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~ In Memoriam ~

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FEATURE ARTICLE

The Temple

A retired farmer has spent more than 30 years building an enormous scale model of a Biblical temple.



Alec Garrard, 78, has dedicated a massive 33,000 hours to constructing the ancient Herod's Temple, which measures a whopping 20 foot by 12 foot. The pensioner has hand-baked and painted every clay brick and tile and even sculpted 4,000 tiny human figures to populate the courtyards.

Historical experts believe the model is the best representation in the world of what the Jewish temple actually looked like and it has attracted thousands of visitors from all over the globe. But Mr. Garrard, who started the elaborate project in his 40s, says his masterpiece will not be finished in his lifetime.

"I've always loved making models and as I was getting older I started to think about making one big project which would see me through to the end of my life," he said.

"I have an interest in buildings and religion so I thought maybe I could combine the two and I came up with the idea of doing the Temple .

"I'd seen one or two examples of it in Biblical exhibitions, but I thought they were rubbish and I knew I could do better.

"I have been working on it for decades but it will never be finished as I'm always finding something new to add."

Mr. Garrard, from Norfolk, spent more than three years researching the Temple, which was destroyed by the Romans 2000 years ago and deemed to be one of the most remarkable buildings of ancient times.

He then started to construct the amazing 1:100 scale model, which is now housed in a huge building in his back garden.

"Everything is made by hand. I cut plywood frames for the walls and buildings and all the clay bricks and tiles were baked in the oven then stuck together," he said.

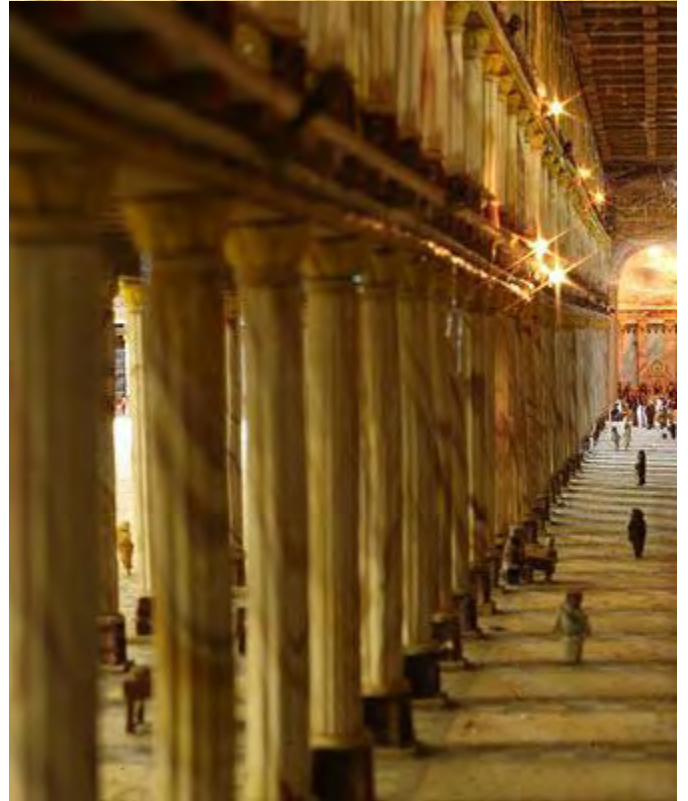
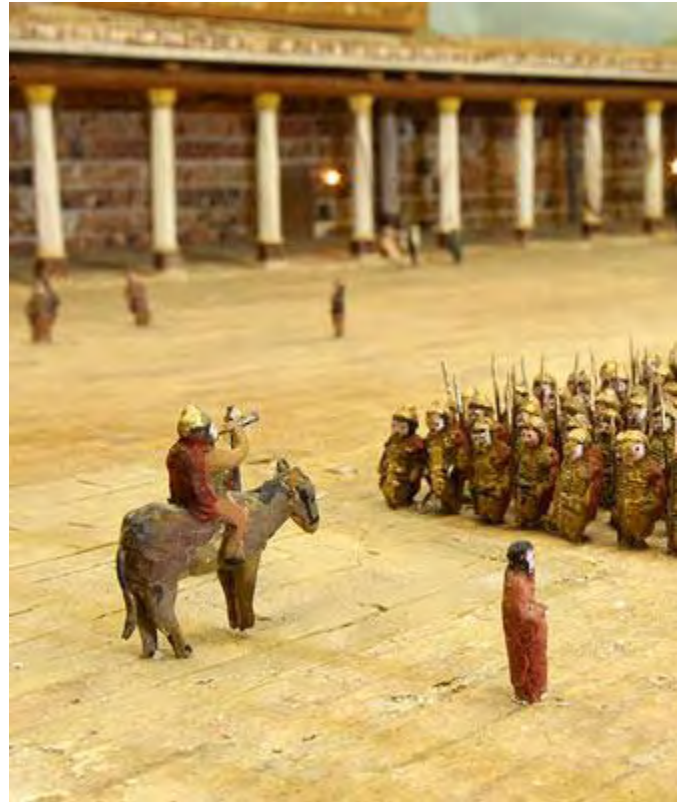
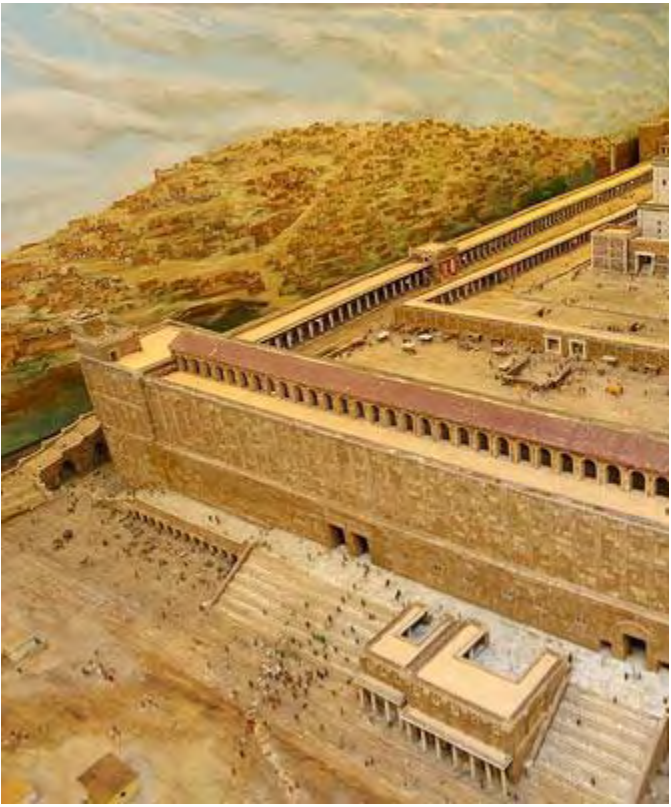
Mr. Garrard sculpted and painted 4,000 figures, measuring just half an inch and all wearing their correct costumes.

