

M. M. BIBLE

My Brother you are now a Master Mason; you have served your apprenticeship as a bearer of burdens and a hewer on the mountains and in the quarries you have come at last to that exalted position as an overseer of the work. We gave you your tools to work with and taught you their Masonic uses. We showed you how to properly divide your time by the twenty-four-inch gauge; whereby you find a part for your services to God and worthy distressed Brethren, a part for your usual vocation, and a part for refreshment and sleep. We taught you how to walk upright by the Plumb, to square your actions by the square of Virtue, and meet and work upon the Level, and finally, my Brother, we gave you the Trowel which spreads the cement of Brotherly Love and affection which binds us together into the greatest fraternity this world has ever known. But, my Brother, there is one thing we have not yet given you and it is something every workman must have to do a good job. We have not yet given you a set of plans to work by, or in Masonic language, your Trestleboard, and here it is. This is your book of plans. It is the most complete set of plans ever given to man. In it you will find a plan to guide you, to comfort you, to sustain you in riches or poverty, fair weather or foul. The answer to every question and to every need can be found between the covers of this Great and Good Book. It is the Holy Bible, upon which you took your solemn obligation in all three degrees. Read it my Brother, and you may find the answers therein.