Sunset #369

TRESTLEBOARD

November 2026

FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

As the year draws toward its close, November brings one of the most important meetings on our calendar, and I ask every Brother who is able to be present.

Stated Meeting, November 3rd. Our Stated Meeting will include at least two items of work. First, we will be taking proficiencies. These are a cornerstone of our Masonic education, and they reflect the care each Brother takes in learning and preserving our ritual. I encourage those who are ready to step forward, and I ask the rest of the Lodge to be there in support.

Second, we will hold our annual election of officers. The Brethren will elect the Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, and Secretary for the coming year. The remaining officers will be appointed by the Master. These are the Brothers who will carry the responsibility of guiding Sunset Lodge No. 369, and the choice belongs to all of us. Please give thought to the qualities each office demands, and come prepared to take part in the selection.

We will also elect new members of the Hall Association to fill vacant and expired Board of Director positions. The Association looks after the building that houses our Lodge and our work, and its members play a quiet but essential role in keeping our home sound and welcoming. If you have an interest in serving, or know a Brother who would serve well, I encourage you to let me know before our Stated Meeting.

FROM THE EAST

Congratulations to Brothers Alex Suleymanov and Jacob Davis. It is my pleasure to congratulate Brothers Alex Suleymanov and Jacob Davis on being initiated as Entered Apprentice Masons. You have taken the first step on a path that rewards patience, study, and sincere effort. On behalf of the officers and members of the Lodge, welcome. We are glad to have you with us, and we look forward to helping you along the way.

Thank you, Brethren, for your continued dedication to the Lodge. I look forward to seeing you on the third.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Rouman Ebrahim

Worshipful Master
Sunset #369 F&AM

CONGRATULATIONS

Jacob *Davis*
& Alex *Suleymanov*

Entered Apprentice

STATED MEETING ALERT!

November 3rd Dinner 6:30
Meeting 7:30

Profencies and Lodge Elections to be held.

November 3rd -
Stated Meeting, Elections

Remaining Tuesdays- Tentative

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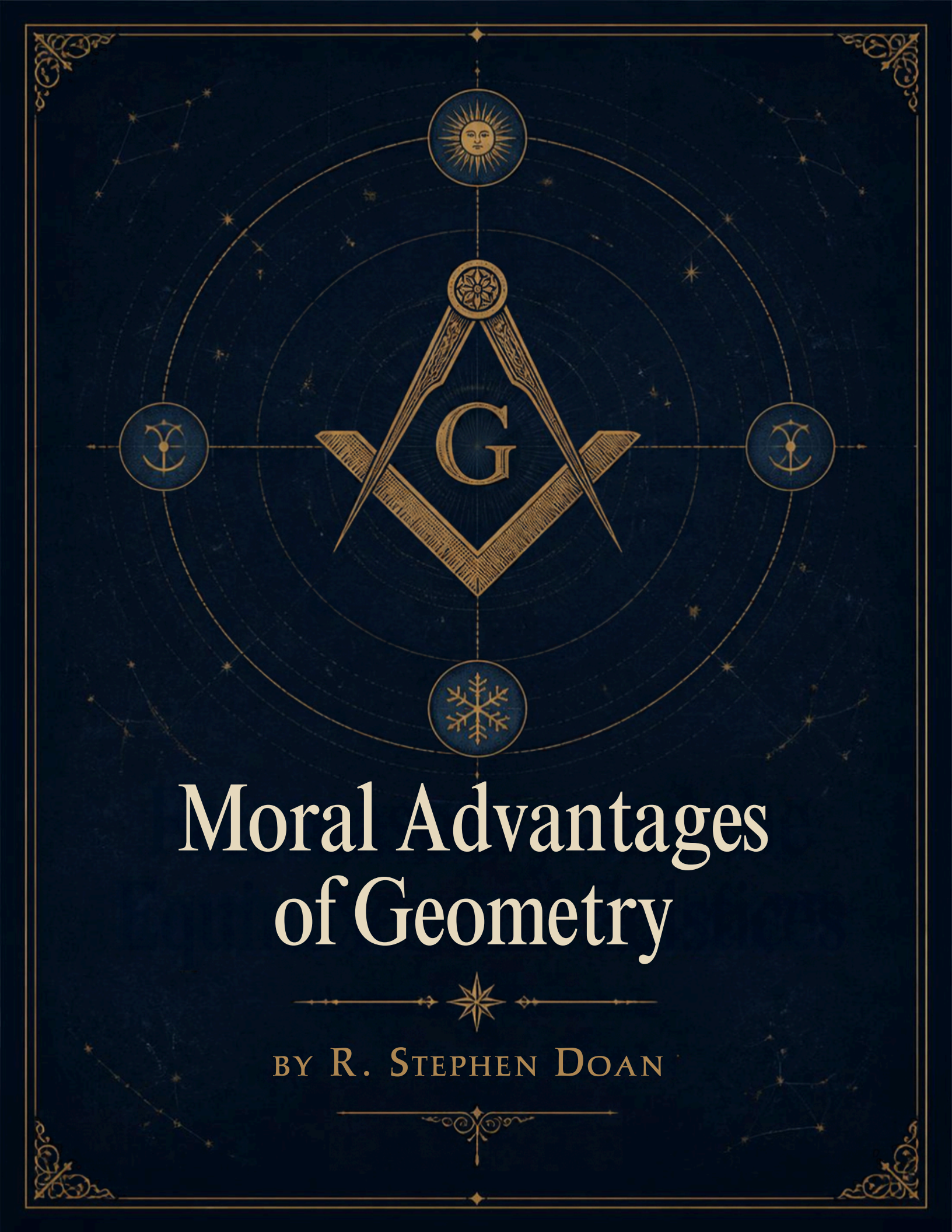

