

Masonry 101 - List of Virtues

1	Acceptance	To consider circumstances, especially those that can not be changed, as satisfactory.
2	Accountability	The quality or state of being accountable; especially: an obligation or willingness to accept responsibility or to account for one's actions.
3	Ambition	Having a strong desire for success or achievement.
4	Assertiveness	Disposed to or characterized by bold or confident assertion.
5	Awe	Reverence and wonder, deep respect for the source of life.
6	Beauty	The quality or aggregate of qualities in a person or thing that gives pleasure to the senses or pleasurably exalts the mind or spirit. Aesthetic harmony.
7	Benevolence	The disposition to do good.
8	Bravery	A quality of spirit that enables you to face danger of pain without showing fear.
9	Caring	to give care. A concern for...
10	Caution	Avoidance of rashness, attention to safety.
11	Charity	Generosity and helpfulness especially toward the needy or suffering. Aid given to those in need.
12	Chastity	Purity in conduct and intention.
13	Cheerfulness:	Seeing the bright side, looking for the good in whatever happens.
14	Caution	Avoidance of rashness, attention to safety.
15	Cleanliness	Careful to keep clean : fastidious, habitually kept clean.
16	Commitment	The firm carrying out of purpose.
17	Compassion	Sympathetic awareness of others' distress together with a desire to alleviate it.
18	Confidence	A feeling of one's powers or of reliance on one's circumstances. Faith in oneself.
19	Consideration	Thoughtful and sympathetic regard for the needs of others. Careful thought.
20	Contentment	The quality of feeling satisfied with one's possessions, status, or situation.
21	Cooperation	To associate with another or others for mutual benefit/to achieve a shared goal.
22	Courage	A quality of spirit that enables you to face danger or pain without showing fear.
23	Courtesy	Polite, respectful or considerate behaviour mindful of other people.

24	Creativity	The ability to create. A quality involving the generation of new ideas or concepts, or new associations of the creative mind between existing ideas or concepts.
25	Curiosity	A desire to find out and know things.
26	<i>Decisiveness</i>	Firmness of mind in taking a stand, reaching a conclusion, making a decision. It requires both courage and discernment.
27	Defiance	Bold resistance.
28	Dependability	Reliable, worthy of reliance or trust.
29	Detachment	Freedom from attachments.
30	Determination	Firmness of purpose.
31	Devotion	A great love or loyalty, enthusiastic zeal.
32	Diligence	Conscientiousness in paying proper attention to a task; giving the degree of care required in a given situation. Persevering determination to perform a task.
33	Discernment	The ability to distinguish; judgement; Discrimination; To distinguish between things; To perceive differences that exist.
34	Discretion	Being discrete in ones speech, keeping secrets.
35	Discipline	The trait of being well behaved and under control.
36	Eloquence	Powerful and effective language. Fluent, persuasive and articulate speech.
37	Empathy	Identification with and understanding of another's situation, feelings, and motives.
38	<i>Endurance</i>	Practicing perseverance and patience when obstacles arise hones our character and educates our souls. We welcome all that we are here to learn.
39	Enthusiasm	A feeling of excitement. Exuberance: overflowing with eager enjoyment or approval.
40	Excellence	The quality of excelling; possessing good qualities in high degree.
41	<i>Fairness</i>	Seeking justice, giving each person their share, making sure that everyone's needs are met.
42	Faith	Complete confidence in a person, plan or set of beliefs etc.
43	Faithfulness	Steadfast in affection or allegiance; loyal.
44	<i>Fidelity</i>	Abiding by an agreement, treating it as a sacred covenant. Complete faithfulness in our relationships.
45	Flexibility	Adaptable, able to be changed to suit circumstances.
46	Focus	Concentrated awareness and effort.
47	Forbearance	Restraint under provocation; patience: good-natured tolerance of delay or incompetence.
48	Forgiveness	To cease to feel angry or bitter towards a person or about an offense.
49	Fortitude	Strength of mind that enables one to endure adversity with courage.
50	Friendliness	Agreeableness is a tendency to be pleasant and accommodating.

51	Frugality	Prudence in avoiding waste. Being economical with resources.
52	Generosity	Giving or ready to give freely, free from meanness or prejudice.
53	Gentleness	Moderate; mild, quite; not rough or severe.
54	Grace	Elegance and beauty of movement or expression.
55	Gratitude	Being thankful.
56	Helpfulness	The quality of providing useful assistance.
57	Honesty	Truthful; sincere; not lying or cheating.
58	Honor	Not disposed to cheat or defraud; not deceptive or fraudulent. Worthy of being honored.
59	Hope	The general feeling that some desire will be fulfilled.
60	Humanity	Having an attitude of caring and mercy to all people.
61	Humbleness	Modest; not arrogant or boastful.
62	Humility	A disposition to be humble; a lack of false pride.
63	Humor	The ability to perceive, enjoy, or express what is amusing, comical, incongruous, or absurd.
64	Idealism	High mindedness: elevated ideals and conduct; the quality of believing that ideals should be pursued.
65	Integrity	Moral soundness; Integrity is consistency of values and actions. Unbroken completeness with nothing lacking.
66	Impartiality	Fair. An inclination to weigh both views or opinions equally without bias.
67	Independence	elf-reliance. Making our own choices confidently without undue influence from others. Perceiving the truth, with trust in our own discernment.
68	Industry	Diligent, hardworking.
69	Initiative	Daring to be original. Using our creativity to bring something new into the world.
70	Innocence	Guileless, not guilty.
71	Integrity	Standing on moral high ground. Keeping faith with our ideals and our agreements.
72	Joyfulness	The emotion of great happiness
73	Justice	Fair, impartial, giving a deserved response.
74	Kindness	Friendly, helpful, well meaning.
75	Knowledge	Part of the hierarchy made up of data, information and knowledge. Data are raw facts. Information is data with context and perspective. Knowledge is information with guidance for action based upon insight and experience.
76	Liberality	An inclination to favor progress and individual freedom the trait of being generous in behavior and temperament.

