

## OUR REQUIREMENTS

To join the Scottish Rite you must:

- Be a **Master Mason** in good standing in a regular lodge
- Complete a petition and include the appropriate fee
- Attend a "Reunion" where the Scottish Rite Degrees are conferred

## WHAT ARE SUPREME COUNCIL, ORIENTS & VALLEYS?

The governing body of the Scottish Rite is the **Supreme Council**. It is composed of active and deputy members of the 35 states and several overseas jurisdictions that make up the **Southern Jurisdiction**.

Each state or jurisdiction that belongs to the Southern Jurisdiction is called an **Orient**. The local Scottish Rite body is called a **Valley**. Each Valley has up to four Scottish Rite bodies, and each body confers a set of degrees.

In the Southern Jurisdiction these are:

- **Lodge of Perfection** (4°–14°)
- **Chapter of Rose Croix** (15°–18°)
- **Council of Kadosh** (19°–30°)
- **Consistory** (31°–32°).

The Supreme Council confers the **33rd Degree** of **Sovereign Grand Inspector General**.



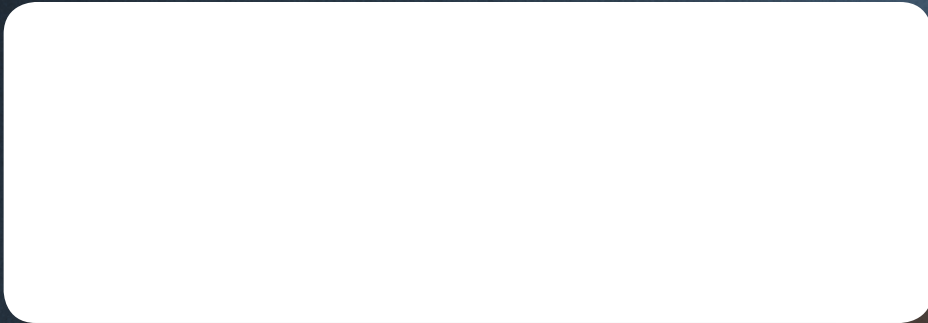
## HAVE YOU DECIDED TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MASONRY IN THE SCOTTISH RITE?

Get more information on joining the Scottish Rite,  
or to locate the nearest Valley, please contact our

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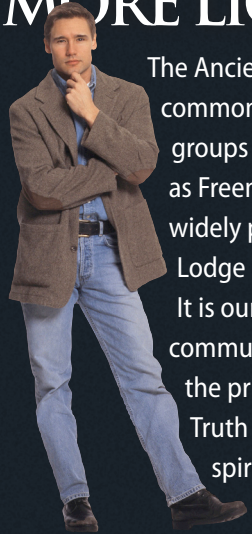
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THERE'S  
MORE TO  
MASONRY  
THAN 3 DEGREES

## INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT MORE LIGHT IN MASONRY?



The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry is commonly known as the **Scottish Rite**. It is one of several groups that are part of the worldwide fraternity known as Freemasonry. The Scottish Rite is the largest and most widely practiced Masonic Rite in the world and employs a Lodge system.

It is our **mission** to improve its members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values including fellowship, compassion, and dedication to God, family and country.

## THERE'S A LOT MORE.

While there is no Masonic degree more important than that of Master Mason, there is a long tradition—almost as old as Freemasonry—of “high degrees” that expand upon and elaborate the teachings and lessons of the first three degrees. The Scottish Rite degrees teach a series of moral lessons culminating in the 32°, Master of the Royal Secret.

The **Scottish Rite** continues a Master Mason's education in many ways:

- 4°-32° Degree work
- Leadership conferences
- Publishing Masonic books
- Speakers at meetings
- Scottish Rite Journal
- Scottish Rite Research Society

## WHAT ABOUT SCOTTISH RITE PHILANTHROPY?

*In the Southern Jurisdiction members actively support the Scottish Rite Foundation, Southern Jurisdiction, USA, Inc. and the House of the Temple Historic Preservation Foundation, Inc.*

### SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION

The Scottish Rite Foundation, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., Inc. supports the RiteCare Childhood Language Program, provides scholarships



to individuals for college or vocational school, and provides national disaster relief. Today, the Rite Care Program is America's largest private organization involved with remedying communication disorders in children.



## THE SCOTTISH RITE CREED

*Human Progress is our cause,  
liberty of thought our supreme wish,  
freedom of conscience our mission,  
and the guarantee of equal rights  
to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.*



### HOUSE OF THE TEMPLE HISTORIC PRESERVATION FOUNDATION, INC.

The House of the Temple Historic Preservation Foundation, Inc. maintains supports and enhances the House of the Temple as an architectural landmark and the national headquarters of the Southern Jurisdiction of Freemasonry and as a library and museum open to the public.

*For more information on Scottish Rite philanthropies, E-mail us at [developmentoffice@scottishrite.org](mailto:developmentoffice@scottishrite.org).*

