

# ROYAL ARCH TIMELINE

## Chronology and Meaning



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# ROYAL ARCH TIMELINE

- From Entered Apprentice to Royal Arch Mason
- Spans different periods in time
- Including the Council Degrees
- Sometimes out of order
- Excluding Past Master (Virtual)

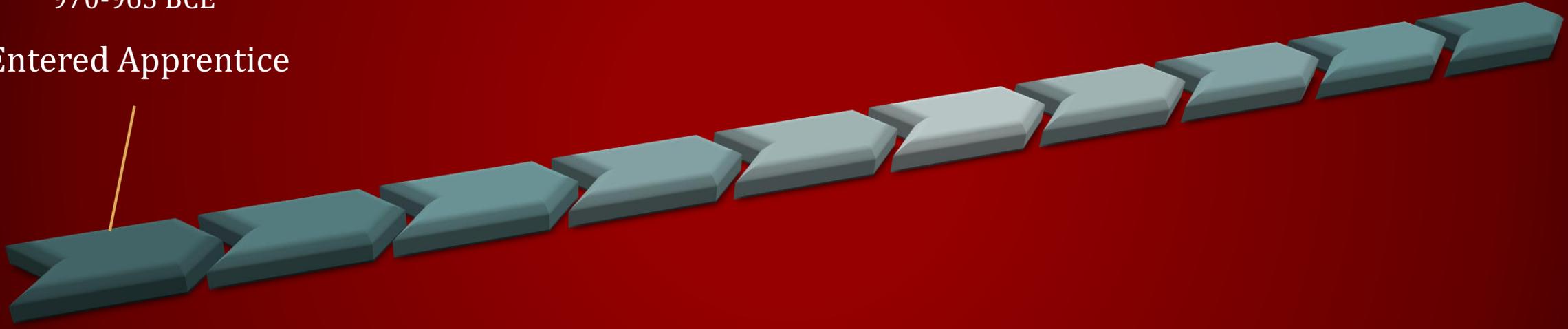


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# TIMELINE

970-963 BCE

Entered Apprentice



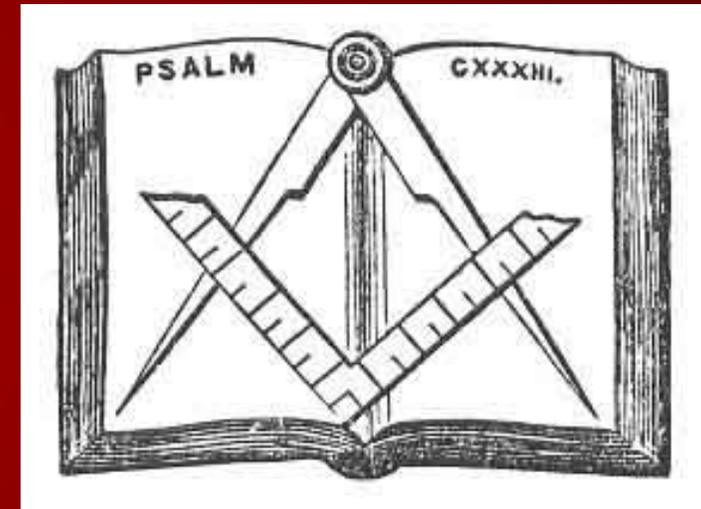
Dates are Guesstimates!!



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# ENTERED APPRENTICE

- Introduction to Freemasonry
- Ground Floor of King Solomon's Temple
- Brunt of the labor