Visitors come from all over the world to see the model and Mr. Garrard provides binoculars so they can see all the details.

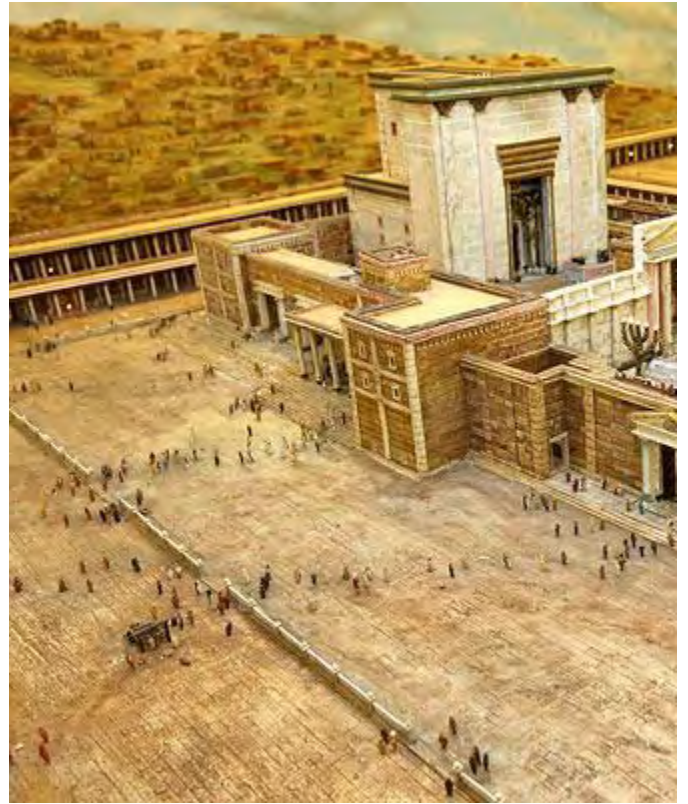
"I personally know all the top archaeologists from Jerusalem and I've had experts from the British Museum visit," he says.

