

The Most Mighty Document

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An official Rendition by the Promised 7th Angel, who fulfills Biblical Prophecies, explained by 'Abdu'l-Baha as recorded in *Some Answered Questions*, also prophesied to come under different titles, such as "Blessed is He" who comes in 1963, explained by 'Abdu'l-Baha as recorded in *Baha'u'llah and the New Era*, the knight on the white horse, the Lamb, The Land, the return of Jesus the High Priest and by various names and titles as found in all Revelations of the Divine Manifestations.

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You have but **one day** which is **JUDGEMENT DAY**

This brings you to the **hour** in which one third of the people will be killed Then you get that which you deserve

(Rev. 9:15) (see pages 61 to 66)

If you are not 100 miles from the epicenter of a nuclear explosion (any city with 100,000 population or a military objective) and in an adequate fallout shelter You will be destroyed or severely burned

"Then another angel came out from the altar, the angel who has power over fire, and he called with a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle ['The Most Mighty Document'], 'Put in your sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for its grapes are ripe.' So the angel swung his sickle on the earth and gathered the vintage of the earth, and threw it into the great wine press of the wrath of God; and the wine press was trodden [thermo-nuclear war] outside the city [the Law of God—Covenant], and blood flowed from the wine press [centers that are hit], as high as a horse's bridle, for one thousand six hundred stadia. * * About two hundred miles [in diameter]." (Rev. 14:18-20)

Come my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until the wrath is past.

For behold, the Lord is coming forth out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity, and the earth will disclose the blood shed upon her, and will no more cover her slain (Isaiah 26:20, 21)

The **DAY** and the **HOUR**

For the destruction of one third of mankind by a thermo-nuclear war is recorded in Revelation 9:13-16:

"So the four angels were released, who had been held ready for the **hour**, the **day**, the **month**, and the **year**, to kill a third of mankind." (Rev. 9:15)

The **Month** is a Baha'i month of 19 days, which is 19 years, or 19 Vahids. A Vahid is 19 months of 19 days.

There were 19 Vahids from when the sixth angel, Quddus, sounded his trumpet on July 10, 1844 (recognized and became a follower of the Bab) to the proclamation of Baha'u'llah on April 21, 1863.

The **Year** is the Golden Jubilee year of Baha'u'llah's Proclamation of April 21, 1963—the Advent of the seventh angel.

The **Day** is the Day of Judgement, when the seventh angel indicts the world for breaking the "everlasting Covenant."

The **Hour** will occur after we receive the 144,000.

The thermo-nuclear holocaust will be over in one **Hour**.

The Bible doesn't tell us to go up in the sky—rapture, which is a myth of the magnitude of the mythologians of Greece and Rome—to avoid the oncoming thermo-nuclear holocaust, but just the opposite:

"Enter the rock, and hide in the dust from before the terror of the Lord, and the Glory of his majesty.

And men shall enter caves of the rocks and the holes of the ground, from before the terror of the Lord, and from the glory of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth.

(Isaiah 2:10, 19)

The earth lies polluted under its inhabitants; for they have transgressed the laws, violated the statutes, broken the everlasting covenant.

Therefore a curse devours the earth, and the inhabitants suffer for their guilt; therefore the inhabitants of the earth are scorched, and few men are left."

(Isaiah 24:5, 6)

INDICTMENT

You are charged with breaking the everlasting Covenant.

You are now to have your Day in court, Judgement Day.

The Judge assigned to your case is JOSHUA (Jesus), the High Priest (Zech. 3:7).

If you are guilty, and haven't repented, you are to be thrown alive into the thermo-nuclear holocaust, "lake of fire", either to be destroyed or purified.

This sentence will be carried out during the ONE HOUR.

If you are innocent, and you join God's heavenly army (the 144,000), you may escape the chastisement.

THE EVERLASTING COVENANT

"The Tree of Life" in the Garden of Eden (Gen. 1:22-24), of which if man eats and lives for ever and ever, is the "Everlasting Covenant." It starts on the first page of the Bible with God deciding, 6000 years ago, to make man in "our image" (in the image of the Manifestations of God). Man had already been on this planet for millions of years but was in the image of the animal (the animal body: two eyes, two ears, a nose, a mouth, arms and legs, etc.) and was savage and barbaric. He started the process by making one man, Adam, in His image (first Manifestation of God):

"Then God Covenanted, 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness;' . . . So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him..." (Gen 1:26, 27).

This Tree of Life comes to fruition on the last page of the Bible with its "12 kinds of fruit" (the 12 basic Baha'i principles).

"Then he showed me the river of the water of life [Divine Revelation of Baha'u'llah], bright as crystal [by the Lamb's explanations], flowing from the throne of God [Davidic] and of the Lamb through the middle of the city [New Jerusalem—the Law of God]; also on either side of the river, **the tree of life** [the Covenant of Baha'u'llah] with its 12 kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of tree [the Lamb's heavenly army] were for the healing of the nations." (Rev. 22:1, 2)

God creates man in His image through the Holy Spirit. Through this Spirit man anifests God; love, mercy, justice, generosity, concord, fidelity, harmony, etc., and thus akes on the image of God. This Spirit descends upon a perfect man (a clear polished mirror), Manifestation, who then reflects God to the people. When a person turns to the Manifestation and receives a ray of this Spirit (a breath of the Holy Spirit) he then reflects this ray and is also in the image of God.

This Spirit descended upon Adam, the first Manifestation (first man in the image of God), in the Garden of Eden, and was therefore cast out of the Garden (innocence). Before Adam, man in the barbaric state (Garden of Eden), didn't know good from evil, but through the Manifestation of God, Adam, he was no longer innocent and was held accountable for his beliefs and acts, thus **sin** through violation entered the world.

Through this Spirit civilization began. Cain went east of Eden, Nod, built a city and started the Sumner (Chaldean) civilization near the Persian Gulf east of the Euphrates.

In order to civilize all people (make them in His image), God had a plan (blue print) to have His Spirit to descend upon a number of perfect men, Manifestations. They appeared to various peoples, and their message was progressive as the grades in school. The Spirit of God descended upon Moses in the "Burning Bush," Krishna in the "War Chariot of Arajuna," Zoroaster at the "Setting Sun," Buddha under the "Bo Tree of India," Jesus when he came out of the "River Jordan," Muhammad in the "Cave of Hira," The Bab in a "Dream," and Baha'u'llah in the "Dungeon of the Prison of Tehran." Through these Manifestations the present civilization in the world has come about.

This 'Blue Print' (Pathway to God) was inculcated into the Book of Adam, the Great Pyramid, in its Ascending Passageways. This edifice was constructed under the direction of Enoch, who walked with God. Each Pyramid (P) inch represents one solar year. Red Granite Blocks represent the Spiritual; in the Ascending Passageway, the Manifestations. Moses starts the first Ascending Passageway. To get the date of His Manifestation, the Exodus, measure the distance from the start of the Passageway to the first Red Granite Girdle Stone, then subtract this distance from the distance of the first overlay in the second Ascending Passageway (1455.782 inches or March 21, 1456 B.C.). Then for Krishna measure from the start of the Passageway to the second Girdle Stone and subtract this from the second overlay, etc. The date for the Advent of Jesus is from the start of the Ascending Passageway to the start of the second Ascending Passageway, the baptism of Jesus in 30 A.D., "the Stone that the builders rejected." His Stone covered over the passageway coming up from the Grotto where the Red Granite Stone of Muhammad occured; it was broken up by the builders. The date for Muhammad occured in the second Ascending Passageway, for he came after Jesus, 622 A.D.. Six hundred and twenty two inches up from the start of the second Ascending Passageway there is a mark; subtracting this from the full length of the Passageway, 1882 inches, gives 1260 A.H. or May 23, 1844 A.D., the date of the Proclamation of the Bab. The floor passageway ends at March 21, 1844 A.D., the start of the Baha'i calendar. From this point on each inch represents one Baha'i month which brings us to April 21, 1863 at the entrance point of the Holy of Holies, the date of Baha'u'llah's Proclamation. The 100 Red Granite Rocks forming the walls of this

Chamber bring us to the Golden Jubilee of Baha'u'llah's Proclamation, April 21, 1963, the Advent of the seventh angel (Joshua, the Lamb). The 108 Red Granite Blocks forming the floor brings us to the Proclamation of Joshua in Ridvan 1971 A.D. The nine Beams forming the ceiling represent the nine days of Ridvan (the first Beam being the 21st of April and the ninth Beam being the 29th of April), bringing us to April 29th, 1971 the exact day of the proclamation of Joshua. The four upper chambers represent the four winds of destruction. The first chamber represents the first wind of destruction, the thermonuclear holocaust. The next chamber above is filled with insect shells, and represents starvation and disease. The third chamber represents worldwide revolution. And the fourth is the most terrible of all: the Earth's Shifting Crust. The top is the Gabled Roof which represents the Universal House of Justice with the Aghsan guardian (Davidic King) as its president and member for life (see page 14, 15 of the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha).

FROM THE FALL FROM INNOCENCE TO THE RESTORATION

The Passageways, in the Great Pyramid, are left of the North and South Center Line, which divides East and West, 286.102215583 P. inches (about the length of gestation in humans). This represents Adam's Manifestation, and man's fall from innocence, and his continued resistance to the everlasting Covenant. After the 6,000 year period you return to the center line on September, 5th, 1879 A.D.. The Ark of the Covenant—the Kitab-i-Agdas—rests on the center line, and according to D. D. Davidson is based on the displacement cubit of 28.61022 P. inches which is 1/10th the Displacement Factor of 286.1022 P. inches. 286.1022 + 28.61022 gives us 314.71242 P. inches. Each one of these inches (286.1 + 28.61) represents one Baha'i month (a Vahid) of 19 days, with 19.2232 of these Baha'i months in one solar year. 314.71242 divided by 19.2232 = 16.3714 years. Add these 16.3714 years to Baha'u'llah's proclamation and you have September, 5th, 1879, the date when the pen of Baha'u'llah completed the Aqdas and Baha'u'llah entered the Holy Shrine of Bahji where He revealed the Kitab-i-Ahd (the Book of the Covenant). In this Most Holy Book, Baha'u'llah, a descendant of David, enters into a Covenant, continuing the Davidic Kingship in this world by appointing his eldest son, The Most Great Branch, who is a Branch from the ancient Root (David), to succeed him. 'Abdu'l-Baha in his Will and Testament (W&T) Covenanted that this Kingship would continue from his descendants in a line of Guardians of the Cause of God. He then adopted Mason Remey to be his son, and appointed his grandson Shoghi Effendi to succeed himself. Shoghi Effendi then appointed the first International Baha'i Council with Mason Remey, 'Abdu'l-Baha's son, as its president to succeed him. Then Mason Remey adopted Joseph Pepe and appointed him to succeed him to the throne of David and the presidency, that is the Executive Branch of the Council (see W&T, p. 15). One hundred years after the start of the Bahji Epoch (Centenary)—the appointment in the Aqdas—brings us the Great Announcement and promulgation of the "Most Mighty Document" on September 5th, 1979 AD, which will establish this Kingship in this world. The nations that now form the Beast, will be Baha'i countries and will elect the International Tribunal, which will establish peace in this world.

The Covenants of God Regarding Succession of His Prophets

"Every Prophet Whom the Almighty and Peerless Creator hath purposed to send to the peoples of the earth hath been entrusted with a Message, and charged to act in a manner that would best meet the requirements of the age in which He appeared." (Baha'u'llah, *Gleanings*, p. 79)

The Covenant Made by the Manifestations Concerning the Future prophets

"The divine Prophets are conjoined in the perfect state of love. Each one has given the glad-tidings of His successor's coming and each successor has sanctioned the one who pre-ceded Him. They were in the utmost unity but their followers are in strife." ('Abdu'l-Baha, *Promulgation of Universal Peace*, p. 217)

"His Holiness Abraham, on Him be peace, made a covenant concerning His Holiness Moses and gave the glad-tidings of His coming. His Holiness Moses made a covenant concern-ing the Promised One, i.e. His Holiness Christ, and announced the good news of His Manifestation to the world. His Holiness Christ made a covenant concerning the Paraclete and gave the tidings of His coming. His Holiness the Prophet Muhammad made a covenant concerning His Holiness the Bab and the Bab was the One promised by Muhammad, for Muhammad gave the tidings of His coming. The Bab made a Covenant concerning the Blessed Beauty of Baha'u'llah and gave the glad-tidings of His coming for the Blessed Beauty was the

One promised by His Holiness the Bab. Baha'u'llah made a cov-enant concerning a promised One who will become manifest after one thousand or thousands of years. He likewise, with His Supreme Pen, entered into a great Covenant and Testament with all the Baha'is whereby they were all commanded to follow the Center of the Covenant after His departure, and turn not away even to a hair's breath from obeying Him." ('Abdu'l-Baha, Tablet (Archives), cited in *Baha'i World Faith*, p. 358)

"'Abdu'l-Baha made a Covenant that one would come [the seventh Angel] in 1963 and would establish the Kingdom [Davidic] brought by Baha'u'llah. Also, in his Will and Testament he entered into a Covenant that a line of Guardians [Davidic Kings] would descend from him and be at the **Head** of the Universal House of Justice."

O Ye People of the World you have but one opportunity to readjust your beliefs and to come into compliance with the Everlasting Covenant.

DAVIDIC KINGSHIP

"But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, Go tell my servant David, 'Thus says the Lord [Covenant]. . . When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his [Solomon's] kingdom. He shall build a house for my name and I will esta-blish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be his father, and he shall be my son. When he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, but I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. And your house and your kingdom shall be **made sure for ever** before me; your throne shall be established **for ever**.' In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this **vision**, Nathan spoke to David' (2 Samuel 7:4, 5 . . . 12-17).