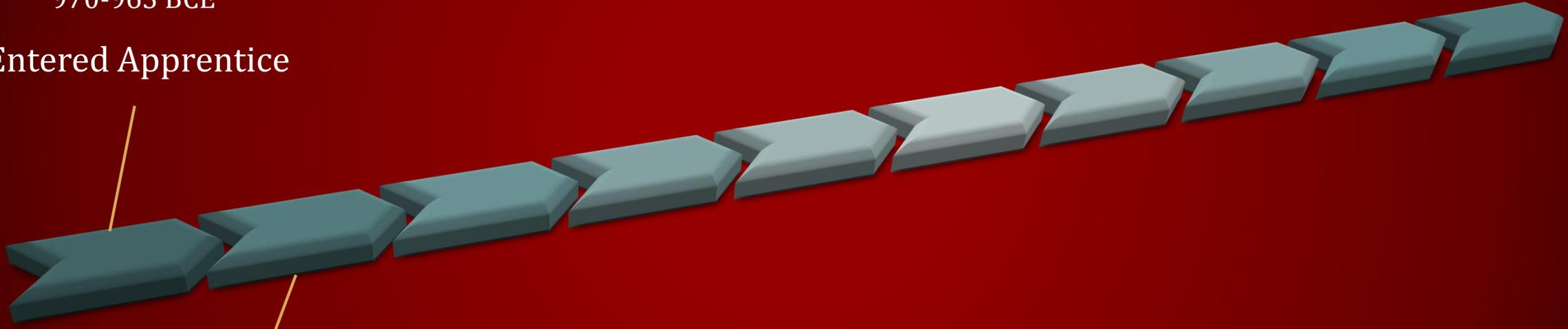


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Entered Apprentice



Fellowcraft

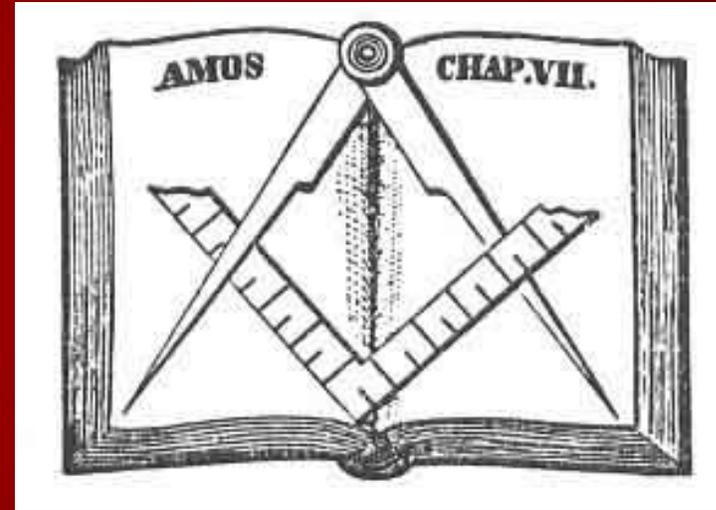
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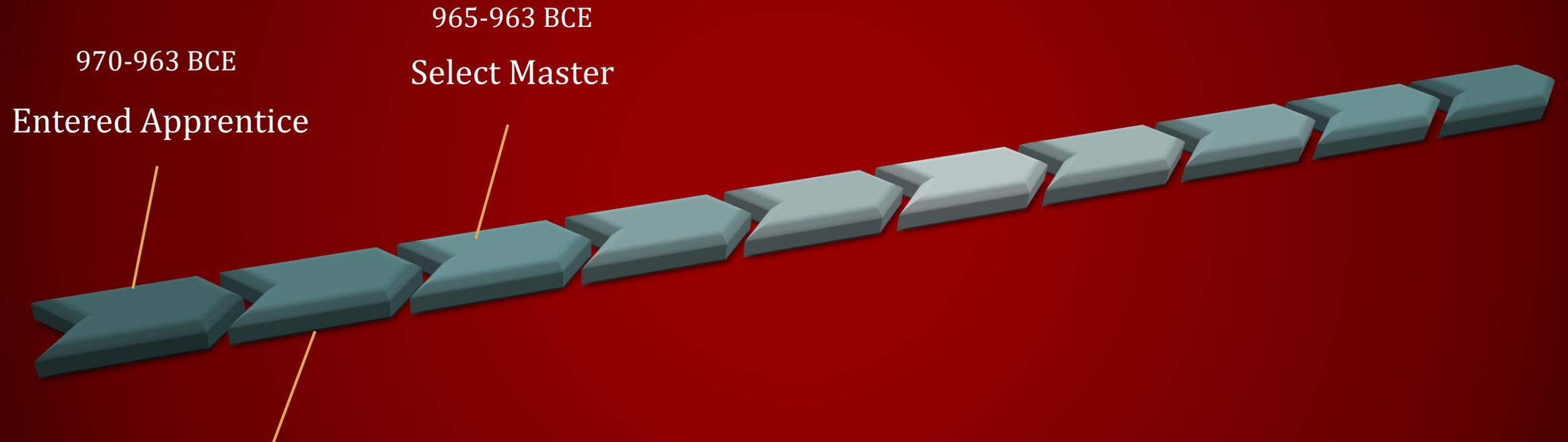
# FELLOWCRAFT

- Second Degree in Masonry
- Middle Chamber of King Solomon's Temple
- Skilled Laborers



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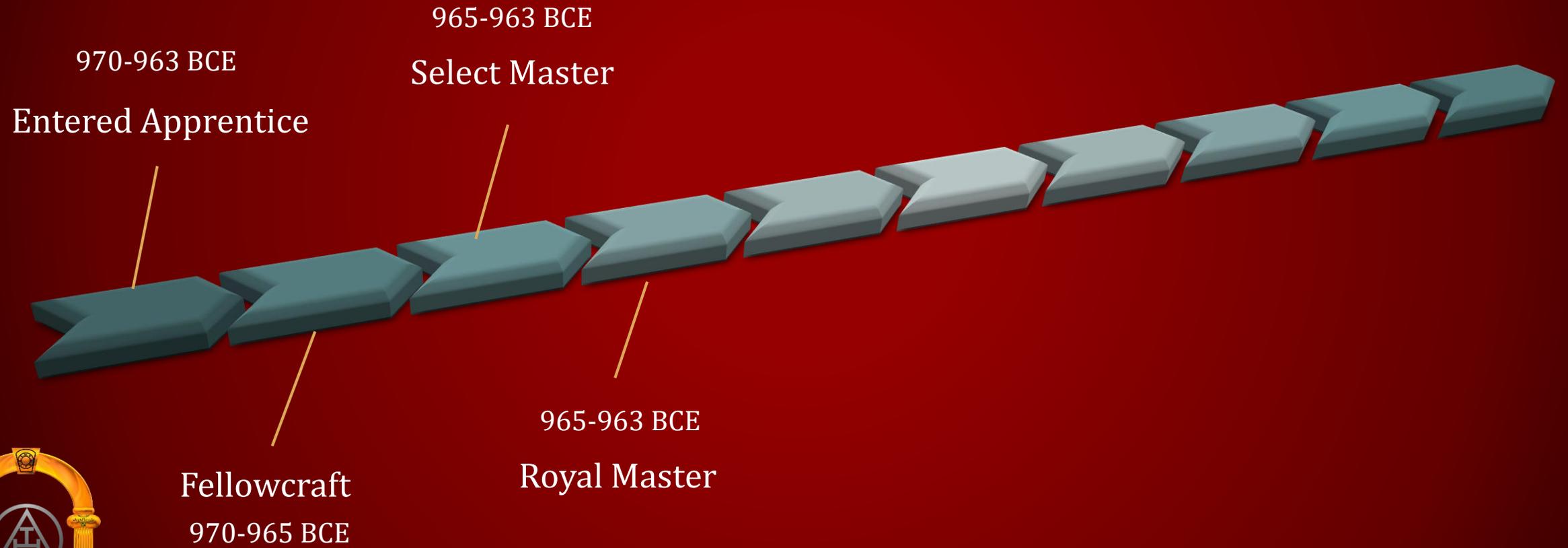
# SELECT MASTER

