

Sharing the Rainbow

A talk given by 9 Rainbow girls to be shared at any Masonic affiliated open installation.

W.A.: Sister of Faith, you will receive the _____ conduct him/her to the East, in front of the Altar facing East.

FAITH: *(Faith receives the _____ and conducts him/her inside the assembly room, turns him/her facing him/her to the North and says her part then conducts to the East.)*

I am Faith. I have traveled with each of these young girls when they entered through these doors and devoted their lives to Rainbow, and I will travel with them throughout their lives. I teach each girl to have Faith in Man, in a Higher Being, and every Righteous Thing. Remember, if you allow Faith into your heart, your life's journey will be successful, and you will be happy and at peace.

W.A.: You are about to assume a great responsibility as _____ of _____. Before your journey begins, these sisters representing the rays of our Rainbow would like to share with you words of wisdom, to let you know a little about our order.

W.A.: Sister of Faith, cause _____ to face the West in order that he/she may receive the lectures from the bow.

W.A.: Sisters of the Bow, you will please instruct this _____ in words of wisdom that will help him/her on his/her journey throughout his/her term and thence throughout life."

(W.A. raps once, Sister of Love arises and goes to stand behind the Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

LOVE: The first ray that of Love is Red. It is a symbol of love and devotion. Love is the fulfillment of every law. Love your Father and Mother; Love your home and every member of your family. Love is like a circle never ending. I now lay this flower upon the Altar representing the first ray in our Bow.

(Lay flower on left side of Bible and Love returns to her seat.)

(W.A. raps twice, Sister of Religion arises and goes to stand behind Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

RELIGION: The second ray that of Religion is Orange. It is a symbol of the heroic in Religion, which is exemplified by our great founder, Reverend W. Mark Sexson, who encourages us to be true to thine self and that we should seek out a religion. I now lay this flower upon the Altar, representing the second ray in our Bow.

(Lay flower on left side of Bible on right side of red flower and returns to her seat.)

(W.A. raps three times; Sister of Nature arises and goes to stand behind Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

NATURE: The third ray that of Nature is Yellow. It represents the beauty of God's great out of doors. It reminds us that a portion of our life belongs there. For it is a time that we can be at peace with nature and ourselves, away from the crowds that we associate with each day. I now lay this flower upon the Altar representing the third ray in our bow.

(Lays flower to the right of the orange flower forming a bow above the Bible.)

(W.A. raps four times, Sister of Immortality arises and goes to stand behind Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

IMMORTALITY: The fourth ray that of Immortality is Green. It is a symbol of immortality and eternal life. Even though our bodies may die, our souls will live forever. It reminds us to live for today and prepare for tomorrow. I now lay this flower upon the Altar representing the fourth ray in. our Bow.

(Lays flower to the right of the yellow flower forming a bow above the Bible.)

(W.A. raps five times, Sister of Fidelity arises and goes to stand behind Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

FIDELITY: The fifth ray that of Fidelity is Blue. It symbolizes loyalty and trueness to each other. Great confidence has been placed in you by selecting you to lead for the ensuing term. Loyalty to each other will build ever-lasting friendship. I now lay this flower upon the Altar representing the fifth ray in our Bow.

(Lays flower to the right of the green flower forming a bow above the Bible.)

(W.A. raps six times, Sister of Patriotism arises and goes to stand behind Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

PATRIOTISM: The sixth ray that of Patriotism is Indigo. It is an intensified ray, because it can demand your life for your country. Today, both women and men can fight to preserve the freedom that was fought for and won by our forefathers. It is your duty to stand up for your country if necessary. I now lay this flower upon the Altar representing the sixth ray in our Bow.

(Lays flower to the right of the blue flower forming a bow above the Bible.)

W.A. raps seven times, Sister of Service arises and goes to stand behind Altar facing East and delivers her lecture.)

SERVICE: The final ray is Violet representing Service. It is the only ray of light that has healing power. It teaches us to give ourselves to others, both our talents and our time. In a life of service you will receive just recompense of reward. I now lay this flower upon the Altar representing the seventh ray and completing our Bow.

(Lays flower to the right of the indigo flower completing the bow above the Bible.)

W.A.: These sisters, representing the seven rays in our Rainbow have now shared with you their words of wisdom. That if you listen carefully to can help you on your journey throughout this term and thence throughout life. Though you may never fully know the true meaning of Rainbow and we may never fully know the true meaning of your Order; we are bound together through love and understanding, together we are connected as a family.

(W.A. steps down from the East, takes _____ hand and conducts him/her to the East.)

W.A.: I am W.A. of _____ Assembly # ____ of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. As the officers of this Assembly have elected me into this office, your officers have elected you to your position as _____. With this election comes great responsibility and commitment. I truly hope that as you fulfill your duties, throughout this term, you will make many lasting friendships and memories. Congratulations on your new office. Please be seated.

W.A. raps gavel twice, says Closing Addenda. Closing Addenda is found in the ceremony section of the MA Handbook and online.

****All blanks may be filling in with appropriate names and titles depending on which affiliated body lectures are to be presented to.**

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