Thou hast said, "I have made a
Covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to David my servant:

'I will establish your descendants for ever, and build your throne for all generations.'" Psalms 89:3, 4

MESSIANIC KINGDOM

Messianic, Davidic, the Kingdom be, Thy Kingdom come for you and me, Upon this earth, as has been told, By seers, sages, prophets of old.

Through the Great King David this Kingdom has come, Through the lineage of Kings and Solomon, Through the Anointed One Who has sent the Call, The King of Kings, Baha'u'llah.

The Advent of Him, the Anointed One arose,
A great King of mercy with power and chose,
A Branch to succeed Him on His splendorous throne,
This King called him Aghsan, My son, as if born.

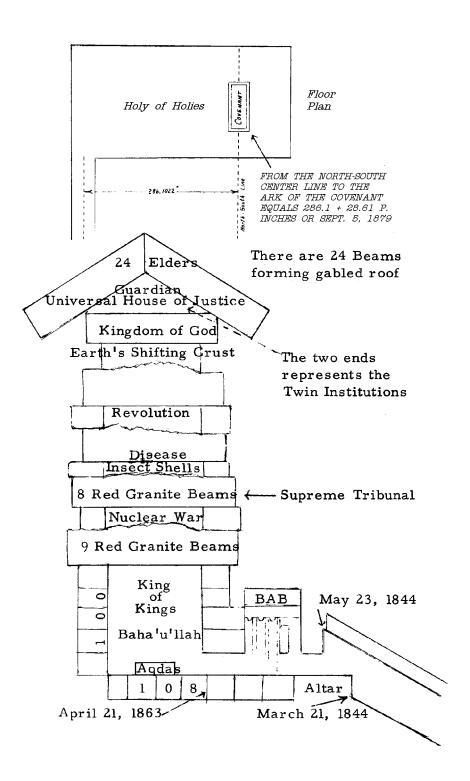
The King of Mercy, 'Abdu'l-Baha, it was he, who was appointed His successor, Charles Mason Remey, His son that was grafted, into the Tree of Holiness by him, would in the Year of the great Test, become the New King.

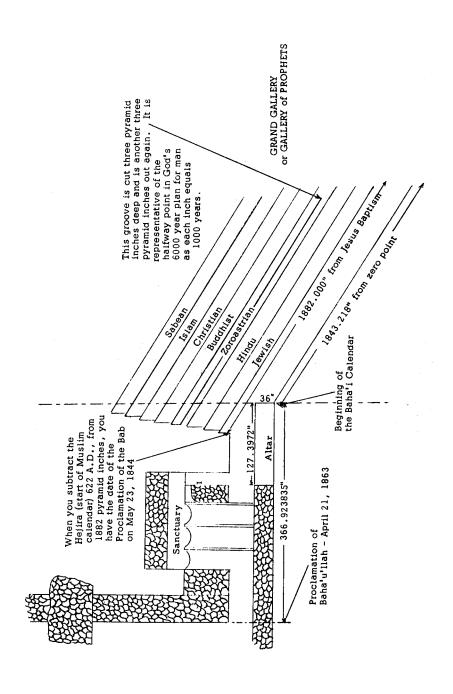
And from this New King, another would soon be,
His son by adoption, the beloved Pepe,
The King who now sits, on the throne from on high,
New Branch of the Kingdom, beneath earth's heavenly skies.

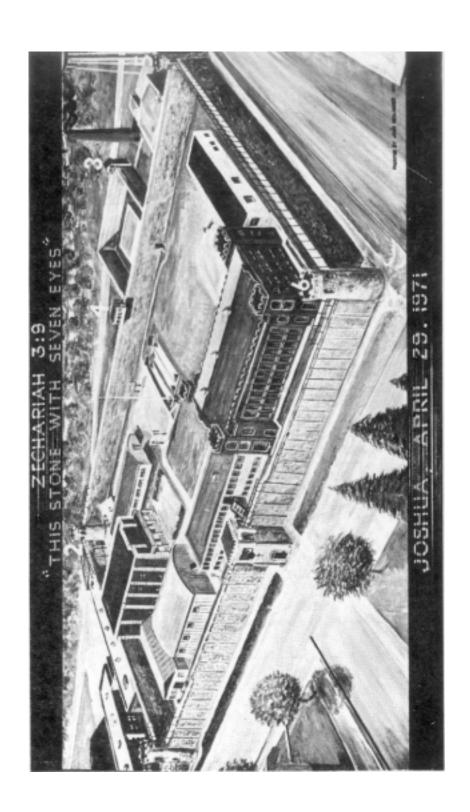
Soon he'll be crowned, with the heaven of light, With the Legions behind him, the High Priest his might, And men shall be gathered, from far and from near, To establish the Kingdom, on earth held so dear.

The Messianic Kingdom, from the ages of past, On this planet earth, forever will last, The Kings will be one, all descendant of Him, Baha'u'llah, and his son, and the sons of them.

So listen my friends, to the words that are told, This kingdom is promised, from the days of old, And now it is born, in this world for man all, So pay heed and listen, of the Trumpeteer's Call!







INTRODUCTION

This epistle addressed to Joseph Pepe Remey (Aghsan) is of special interest to all believers in Baha'u'llah. It answers many of the complex problems that have arisen among His followers that have not previously and adequately been dealt with. This is whether one accepts or follows the non-continuation of the Guardianship doctrine invented after the passing of Shoghi Effendi, or one of the other cults that have built their theologies around an especial personality that claims the guardianship.

OF GREAT INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST AND MOSES

This epistle deals with the Advent of the Messianic Kingdom (the reestablishment of the Davidic Kingship) as Promised in the Sacred Jewish and Christian scriptures. Jesus fulfilled the prophecies of Jewish scriptures for the Advent of the Messiah—this is what the Gospel of Matthew is all about (Matt. 1:23, 2:5, 2:15, 2:17, 3:3, 4:4, 4:7, 4:10, 4:14, 11:10, 12:17, 13:14, 15:7, 21:4, 21:42, 27:9). However he did not reestablish in this world, as prophesied, the Davidic Kingship. He did not marry and have a son and have descendants, an absolute essential in the reestablishment of the Davidic Kingship. He left his Revelation with the 12 apostles. But in the Lord's Prayer he asked us to pray for the Messianic Kingdom to come! "Thy Kingdom come, it will be done on earth as it is in Heaven." Thus Jesus did not set up the Messianic Kingdom. He did claim to be a descendant of David (an essential to the Messiahship, Luke 3:23-32). Luke gives this descendancy from David through Solomon's brother, Nathan, and not through the Throne line of Kings, to Joseph the father of Jesus.

The word Messiah (Christ) denotes more than just "anointed." The Jews referred to their Kings as the anointed (Christ). It means a descendant of David that is anointed king by God. In Israel this was done by the Lord through the High Priest anointing a descendant of David with oil, consecrating him to his office. In the captivity, starting in 606 B.C., Israel (Judah) lost their kingship (anointed). In the prophecies that followed the kingship would be restored by a descendant of David being anointed king (Messiah) (Psalms 132:10-12). Jesus claimed to be that king, but he was not anointed king by God through a High Priest with oil, but directly by the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Him. This the Jews did not accept. As a result they had him crucified. Being cut off (Dan. 9:26) he did not marry and have a son, an essential to the establishment of the Davidic Kingship. Also, in the world

he did not re-assemble the 12 tribes of Israel, another essential to the Messianic Kingdom; and he did not re-establish the Temple and place His Covenant in the Holy of Holies, an essential to the regathering of Israel. Thus, he had to come a second time so that all of this would be fulfilled.

AN ADOPTED SON HAS ALL THE RIGHTS AND PEROGATIVES OF A NATURAL SON

The Christians accept the authority of the Messiahship of Jesus; he qualifies by the genealogy of Jesus back to David through Joseph. But because of the virgin birth they state that Jesus was the adopted son of Joseph with all the rights of a natural son, although there is no recording of a legal adoption in the scriptures nor in the archives. They claim that by Joseph taking Jesus as his son that this is all that is required to prove adoption; and that an adopted son has all the rights and privileges of a natural son, even the Kingship or Messiahship. Thus the Bible gives the genealogy of Jesus back to David through Joseph to prove his eligibility to be the Promised Messiah, for the Messiah must be a descendant of David through the male line of descent. All the kings of Israel descended from David through a male descendant (no queen ever sat upon the throne).

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST IS A SON OF MAN THAT IS DESCENDED FROM DAVID, ANOINTED BY GOD

The New Testament gives a number of prophecies for the return of Christ (a Messiah) in a new name (Rev. 3:12). Jesus said the son of man would come in Baha'u'llah, "Glory of the Father" (Mark 8:38, Luke 9:26, Matt. 16:27). Baha'u'llah fulfilled this prophecy. Jesus told us that Daniel had given the date for His return (Matt. 24:3, 15). Daniel gave the date of 2300 days (years) from the Abomination of Desolation that came to an end in 457 B.C. to the Sanctuary to be cleansed (or restored), the date that Christ (Messiah) was referring to for his return (Dan. 8:13, 14). There are 456 years from 457 B.C. to the birth of Christ. Subtract these B.C. years from the 2300 for the date of his return (2300 minus 456 = Mar. 21, 1844 A.D.); the date is the beginning of the Baha'i calendar. He also came from the east to Israel (Ezekiel 43:1-7; Is. 35:1, 2). (See Baha'i literature for explanation, es-pecially "The Beast" and *Some Answered Questions*.)

Jesus said that the world would never see him again personally (John 14:19), and everyone should reject all that would come in His name (Jesus)

and claim to be Messiah (Christ). Baha'u'llah fulfilled the prophecies for the second coming of Christ (Messiah) like Jesus fulfilled the prophecies for the first coming, and He did not come in the name of Jesus but in the name of Baha'u'llah as Jesus said he would come in.

Baha'u'llah not only fulfilled the prophecies for the second coming of Christ (Messiah), but like Jesus He descended from David; but unlike Jesus He descended down from David through the main line of descendancy—the line of the kings of Israel (Judah) seated upon the throne of David that is to last for ever—that is, from Solomon on down. Then Baha'u'llah did something that Jesus was unable to do, and why he had to come a second time. He married and had a son—a BRANCH (Zechariah 3:8; 6:12; Isaiah 11:1; 4:2; 60:21; Jeremiah 23:5). From this BRANCH succeeds the Davidic Kingship that sits upon the Throne of David and reigns forever and ever, that is, as long as there is life upon this planet (Rev. 4:9, Luke 1:33).

THE DAVIDIC LINE OF DESCENT FROM BAHA'U'LLAH

In the Book of His Covenant and in the Agdas, Baha'u'llah appoints His eldest son 'Abdu'l-Baha, The Most Great Branch, to succeed Himself upon the Throne of David (Baha'i World Faith, p. 209). 'Abdu'l-Baha's son Husayn, died in infancy, so Baha'u'llah appointed 'Abdu'l-Baha's brother Muhammed Ali, the Lesser Branch, to succeed 'Abdu'l-Baha. But Muhammad Ali broke the Covenant of Baha'u'llah, so at the same time that 'Abdu'l-Baha cut this Branch off the Davidic tree, He adopted Mason Remey to be "His son" in the same manner that the Christians state that Joseph adopted Jesus to be his son, grafting this Branch to the Davidic tree. He called Mason Remey "Aghsan"—my son—almost every time that he addressed him. These are found in many Tablets addressed to Mason Remey recorded in the "Star of the West" Magazine. He is the only person in this world that he referred to as Aghsan, my son, grafting him into the Davidic tree ("O My Dear Son!", 'Star of the West' p. 144 Vol. X. "O thou enlightened and beloved son!", 'Star of the West' p. 229 Vol. XI.) 'Abdu'l-Baha didn't speak English. The way you say "my son" in Persian is "Aghsan". In 'Abdu'l-Baha's 'Last Tablet to America' He states: "Consider! The Divine Gardener cuts off the dry or weak branch from the good tree and grafts to it a branch from another tree. He both separates and unites" (Baha'i World Faith, p. 438). Not only did the Christans uphold the adoption principle for the Messiahship as in the Joseph-Jesus instance, but 'Abdu'l-Baha upheld it in His Last Tablet to America; this principle has been upheld all the way back into antiquity and all the way down to our present times by peoples, kindreds and governments. It is a universal principle.

However, 'Abdu'l-Baha appointed Shoghi Effendi Afnan (a twig, p. 25, W&T) to become the Guardian of the Cause of God—not to the Davidic Kingship, the Baha'i Faith—for he was not of the Davidic line of male descent. Shoghi Effendi, in accordance with 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament, during his lifetime appointed 'Abdu'l-Baha's son, Mason Remey, to be the head of his embryonic Universal House of Justice (International Baha'i Council—IBC/UHJ). 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament states that the head of the Universal House of Justice is the Guardian. Thus the Davidic Kingship is passed down in the Baha'i Faith from the BRANCH, 'Abdu'l-Baha Aghsan, to 'Abdu'l-Baha's adopted son Mason Remey Aghsan.

Mason Remey Aghsan had no natural son so he legally adopted Joseph Pepe, making him the crown prince of the Messianic King-dom. Just before Mason Remey passed on he appointed his son Joseph Pepe Remey Aghsan to be his successor, the second guardian of the Baha'i Faith of the Davidic line of kings.

THE LAW OF ADOPTION

When 'Abdu'l-Baha adopted Mason Remey to succeed him to the throne of David as his son, this was legal and binding. According to the laws of the Ottoman Empire of the Middle East that ruled over Palestine before it became the state of Israel, a legal adoption occurred when a man called another his son. Then the British Mandate of the West which succeeded the Ottoman Empire retained the adoption laws of the Ottoman Empire as legal and binding under their rule. Then, for the Israeli government, the law for adoption remained the same. If a man calls another his son and leaves him a token to show inheritance (whether it be a stick or a stone or something), then the adoption is legal and binding. When 'Abdu'l-Baha proclaimed that Mason was his son (privately, publicly and in letters published in Star of the West *Magazine*), these were not "vague terms of affection but expressed the precise legal relationship which had been created between them." Here is cited the law of adoption in the Middle East (from Ottoman times to the present) upheld by the British Mandate of the West and the Israeli Supreme Court on June 22, 1960, long after 'Abdu'l-Baha adopted Mason to be his son and heir.