- Third Degree Chronologically
- Secret Vault Constructed
- Chosen Few
- Cryptic



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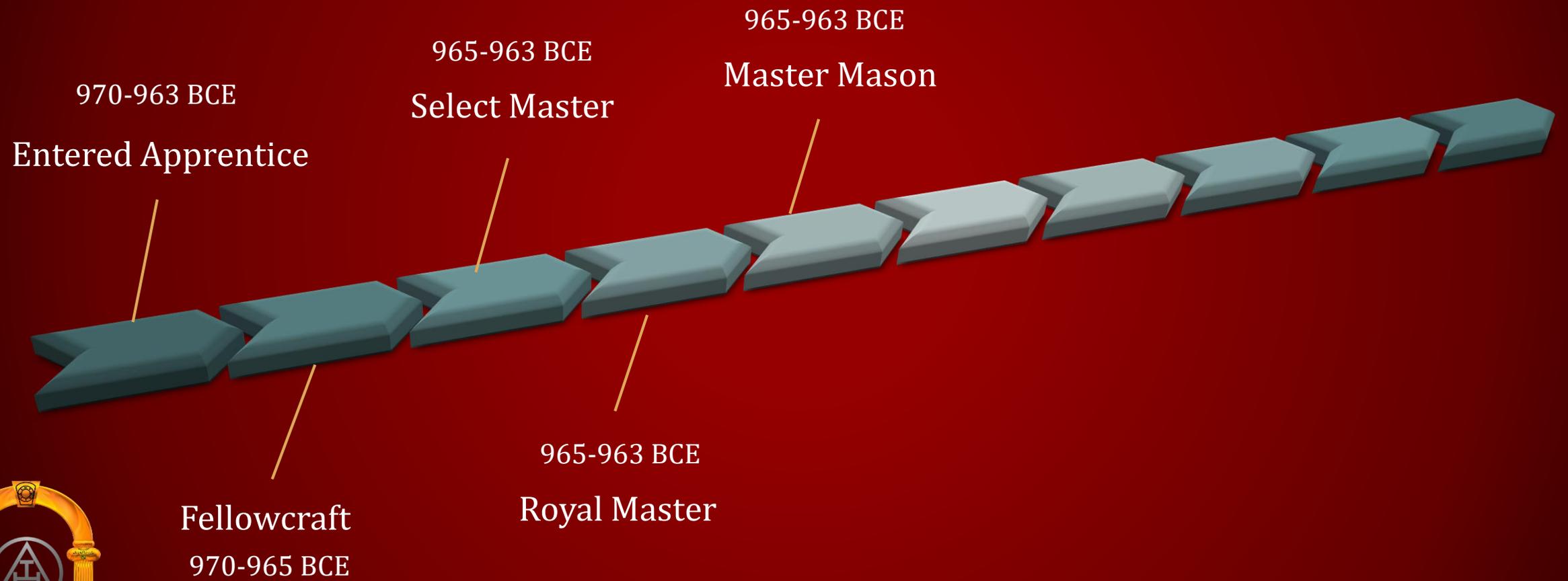
# ROYAL MASTER

- Fourth Degree Chronologically
- Evening before Assassination
- Conversation
- Cryptic



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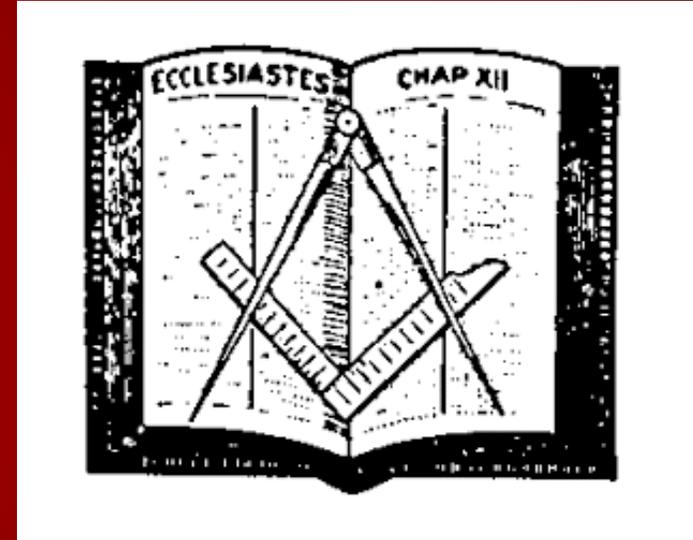
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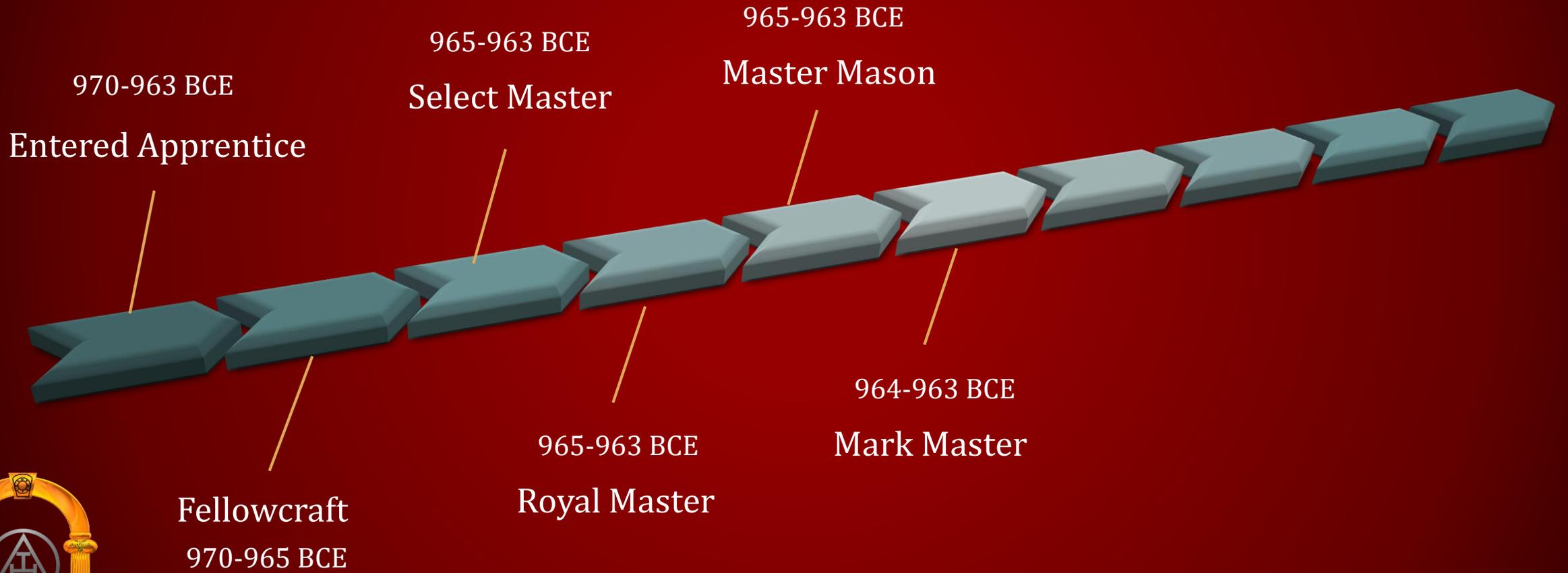
# MASTER MASON

