a corpse trodden underfoot."

Isaiah 14:19

But thou art **cast out of thy grave** like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; **as a carcase trodden under feet**.

No wonder Lucifer wants a ceremony that glorifies him and resurrects him from the grave!

Have YOU, participated in this RITUAL?

REPENTANCE CAN BREAK THE CURSE! Please pray:

"Lord Jesus, forgive me for partaking in this ritual. I ask you to break the curse on my life and my family and wash it clean with your precious blood! It is YOUR death, Lord Jesus, that I am guilty of, and it is YOU that was raised from the dead and lives forevermore! I renounce my actions I have partaken in as I was deceived by Freemasonry! I will serve non other but you Lord Jesus! Amen!"

For a deeper Biblical study on Hiram Abiff, go to http://www.ephesians5-11.org/hiram.htm

http://members.tripod.com/crossbearer-brian/id34.htm

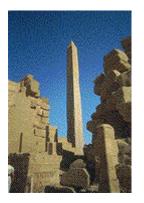






Luxor Temple

The Temple of Luxor is located in southern Thebes along the east bank of the Nile River. The Temple was built by Amenhotep III and dedicated to Amon-Re, king of the gods, his consort Mut, and their son Khons. The Temple was later added to by Tutankhamen, Horemheb and Ramses II. Thebes was capital of the ancient Egyptian empire during its peak.





Karnak Temple

Obelisk from the Great Temple at Karnak located in Northern Thebes. Originally obelisks were erected in pairs at the entrances to ancient Egyptian temples. They were cut from a single stone, usually red granite. One pair of obelisks at Karnak erected by Thutmose I is 80 feet high and weighs 143 tons.



The above photo (this one in Jonesboro, LA) is typical of a Masonic grave site. The Obelisk (asherah) is used as the headstone of the deceased Masonic Lodge member!

Asherah

The **Obelisk** in the Bible is called "**Asherah**" in Hebrew, the KJV uses the word "groves"!

The Strongs Concordance defines it as:

'asherah, ash-ay-raw'; or 'asheyrah, ash-ay-raw'; Strongs 842, from Hebrew 833 ('ashar); happy; Asherah (or Astarte) a Phoenician goddess; also an image of the same: - grove. Compare Hebrew 6253 ('Ashtoreth).

The word "asherah" is from the root `ashar, to be straight, erect or upright.

Asherah (KJV - **groves**) is found in the scriptures 40 times, always referring to **idol worship**.

The Companion Bible, appendix 42, defines "asherah" as follows: It was an upright pillar connected with **Baal-worship**, and is associated with the **goddess Ashtoreth**, being the representation of the **productive principal** of life, and Baal being the representative of the **generative principal**. The image, which represents the Phoenician Ashtoreth of Paphos, as the sole object of worship in her temple, was an **upright block of stone**, anointed with oil, and **covered with an embroidered cloth**.



The above Masonic grave stone has the "embroidered cloth", carved in stone, upon the obelisk!

Some Masonic grave stones have the embroidered cloth, in stone, covering the Asherah image. The Companion Bible defines this stone idol as the image of the "Phallus", or "images of men" as seen in Ezekiel 16:17.

Such stones are to be found all over the Semitic world, the Companion Bible continues, even the Mahommedan sacred stone (Kaaba) at Mecca remains an object of reverence.

Asherah - the **obelisk**, is an abomination unto the Lord!

2 Chron. 34:3-4

For in the eighth year of his reign, while he (Josiah) was yet young, he began to seek after the God of David his father: and in the twelfth year **he began to purge** Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, **and the groves (asherah)**, and the carved images, and the molten images. [4] And they brake down the **altars of Baalim** in his presence; and the images, that were on high above them,

he cut down; and the groves (asherah), and the carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust of them, and strowed it upon the graves of them that had sacrificed unto them.

2 Chron. 34:7

And when he had broken down the altars and the groves (asherah), and had beaten the graven images into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.

2 Kings 17:9-11

And the **children of Israel** did secretly those **things that were** <u>not right</u> against the Lord their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city. [10] And they set them up images <u>and groves (asherah)</u> in every high hill, and under every green tree: [11] And there they burnt incense in all the high places, as did the heathen whom the Lord carried away before them; <u>and wrought wicked things to provoke the Lord to anger</u>:

1 Kings 18:19 Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the **prophets of Baal** four hundred and fifty, **and the prophets of the groves ['asherah] four hundred**, which eat at Jezebel's table"

I don't believe that any True Christian would want this object placed over their grave site, replacing the cross of Jesus Christ, by which our sins were nailed to give us victory over death, hell and the grave!

