

The Delta

The eye is a symbol present in various cultures – Egyptian, and religions - Buddhism. It is also called the Luminous Delta or the All-Seeing Eye.

From the initiation point of view, the sun is the symbol of the intellect which conceives thought. In fact, it is through thought that one achieves the light of wisdom. In the cult of Mithras, an old Roman god, for example, the right eye represented the sun.

The All-Seeing Eye is the eye of consciousness and divinity. Nothing will be kept secret from this eye. The Luminous Delta is a triangle which has in its center, either the Divine Eye - the Sun, distributor of light and life; the Logos, the creation principle, or the Hebraic sacred Tetragrammaton, “YOD – HEH- VAV-HEH”, ineffable name of God, which is only pronounced by the High Priest, Cohen Gadol, once a year during the Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

From this equilateral triangle, we can make analogies to the symbolism of number three. For instance, liberty, equality and fraternity; past present and future; wisdom, strength and beauty; or even, think “good”, say “good”, and do “good”. It is the symbol of the triple indivisible and divine force.

Delta is the fourth letter of the Greek alphabet. It also symbolizes the attributes of God – omnipresent, omnipotent, and omniscient. In addition, it represents the feeling of religiosity and spirituality. It is for the All-Seeing Eye which is in the East, that is, the Orient of the Lodge, above the Worshipful Master that the Freemason works. It is the highest existing Masonic authority.

The Delta is the perfect balance. It is also known as the Radiant Delta or Resplendent Delta. In the majority of the Lodges, the letter G appears in the center of the Delta which stands for God or Geometry and it shall never be covered. It is interesting to notice that the Delta is not only present in Masonic temples; it can also be seen in the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome, as well as in other churches.

It is important that brothers understand that the Luminous Delta is activated when the Book of the Sacred Law is open. At that moment, the Masonic Lodge becomes a Masonic Temple. During the session, each brother has to assume the correct posture - his thoughts and feelings should be the most elevated ones. Nothing that exists or is done in the temple is only mechanical or external. Everything should be done with deep intentionality and a lot of conviction in the Lodge. A mason should comprehend that words should not come from his mouth, but from his heart. Therefore, all brothers will benefit from the high energy, emanated from the Great Architect of the Universe.

The Luminous Delta be in the heart and in the mind of all brethren.

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