- Fifth Degree Chronologically
- Drama
- Completion of the Symbolic Lodge System



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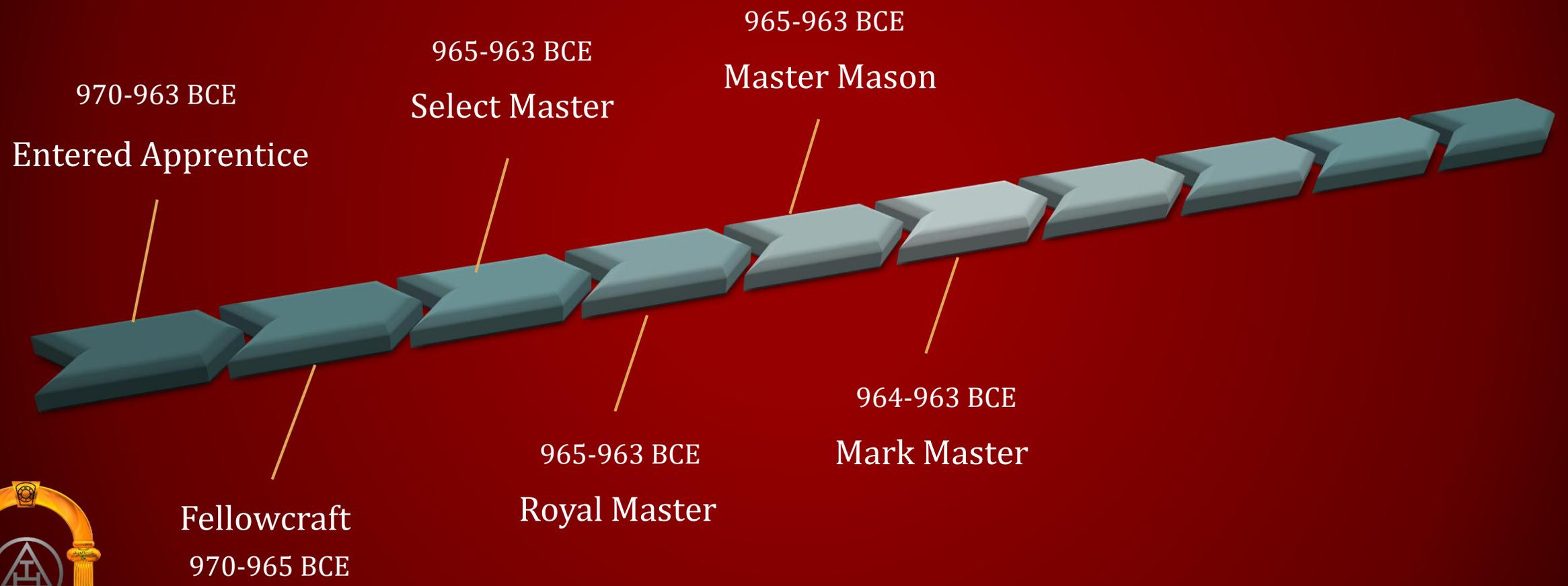
# MARK MASTER

- Sixth Degree Chronologically
- Soon after death of GMHA
- Marks are explained
- BUT - Extension of the FC Degree