Below are some study resources for a deeper study!

'Asherah

(From Dakes Annotated Bible)

Hebrew: 'asherah (HSN-842), a pillar or image of wood. It was set up <u>with the image of Baal and worshiped as the wife of Baal by lewd rites and sensual practices</u>.

'Asherah (HSN-842) is always rendered grove in the KJV, but retained as a proper name in the English Revised Version (1885) The word comes from the root yashar (HSN-3474), "to be straight, upright, erect." **The pillar was set upright in the ground like a totem pole**. It was either a living tree with the top cut off and the trunk fashioned into a certain shape (Deut. 16:21), or a log fashioned into an idol and set erect in the ground (1 Kings 14:15; 1 Kings 16:33; Isaiah 17:8). Though usually made of wood (Judges 6:26), it was perhaps <u>in some cases made of stone</u>. Such poles could be cut down (Exodus 34:13), plucked up (Micah 5:14), burnt (Deut. 12:3), and broken in pieces (2 Chron. 34:4).

That they were not groves of trees is clear from 2 Kings 17:10, where they are forbidden to be set up under any green tree. Worshiped as a symbol of the tree of life, the idol came to be associated with procreation. As such, 'Asherah (HSN-842) became an object of impure, perverse worship by crowds of devotees involved in demonized, obscene orgies. The worship centered in the Canaanite nations and then spread into other nations. Relics of it are found among all heathen peoples. The first mention of the idol in the Bible stamps it as a special object of God's hatred; it was at this idol that God revealed His name as Jealous (Exodus 34:13-14; cp. 1 Kings 14:15; 1 Kings 15:13; 1 Kings 16:32-33; 2 Chron. 36:14). It led to the destruction of all Canaanite nations and, with other things, caused Israel to be banished among other nations. The true nature of this form of idolatry is made clear in Jeremiah 5:7; Jeremiah 7:30-31; Jeremiah 19:4-5; Jeremiah 32:34-35; Hosea 4:12-14; Amos 2:7-9, and in other passages where grove is found (Exodus 34:13; Deut. 7:5; Deut. 12:3; Deut. 16:21; Judges 3:7; Judges 6:25-30; 1 Kings 14:15,23; 1 Kings 15:13; 1 Kings 16:33; 1 Kings 18:19; 2 Kings 13:6; 2 Kings 17:10,16; 2 Kings 18:4; 2 Kings 21:3,7; 2 Kings 23:4-15; 2 Chron. 14:3; 2 Chron. 15:16; 2 Chron. 17:6; 2 Chron. 19:3; 2 Chron. 24:18; 2 Chron. 31:1; 2 Chron. 33:3,19; 2 Chron. 34:3-7; Isaiah 17:8; Isaiah 27:9; Jeremiah 17:2; Micah 5:14). (From Dakes Annotated Bible)

'ASHERAH

(From Vine's complete expository dictionary)

'asherah (842), "Asherah, Asherim (pl.)." This noun, which has an Ugaritic cognate, first appears in the Bible in passages anticipating the settlement in Palestine. The word's most frequent appearances, however, are usually in historical literature. Of its 40 appearances, 4 are in Israel's law code, 4 in Judges, 4 in prophetic books, and the rest are in 1 Kings and 2 Chronicles.

'Asherah refers to a cultic object representing the presence of the Canaanite goddess Asherah. When the people of Israel entered Palestine, they were to have nothing to do with the idolatrous religions of its inhabitants. Rather, God said, "But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves ['asherim] ..." (Exod. 34:13). This cult object was manufactured from wood (Judg. 6:26; 1 Kings 14:15) and it could be burned (Deut. 12:3). Some scholars conclude that it was a sacred pole set up near an altar to Baal. Since there was only one goddess with this name, the plural ('asherim') probably represents her several "poles."

'Asherah signifies the name of the goddess herself: "Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of the groves ['asherah] four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table" (1 Kings 18:19). The Canaanites believed that 'asherah ruled the sea, was the mother of all the gods including Baal, and sometimes was his deadly enemy. Apparently, the mythology of Canaan

maintained that 'asherah was the consort of Baal, who had displaced El as their highest god. Thus her sacred objects (poles) were immediately beside altars to Baal, and she was worshiped along with him.

(From W.E. Vine, Merrill F. Unger and William White, Vine's complete expository dictionary of Old and New Testament words [computer file], electronic ed., Logos Library System, (Nashville: Thomas Nelson) 1997, c1996.)

The above definition of "asherah", as an object of idol worship, is confirmed also in Smith's Bible Dictionary, New Naves Topical Bible and Nelson's New Illustrated Bible Dictionary.