

Worshipful Master Lodge Discussion Series

Title: Jachin

Version: 1.0

Purpose: Test what happens when a foundation is properly set versus when expectations drift. Help brothers see how firm establishment prevents constant correction and holds a system steady.

Keywords: foundation, clarity, steady action, expectations, structure


Materials Needed:

None


Supporting Content/Guides

PDF - AMW Groundrules

Related Podcast Episodes:

 The Junior Warden: Noticing Before You Numb

 The Master Mason Series – Part III: The Workman and the Work

 As Above, So Below: The Principle of Correspondence - A Useful Lens, Not a Fact



Setup:

WM Time Needed:

3 minutes

Member Time Needed

None

Considerations:

Individuals in the lodge will participate in different ways. Challenging a member to participate in a way that is uncomfortable for them should only be done with a skilled facilitator and a high-trust group.

Messaging:

Most of us think strength and effort are enough to hold something together. They are not. A foundation that is clearly set at the start saves every ounce of correction later. By the end of tonight, you should be able to name one place where you are working too hard because something was never properly established.

Key questions:

“What does a firm foundation look like in the world? When you watch someone or a team move forward with clear direction and steady confidence, what has been established that lets them move that way?”

“Does any of that sound familiar in your own work or at home? Where are you operating inside clear expectations that were set up front?”

“Think of a time when you had to keep correcting course, or when you were putting in constant effort just to keep something from falling apart. What foundation or standard had not been properly set that would have prevented that?”

“If this lodge operated with Jachin fully present, what would a visitor notice about how we move together? What would be different about how we handle change?”

“Where did this conversation land for you? What did you hear that made you see something you are carrying differently?”

Wrap-up:

Touch on the key points and highlights of the discussion. Pay special attention to discoveries or immediate learnings by the participants. Personalize positive feedback with “I really valued Brother [John’s] point about X, or Y”

DISCUSSION

Date of Meeting:

Rating? ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Key Points

Takeaways

The Best Part:

Thing's I'd do differently next time:

Do this again? Y N

If so, how often? _____