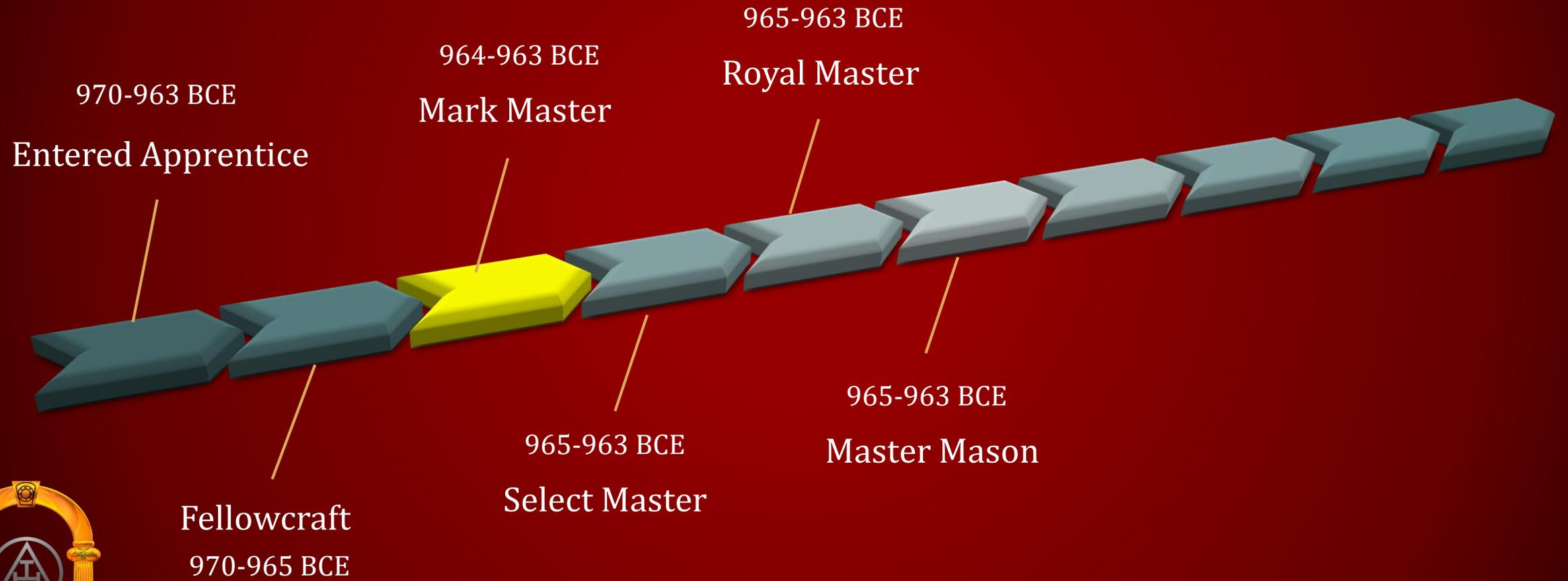
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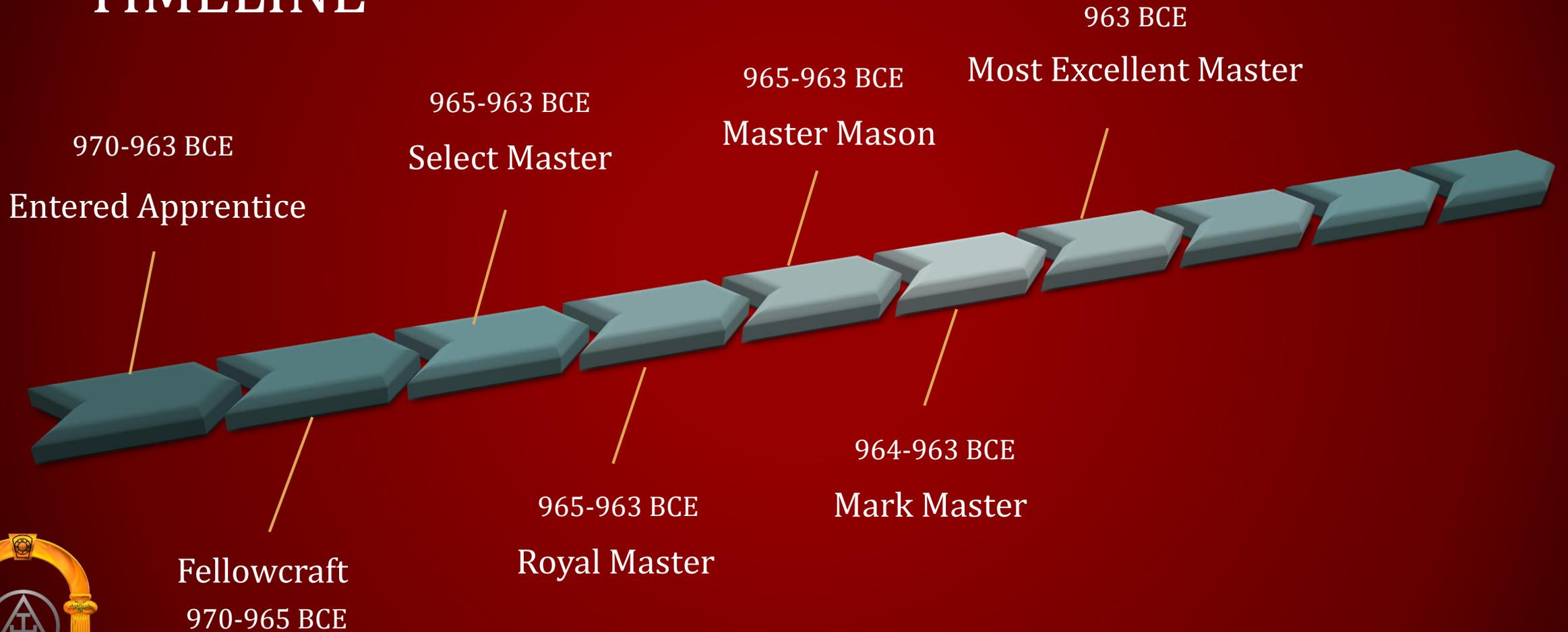
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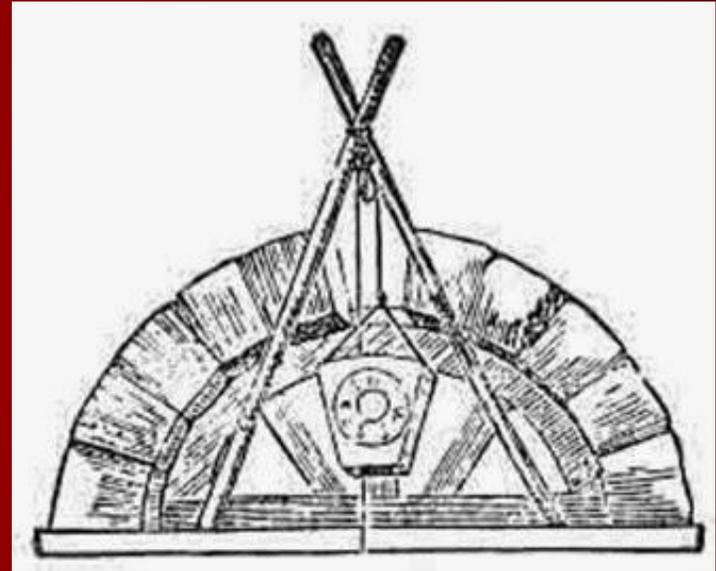


