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**Freemasonry is for Everyone**  
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I have said that Freemasonry requires a liberal mind with a spiritual and philosophical mind to understand it. It does not mean to say that others cannot become good freemasons. The aim of Freemasonry is not only to make good men better but to make **ALL** men better and good. There may be many who may not have the time or the inclination to delve deeply into the subject. We all appreciate that there are many outside the organization who may be as good as any of us. This shows that it does not require Freemasonry to make good men better, but freemasonry requires these men to be freemasons also.

Freemasonry wants men to look at all men as brothers. Any brother who has the capacity to take full advantage of its philosophy should be as welcome as another who just wants to come and partake in the normal activities even just as an ordinary master mason. Our aim is to touch the hearts and minds of men with our philosophy be it only by participating in our regular meetings. To do this we have to create the ideal atmosphere in the lodge. Every brother should feel the aura of spirituality, brotherhood and desire to help each other in every way we can.

Apart from mentoring, which is hardly ever done, it is the atmosphere we create and our behaviour inside and outside the lodge that should influence brothers and teach them the basic philosophy of the organization. This implies that all good men even if they are not freemasons should be invited to join our organization. Unless men see Freemasonry in action, how can they understand what it is all about? Even if you do not understand it fully, you can be as good a brother as the most knowledgeable.

We do not want just intelligent good God fearing men, these will freely join us once they know what it has to offer them; what we want are those that require understanding and help from us. As I have said we don't want just good men to make them better, we want **ALL** men so that we can make them good. Freemasonry has this capacity if we so desire.

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