"This idea of equating adopted children with natural children in matters **of succession** is well expressed in a responsum of Rabbi Jacob Emden which the learned Judge cited in another decision, In re: Succession of the late Yoseph Blum deceased (4) (at pp. 161), as follows: "If he rears the child for the glory of God the child is certainly

to be regarded as his child and not only in lineage, but even where the child had parents and is being brought up by the stranger as a meritorious act, if the latter has no children ['Abdu'l-Baha had no living natural sons] and is bringing up the child to be his son and to succeed him and they address each other as father and son" (response of Yavetz, Part I, section 168). So also with the deceased in the present case: He reared the child as his daughter to succeed him, and she called him "father" and he called her "daughter." **These were not vague terms of affection but expressed the precise legal relationship which had been created between them** – at any rate with respect to the matter of succession."

(Selected Judgments from the Israeli Supreme Court, Vol. III, pp. 426-7.)

This was usually confirmed by some token such as a stick or a stone, or something, to make it definite that it was meant that it was a legal adoption. This is called institutive evidence.

"Institutive evidence is that which is created or adopted as a memorial of a fact and for the purpose of being evidence of the fact. The stone set up for a boundary; the giving of a clod of earth or a twig in livery of seizing as evidence or the transfer of the title [etc]...." (Sagebeer, *The Bible in Court*, p. 104.)

"The Master gave Mr. Remey what no one else ever received – relics of the Blood and Hair of Baha'u'llah; in the East this act symbolizes Mr. Remey's adoption as a Son by 'Abdu'l-Baha and his becoming a member of the Holy Family."

(Questions and Answers about Charles Mason Remey and the Baha'i Faith, by F.C. Spataro.)

Shoghi Effendi recognized 'Abdu'l-Baha's adoption of Mason as true and legal. Immediately after the death of 'Abdu'l-Baha, Shoghi Effendi called Mason to the Holy land in February and March of 1922 giving to him a "package of 'Abdu'l-Baha's most sacred possession," which was left to Shoghi Effendi, as the executor of 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will to deliver to Mason Remey as his inheritance: "locks of Baha'u'llah's hair" (which represents the headship of the International Baha'i Council/Universal House of Justice) and "drops of his coagulated blood" (which represents the bloodline of David and Baha'u'llah). On the outside of the package Shoghi Effendi addressed it to 'Abdu'l-Baha's "dear son" whom he later appointed to the headship of the IBC/UHJ. The hair and blood are the tokens of inheritance. 'Abdu'l-Baha's most prized possession shows the evidence of the legal adoption passed on

from father to son – 'Abdu'l-Baha to Mason. This type of evidence of a token is called "institutive evidence."

Thus Shoghi Effendi brought Mason Remey to Haifa and instituted him into the Holy family. He sat him at the dinner table of the Holy Family, next to himself, in the seat of honor. Mason entered the shrines directly behind Shoghi and then the other people followed. At functions of State such as the funeral of Ben Gurion, when Shoghi Effendi led the procession—Mason walked directly behind him. Then when Shoghi set up the IBC/UHJ, he appointed Mason, 'Abdu'l-Baha's son, to be its head—the president—for only 'Abdu'l-Baha's son, a male descendant of King David, could sit upon the throne of David, which Baha'u'llah moved from Nur to Mt. Carmel. Baha'u'llah's father sat upon the throne of David and Baha'u'llah "the Great Prince"* inherited that throne.†

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 12 TRIBES OF ISRAEL IN ISRAEL

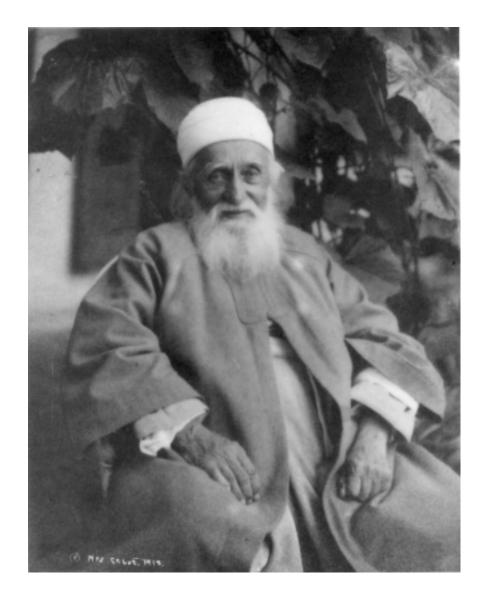
In the fulfillment of prophecy, Baha'u'llah being of the tribe of Judah (and Benjamin), a descendant of the line of Davidic kings that remained in Babylon (now part of Iran), was imprisoned in Tehran and then exiled to Baghdad, which is part of the ancient Assyrian Empire where King Shalmaneser V in 721 B.C. took the ten tribes of Israel into captivity. These tribes became known as the twelve tribes of Isreal. They became lost in identity by being converted to Zoroastrianism and then to Islam. Baha'u'llah spent ten years in Baghdad teaching; and when he made His proclamation on April 21, 1863 A.D., the seed of these ten tribes of Israel became the first Baha'is along with His own family who were of the seed of Judah and Benjamin. Thus Baha'u'llah united a remnant of the 12 tribes of Israel (ten Northern and two Southern) (See Romans 11:23, 24). Then Baha'u'llah as a prisoner of the Turkish Empire was brought to Mt. Carmel in the valley of Sharon in Israel, fulfilling prophecy (Ez. 43:1-7; Is. 35:1, 2.) Part of this remnant that he united accompanied him in His exile to what is now the state of Israel; thus, He brought a remnant of the 12 tribes of Israel out of captivity and returned this regathered Israel by its new name Baha'i (of Glory) to the country of Israel in fulfillment of a mass of biblical prophecies in the Old Testament. As one accepts Baha'u'llah's Covenant they become part of the Messianic Kingdom under its new name Baha'i, which means "of Glory" (See Romans 11:17-32).

^{* &}quot;At that time shall arise Michael [one like God], the great prince [Davidic] who has charge of your people" (Dan. 12:1).

[†] The Seventh Angel Sounded, April 4, 1994, pp. 4-6.

'ABDU'L-BAHA, Aghsan

The Most Great Branch



SON OF BAHA'U'LLAH

SHOGHI EFFENDI, Afnan

Twig; 1st Guardian, Cause of God



GRANDSON OF 'ABDU'L-BAHA

This kingdom was brought to every country of the world (every state, Province, Protectorate, Island and practically every city) during the Kingship of 'Abdu'l-Baha and the guardianship of Shoghi Effendi. In order to gather Israel together it was essential to have the temple restored for it was the intermediary between Israel and God, "the dwelling place of God". It was destroyed twice, once in 586 B.C. and then by Titus in 70 A.D.

THE PROPHESIED TEMPLE OCCURS AT THE END OF THE CHRONOLOGICAL PASSAGEWAY

The original Tabernacle that Moses had constructed in the desert was but a replica of what occurs at the end of the ascending passageways in the great Pyramid (Acts 3:22, Isaiah 19:19, 20). It consisted of an Altar, Sanctuary, the Holy of Holies and Ark of the Covenant. Moses was brought up in Egypt in the vicinity of the Great Pyramid where he spent the first forty years of his life. What he built with hands was to be destroyed (Heb. 9:8). Solomon replaced the Tabernacle with a stone structure, which was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar in 586 B.C. This structure was rebuilt again by some returning Jews to Jerusalem. Then this second Temple was destroyed by Titus in 70 A.D. This Temple is to be replaced by an Ideal temple not built by hands (Heb. 8:2, 5; 9:8, 11; Ezekiel chapters 40-44). Christ Jesus did not establish this ideal temple here on earth, for the one built by hands was still standing during his lifetime (Heb. 9:8). This was to come with the second Advent. Ezekiel sees this restored temple in his vision as the Advent of the Bab and Baha'u'llah: "as Baha'u'llah (Glory of God) entered the temple by the way of the Bab (gate)..." (Ez. 43:4). The Bab was the forerunner of Baha'u'llah. This restored temple occurs at the end of ascending passageways, which is a Chronological time scale of one Pyramid inch represent-ing one solar year. This is the pathway of God from Adam to the Advent of the Bab and Baha'u'llah in the Great Pyramid. This passageway comes to an end on March 21, 1844, the start of the Baha'i Era (start of the Baha'i Calendar) and the proclamation of the Bab on May 23, 1844. This is the same date given by Daniel for the sanctuary to be restored at the time of the return of Christ (Matt. 24:3, 15; Dan 8:13, 14). From this point on each inch represents one Baha'i month of 19 days with there being 19.2232 Baha'i months in one solar year. This is at the start of the Altar. The Altar comes to an end just inside of the Sanctuary in the year nine of the Baha'i era. On this Altar the Bab and 10,000 of His followers were martyred, purifying the Sanctuary with their blood restoring it (see Dan. 8:14 in both KJV and RSV).

The end of the Alter brings us to the year nine of the Baha'i Era when Baha'u'llah received the Holy Spirit and began His ministry. The number of inches from the end of the passageway (start of the altar) to the start of the Holy of Holies (the dwelling of God) brings us to the proclamation date of Baha'u'llah on April 21, 1863 A.D. These are the same dates that Christ gave for his second coming (for explanations see the books *Some Answered Questions* or "The Beast"). The Revelation of the Bab is of the potency of the Sanctuary, and the Revelation of Baha'u'llah is of the potency of the Holy of Holies, the dwelling of God among men (the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in Heaven). Baha'u'llah in His Covenant appoints His son the Most Great Branch from whom the Davidic Kingship descends, thus replacing the lost Ark of the Covenant in the Holy of Holies. With this re-established Temple, the central point of worship of Israel, the 12 tribes of Israel were brought out of captivity to Israel.

THE DISPERSAL OF ISRAEL TO ALL OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD

Shoghi Effendi Afnan, a twig (W&T, p. 25) not of the Davidic line of descent through a male member, was the first guardian of the Cause of God. Being an Afnan, the kindred of the Bab, a descendant of Muhammad and not an Israelite, he understood that he was of the line of sacrifice and to be martyred, like The Bab before him, and that the Administration he was establishing would be sacrificed, that is, hi-jacked by the Covenant-breakers. Shoghi Effendi also knew of the date for the advent of the Promised One, the Lamb, who was to appear at the end of the 1335 days spoken of by the prophet Daniel in chapter 12 to establish the Kingdom, when he corrected the book of Baha'u'llah and the New Era, explaining that: "'Abdu'l-Baha's Tablets make it clear that this prophecy refers to the 100th anniversary of the Proclamation of Baha'u'llah in the garden of Ridvan or April 21, 1963." He therefore rushed to have his administration completed by 1963 A.D. (in his ten year world crusade)—calling it "this Age of Transition"*—so that in this way all things would be prepared for the prophesied date of the establisher of the Kingdom, the Promised Lamb. 'Abdu'l-Baha had explained that the 1335 days of Daniel's prophecy (Dan. 12:12) is 1963 A.D. and after this date the Kingdom would be established, meaning that is the date for the coming of the establisher of the Kingdom (New Era, p. 302, '53 to '63 Ed.). In Some Answered Questions page 66, he stated that the 7th angel, a man with spiritual qualities,

^{*} Transitional Age, also called Formative or Iron Age, see *God Passes By*, pp. xiii, 26, 252, 324, 388.

would come and establish the Kingdom. This man then would also be the Promised Lamb of the Book of Revelation, for in the text they both do the same thing—establish the Kingdom. When Mason Remey, the first guardian of the Davidic line of descent, became guardian he expelled from the Baha'i Religious Faith (which is the Messianic Kingdom) that corrupted administration that the Covenant-breaking "Hands" had hi-jacked, and made it clear that the Promised Lamb, or the establisher of the Messianic Kingdom, was yet to come. Thus the "Baha'is" had already separated themselves from the Baha'i Faith by breaking the Covenant, for they refused to continue in the Guardianship when it shifted from the Afnan line of descent of Shoghi Effendi Afnan (of the Bab) to the Aghsan (Baha'u'llah) line of descent of Mason Remey. By their not coming under the Davidic line of descent in the guardianship of Mason Remey Aghsan, they were now out of the Baha'i Faith as they continued to be the followers of that hi-jacked administration that was usurped by the Covenant-breaking "Hands". As this administration had been established, and was set up by Shoghi Effendi, in all of the countries of the world, the followers of this administration were thus dispersed to all of the countries of the world (Deut. 28:64), for this administration (cancer) was then cut out of the Baha'i Faith as it formed no part of the Messianic Kingdom.

CHRIST JESUS BOTH KING AND PRIEST

Christ, the Messianic king, and Jesus, the High Priest (after the order of Melchizedec) have come a second time as have been prophesied in scriptures.

