

Seeking More Light â?? Part Two

After completing the Royal Arch and Cryptic Masonry degrees, the final steps on the path of the York Rite are the â??Chivalric Ordersâ?•. These Degrees (called Orders in this group) include the the â??Illustrious Order of the Red Crossâ?• which is an Order that emphasizes the lesson of truth; the â??Order of Maltaâ?• which emphasizes the lesson of faith; and the â??Order of the Templeâ?• (also called Order of the Knights Templar) which emphasizes the lessons of self-sacrifice and reverence.

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The final three Orders were conferred in November, 2008. The Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and the Order of Malta were conducted in short form, and the Order of the Temple was conducted in long form. (Some day, Iâ??d love to see the first two done in long form.) The work took most of the morning, and it was impressive, interesting, and absolutely unforgettable.

It is very refreshing for me as a Christian to see a Masonic group that is wholly devoted to supporting and defending the Christian faith.

So my degree work in the York Rite is now complete, but as is so true with all of Freemasonry, my journey is now just beginning. I look forward to the upcoming year!

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