Moral Advantages of Geometry

BY R. STEPHEN DOAN

As a young Mason learning the Master's Lecture in the Fellow Craft degree, I was puzzled by the heading over that portion of the work dealing with Geometry. It read: Moral Advantages of Geometry. Geometry deals with the properties, measurement and relationship in space of points,
lines, surfaces and solids. What does high school geometry have to do with morality, choosing between good and evil? The paragraphs following this heading note the predictability of nature as evidence that there must be a God who created it. Although it did not seem like much was expected of me in return other than to appreciate this predictability and accept it as proof that God exists, I knew that there had to be something more. After all, both William Preston and Thomas Smith Webb, whose writings are the source of much of the American York Rite work, used this heading for this explanation of Geometry.

I had also puzzled over the opening of John's Gospel: In the Beginning was the Word. I knew that the Word was an imprecise translation of the Greek word Logos and that the concept of the Logos went back to the Music or Harmony of the Spheres observed by Pythagoras. But, it was not until I read one of my wife's college textbooks on Hellenistic Religions that I learned how the Logos was understood by the Greeks and Hellenistic Jews around the time referred to now as the start of the Christian era. The Creator made the Creation in its own image, but sometimes the Creation wandered. It was then that the Creator sent the Logos to the Creation to bring it back into harmony, to restore the Music of the Spheres which Pythagoreans would describe as the Logos.

My Aha! moment came when a young physicist explained some basics of quantum mechanics: everything is ultimately energy and energy will return to equilibrium when disturbed. Of course! That is what the Music of the Spheres is all about. No matter how violent Nature may be, harmony will ultimately return, and our daily choice to be part of that harmony is what the Moral Advantages of Geometry encourage. Geometry measures harmony and thus is not only the symbol of that harmony but of its source: the Supreme Being.

Our duty as Masons became clear. We can always choose. The right choice, the moral choice, is conduct enhancing and spreading harmony, by the exercise of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. The choice is not always clear or easy. But, Geometry is the working tool which can keep us on track, by providing the standard to measure how we are doing.

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