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From Abdul Baha to a lady who visited Acca in February, 1903.

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May GOD illumine her face with the light of His Love!

O thou who art attracted by the Love of GOD!

I have read the letter which you wrote before leaving, and from its contents I became happy. I hope that your inner sight will be opened in such a manner that the realities of heavenly mysteries will become clear and apparent to you.

In the beginning of your letter is written a blessed word, and that is: "I am a Christian." I wish that all were real Christians, for to be merely verbally a Christian is easy, but to be a real Christian is difficult. At the present there are about five hundred millions Christians; but the real Christians are rare. They are the souls from whose beauty appears the light of Christ and the heavenly perfections. This is a great thing and the focus for all the virtues. I hope that you will also be a real Christian.

Give thanks to GOD that you have at last attained to a great enlightenment and insight through His teaching, and become firm and constant in faith and assurance. I trust that others also will have enlightened sight and hearkening ears and attain unto everlasting life, so that the sects, like rivers flowing in numerous streams, will return to the great Ocean, becoming one sea, causing the same waves and producing absolute connection. Real union, through Divine Power, will remove these differences of channels. This is the fundamental basis. If it can be accomplished, the other problems will naturally be removed.

O honorable one! The teachings of GOD in this enlightened century are that one ought not to belittle the souls and attribute ignorance to them by saying: "You do not know, but I know." Nay, rather, one must consider all with respect, and in speech and argument converse in the manner of real investigation, saying: "There are some problems; come, let us undertake a real research, and see what and how they are."

The teacher must not consider himself wise and the others ignorant. This thought becomes the cause of pride and pride becomes the reason of not influencing the listener. The teacher must see no pre-eminence for himself, and he must converse with others with utmost kindness and humbleness. This kind of speech has effect and becomes the cause of the education of souls.

O respected one! All prophets were sent, and Christ manifested, and the Blessed Perfection also proclaimed the Word of GOD for this aim:- that the world of humanity may become a heavenly world, the earthly divine, the dark enlightened, the satanic angelic, and that unity, harmony and love may be produced between all the people of the world; that the essential union may appear, the foundation of disunion may be destroyed, and that everlasting life and grace may be the result.

O esteemed one! Reflect upon the world of existence. Union, harmony and intercourse is the cause of life, while dispersion and disunion is the cause of death.

When you look at all the beings, you will see that each being found existence through the mingling of different elements, and when this combination of elements is dispersed and unity is displaced by disunion, that existent being becomes non-existent and annihilated.

O revered one! Though unity was produced in bygone centuries, still, complete unity upon the earth was not feasible, for the means and causes of union were wanting, and among the five continents of the world connection and communication did not exist. Moreover, even among the peoples of one continent, intercourse and interchange of ideas was difficult. Therefore, intercourse, unity, connection and interchange of the ideas of all the people of the world in one place was impossible and unfeasible. But now the means of connection are many, and really the five continents of the world are as one.

Individual travelling to all places and the exchange of ideas with all the people is facilitated and practicable to the greatest degree. It is such that each person, through published news, is able to be informed of the conditions, religions and ideas of all nations. It is the same with all the continents of the world, - that is to say, nations, states, cities and villages are in need of one another, for political connections exist between all. The connection of commerce, art, science and agriculture is evident and has absolute sway. Therefore union and harmony is possible to be produced among all. These means of connection are the wonders of this century and great epoch. The former centuries were deprived of this, for this enlightened century has another power, another splendor and another condition. That is why you see it daily bringing forth some new wonder. Finally it will enkindle shining lights in the gatherings of the world. Like the aurora of the morning, the signs of these great Lights are apparent in the horizons of the world.

The first Light is political union; and a little trace of this has already appeared.

The second Light is the harmony of ideas in regard to great things; and the effect of this will also soon be apparent.

The third Light is the union of freedom; that also will surely be produced.

The fourth Light is the union of religion; and this is the essential foundation. The evidences of this union will appear in the gatherings of the world with divine power.

The fifth Light is the union of nationalities; and in this century the union of brotherhood will appear in absolute might. At last all the people of the world will consider themselves as natives of one country.

The sixth Light is the union of classes. All the people of the world will be as one kind.

The seventh Light is the union of one language; that is to say that a language will be made which all the people will learn and through it converse with one another.

These things which have been mentioned will surely come to pass, for they are confirmed with heavenly power.

