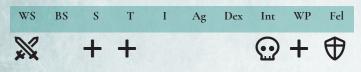
ANCHORITE

Human

You have shunned society to dedicate your mind, body, and soul utterly to the pursuit of spiritual enlightenment.

ANCHORITE ADVANCE SCHEME



Career Path

Hermit Brass 1
Skills: Animal Care, Endurance, Lore
(Theology), Navigation, Outdoor
Survival, Perception, *Pray*, Stealth (Rural)

Talents: Animal Affinity, Bless, Stone Soup, Very Resilient

Trappings: Crude holy symbol, rags, begging bowl, strange ideas about your god

Anchorite

Brass 2

Skills: Climb, Cool, Heal, Melee (Basic or Flail), Perform (Feat of Endurance), Secret Signs (Vagabond)

Talents: Field Dressing, Holy Visions, Iron Will, Orientation

Trappings: A post or cell for use in meditation, no shoes, scribbled ravings, 1d10 holy trinkets

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Mystic

Brass 4

Skills: Art (Any), Charm, Entertain (Sermonize), Lore (Heresy)

Talents: Invoke, Read/Write, Second Sight, Sixth Sense

Trappings: A small group of hermit and anchorite followers, quill and parchment or blank book, a relic of a saint

Living Saint Silver 3
Skills: Intimidate, Leadership
Talents: Argumentative, Inspiring,
Public Speaking, Savant (Theology)

Trappings: Large group of lay followers, the respect of at least one notable priest, your heretical magnum opus, a place of gathering

are consumed completely by the contemplation of the divine. What sets these individuals apart from their more secularly inclined priestly cousins and hatefilled flagellant brothers is a deep mystical streak that finds most anchorites looking to rather unorthodox and unique ways of achieving spiritual fulfillment, sometimes bordering on heresy.

Anchorites can be found as naked hermits in the wilderness, living only on berries and water; walled into tiny cells next to monasteries, taking food and

Anchorites are those souls whose lives

dispensing spiritual advice through windows; sitting in utter silence atop raised platforms for days on end. In whatever form they are found, anchorites are deeply pious, poorly bathed, and extremely eccentric. While most anchorites are seen as curiosities, those who develop large followings of both other anchorites and lay-people can wield a great deal of influence.

It is not unheard of for anchorites to take up the adventuring lifestyle. Some feel a divine calling to wander and subject themselves to hardship. Others see adventuring as a way to support themselves while on pilgrimage, others wish to meet and learn the practices of other anchorites. And of course, some are on the run from the authorities, persecuted for practicing their un-orthodox beliefs.

"You, and I, and all that you can see bares a small spark of divinity. I can hear it in the birdsong, in the rock of the mountain, in your very voice. You could hear it too... should you choose to." - Brother Klaus Tremmen, of the Servants of His Name, revealed in all his glory.