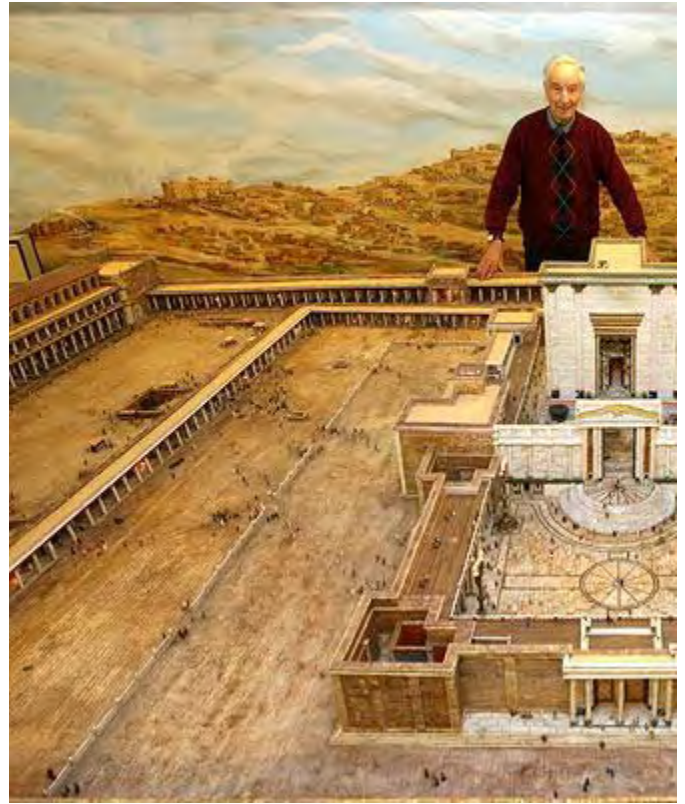


Note: Located in Norfolk, Virginia, this retired farmer has this Biblical Temple exhibit in his backyard absolutely amazing! He should have been an architect to be able to do something so detailed like this! His work has already attracted many archeologists. Scroll down to the bottom.....check out the details. You'll be so amazed and wonder why he is a retired farmer and not a retired architect.









The Temple was probably located on the site of what is the Dome of the Rock today.

And, finally, here's where the exhibit is housed - In Mr. Garrard's back yard:



Degree Rehearsal 5
 Music Rehearsal 5
 Degree Communication 5
 Degree Cast Member
 10 (if degree is exemplified)
 Degree Director
 20 (if degree is exemplified)
 Attendance 10 (per day)
 Committee Chairman Extra 5 (per day)
 Committees: 10 (per half day, max. 20)
 (Audio/Visual, Class, Communications,
 Costumes, Makeup, Music,
 Properties/Stage, Tiling)

Rose Croix Team: 10 (plus 1 coin)

Visitation:

Assigned Phone Call to Inactive Member 5
 Ambassador Visit to Lodge 5
 Sick or Shut-in Visit 10
 Ambassador Zone Coordinator
 10 (written report per month)
 Mentor Meeting with New Member
 10 (per personal visit)

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The following members have earned the indicated number of Double Eagle pins, which can be picked up at the Consistory office:

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Edward L. Zorn	1



Between the Columns

by Michael D. Moore, 32°

Morals and Dogma

"in the opinion of the [index] writer no one who has not carefully studied "Morals and Dogma" or the several subjects of which it is the epitome, is or can be a Master of the Royal Secret in the true meaning of the term, no matter how many patents he may have..."



T. W Hugo

A BROTHER'S HAND

By George B. Staff

When you're feeling all downhearted,
And life's hard to understand,
Say, it's fine to feel the pressure
Of a brother's friendly hand.

Just to know he sympathizes,
Though he doesn't say a word;
How it starts your courage climbing,
As your heart is touched and stirred.

With an arm across your shoulders.
And a grip you love to find,
How it makes you feel the bounding
Of the hearts of humankind.

It is just a little token
Of an ever-growing band,
For there's faith and hope and courage
In a brother's friendly hand!

Brother Albert Pike's book is known of by most Scottish Rite Masons, read by only few and highly criticized by non members who look for any item to point out as wrong in their thinking.

But what is this red book? When was it written? Why was it written? What does the title mean?

The title we know it by "Morals and Dogma" is actually a shortened title, the complete name of it is *Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry*. It is 861 pages of text and 218 pages of index that equals 1079 pages, quite a book stop!

Pike was appointed a member of the revision committee in 1855, when he started studying and transcribing the degrees; finally finishing them in 1871.

He hoped each member would have a copy of his book and be familiar with what is said. Whose original retail price only covered the printing and binding costs. It contained some parts of the lectures for the degrees and what he thought would add understanding as to why the rituals were written the way they were.