When Baha'u'llah fulfilled the prophesies in scriptures for the second coming of Christ, He then was also the second coming of the Messiah, the Promised Davidic King. Being a Manifestation of God, like Moses and Jesus (Deut. 18:15, 18), He was the intermediator between God and Israel (God's chosen) as was Moses. As Moses transferred this Intermediatorship from himself to the tent of witness, the Tabernacle, with the High Priest standing in the dwelling place of God, the Holy of Holies, Baha'u'llah in His Covenant also transferred or continued the intermediaryship to the Most Great Branch. 'Abdu'l-Baha, in His Will and Testament, split the Kingship and the priesthood up into the Guardianship and the Universal House of Justice. He then appointed an intermediary guardian (embryonic), Shoghi Effendi Afnan (twig), between Himself an Aghsan (Branch) and His son Mason Remey Aghsan. The embryonic Universal House of Justice already was in existence in the person of "the land" (Leland), at the passing of 'Abdu'l-Baha, who fulfills the prophecies of the return of Jesus, The High Priest, after the order of Melchizedec, who had come a second time to establish His Father's (Abba or Abha) Kingdom. He was the Sacrificial Lamb that returned as the Lamb with seven eyes and seven horns (Rev. 5:6). He fulfills the prophecy of the Advent of Joshua the High Priest standing in the Holy of Holies (Zech. 3rd chapter). The seven horns are the seven religions preceding the Advent of the Bab and Baha'u'llah. The seven eyes indicates that he is knowledgeable in these religions, breaking their seals. This is indicated by the stone with seven eyes that was placed before him; each of the watch towers having an eye (Zech. 3:9). He is now regathering Israel the second time, by fulfilling prophecy, (Is. 11:11) from the four corners of the earth. These are the 144,000 of Chapters 7 and 14 of Revelation.

Thus, by Leland fulfilling prophecy, and by his explanations and commentaries, he is establishing the Messianic Kingdom, the Davidic Kingship (Guardianship) and the Universal House of Justice which succeeds him in this world. This is the long promised (in scriptures) Messianic Kingdom—The Kingdom of God on earth as it is in Heaven.

THE TABLET OF THE DICHOTOMY

UNDERSTANDING THE DICHOTOMY

"THERE IS NO ASSOCIATE FOR THE DAWNING PLACE OF COMMAND (THE MANIFESTATION OF GOD) IN THE SUPREME SINLESSNESS"

"In truth he is the Manifestor of 'He does what he wishes' in the kingdom of creation. Verily God has reserved this station for Himself, and has not left to anyone a share of this inviolable condition" (Kitabi-Aqdas).*

"Know that sinlessness [infallibility] is of two kinds: essential sinlessness and acquired sinlessness. In like manner there is essential knowledge and acquired knowledge and so it is with other names and attributes. Essential sinlessness is peculiar to the universal Manifestations, for it is his essential requirement, and an essential requirement cannot be separated from the thing itself... But acquired sinlessness [infallibility] is not a natural necessity; on the contrary, it is a ray of the bounty of sinlessness which shines from the Sun of Reality upon hearts, and grants a share and portion of itself to souls... To epitomize: essential sinlessness belongs especially to the universal Manifestations, and the acquired sinlessness is granted every holy soul. For instance, the General House of Justice, if it be established under the necessary conditions – with members elected from all the people – the House of Justice will be under the protection of the guardianship of God. If that House of Justice shall decide unanimously, or by a majority, upon any question not mentioned in the Book (Kitab-i-Aqdas), that decision and command will be guarded from mistake. Now the members of the House of Justice have not, individually, essential sinlessness; but the body of the House of Justice is under the protection of God; this is called conferred infallibility" (Some Answered Questions, pp. 197-199).

As the world around us is in great confusion and divided, so also are the Baha'is. This is a result of their not understanding Baha'u'llah's Covenant. In

^{* &}quot;i.e., The Most Holy Book. The principle work of Baha'u'llah, which contains the greater part of the commandments. It is the basis of the principles of Bahaism" (*Some Answered Questions*, p. 197).

His Covenant He refers to the meaning of, "A mighty power and supreme potency is hidden and concealed in the world of being." He then goes on to tell us to, "Focus your gaze upon it and the direction of its unity, not upon the differences which are apparent therein." Here He is telling us that what He is giving us in His following paragraph is the **source of unity** for the whole world, but there are apparent differences therein. The whole Baha'i World has gone astray by not focusing its gaze upon the mighty power and potency, and has devised something other than what Baha'u'llah provided, replacing it with something of their own creation. What Baha'u'llah asked us to gaze upon was 'Abdu'l-Baha, the most great Branch:

"When the sea of My Presence is exhausted and the Book of Origin hath reached its end, turn you unto him ('Abdu'l-Baha) who is desired by God – he who is issued from this ancient root." The purpose of this sacred verse is the **most great Branch**. Thus have we declared the matter as a favor on our part, and we are the gracious, the beneficent! (*Kitab-i-Ahd*)

There branched from the Sadratu'l-Muntaha hath sacred and glorious Being, this Branch of Holiness; well is it with him that hath sought His shelter and abideth beneath His shadow. Verily the Limb of the Law of God hath sprung forth from this Root which God hath firmly implanted in the Ground of His Will, and Whose Branch hath been so uplifted as to encompass the whole of creation. Magnified be He, therefore, for this sublime, this blessed, this mighty, this exalted Handiwork!... A word hath, as a token of Our grace, gone forth from the Most Great Tablet – a Word which God hath adorned with the ornament of His own Self, and made it sovereign over the earth and all that is therein, and a sign of His greatness and power amongst its people... Render thanks unto God, O people, for His appearance; for verily He is the most great Favor unto you, the most perfect bounty upon you; and through Him every mouldering bone is quickened. Whoso turneth towards Him hath turned towards God, and whoso turneth away from Him hath turned away from My Beauty, hath repudiated My Proof, and transgressed against Me. He is the Trust of God amongst you, His charge within you, His manifestation unto you and His appearance among His favored servants... We have sent Him down in the form of a human temple. Blest and sanctified be God Who createth whatsoever He willeth through His inviolable, His infallible decree. They who deprive themselves of the shadow of the Branch, are lost in the wilderness of error, are consumed by the heat of worldly desires, and are of those who will assuredly perish (Tablet of the Branch as quoted in the *World Order of Baha'u'llah*, p. 135).

And again [Baha'u'llah states] "...refer ye whatsoever ye **understand not** in the Book, to Him ['Abdu'l-Baha] Who hath **branched** from this mighty stock." 'Abdu'l-Baha Himself wrote the following – "In accordance with the explicit text of the Kitab-i-Aqdas Baha'u'llah hath made the Center of the Covenant ['Abdu'l-Baha] the interpreter of His Word – a Covenant so firm and mighty that from the beginning of time until the present day no religious Dispensation hath produced its like" (**Station of 'Abdu'l-Baha**, *Baha'u'llah and the New Era*, chapter 4).

Baha'u'llah proclaimed that he was the ancient root and 'Abdu'l-Baha was the **Most Great Branch**. In so doing Baha'u'llah and 'Abdu'l-Baha fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah in his 11th chapter, "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse and a **Branch** shall grow out of his roots." "And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek; and his rest shall be glorious" (Isaiah 11:1 and 10). This shows that 'Abdu'l-Baha, who Baha'u'llah decreed to be His successor and the interpreter of His Revelation, is a Promised One of God, and therefore going against 'Abdu'l-Baha is going against God.

In spite of the clarity of the above the entire Baha'i World has gone astray. With the passing of Shoghi Effendi in 1957 a nonauthoritative group called the "Hands" usurped the control of the faith by falsely decreeing that the guardianship of the faith, set up by 'Abdu'l-Baha, and was to exist forever, had come to an end. They said God had broken His Covenant. This act was done maliciously so they could get control of the faith. The Baha'i World went along with this violation because they were confused by a dichotomy that had occurred.

In the text of the Covenant (Kitab-i-Ahd) following where Baha'u'llah had established the most great Branch ('Abdu'l-Baha): Baha'u'llah declared: "God hath, verily, decreed the station of the great Branch [Muhammad Ali] next to that of the most great Branch ['Abdu'l-Baha]. Verily He is the wise ordainer." Here Baha'u'llah had provided for two successors upon whom He had conferred infallibility. After these two would be the Universal House of Justice that would inherit the infallibility of these two successors, as

Baha'u'llah had already, as stated above, conferred infallibility upon that body.

The confusion and trouble occurred after the passing of Baha'u'llah, when the Lesser Branch, Muhammad Ali, didn't like the framework his Father, Baha'u'llah, had placed him in, the Lesser Branch. He wanted to be equal to 'Abdu'l-Baha, and not to function consecutively, but concurrently with 'Abdu'l-Baha. As the Lesser Branch he would not be able to change anything that 'Abdu'l-Baha set up and interpreted. When 'Abdu'l-Baha would not go along with Muhammad Ali's violation, he made war upon 'Abdu'l-Baha, causing 'Abdu'l-Baha to become reincarcerated within the confines of Akka.

With Muhammad Ali breaking the Covenant and separating himself from the Baha'i faith it was necessary for 'Abdu'l-Baha to replace him. Because Baha'u'llah, in the Kitab-i-Ahd, had disqualified the other brothers of 'Abdu'l-Baha and Muhammad Ali from being successors to Baha'u'llah, Muhammad Ali thought he had 'Abdu'l-Baha over a barrel, so-to-speak, thinking 'Abdu'l-Baha would not be able to replace him, therefore he thought 'Abdu'l-Baha would have to concede to his Covenant-breaking.

So 'Abdu'l-Baha set up a dichotomy, he divided the station that Muhammad Ali was to inherit in two, giving his son the Davidic kingship lineage, and to his grandson the conferred infallibility. He adopted Charles Mason Remey to be his son according to Palestinian Law and also in conformity of the present day Israeli Law, to replace his only son that had passed away in infancy, thus conferring upon him the Davidic lineage that he himself had inherited from Baha'u'llah who was a direct male descendant in an unbroken chain of father-to-son ancestors seated on David's throne. But 'Abdu'l-Baha did not confer on Mason Remey the infallibility that Baha'u'llah had conferred on 'Abdu'l-Baha and then Muhammad Ali. In his Will and Testament 'Abdu'l-Baha conferred this infallibility upon Shoghi Effendi, his grandson through his daughter who was Shoghi Effendi's mother. Because Shoghi Effendi was not a male line descendant of 'Abdu'l-Baha and Baha'u'llah he could not inherit the throne of David which is only passed down through the male line. That is why 'Abdu'l-Baha adopted Mason Remey. As an adopted son Mason Remey had all the rights and privileges of a natural son including the right of kingship. Whereas when 'Abdu'l-Baha named Shoghi Effendi the infallible guardian of the Cause of God, he conferred upon Shoghi Effendi the infallibility that would have been Muhammad Ali's had he not defected. This infallibility was to be passed down to Shoghi Effendi's lineal descendants. Baha'u'llah only provided for two infallible descendants ('Abdu'l-Baha and Shoghi Effendi) and then the House of Justice.

Thus Shoghi Effendi's lineal* descendant, being he did not have a biological son, was the House of Justice that Shoghi Effendi had set up in its embryonic form as the first International Baha'i Council. Shoghi Effendi intended for this first International Baha'i Council to become a World Court in 1963, then he planned that the body would become elected and then it would blossom into the Universal House of Justice.

Shoghi Effendi appointed the members of that embryonic International Baha'i Council and placed 'Abdu'l-Baha's son, Mason Remey, a member, as its president, making him the fallible head of the infallible Universal House of Justice and thus the fallible guardian of the Baha'i faith. This was in accordance with 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament which mandated that the guardians would be seated at the head of the Universal House of Justice. Thus the head of the Universal House of Justice is the guardian of the Baha'i faith.

'Abdu'l-Baha explained it this way using symbols:

The meaning is that certain personages guided the people with a staff grown out of the earth, and shepherded them with a rod, like unto the rod of Moses. Others trained and shepherded the people with a rod of iron, as in the dispensation of Muhammad. And in this present cycle, because it is the mightiest of dispensations, that <u>rod</u> grown out of the <u>vegetable</u> kingdom and that <u>rod of iron</u> will be transformed into a <u>rod of purest gold</u>, taken out from the endless treasure houses in the Kingdom of the Lord. **By this rod will the people be trained** ('Abdu'l-Baha, *Selections from the Writings of 'Abdu'l-Baha*, p. 166).

In this case, the staff of wood that is grown out of the earth and is reproduced by its seed, is Baha'u'llah's genealogy, a father-to-son descendant of King David. The genealogy of the Bab and of Shoghi Effendi show that they were male descendants of Muhammad and were thus rods of iron. Muhammad didn't have a son, so his descendants were from his daughter,

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^{* &}quot;lineal" meaning a straight line does not necessarily have to be a genealogical son. In this case it means that what succeeds Shoghi Effendi.

Fatima (the female represents the spiritual), thus they were the spiritual descendants of Muhammad or rods of iron.

'Abdu'l-Baha explained that the reason Shoghi Effendi was infallible, being of the lineage of the "Twin Holy Trees,"* was because this lineage was from both the Bab, who was a descendant of Muhammad (iron), and Baha'u'llah, who was a descendant of King David (wood), making him a <u>rod of purest gold</u>. Therefore Shoghi Effendi could not be succeeded by just a rod of wood, Mason Remey. Thus Shoghi Effendi could only be succeeded by another <u>rod of purest gold</u>. This consisted of the Universal House of Justice in its embryonic state, the first International Baha'i Council. Shoghi Effendi appointed the members of the body of that Council making them his spiritual heirs or a rod of iron. He placed that fallible head of wood, Mason Remey, to be the head and member of that body making it an infallible <u>rod of purest gold</u>.

Now the members of the House of Justice have not, individually, essential sinlessness; but the **body** of the House of Justice is under the protection of God: this is called **conferred infallibility** (*Some Answered Questions*, p. 199).

When the wicked and sinful "Hands" chopped off the head of that body, and then aborting it in embryo and preventing it from becoming a World Court on Mt. Carmel in 1963, they did away with the hereditary guardianship set up by 'Abdu'l-Baha in his Will and Testament, as well as, the IBC. By going against 'Abdu'l-Baha and Shoghi Effendi they were going against God, leaving Mason Remey no other alternative but to expel them from the Baha'i faith.

Had the Baha'i World been awake and had they digested the Covenant as delineated in 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament, as enacted by Shoghi Effendi, they would not have gone along with the Covenant-breaking, nonauthoritative "Hands" in their violation of the Covenant. They would have immediately, upon the passing of Shoghi Effendi, turned solely to the head of the faith, the first International Baha'i Council (the UHJ in its primary state), that was Shoghi Effendi's successor and nobody else.