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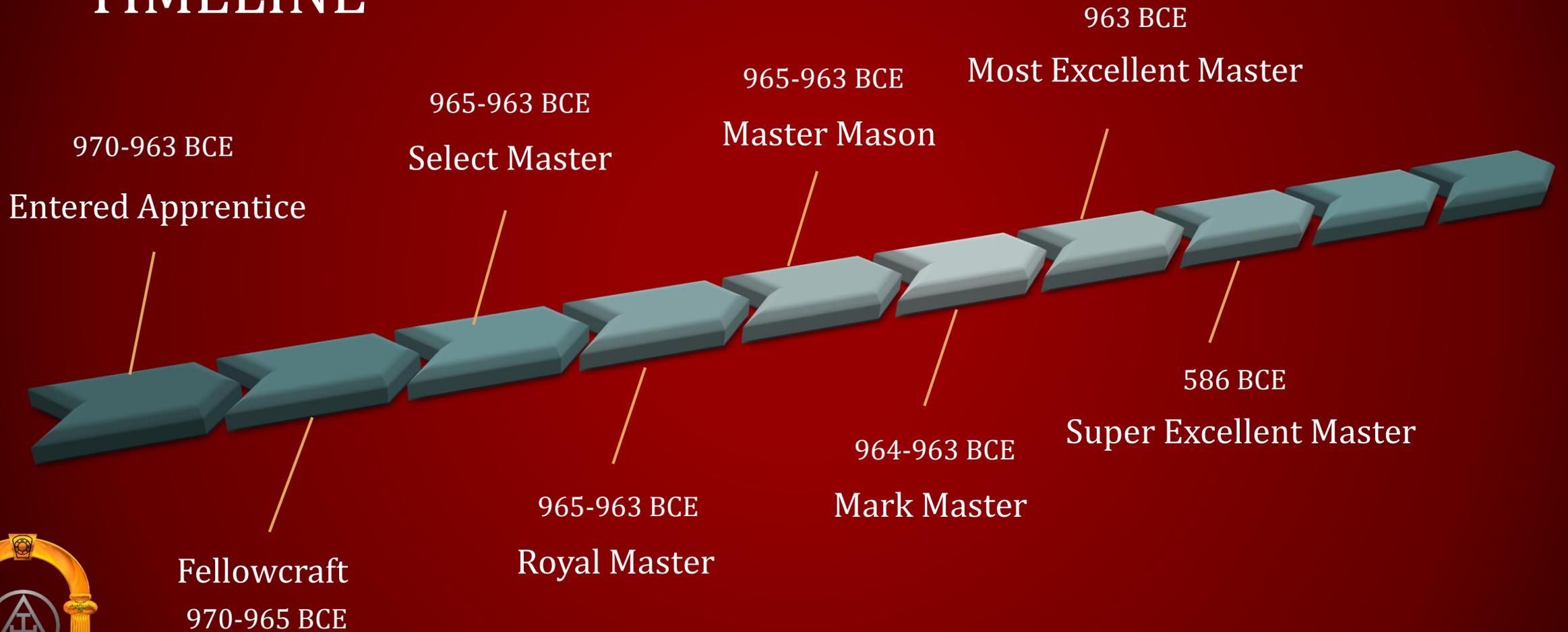
# MOST EXCELLENT MASTER

- Seventh Degree Chronologically
- Dedication of the Completed Temple of Solomon
- Deposit of Keystone
- Deposit of Sacred Furniture
- Seating of the Ark



