

The ceremony in which we are engaged is of a two-fold character:-

First is the consecration of the Chapter in the name of the true and living God most High.

Secondly is the constitution of it in the name of the Supreme Grand Master of England.

It must be consecrated - set apart for God's service before it can be constituted. And this solemn act of consecration is in fact a solemn re-dedication of each founder for God's service in and through Royal Arch Masonry.

In this connection I would draw your attention to two or three inscriptions on the Royal Arch Jewels

First of all there is the inscription "Nil nisi clavis deest" nothing is wanting but the Key, & these the words of such importance that they are in Greek as

well as in Latin, εὐρηκασεν in Greek
'invenimus' in Latin. We have found it.

What was the Key that was lacking?

What is it that we have found?

in Royal Arch Masonry, but the source &
mystic house of T. T. A. L. G. M. H. & which is
the great advantage of the knowledge of the
house.

For the Royal Arch Masonry - God
becomes a personal deity - not an abstract
deity.

So all his practices of the Masonic
virtues take the form of service rendered in
a personal way.

So Brother Love - becomes Divine
charity.

So Relief - becomes the practice of
Divine sympathy.

So Truth - becomes the inculcation
of Divine wisdom.

It means that the Royal Arch does
become the essence of Free-masonry because
it brings us into personal contact with
God.