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^{*} Page 3, Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha.

Now that they find they are in the great violation, they should exit it by turning to the second International Baha'i Council set up by the one promised in scriptures and in the Baha'i writings, whose mission is to lead them out of their violation and to reestablish them back into the Baha'i faith that the Covenant-breakers had thrown out. He is the great teacher prophesied in scriptures to come as the "seventh angel," as explained by 'Abdu'l-Baha in the 11th chapter of *Some Answered Questions*; as "Blessed is he" that was prophesied to come in 1963 as explained by 'Abdu'l-Baha in the 14th chapter of *Baha'u'llah and the New Era* under the subtitle of the **Coming of the Kingdom of God**; and in the 3rd chapter of Zechariah.

THE GENEALOGY OF BAHA'U'LLAH

I "The Ancient Beauty (Baha'u'llah) ruleth upon the **Throne of David**. Thus hath my pen spoken that which the histories of bygone ages have related." (Baha'u'llah, *Proclamation of Baha'u'llah*, p. 89)

TROUBLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The world urgently needs its Messiah to resolve the problems in the Middle East. All the three major religions in the Middle East, Jews, Muslims, and Christians are expecting the coming of a Messiah. It is through the Baha'i Faith that the promised Messiah has been revealed to the world, but the corrupt religious leaders of the world have concealed this fact from the people of the world.

Although the prophet Baha'u'llah was born in Persia (Iran), He was a direct and male-lineage descendant of King David and sat upon King David's Throne, which continued in Persia after the Jews were taken in Babylonian captivity around 600 B.C.

The Baha'i Teachings maintain that God sent nine Great Prophets to reveal God's Holy Spirit to humanity. All nine Prophets are united as one soul in one body (even as in our physical body we have nine biological systems united in one perfect form) and revealed the same Spiritual Truth so that mankind could live in harmony. The Prophets' Revelations, however, no longer appear the same because they have been corrupted by the leaders of each of the respective religions. As a consequence, instead of world harmony around the Prophets' Revelations, the world is now on the verge of a great war to be precipitated in the Middle East.

Baha'i Prophecies reveal that a new age of peace on earth will begin at the beginning of the twenty-first century, but only after the world has experienced a thermo-nuclear war, the collision of a great meteor with the earth, and the shifting of the upper crustal surface of the earth. This new age will be the Kingdom of God on earth promised by Jesus Christ in the Lord's Prayer: a real kingdom with laws, subjects, and a king. The government of God ruling from the throne of King David which is the executive branch of the "House of the Lord" spoken of by the Prophet Isaiah (Is. 2:2) entitled the Universal House of Justice of Baha'u'llah. The purpose of the descendant of King David being the President and the Executive Branch of Baha'u'llah's House of Justice is so that we can recognize the true Universal House of Justice of Baha'u'llah from fakes, frauds, and imitations.

THE GENEALOGY OF BAHA'U'LLAH

"Upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom to order it, and to establish it with judgement and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this." (Isaiah 9:7 KJV)

Baha'u'llah fulfills God's unbreakable promise to King David, which is the theme throughout the Old and New Testament of the Bible. Testament means "Covenant" or "Promise." God promised that the sons of King David's sons would sit upon King David's Throne forever and "in that day" King David's Throne would be reestablished as the center of the Kingdom of God on earth. King David's Throne is God's Throne on earth (1 Chron. 29:22-23). Baha'u'llah revealed the provisions for the Kingdom of God on earth and centered the Kingdom around King David's Throne.

King David's sons are entitled "Christs." Christ is the Greek translation for the Hebrew "Messiah" or specifically "Messiah Bar David," which means an "anointed son of King David." Two of the nine Great Prophets were prophesied to be sons of King David and reveal the Holy Spirit.

Jesus was the first of the two Christs or sons of King David to possess the Holy Spirit. Jesus was referred to as the "suffering Messiah." Jesus was a descendant of King David, but not through the "throne line." This fact is substantiated by biblical records of Jesus' genealogy. Jesus was a carpenter's son. Thus, Jesus said His Kingdom was not of this world. Jesus, however, revealed the gospel or good news of the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth and instructed us to pray for the coming of the Kingdom on earth as it was revealed in heavenly prophecies.

Baha'u'llah was the second of the two prophesied Christs or sons of King David to possess the Holy Spirit. Baha'u'llah was referred to as the "redeeming or reigning Messiah," Who was to reestablish King David's Throne as the center of God's Kingdom on earth. Baha'u'llah was a descendant of King David through the "throne line."

The difference between the lineage of Jesus and Baha'u'llah is that Baha'u'llah is descended from David's son, Solomon. Therefore none of Jesus' ancestors sat upon the throne of David, whereas all of Baha'u'llah's ancestors were descendants from David seated on the throne of David. Baha'u'llah's father was seated upon the throne of David—as well as His

grandfather and great grandfather—in an unbroken chain all the way back to King David. If Baha'u'llah wasn't, He would be an impostor. Baha'u'llah said in His proclamation (in The Proclamation of Baha'u'llah on page 89) that He, the Ancient Beauty, ruleth upon the throne of David. Psalm 89 tells us that there will always be a man seated upon David's throne:

"Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations" (Psalm 89:4).

King David's lineage is to exist forever. The two Christs, Jesus and Baha'u'llah, are descended from King David. The lineage of the first Christ came to an end with the passing of Jesus, as he didn't marry and have a son. However, the lineage of David seated on the throne of David is the one that is to last forever (Psalm 89). That is, all of Baha'u'llah's ancestors all the way back to King David were seated on the **throne** of David in exile, called Exilarchs. This lineage is of this world. Baha'u'llah continued this lineage in His Covenant, where he passed it on to 'Abdu'l-Baha, who passed it on to his son, Mason Remey Aghsan; then he passed it on to his son, Joseph Pepe Remey Aghsan, who passed it on to his son, and then on and on for ever. Shoghi Effendi placed 'Abdu'l-Baha's son at the head as president of the first International Baha'i Council whose constitution would last for half a million years with this genealogy of King David being its presidents. This Council was to go through four stages and become the Universal House of Justice at the end of this century. This plan of God was derailed by the Covenantbreaking "Hands" when they went against Shoghi Effendi and his plan; establishing in its stead a bogus "House of Justice," minus its head (a headless monster), doing away with the Davidic lineage that is to last forever. This Davidic lineage is the Executive Branch which is an integral* part of the Universal House of Justice (W&T, p. 15). This Headless Monster of the "Hands" cannot live, any more than you can live without your head.

All of Baha'u'llah's ancestors sat on the throne of King David. Baha'u'llah's father sat on the throne of King David, and His grandfather sat on the throne of King David, His great-grandfather sat upon the throne of

^{*} integral—1. Being an indispensable part of a whole; essential; constituent. 2. Formed of parts that together constitute a unity; an integral whole. 3. Whole, entire, complete.

King David, in an unbroken chain of father to son descendants of King David, all the way back to King David himself. Baha'u'llah, in His Proclamation on page 89, said that He "ruleth upon the throne of David." This lineage of King David is to last forever:

"Once for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will **not** <u>lie</u> to David. His line shall endure forever, his throne as long as the sun before me. Like the moon it shall be established for ever." (Psalms 89:35, 36).

Baha'u'llah continued this lineage in His Covenant appointing 'Abdu'l-Baha as His successor; and then on to 'Abdu'l-Baha's son, Mason Remey Aghsan, and his descendants as a line of guardians, to sit as presidents or heads of the Universal House of Justice. The great **sin** of the "Hands" is that they took an ax and swung it at the very root* of this Davidic lineage that Baha'u'llah had set up to succeed Him, and thus tried to do away with this Davidic lineage that is to last forever. Then they foisted this Covenant-breaking outrageous violation onto the mass of the foolish and ignorant Baha'is, who gobbled this gobbledygook (violation) as if it were a delicious meal, making them very sick Baha'is, lepers (Covenant-breakers).

THE BIBLE DOES NOT LIE!

When the Jews were taken into Babylonian captivity around 600 B.C., biblical records state that the Davidic Kingship was set above all other kings in Babylon (2 Kings 25:28). The biblical prophet Jeremiah foretold that the Davidic Kings would remain secured in Babylon and never return to Judah. The Bible does not record any further information on the Davidic Kingship in Babylon because the "mainline" Jews, including the ten so called "lost tribes of Israel," remained in Babylon and did not record the extensive history of the Davidic Kingship in the Bible. Jewish historical records from Iran, however, reveal that the Davidic Kingship continued as the "Exilarchs" meaning "Monarchs ruling in exile." The Davidic Kings continued their pure Jewish line until around 600 A.D. when a ruler of the Sassanian Dynasty killed all the

^{*} Baha'u'llah said He was the ancient root. "When the ocean of My presence hath ebbed and the Book of My Revelation is ended, turn your faces toward Him Whom God hath purposed, who hath branched from the **Ancient Root**." (*The Kitab-i-Aqdas*, p. 63).

heirs to the Davidic Kingship except for an unborn son. Before the Sassanian monarch could execute the unborn child he had a vision in which he cut all the branches off the Davidic tree. But when he was about to pull the tree out by its roots an ancient man struck him and prevented him from uprooting the tree. Because of this vision the Sassanian monarch brought the pregnant queen to his palace and raised her son, Bostanai, who continued the **Exilarch** lineage. Later, the Caliph Ali arranged the marriage of the sole surviving Davidic King, Bostanai, to a daughter of the Sassanian monarch. The Caliph Ali was a prophet and the rightful successor of Mohammed. This marriage united the Davidic Kingship with the Sassanian Dynasty, which was the greatest of the pre-Muslim dynasties, and it fulfilled prophecy by assuring the continuation of King David's lineage. The Sassanian Dynasty was also a continuation of the ancient Zoroastrian Kingship. Baha'u'llah descended from these three great Kingships, but as a male-lineage descendant of King David. Baha'u'llah was the "King of Kings!"

Baha'u'llah continued King David's lineage through His son, 'Abdu'l-Baha, whose name means "Servant of the Glory." 'Abdu'l-Baha's only son, however, died at infancy, which would have ended King David's lineage except for the fact that 'Abdu'l-Baha adopted a Gentile onto the Throne of King David. That Gentile was Mason Remey, an American born in Burlington, Iowa.

The adoption of an American into the Davidic lineage fulfilled ancient prophecies. Baha'i prophecies state that King David's Throne would be firmly established in America. Native American Hopis are also waiting for their "Guardian" to come to them in America and be their leader in the new world. In the Baha'i Faith, the descendants of King David through Baha'u'llah are entitled "Guardians of the Cause of God." Thus, the Davidic Kingship through Baha'u'llah is the Hopi's Guardian in the new world or the Kingdom of God on earth.

On the back of the U.S. one dollar bill appears the "Jewish six-pointed star of King David" above the head of the American Eagle in the Great Seal of America. The thirteen U.S. stars are arranged in the shape of the six-pointed star of David—the same six-pointed star seen on the national flag of Israel. In the original cast of the Great Seal, all thirteen stars were "six-pointed Jewish stars" arranged in the shape of a six-pointed star. America's founding fathers were Freemasons well aware of the prophecies for King David's Throne coming to America, thus, they symbolized the coming of King David's Throne to America on the Great Seal of America.

The adoption of the American Gentile Mason Remey also fulfilled the ancient "Shiloh prophecy," (Gen. 49:10) which stated that the rulers staff would depart from the tribe of Judah, which is King David's tribe.

In 1957, under the influence of the Iranian Baha'is, the perverse leaders of the Baha'i religion deceived the western Baha'is of Christian background in to believing that the Guardianship or Davidic Kingship had ended. The Iranian Baha'is were of Muslim background and did not want a Jewish King—they hated the Jews! The perverse Baha'i leaders then took control of the Baha'i treasury and corrupted the Baha'i Faith into another man-made religion steeped in greed. They rejected God's Kingdom for peace on earth. The Baha'i Faith is the only Revelation based upon a legal document—a Will and Testament (Covenant), which centers the Baha'i Faith around the Guardians of the Cause of God, who sit upon King David's Throne forever. Without a guardian there is no Baha'i Faith and there is no Kingdom of God on earth. As a consequence, the world will be thrown into a great war—the Armageddon.

All Prophets foretold of this great corruption of God's Revelation before the end of the age. They also foretold of the coming of a highly spiritual individual, who would appear at the height of a great global conflict and usher in a new age of peace on earth. This highly spiritual person is known by many titles. To the Christians, Muslims, and Baha'is, he is the return of Jesus the Lamb, the Seventh Angel, among other names. On the American dollar bill he is represented as the "all-seeing eye" above the Great Pyramid of Giza and also the American eagle, which is actually symbolizing the phoenix bird.

According to Baha'i and Native American prophesies, this highly spiritual person will establish King David's throne as the center of the Kingdom of God on earth through the American people. This will occur before the end of this century, but only after great catastrophes envelop our world will "the great multitude which no man can number" from every nation, tribe and people of the world be gathered unto the throne, that is the living guardian alive in the world today.

The Israeli government is well aware that Baha'u'llah was a descendant of King David and fulfilled prophesy for their Messiah. They are just waiting for the prophecy to further unfold. Many other world secular and religious leaders including the Pope are also aware of Baha'u'llah, and the fact that by His genealogy He is the male-sperm descendant of King David Who is the Heir to David's Throne. It is only the deceived "little people" who remain ignorant. Soon, however, this deception will end. By the year 2000 A.D., the Kingdom of God will be established, and as the catastrophes escalate, the message of

Baha'u'llah and his genealogy back to King David will be projected. But what the world needs now is their Messiah Who comes with the medicine for this sick world, the covenant of Baha'u'llah, the Baha'i peace plan, for the safety, security, and salvation of all mankind.