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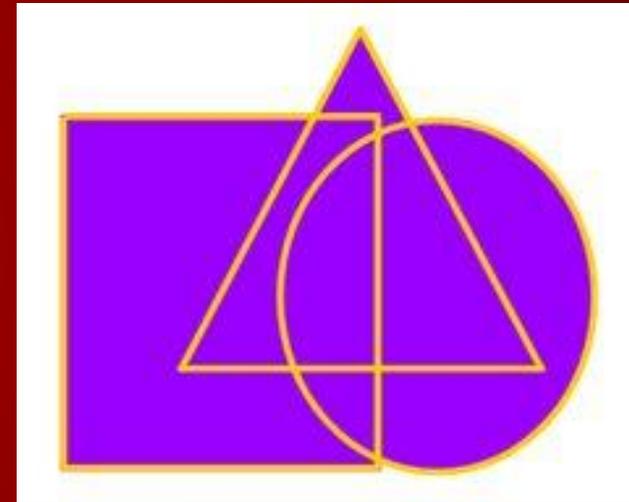
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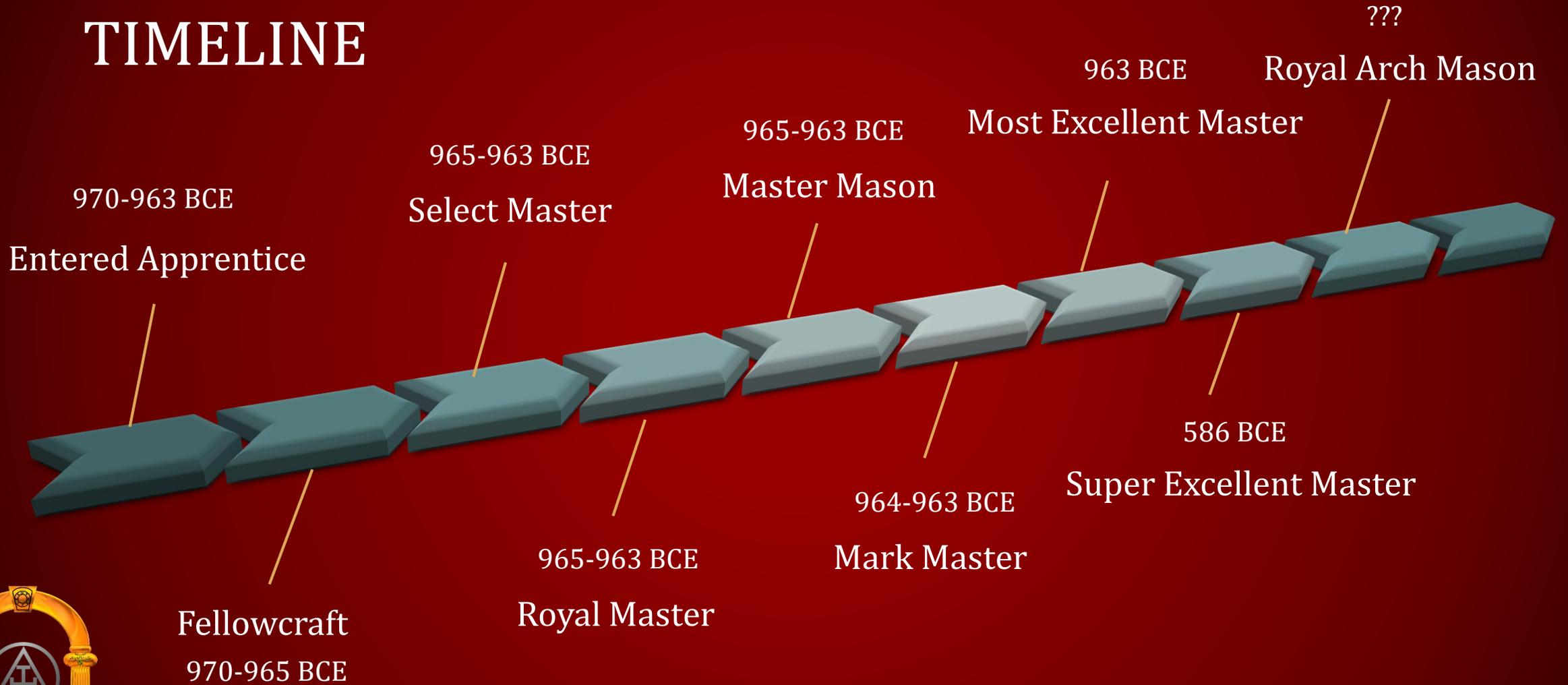
# SUPER EXCELLENT MASTER

- Siege of Jerusalem
- Jewish-Babylonian War
- Nebuchadnezzar
- Jewish People taken into Captivity



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# ROYAL ARCH

- Ninth Degree Chronologically
- Exalted
- Things that were lost are now found



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- Date may not be accurate
  - 970-963 BCE - Construction
  - Ritual – 470 from death of HA
    - Start of temple – 500 BCE
    - End of temple – 493 BCE
  - Babylon
    - Cyrus decree – 538 BCE
  - Start of Second Temple
    - Restart of Construction – 521 BCE
    - Zerubbabel and Joshua – 520-515 BCE



