

But must these pillars be kept so far apart? Cannot man reach up to God? Or will not God condescend to reach down to man? Is there no approach of the Divine to the human? "And I will give him a white stone and in the stone a new name written which no man knoweth, saving he that receiveth it."

Into our hands is placed the keystone and on it is written the ineffable word *Incarnation*. Jesus has bound together the human and the divine. Have you not heard this sentence, my brethren? "The stone which the builders refused is become the headstone of the corner. This is the Lord's doings and it is marvellous in our eyes." Not less than four times is this text used in our ceremonies!

" This shall be the sacred *mark*
Which shall guide us to the skies
Bearing, like a holy *ark*
All the hearts who love to rise;
This shall be the *corner-stone*
Which the builders threw away,
But was found the only one
Fitted for the *arch's* stay.

Christ is the keystone of the arch! "Ye are complete in Him." All the degrees of Masonry lead up to the Master of the Temple. Without Him our institution is incomplete. Jesus, the Elder Brother, brings God and Man together. Now we know that we are divine. Back and forth over the arch runs the tide of divine-human life. Emmanuel—God with us. Our life must be one sublime effort to manifest the life of God to the