THE ANCESTRY OF BAHA'U'LLAH

"He derived His descent on the one hand, from Abraham (the Father of the Faithful) through his wife, Keturah, and on the other from Zoroaster, as well as from Yazdigird, the last king of the Sassanian dynasty. He was moreover, a descendant of Jesse." (Shoghi Effendi, *God Passes By*, p. 94)

"Call out to Zion [the House of David],
O Carmel... the Ancient Beauty ruleth upon the
THRONE of David."
(The Proclamation of Baha'u'llah, p. 89)

Jesse was the father of King David; God promised King David that his descendants would rule forever as Kings over the Kingdom of God on earth (2 Samuel 7:13). Baha'u'llah is that descendant of King David who fulfills the prophecies for the Messiah or Christ. He was prophesied by name, the date for His appearance, the address of His appearance and by His mission which was to establish David's throne in the world and bring peace—not only to the Middle East but to all the world.

The promoter of this Kingdom also fulfills the same golden criteria. He also has been prophesied by name, date, address and profession. Due to these bonafide proofs the establisher of God's Kingdom on earth—and thus the promulgator of world peace through a world government around the Throne of David, as delineated in the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha—can claim authenticity from God.

Baha'is have long been aware of the prophecies that Baha'u'llah fulfills, but they have been divorced and separated from the Kingdom of God for following the corrupt teachings of the 26 dirty Hands of the Cause. They lied to the people when they said that the throne of David now entitled the "Guardian of the Baha'i faith," has come to an end. Shoghi Effendi was not the last Guardian; he was the first.

The throne of David with a man seated upon it will exist forever. Daniel declared that after the demise of these earthly kingdoms, "the God of heaven will set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed....It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand for ever" (Dan. 2:44).

Jesus told Pilate He was born to be a king. But His Kingdom was not of this world (John 18:36). That is, although Jesus was a Messiah—a descendant of King David that is anointed—he did not, according to Luke, descend from David through the line of David that sat upon the throne, but rather from Nathan, the brother of King Solomon.

The throne of David was taken into Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, and the reigning Davidic king, Jehoiachin was placed in prison. Then one of Nebuchadnezzar's successors took Jehoiachin out of prison and dressed him in royal robes and placed him on his (David's) throne (II Kings 25:28). Baha'u'llah descended from Jehoiachin's son Shenazzar. The main stream of Judaism thus remained in Babylon and became great.

This throne with a descendant of King David through Jehoiachin and Shenazzar seated on it, is called the "Exilarchate." This throne was protected by King Ahasuerus, king of Media and Persia. King Ahasuerus married Esther, a Jewess who had been raised by her Uncle Mordecai. The king subsequently made Esther's uncle the Prime Minister over the entire empire, which ruled over 127 captive nations that stretched all the way from India to Ethiopia. For details see the Book of Esther in the Bible.

In the Bible, 1st Chronicles chapter 3, the descendants of King David are listed. Only those descendants through Solomon are seated upon the Throne of David.

Jehoiachin was the last descendant of David to hold royal position as King in Jerusalem. Then Jehoiachin was the first to sit upon the throne of David after it had been moved to Babylon. "It has long been known by the Jews that the Messiah would be a descendant of Jehoiachin" (Ginsberg, *Legends of the Jews, Vol. IV*, p. 287).

Altogether King Jehoiachin had seven sons. The first three had already died by 592 B.C., leaving Jehoiachin's fourth son Shenazzar "to head the Davidic family" (W.F. Albright, *The Biblical Periods from Abraham to Ezra*, p. 86).

The Jews were freed from Babylonian captivity in 539 B.C. by the monotheistic Zoroastrian "Cyrus the Great" of Persia. Only a few of the many captive Jews returned to Jerusalem, the land from which they were taken so many years earlier. The mainline Jews along with the **Exilarchate**, remained in Persia.

The leader of the party that returned was named Zerubbabel. Although Zerubbabel was descended from David through Shealtiel, he did not inherit the Throne of David. He returned to Judah as a mere empty figurehead for the newly released captives. He is of little importance, aside from the fact that Jesus, the suffering Messiah descended from him. Jesus did not inherit the Throne of David on earth because Zerubbabel was from the non-reigning line of David's sons. As well, the throne of David had remained in Persia with the **Exilarchs** seated upon it. While Jesus was hanging on the cross at Jerusalem, an **Exilarch**—a descendant of King David—was seated on the throne of David in Babylon. This is the reason why Jesus said that His Kingdom was not of this world. He did, however, prophesy by name the coming of Baha'u'llah, who would have full legal birthright to the Throne of David (Mark 8:38).

The Babylonian Jewry remained in Mesopotamia for over 2300 years. During the reigns of the Achemenid Persians—Alexander the Great and the Seleucid dynasty—the Throne of David was passed down through inheritance from father to son. The Jews remained a rather quiet community during these occupations although their relation with the ruling dynasties varied a great deal.

The greatest activity of the Babylon Jewry since the time of Mordecai and Esther, was the activity of the **Exilarchate** under the Parthian rule. Here, there is absolutely no dispute that the origin of the **Exilarchate** goes back to Jehoiachin.

Some claim the **Exilarchate** is connected to Jehoiachin through Zerubbabel. This is false, as the recently published cuneiform documents reveal (Ibid., Albright, p. 86). Furthermore, Zerubbabel returned to Palestine with his descendants; he did not remain in Babylon as Shenazzar did.

The detailed list of **Exilarchs** that dates back to Jehoiachin begins its documentation in the midst of the Parthian rule, circa 140 A.D.

Aside from graft, corruption and many political intrigues, the Jews and the Parthians remained on good terms for many generations. Some of the Parthian royalty even converted to Judaism. The Jews were able to survive for a very long time and preserve their heritage and distinct customs.

In 224 A.D. Ardashir Papakin overthrew the Parthian rule and established the Sassanian dynasty. The Sassanians had descended from Abraham through his wife Keturah. Zoroaster was a descendant of Abraham and Keturah and an ancestor to the Sassanians. Zoroaster had only daughters and one of them married the king.

The Sassanian rulers of Persia were not as friendly toward the Jews and **Exilarchs** as the Parthian rulers had been. Although Sassanian kings like Adil the Just (Chosroes) stand out as select few who favored the **Exilarchs**, for the most part the **Exilarchs** were unfavored because of their pure heritage and the blessings that God had lavished upon David and his seed. The Sassanians in fact had similar prophesies about one of their descendants ruling the entire world.

Eventually, one Hormuzd, an evil Sassanian king, (aka Chosroes II called Parviz) sought to destroy all the descendants of David.

In a dream, after seeing her husband murdered, a woman pregnant with the son of an Exilarch, fled for refuge from the killers. She found refuge with a friend until she could give birth to the baby who she named "Bostanai," after the dream, which helped save her and the baby.

The dream told of Hormuzd (Chosroes II) chopping down a tree and cutting off all its branches. Before it was completely destroyed, however, a branch was spared. Later the branch grew and prospered greatly. The dream was interpreted as God's promise to David that one of His descendants would eventually rule the world as king over God's Kingdom on earth. This dream was actually about Baha'u'llah and His Branches, or descendants—the Guardians of the Baha'i Faith.

The last of the Sassanian kings before this great empire fell to the Arabs in 641 A.D., was Yazdigird.

The Arabs who conquered the Sassanians favored Bostanai, and gave him one of the daughters of the Persian King:

"Bostanai had heirs from his Jewish wives and also from the daughter of the Persian King who was given to him by the Caliph Ali. After his death the status of his sons by the Persian wife was in doubt and was the cause of much controversy and intrigue." (*The Universal Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 209)

Baha'u'llah is a descendant of Bostanai through the son of his Persian wife. Baha'u'llah is a male sperm descendant of David, just as He claims. His father was an **Exilarch** and sat upon the throne of David in Mazindaran. In the Tablet of Carmel, Baha'u'llah moved the throne of David to Mount Carmel, and His descendants will be seated upon that throne forever.

The lineage from Bostanai down to Baha'u'llah is easily correlated with the general outline Mirza Abul Fazl has put forth in a copy of his work. When asked about Baha'u'llah's genealogy, 'Abdu'l-Baha said Mirza Abul Fazl had established Baha'u'llah's genealogy and we should refer to it. In this work Fazl explains how the Badustaniyan (Bawand) dynasties of Mazindaran continued the lineage of David.

The Baha'is never really taught the Kingdom. They taught mostly the twelve basic principles, progressive revelation and the administration. With the passing of Shoghi Effendi the administration of the "Hands" and then the headless, Handless "UHJ" completely separated themselves from the Davidic Kingship. Thus, they have completely separated themselves from the central core of the Baha'i Revelation.

THE GENEALOGY OF BAHA'U'LLAH is the banner or the "ensign of Jesse" (Isaiah 11:11 KJV) showing that He fulfills the prophecy for the second coming of CHRIST: the anointed male-sperm, descendant of King David. "Jesse" is the FATHER of King David.

In the Bible the Davidic Kings were captured and taken to Babylon (Iraq) along with the throne of David. Then these kings called **EXILARCHS**—exiled monarchs of David—were freed from captivity by Cyrus the Great, the Persian King, and they were brought into the safety of Persia (modern day Iran) at the time of Daniel circa 536 B.C.

Though some Jews returned to Jerusalem, the majority, including the king seated upon the throne, remained in Persia. The most famous one of these kings of David in exile called **Exilarch**, Bostanai, married the Persian princess Dara. BOSTANAI, after he grew up, had helped Chosroes II called Parviz conquer Jerusalem back from the Romans, in about 613 A.D. For this support in the capture of the Holy City, Chosroes gave BOSTANAI the land of northern Persia called Mazindaran as his personal inheritance (or fiefdom). Persian histories called BOSTANAI by his Persian name, Baw or Gawbawra, and he is the founder of the longest lasting dynasties in Mazindaran and Tabaristan that Baha'u'llah is descended from called the **Badustaniyan** and **Bawand**!

The genealogy histories of Allah Amuli and Ibn Esfendiyar, give this lineage back to Judah, the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham through Judah's son Pharez. Thus these clans of BOSTANAI (Badustaniyan/Bawand) are JEWS from Judah, that is, the word "Jew", meaning descended from Judah. They are the Kings seated upon David's throne and David is their ancestor from Judah (JEW)!

"He derived His descent, on the one hand, from Abraham (the Father of the Faithful) through his wife Katurah, and on the other from Zoroaster, as well as from Yazdigird, the last king of the Sasaniyan dynasty. He was moreover a descendant of Jesse, and belonged, through His father, Mirza Abbas, better known as Mirza Buzurg - a nobleman closely associated with the ministerial circles of the Court of Fath-'Ali Shah—to one of the most ancient and renowned families of Mazindaran." (Shoghi Effendi, *God Passes By*, p. 94)

Baha'u'llah on page 89 of His PROCLAMATION KNEW His own family history from Bostanai through the Badustaynian Bawands and He said of Himself:

"[I, Baha'u'llah] The Ancient Beauty ruleth upon the throne of David. THUS HATH MY PEN SPOKEN that which THE HISTORIES of bygone ages have related!"

(Baha'u'llah, Proclamation of Baha'u'llah, p. 89).

This lineage of David through Baha'u'llah and His son 'Abdu'l-Baha is continued today in the presidents of Baha'u'llah's Universal House of Justice. Today the great-grandson of 'Abdu'l-Baha is the living president seated upon the throne of David, which is to last forever (see Psalms 89 on this for more).

The main purpose for the descendant of King David is so we can recognize the true Universal House of Justice from any fakes frauds or imitations.

THAT this is BOTH a religious TRUTH, and an HISTORICAL FACT, that Baha'u'llah continues the genealogy of David in the presidents of His Universal House of Justice (UHJ), clears up all the confusion of the minds of the people—for only the Baha'is Under the Provisions of the Covenant have this "Sign of God" the "Key of David," the living king himself, to show that they are right with God, according to ALL the provisions of the Sacred Covenant of the Will and Testament (W&T) of 'Abdu'l-Baha which is the CHARTER for the government of the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven (see *World Order of Baha'u'llah*, page 144 and W&T, p. 15).

By rejecting the covenant, by rejecting the living Davidic king, and thereby being anti-christ (anti the lineage of David), and turning away from the true UHJ, the mainstream Covenant-breaking Baha'is have created a headless monster "UHJ" and NOW brought this destruction upon the people and they are directly to blame for this. Their only hope is to come from out their

violation, SHUN the headless monster "UHJ" of the "Hands" and to come under the provisions of the Covenant, be right with God, and accept Baha'u'llah's true Universal House of Justice established in the Holy Land of the Rocky Mountains USA, and accept 'Abdu'l-Baha's great-grandson, as the current president. Otherwise they are lost forever.

Baha'u'llah sat upon the throne of David. Baha'u'llah's father sat upon the throne of David. His grandfather sat upon the throne of David, His great grandfather sat upon the throne of David, etc... all the way back in an unbroken line of male sperm descendants of King David seated upon David's throne to David himself!

The genealogy of Baha'u'llah is given in the Bible; the Jewish Histories, Seder Olam Zuta, Igerret Sherirah Gaon, and Aggaddah; the Persian histories of Allah Amuli and Ibn Esfendiyar and others; the writings of Abu Fazl, the Iqlim-i-Nur of Malik Khusravi and the Baha'i Holy writ. It is both a religious truth and an historical fact that Baha'u'llah is the descendant of King David, the second coming of Christ in the potency of the everlasting Father seated upon the throne of David (Is. 9:6, 7) that the whole world is waiting for. Only the Baha'is under the provisions of the Covenant, loyal to the explanations and commentaries of the Lamb accepts Baha'u'llah, the **ANCIENT ROOT**, as the second coming of Christ knowing His genealogy back to King David through the **Exilarchs** and continued through his son 'Abdu'l-Baha in the guardianship of the Baha'i Faith, the presidents of the true UHJ of Baha'u'llah. 'Abdu'l-Baha explains:

"In Isaiah, chapter 11, verses 1 to 10, it is said: 'And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:...'