77	Love	A deep, tender, ineffable feeling of affection and solicitude toward a person, such as that arising from kinship, recognition of attractive qualities, or a sense of underlying oneness.
78	Loyalty	Steadfast in allegiance to one's homeland, government, or sovereign. Faithful to a person, ideal, custom, cause, or duty.
79	Magnanimity	The virtue of being great of mind and heart. It encompasses, usually, a refusal to be petty, a willingness to face danger, and actions for noble purposes.
80	Majesty	Great and impressive dignity.
81	Meekness	The feeling of patient, submissive humbleness; a disposition to be patient and long suffering.
82	Mercy	Clemency: leniency and compassion shown toward offenders by a person or agency charged with administering justice.
83	Mindfulness	Living reflectively and meaningfully, with conscious awareness of our actions, our words and our thoughts.
84	Moderation	The avoidance of extremes in one's actions or opinions.
85	Modesty	Freedom from vanity or conceit. Not inclined to boast.
86	Nobility	Having high moral standards. Doing the right thing. Keeping faith with our true value as spiritual beings.
87	Obedience	Willingness to obey, to be controlled when necessary, to carry out orders.
88	Openness	Ready and willing to talk candidly. Unsecretive.
89	Orderliness	Neatness and tidiness. A personality trait which involves the organization of things into a state of order and symmetry. The quality of appreciating method and system.
90	Patience	The ability to endure delay, trouble, pain or hardship.
91	Peace	Freedom from mental agitation; serenity.
92	Peacefulness	Inner calm and tranquility. Giving up the love of power for the power of love. Resolving conflict in a just and gentle way. Freedom from mental agitation; serenity.
93	Perceptiveness	Clarity of insight. Understanding that is intuitive, discerning and accurate.
94	Perseverance	Being persistent, refusing to stop despite failures, delays and difficulties.
95	Persistence	Never-ceasing, relentless.
96	Piety	Humble devotion to a high ideal.
97	Prayerfulness	A relationship of faith and gratitude with a power and presence greater than ourselves. A conversation with God.
98	Prudence	Wise or careful in conduct. Shrewd or thrifty in planning ahead.
99	Punctuality	The quality or habit of adhering to an appointed time.

100	Purity	Freedom from defilement. Undiluted or unmixed with extraneous material. Unsullied by sin or moral wrong.
101	Purposefulness	Having a definite goal.
102	Reliability	Can be trusted to do something.
103	Resoluteness	The quality of being firm in purpose.
104	Resourcefulness	The ability to act effectively or imaginatively, especially in regard to difficult situations and unusual problems.
105	Respect	Admiration for others. Treating people with due dignity.
106	Responsibility	Having control over and accountability for appropriate events.
107	Restraint	Holding Back.
108	Reverence	Profound awe and respect.
109	Righteousness	Adhering to moral principles. Holiness.
110	<i>Sacrifice</i>	The willingness to give up what is important to us for what we know is more important. Giving our all for our beliefs. Making our life a sacred offering. Self-Discipline: The self control to do only what we truly choose to do, without being blown off course by our desires. Establishing healthy and ennobling habits.
111	Selflessness	The quality of unselfish concern for the welfare of others.
112	Self Sacrifice	The giving up of one's own benefit, especially giving up one's life, for the good of others.
113	<i>Serenity</i>	Tranquility of spirit, with trust and faith that all will be well. Peacefulness in the midst of trials.
114	Service	Work done by one person or group that benefits another.
115	Sensitivity	Heightened awareness of oneself and others within the context of social and personal relationships.
116	Silence	Inner peace. Being silent.
117	Simplicity	Straightforward; not complex or complicated. Unpretentious.
118	Sincerity	Free from pretense or deceit in manner or actions.
119	Sobriety	Serious, solemn and calm. Free from intoxication.
120	Spontaneity	Natural, not planned.
121	Steadfastness	Firm, resolute; determinedly unwavering.
122	Strength	Capable of exerting great force.
123	Tact	Consideration in dealing with others and avoiding giving offense.
124	Temperance	Moderation and self-restraint, as in behavior or expression. Restraint in the use of or abstinence from alcoholic liquors/intoxicants.
125	Thankfulness	Warm friendly feelings of gratitude.
126	Thrift	The characteristic of using a minimum of something. Saving.
127	Tolerance	Tending to permit, allow, understand, or accept something; tending to withstand or survive.
128	Toughness	Strong and durable; not easily damaged.

129	Tranquility	Serenely quite and peaceful; undisturbed.
130	Trust	Having confidence in others; lacking suspicion.
131	Trustworthiness	Able to be trusted or depended on; reliable.
132	Truthfulness	Accurately depicting what is real.
133	Understanding	Comprehension, assimilation of knowledge. The holistic awareness of facts.
134	Unity	Freedom from division. Oneness.
135	<i>Uprightness</i>	Following what is right and moral. Standing up for honesty and justice. Living in integrity.
136	Vitality	Exuberant physical strength or mental vigor, energy.
137	Wisdom	The trait of utilizing knowledge and experience with common sense and insight.
138	Wonder	The feeling aroused by something strange and surprising.
139	Zeal	Ardor. A feeling of strong eagerness. Tireless devotion.