In Persia there are so many different classes, antagonistic sects and diverse ideas that it (Persia) was in a worse condition than all the world; but now, through the Holy Breath of the Spirit, it has attained to such a degree of union and connection that these different people, antagonistic creeds, hostile classes are as one soul. You will see them associating, conversing and communing with one another in perfect love, union and fraternity. In large meetings you see Christians, Jews, Zoroastrians and Moslems associating and conversing with one another in perfect union, brotherhood, love, freedom, happiness and joy. There is no difference between them. Consider what the power of the Greatest Name has done!

In regard to what you wrote about the Tablets, if GOD wishes they will be collected, copied and sent.

Give greetings to all the friends.

(signed) Abdul Baha Abbas.

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## HE IS GOD!

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O thou who art attracted by the Fragrances of God!

Give thanks unto God for having strengthened thee to attain certain revelations, which show thy utmost attraction and constancy unto this Great Cause.

Verily, the three Birds are the three Holy Souls. The one on the right is His Holiness the Great Bab; the one on the left is his honor, Khuddus, Glorious Soul, and the Great Bird in the middle is the Greatest Name. The light shining from the Supreme Horizon is the Beauty of ABHA. These Birds descended from an infinite height and the nearer they came to earth the more their majesty and glory became manifest.

All nations were promised by a sure promise and were awaiting with anxiety and longing the coming of the Promised One.

The two Birds accompanying the Great Bird in the centre signifies that the Bab and his honor the Khuddus (holy) were both under the wings of the Greatest Name. As those Birds descended and their shadows darted vertically over the expectants, - as the sun approached the zenith at noontime - at this time thou hast seen a Majestic Being in the form of a man upon the back of the huge Bird in the centre. This person in the human form is the "Divine Station" mentioned in the Bible: "Let us make man in Our Image, after Our Likeness" and the Divine Lights were reflected from the Reality of the Greatest Name. Although this Station is far from the minds and understandings, yet its lights are apparent, its rays reflected and its brilliancy manifested throughout the universe.

The white garments signify holy dignity and a station sanctified from color, - i.e., free from the universal conditions and material qualities.

The Luminous Countenance manifested in Beauty signified that the Divine Lights shone forth from the human form, which were reflected and descended upon you, dazzling the eyes of those who were perceiving it, as the sun dazzles the eyes of those who try to look upon it.

That Divine Form manifested Itself in America and entered the Great Temple which shall soon be constructed therein. This glorious Temple resembles the oriental edifices and soon you will see it erected there with a most solid foundation and strongest basis. That Divine Form will beam upon numberless souls who will enter this Temple. Regarding the table laid in that magnificent house. This is the Heavenly Table of the Divine Knowledge, Love and Eternal Life. As to the people gathered there, they are the beloved of God and His chosen ones, whose faces shine with wonderful and heavenly beauty.

The Woman sitting at the side of the Temple is the Law of God, will soon dispel all veils and its beauty will appear, after which it shall be established forever and ever.

The stamped coins presented to the Woman sitting in that honored station are the good deeds and actions of the beloved of God and His maid-servants, submitted with praise, greeting and great thanksgiving unto that Holy Law. The beautiful Woman is blessed by being touched by that Merciful Being, the glory of Whose blessing shall diffuse the universe .

The Merciful Being returned to His Station, mounting the Bird, and ascended to the Supreme Horizon in the infinite Realm. This vision shows that thou, O confirmed one by the Breezes of God, will soon be acquainted with the Ancient Mysteries, for the Manifest Light will appear to thee.

The vision also signified that a Mashrak-el Azkar will soon be established in America. The cries of supplication and invocation will be raised to the highest Kingdom therefrom, and verily, the people will enter into the religion of God by troops with great enthusiasm and attraction.

Concerning the vision of the angels surrounding the Great White Throne, - this Throne is the Body of the Greatest Name. The beautiful and glorious Person riding upon the white horse is the Greatest Name and the white horse means also the Glorious Body.

The Herald who proclaimed the written names is Abdul Baha who announces the names of those who deserve salvation and are firm in the Covenant of God, and thou art one of those people - the people of salvation.

Be thankful for this great favor. Greetings and praise be upon thee.

(signed) Abdul Baha Abbas.

Through Lua Getsinger, - June 9th, 1903.