"This rod out of the stem of Jesse might be correctly applied to Jesus, for Joseph was of the descendants of **Jesse**, **the father of David**; but as Jesus found existence through the Spirit of God, He called Himself the Son of God. If He had not done so, this description would refer to Him.... **But these verses apply word for word to Baha'u'llah.**" (SAQ, pp. 73, 74)

This is the only group that knows the meaning of "Christ," and the true meaning of the guardianship, the Christ of the Baha'i World Order, thus is mentioned the "key of David." (Rev. 3:7) Because of this knowledge they know that the other groups are false. The term "Christ" designates a malesperm-descendant of David. The "key of David" is the meaning of the word

"Christ". Baha'u'llah came from this genealogy and so did His son 'Abdu'l-Baha, who adopted Mason Remey. Mason Remey Aghsan became the next Davidic King after 'Abdu'l-Baha. Shoghi Effendi then appointed Mason as the president-head of the IBC/UHJ making him the next Guardian, thus the Davidic Kingship continues on in the Institution of Guardianship. There are two criteria for a claim to the Guardianship, the first is that he must be, physically or legally, a son, Aghsan; the second is that he must be appointed by the previous guardian.

The Baha'i faith had a message for the world, but the Covenant-breakers don't give that message: that the descendant of King David must be the president of Baha'u'llah's Universal House of Justice so we can recognize the true UHJ from fakes, frauds and imitations. Either you know the Will and Testament (W&T) of 'Abdu'l-Baha and are pure in heart—PASS the test—Or don't know the W&T—don't have a pure heart—and FAIL the test.

Baha'u'llah is that descendant of King David the whole world is awaiting. The genealogy of Baha'u'llah proves this indisputable fact. This Covenant of Baha'u'llah with His genealogy, which is the Banner of the Kingdom—the Divine Standard unfurled—alone has the power to unite all the peoples of the world and redeem the fortunes of all mankind.†

"Blessed is the Kingdom of our Father David" that is here!

(Mark 11:10 RSV)

First Epistle to Vincent Brown, 1989, pp. 5-7.

Over the Wall, chapters 1, 5, 7.

Revelation Explained, chapter 21.

Limbs of Mankind Quake, 9-11-01

[†] Trouble in the Middle East, November 26-28, 1987.

Mirza Buzurg, Vazir of Persia Davidic; Badustaniyan-Bawand



FATHER OF BAHA'U'LLAH

Dear Joseph Pepe Remey, Aghsan

Help! Help! I am surrounded by pygmies! The spiritual and mental immatures are threatening the progress of the Faith. It seems like the only thing they use their brains for is to hold their hair up. I am in need of the rest of the 144,000 pure of heart, the spiritual and mental intellectual giants. This includes the 24 Elders and the Guardian to come to my rescue and help me fulfill my assignment, by God, to establish His Kingdom here on earth.

All I do is find myself responding to their immaturities and their lack of confidence in Baha'u'llah's Covenant, 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament and Mason Remey's guardianship. Many of them, in the reluctance of the living guardian to assume his responsibility, have thrown their hats into the ring as interpreters of the Baha'i Faith in deference to Mason's interpretations. They claim that they accept Mason's guardianship, but they don't accept his interpretations and actions in his guarding the Baha'i Faith; thus they make interpretations to suit themselves, creating new Covenant-breaking sects or divisions around their interpretations. Baha'u'llah gives us the central point of unity in the Cause—'Abdu'l-Baha and the guardians—to prevent this Faith from breaking up into these dastardly sects. Most of the friends have but a very meager understanding of the Baha'i Faith, which makes the guardianship essential. That is why we are instructed not to deviate even a hair's breadth from the center of the Covenant.

"To none is given the right to put forth his own opinion or express his particular conviction. All must seek guidance and turn to the Center of the Cause [Shoghi Effendi] and the House of Justice [both body and head]. And he that turneth to whatsoever else is indeed in greivous error." (W&T, p. 26).

"Praise be to God, all such doors are closed in the Cause of Baha'u'llah for a special authoritative Center hath been appointed—a Center ['Abdu'l-Baha] that solveth all difficulties and wardeth off all differences. The Universal House of Justice [both body and head], likewise, wardeth off all differences and whatever it prescribeth must be accepted and he who transgresseth is rejected..."

"Thus it is seen that no means for dissension hath been left, but carnal desires are the cause of difference as it is the case with the violators. These do not doubt the validity of the Covenant but selfish motives have dragged them to this condition. It is not that they do not know what they

do—they are perfectly aware and still they exhibit opposition." ('Abdu'l-Baha, *Selections*, pp. 215-216)

The current misconception of the word "interpret" is because all succeeding guardians are to interpret the words. Some people believe that the guardians are infallible as were 'Abdu'l-Baha and Shoghi Effendi as 'Abdu'l-Baha and Shoghi Effendi were infallible and they interpreted the word. They believe that to interpret is to determine the meaning of the words and explain them. Whereas, this concept is only half right therefore people are still hung up on what it means to interpret. According to any dictionary "interpret" means "to explain the meaning of" something or "to give the meaning of" something. Interpret does not mean to "set the meaning of" or "determine the meaning" of something. 'Abdu'l-Baha and Shoghi Effendi both 1) determined and set the meanings of things and also then 2) gave them to the public. After Shoghi Effendi it is the complete House of Justice (both body and head—Davidic) which inherits this dual function. It is the House which 1) determines and sets the meanings of things (with the guardian having a vote of one with no veto power), and then it is 2) the guardian who is the head of the IBC/UHJ who gives and explains these meanings to the public. Thus the guardian is the executive interpreter to the public and the House is the adjudicator and legislature.

"This House of Justice enacteth the laws and the government enforceth them. The legislative body must reinforce the **executive** [Davidic], the **executive** [Davidic] must aid and assist the legislative body so that through the close union and harmony of these **TWO FORCES**, the foundation of fairness and justice may become firm and strong, that all the regions of the world may become even as paradise itself." (W&T, p. 15)

When 'Abdu'l-Baha wrote the Will and Testament (which is the CHARTER for the KINGDOM on earth as it is in heaven)* he was not interpreting he was legislating and determining laws and institutions—delineating the Covenant and Revelation of what Baha'u'llah had revealed. Thus he inaugurates the institution of the guardianship as the presidency of the House whereas this cannot be found in the writings of Baha'u'llah. When Shoghi Effendi set up the four stage plan of how the IBC would evolve into the fully elected UHJ this was not interpreting it was legislating, determining, defining and setting up laws and ordinances. This four stage plan cannot be found in the writings

^{*} See World Order of Baha'u'llah, p. 144.

of Baha'u'llah or 'Abdu'l-Baha. When Baha'u'llah made 'Abdu'l-Baha the Center of His Covenant, He conferred infallibility upon 'Abdu'l-Baha thus giving him this full power. Shoghi Effendi also has this full power as 'Abdu'l-Baha made him the Center of the Cause (a rod of gold) and conferred infallibility upon him (to go against Shoghi Effendi is to go against God).

After Shoghi Effendi the power of legislation and adjudication goes to the IBC/UHJ and after things are clearly defined, determined and set by this infallible body then the guardian as the interpreter or expounder* of the word explains and gives these meanings to the world. If they are found in the explicit text then they are already clearly defined and determined because that is what explicit means. But if there are difficult problems that have caused differences, matters that are obscure or anything that is not found expressly recorded in the Book then it is the House of Justice (both body and head—Davidic) which MUST deliberate upon them until **they** settle the issue amicably and conclusively. Then after the UHJ (head and body both) has determined the meanings, settled the issues, defined the laws, etc... it is the guardian who explains and gives the meanings to the world. This is the meaning of the word *interpreter*. To go against this is to go against God.†

For instance, Mary Magdalene claimed that she accepted Mason's Guardianship and my role of Joshua, the establisher of the Baha'i Faith. This was just in words, however, not in actuality, for when her test came she rejected the guidance and executive function of the First Guardian of the Baha'i Faith, Mason Remey, when he explained the fact that Shoghi Effendi never sat upon the throne of David, in the words and manner that he so chose. How can she claim to accept his guardianship when she doesn't accept his executive function and actions in guarding the Faith? She also severely attacked me when I wrote things that were in accordance with Mason's interpretations (executive function). Instead of her accepting his role as Executive Branch completely and then trying to understand the issues and the reality of the matter, she succumbed to her meager understanding that had been erroneously accepted by the masses of Baha'is who failed to use their God-given intellects to examine the proofs and read and understand the provisions of the Covenant for themselves during the ministry of Shoghi Effendi. Thus, she threw her hat into the ring guarding the Baha'i Revelation from Mason's interpretations and my explanations and

^{*} In Arabic the same word is used for *expound* and for *interpret*. The executive Aghsan guardian does both.

[†] Last Epistles to Pepe, Sept. 20, 1991, pp. 2-3.

commentaries, thus creating a new Covenant-breaking Sect in Granville, Ohio; and she has exerted her efforts to get others to join it.

Another case in point is my nephew Leroy who I helped raise. He has just created another Covenant-breaking Sect around his interpretations that are in deference to the interpretations of Mason Remey. They have gone all the way back to the writings of Baha'u'llah, just as if His Covenant is not a part of His writings. He has gotten his family and two other families to join his sect and he has now moved from here, bringing with him the other families. He is establishing his new sect in Palisades Park, N.J., and they are trying to get others here to join them. He had claimed that he accepted Mason's guardianship, but in order to go against me and your guardianship he had to go against Mason's announcement of the fact that he was seated upon the throne of David and that Shoghi Effendi was not. The fact that this issue was explicit didn't matter to these ones—and so they violated the Covenant, for reasons of their own, creating spiritual excuses, or theologies (mythologies), to attempt to justify why they were not firm in the Covenant and to attempt to justify why they refused to except the authority of the Executive Branch functioning within his role. In the end they have no one to blame but themselves for they were all warned:

"Should he for a moment pass out from under the shadow of the Cause, he surely shall be brought to naught." Reflect! What stress He layeth upon one moment's deviation: that is, were he to incline a hair's breadth to the right or to the left, his deviation would be clearly established and his utter nothingness made manifest." (W&T, p. 6).

There are only two religions in the world: that which comes from God, and that which comes from man. One is true, the other is false. One is the grain and the other the weeds. All of the denominations in the world are the weeds. These are built around the Revelations of God by the theologians who give us their meager understanding. They divide the religion of God up into sects and denominations. In the Christian religion they are the Baptist, Methodists, Catholic, Lutheran, Mormon, Jehovah Witness, etc. The religion of God comes to us in Progressive Revelations from time to time through the Divine Manifestations that fulfill prophecy. The way we distinguish them from the theologians is that they fulfill prophecy. For instance, Jesus came saying that he fulfilled prophecy, but the people in his time followed the sects of the Sadducees, Pharisees, Nazarites, Essenes, etc., that were created by the theologians. They denied Him and had Him crucified. (When the Bab and Baha'u'llah came they fulfilled prophecy; but here again the people were

asleep in their theologies—sects and denominations—in Christianity, the churches—and they thus don't recognize the fulfillment of their religion.) The Baha'i Faith is the fulfillment of the past Revelations, and thus unites them all into the Kingdom of God on earth. The unity of this Kingdom is preserved by the Center of Unity in the Cause, the guardian. He is recognized by his fulfilling the Provisions of the Will and Testament. The establisher of this Kingdom is the Promised One of God. He is recognized by his fulfillment of prophecy. Who are the people of the world going to listen to: the religion of God that comes to us by His Promised Ones that fulfill prophecy, and the Center of that religion, the Guardian; or are they going to listen to the theologians, the man-made religions? This is the judgement that has come upon the world, and those that go by the religion of man are bereft of Divine guidance and are outside of the Kingdom and are for the promised fire, the destruction of ungodly men or those that don't follow the religion of God (II Peter 3:7).

I don't write to you very often because I don't like to say things that might hurt your feelings. But I must tell things the way they are, if for no other reason than to get everything on the right track so to speak. Sometimes I become so disgusted with those that call themselves Baha'is and with the world that I feel they are not worth saving. But then God has laid it on my shoulders to save the world and to establish His Kingdom, so I trudge ahead against the inertia of the downward trend of the world. Thus, here I am writing to you again hoping to get through to you so that you may become some support to the Kingdom. I take issue with you not to put you down, but to try and get you to fulfill your role, so that my burden might be lightened, and the Cause go forward. I feel that if I can show you where you are off track so to speak, you then could make the proper adjustments. If you don't know what your hangups are, how can you get over them? I think that your significant ones are those that you stated to Doctor Opal in your letter to her of May 11, 1978. You stated:

"As for the work Dr. Leland is accomplishing, there is not much anyone can say. We must patiently wait and see what develops. He has stated many things and has taken a very firm stand. I have been through all that when Mason first asked me to care for him. Mason, too, had many plans and expectations and I have seen all those hopes go down the drain so to speak. I cannot go through all that again with Dr. Leland. I can only hope that he succeeds in what he is trying to accomplish. As long as any Baha'i accepts Mason's Guardianship and is working for the preservation of the Institution of

Guardianship, I am with that person. It matters not on what grounds they stand...perhaps we are living in times when instead of saying: 'Unite and multiply'.....the slogan is: 'Divide and Multiply'?? Who knows? The only sure things for any of us to do is to strengthen ourselves spiritually through the teachings of Baha'u'llah and thus hope that we will be better equipped to face what comes in the future."

I don't like to take something that you wrote to someone and then make an epistle on these points. If I don't do this, however, how can I take issue with you and then let the Baha'i world in on why you haven't assumed your responsibility? But this I must do for the salvation of the Faith.