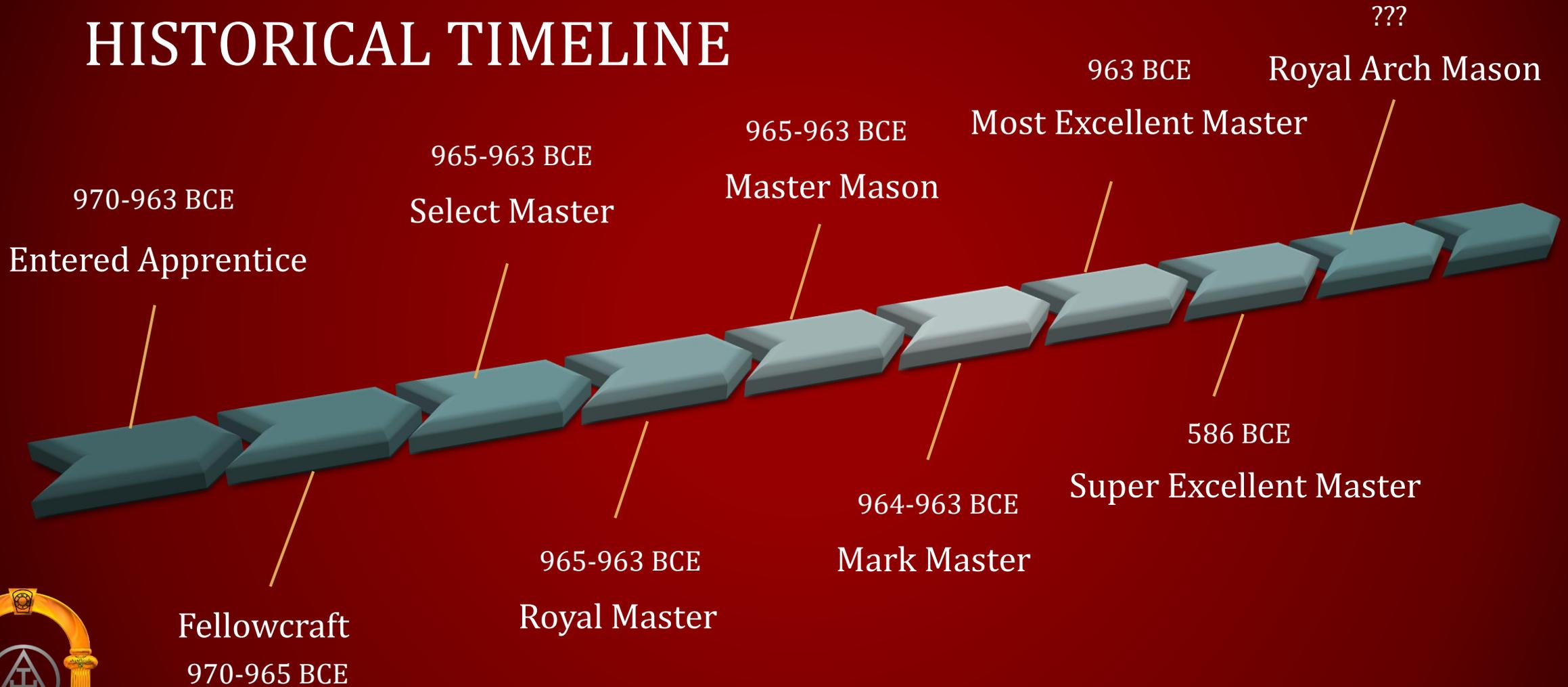
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- Date may not be accurate
  - **1000-993 BCE - Construction**
  - Ritual – 470 from death of HA
    - Start of temple – **530 BCE**
    - End of temple – **523 BCE**
  - Babylon
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  - Start of Second Temple
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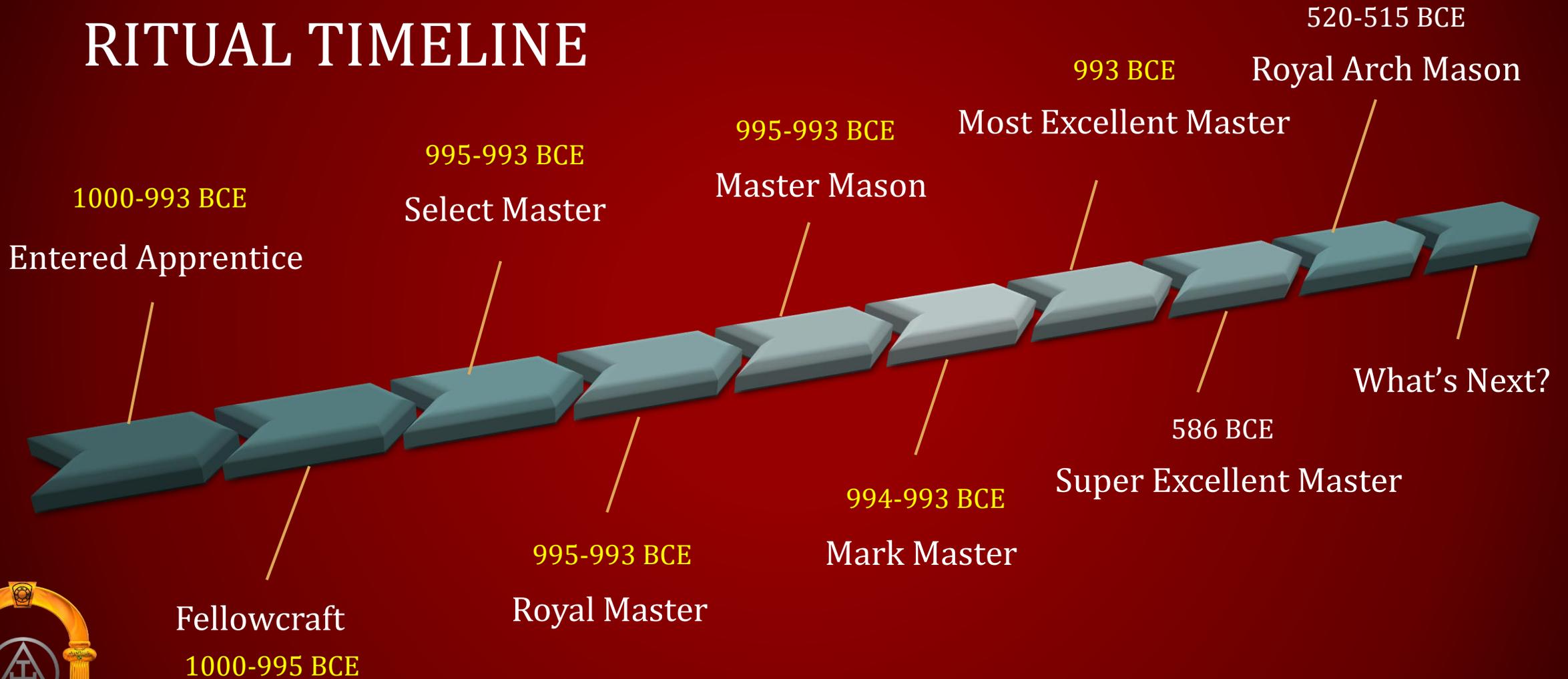


# HISTORICAL TIMELINE



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# RITUAL TIMELINE



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# TO GET THE REST OF THE STORY



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# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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