The word “dogma” was used differently than we usually consider it today and meant “doctrine or teaching” – not necessarily the religious connotations often associated with the word. The book is full of philosophy, theosophy, history and religious comparisons. We see it today as an advanced text, hard to read or understand fully and when it was written in the 1870’s, I am sure that many said the same thing. Rex Hutchens said the book was traditionally given to a candidate as a gift upon completing his 14th degree. This practice stopped in 1974. So, it was not for those just getting started, but was a text for those with a little experience.

The most written about degree is the 28th which has 119 pages given to it. I find it best used not as reading material to start on the first page and read till the end, but to use it as topical study guide and take it in small bits.

Its author viewed Freemasonry as not an advocate of any faith, nor any political party or creed; not anti-religious or anti government, but without respect for one special view. What he penned in its pages is truth, wisdom, Deity and how we should live while here on earth. The words he used to do this about 155 years ago, still enlighten anyone who gives it a chance to. The topics it contains lead an individual on a path that is winding, upward and some times left for you to finish.

The quote I started out this column with is a statement from the man who did the index that is found in the back of Pike’s tome and is one that I would agree with. You can take a journey to find out all that the degrees were meant to say on your own, but a life time of effort may not shed as much light on them as what is found within the book. That does not mean all contained within it is correct or interpreted right; but the themes and reflections will inspire you and give you much to think on. I would encourage you to pick up a copy. If you can not find a good readable copy, let me know or Joe Keir (the head of our library committee) know and we will pull one from the archives and sell it to you for

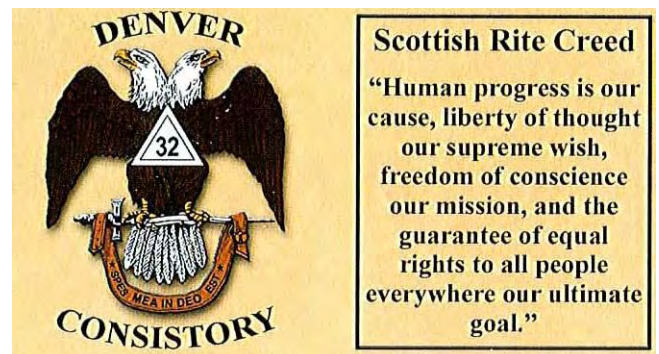
the price he considered it to be sold at. Much less than what most will do the same on Ebay or Amazon.

Pike’s *Morals and Dogma* is a great book. It is a series of lectures on each of the degrees as he saw and understood them. As you can see from casual reading of it, he found the Masonic path to be layered, very symbolic and enlightening. Parts of it were written when he was working out for himself and coming to terms with the outcome of the Civil War, his actions within it and the war’s outcome all around him. We may not had the book if one single event was changed. Pike’s notes and papers were stolen when his house was raided during the war and all were taken by Union soldiers, but as the story goes, they were returned when a Masonic officer in the north heard about it.

This book will not teach you all you can know about the Scottish Rite and its rituals, but no single book will do that. A joining of the drama texts, this book, a *Bridge to Light* and the new *Monitor and Guide*, along with your own personal interpretations and inspirations will take you as far as you want to go. The four books are not the same and usually will not repeat much information as each has a different view on what is said, acted or presented. Some of the sections Brother Pike writes about contain no ritual whatever, but only his points and thoughts he wants you to consider. He even said in his *Legenda* that:

“Masonic light, like the light of day at the close of the long night in far climes, must come, not all in one flash, but by slow and imperceptible degrees.”

Great is the reward for those who explore its contents.



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2011 Denver Consistory Schedule

July

Mon	July 4	Consistory closed for observance of Independence Day holiday
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August

Fri	Aug 5	5:00 PM	Educational Program - Parking garage available Ladies and Guests invited
		6:30 PM	Shrimp Boil - Parking garage available Ladies and Guests invited
Sat	Aug 13	10AM	GL-OES All Masonic Picnic
Wed	Aug 17	6:00 PM	Officers' Midyear Planning Meeting
Sun	Aug 21		El Jebel Shrine Picnic at Grampas Park in Golden
Sun	Aug 21-24		Biennial Session – Supreme Council - Washington DC

Note: all menus are listed on our web page at www.denverconsistory.org



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**Saturday August 13
10:00am—1:00pm
at the
Eastern Star Masonic Retirement Community**

**Multigenerational Activities
Performance by the John Phillip Sousa Band at 11am
UltraSoniX Quartet
Complimentary BBQ
Bounce House, Cotton Candy,
Air Brush Tattoo Artist, Sno Cones, Clowns**



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