To take the 'wait and see attitude' is not the right criteria to determine if one is who he says he is or not. For instance, in the time of Jesus, many took the wait and see attitude, but it took over 300 years before Christianity won over the inertia of the Roman Empire. By that time most of them had passed on in their unbelief. Also, when this is projected to the world most will take the wait and see attitude and while they are waiting the bombs will fall on them. Why? It is because these issues on which you take the wait and see stance are the very ones on which mankind is being judged. That is, a Promised One or the guardian cannot be determined by a wait and see criteria, nor can we accept one because he has taken a firm stand. This is also for the birds. Unless one's firm stand is backed up by the criteria of documentation, his firm stand means nothing. For instance, when Mason put forth his claim to the guardianship I examined his documentation, by the criteria of the Will and Testament and I found indeed that he fulfilled its provisions. I did not take a wait and see attitude, but being firm in the Covenant I accepted all of his interpretations and actions as that of guardian as I had for Shoghi Effendi before him. I wasn't like those that, when he made decisions on the Faith that were not to their liking, or when he made decisions that were in opposition to those made for the exigencies of the previous time by Shoghi Effendi, I did not leave him as the others did that went a whoring after other guardians. This was a great test for those that had claimed that they were firm in the Covenant. They were like the ones—the mass of the Baha'is throughout the world—that had claimed they were firm in the Covenant, but when the test came they deserted the provisions of the Will and Testament and went a whoring after the "Hands" and a headless, ill-constituted "UHJ"—that is for the fire. When one breaks the provisions of the Covenant, or the Will and Testament, and goes a whoring after other guardians or other leadership other than the Promised One of God, then that person is left guideless and perishes or suffers the retribution of violation.

When Mason made his proclamation to be that "Personage" that was to come in 1963, or that he was the "Lamb of God" that breaks the seven seals, this is altogether a different story. First of all, he didn't present one iota of proof or documentation. It was just a blatant and unfounded assertion on his part. Of course, he had stated many things and had taken a very firm stand, but his strong feelings were not based upon actual fact that can be documented like he put forth for his guardianship. Naturally all of his "hopes, plans, and expectations" that he had put forth as the Promised One went down the drain, so to speak. You were unable to differentiate between which of his actions were those of the guardian, which were accurate, and those which he put forth under his assumption of being that Promised One, which he was not.

Your defect that keeps you from gaining your station is that you, like most of the rest of the world, go by how you feel rather than by the things that are actual factual, that are determined by examining the evidence or documentation that are measured by an established criteria. In this case the criteria is the Holy Writ—Baha'i, and those Revelations leading up to their fulfillment in the Baha'i Revelation. God holds everyone responsible, for each of us He has endowed with the faculty of the intellect which enables man to comprehend the reality of all things. If man refuses to use this faculty, he is an ingrate, and as a punishment he is in error. In his error he goes into the fire. The ancient Hebrew meaning of the word sin is not what we deem it today but means to miss the mark, thus the world goes into the fire for missing the mark. Thus, by you missing the mark, by your not using your faculty of the intellect, you add to the confusion of the world. I am not to be rejected on the grounds that you put forth:

"Mason too, had plans and expectations and I have seen all of those hopes go down the drain so to speak. I cannot go through all of that again with Dr. Leland."

As I have already explained, his hopes, plans, and expectations were based on the assumption that he was that Promised One, which he was not; and for which he presented no proof or documentation to back it up. I, on the other hand, am that Promised One that Mason thought he was, and I back it up with the most detailed documentation based on the proper criteria of the Holy Scriptures, Baha'i and otherwise, including the Covenant.

Don't get me wrong. Mason was a spiritual giant, but like me he was surrounded by pygmies. Mason made his claim to be the Promised One before I had put forth my claim and documentation. He did this because he knew that someone had to be the Promised One, and that Shoghi's Administration didn't fill the bill as Shoghi had put forth. Being the first guardian of the Baha'i Faith seated upon the throne of David, Mason was like a forerunner to me. Like the Bab that tore down the false theologies of Shi'ah Islam, he tore down all of the "Hands" bad interpretations that they made after Shoghi Effendi passed on, as well as eliminating all the confusion and misconceptions that the masses of the Baha'is had clung to in error during the ministry of Shoghi Effendi, and he eliminated that administration they had hijacked and corrupted out of the Baha'i Faith; otherwise the One that was prophesied to come in 1963 would never have been able to establish himself as the Promised One and then establish the Kingdom here on earth.*

When it was put forth to Mason, however, that he could not be the Promised Lamb of God because he was seated upon the throne, and therefore was not among the elders before the throne as put forth in scriptures, he gave up the ghost and his claim.

"And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals" (Rev. 5:1).

The guardian is seated upon the throne (expounder of the Revelation of Baha'u'llah) through the authority of the Covenant of Baha'u'llah and the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha, which is the book written within and on the back side (an addendum). But Mason was unable to establish Baha'u'llah's Covenant and 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament in the world, for he was not the Promised Lamb and therefore could not break the seven seals. He was seated upon the throne—being the guardian—and therefore could not be the Lamb that is before the throne and among the Elders.

"And no man in heaven nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book...And I beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne, and the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb. And he

^{* &}quot;Few will fail to recognize that the Spirit breathed by Baha'u'llah upon the world,... can never permeate and exercise an abiding influence upon mankind unless and until it incarnates itself in a visible Order [the Kingdom, Davidic], which would bear His name, wholly identify itself with His principles, and function in conformity with His laws." WOB, p. 19.

came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts, and the four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb...and they sing a new song [my commentaries and explanations] saying, 'Thou are worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof:" (Revelation 5:1-8).

This documentation was given to Mason in a letter sent to you January 9, 1974. A copy of this letter is herewith enclosed. Mason had requested certain information from my wife concerning one Jimmy Barrett that was on that NSA with me in 1963. This request was made in a letter sent to her by you. She was asked to get that information from me. Therefore, I had her to include in her reply why Mason could not possibly be the Promised Lamb as he was seated upon the throne. I was sure that this letter would be read to Mason as he had requested that certain information. Mason knew that all of those that he had appointed as his successor were pygmies and were unable to lead the Baha'i world aright. But when He saw my documentation of being the Lamb that was Promised, he then gave up the ghost. Why do you think he took that necklace with the medallion attached off from around his neck and left it to you? He knew that you were not able to lead the Baha'i world aright and neither was Donald. He knew for certain by documentation that I was the Lamb and that I would be able to establish myself and the Kingdom of God on this earth with or without you, or even in spite of you, if necessary. Therefore, he left you that necklace, for he knew that if I am the Lamb I should be able to educate you, so it was safe to leave you the necklace.

There is one thing however that I must clear up is that I did not in any way appoint you to be the guardian of the second International Baha'i Council. I don't know how you happened to come up with that myth. When Shoghi Effendi set-up the first International Baha'i Council he appointed all the members and then he said that he **welcomed** Mason Remey as the president of that council. That is Mason Remey was the only living son of 'Abdu'l-Baha. Therefore he was the only one that could possibly fulfill that position. It was not the choice of Shoghi Effendi. It was ordained by God. Mason Remey said that he or one of his successors would sit as the president of the Universal House of Justice. Consequently like 'Abdu'l-Baha he adopted a son and appointed him to be his successor in the guardianship. I had absolutely nothing at all to do about it. As the Covenant-breakers destroyed the first International Baha'i Council and set-up a headless monster in its place, hence God had in His plan for the coming of Jesus to come and reestablish what the Covenant-breakers threw out.

"The two <u>Most Mighty</u> <u>Documents</u> of the Baha'i faith



is the Covenant of Baha'u'llah (Kitab-i-Ahd) and the Sacred Will and Testament (W&T) of Abdu'l-Baha, which delineates the Covenant of Baha'u'llah."

_Dr. Leland Jensen

(Epistle to Knight Courageous, May 2, 1991, p. 4)

Everything that is happening now was in the plan at the beginning including you and me, and nothing can change in the least as to what is going to happen. I definitely did not appoint you to be the guardian of the second International Baha'i Council. This was fixed 6 thousand years ago by God, and this is what the Holy Scriptures are all about. To go against this is to go against God. You are the only son of Mason Remey, so you are the head of the second IBC whether you like it or not. It does not require your acceptance, or rejection. Look at it like this, the presidency of the USA is considered the most powerful position in the world today. Tomorrow it will be the presidency of the United World.†

You make the statement that Mason had promised you that the Baha'is would support you the rest of your life. Of course, that was only if you assumed your responsibility. He adopted you, making you the Crown Prince—and the only prince—to accede the throne. 'Abdu'l-Baha appointed His grandson Shoghi Effendi to be the Guardian of the Cause of God—not the Guardian of the Baha'i Faith seated upon the throne of David. Then Shoghi Effendi appointed 'Abdu'l-Baha's adopted son, Mason Remey, to become the next guardian when he welcomed him as the president of that council. He is the only person in this world that 'Abdu'l-Baha called Aghsan (His son); thus, the only person in this world that Shoghi could designate as his successor in the guardianship. Therefore, you are the only one in this world that can assume the guardianship. Had Mason adopted any others it would have been possible for them to accede the guardianship of the Baha'i Faith. But he did not. Only a Branch—Aghsan—can ascend the Throne. Why do you think that he said that the Baha'is would support you the rest of your life? It is because you are the only one that he intended to be his successor. There is only one place in the Baha'i writings for anyone to be supported by a Baha'i Fund and that is in the Will and Testament. In order for you to be supported you need to qualify for the Guardian's fund. Why do you think that Mason adopted you then left you the necklace with the medallion? He made you an 'Aghsan'—a branch—and then appointed you during his lifetime, in accordance with the provisions of the Will and Testament, because that is the only way that anyone would be entitled to receive the Huquq. When these monies started arriving in the name of the Guardian you turned them down. And now you complain, as an ingrate, that Mason's promise to you was not fulfilled. Had you taken over your responsibilities in the framework of the Will and Testament from the very beginning after his passing, you would have had all of the money you needed

[†] Final Epistle to Pepe, April 12, 1994, p. 2.

to carry on the Baha'i work; and you wouldn't have had to go outside of the Cause for it as you have done. You have no one to blame but yourself. The true Baha'is were willing. By your refusing to accept your responsibility, you have caused all of the trouble in the true Baha'i world. You have left us without our center of unity, for the guardian is the central point of unity of the Cause, not the head.

If you have all of the confusion of the Baha'i world that is outside of the Provisions of the Covenant, then I agree with you that you are "not prepared to assume the role and the obligations that go along with it." If you have the mistaken idea that the guardian is to establish the Faith, then you wouldn't know what to do with me. Mason Remey was mistaken in assuming such a role, as he was not the Promised Lamb or the seventh Angel, the establisher of the Baha'i Faith. The Baha'is throughout the world thought that the Aghsan Guardian is the head of the Faith, which is utterly unfounded. According to the Will and Testament, the UHJ is. The Guardian is the head of the UHJ, but he is not the head of the Faith.

"Should differences arise they shall be amicably and conclusively settled by the Supreme Tribunal..." (W&T, p. 13)

"Unto this body [UHJ both body and head] all things must be referred. It enacteth all ordinaces and regulations that are not to be found in the explicit Holy Text. By this body all the difficult problems are to be resolved and the guardian of the Cause of God is its sacred head and distinguished member for life of that body." ... This House of Justice enacteth the laws and the government enforceth them..." (W&T, p. 14).

That is, the guardian is the enforcer of the Laws of Baha'u'llah and those enacted by the UHJ.

"And now, concerning the House of Justice which God hath ordained as the source of all good **and freed from all error**" (W&T, p. 14).

Mason stated that the guardians made mistakes.

"His Holiness the Abha Beauty...is the Supreme Manifestation of God and the Dayspring of His Most Divine Essence. **All others are <u>servants</u> unto Him and do his bidding**. Unto the most Holy Book everyone must turn and all that is not expressly recorded therein must be referred

to the Universal House of Justice. That which this body, whether unanimously or by majority doth carry, that is verily the Truth and the Purpose of God himself. Whoso doth deviate therefrom is verily of them that love discord..." (W&T, p. 19).

The Promised Lamb is succeeded by the elected body. Therefore, as I have already explained before elsewhere, the Lamb being the pre-UHJ is the head and establisher of the Kingdom. Had you not the defect of going by how you feel rather than by documentation by an established criteria, you could have assumed your role of guardian and functioned in your sphere of jurisdiction and left the establishment of the Kingdom to the Promised One of God, who was sent for that purpose. In this there could have been no conflict.

I am not in support of Mason's assumed role as head of the Baha'i Faith and his establishing of God's Kingdom on this earth. I am, however, very firmly in support of his claim to be the first guardian seated upon the throne of David and center of the Baha'i Faith, and the establisher of unity in the world. The Baha'is are pygmies—having such a meager understanding of the religion of God from Adam on down that they don't have a clear insight as to just how the Revelation of Baha'u'llah fulfills the past Revelations. Baha'u'llah is that King prophesied to come in Holy Writ—that is, he is the descendant of Jesse the Father of David (*SAQ*, Ch. 12)—that is to sit upon the throne of David:

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, the everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the **Throne of David**, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and establish it with judgement and with justice from henceforth even for ever... (Isaiah 9:6, 7).

And that He "ruleth upon the throne of David" (See *God Passes By*, page 230).

"The Ancient Beauty [Baha'u'llah] ruleth upon the throne of King David. Thus hath My pen written that which the histories of bygone ages have related."

(Baha'u'llah, Proclamation of Baha'u'llah, p. 89).

This kingship that is to exist for ever and ever is passed down only through the male member of descent, as were the kings of Israel. Therefore, His son,

an Aghsan (GPB, page 239), and only an Aghsan, can sit upon the throne of David. The Baha'i Faith is the continuation of Israel under its new name, Baha'i, which means 'of Glory', and is prophesied to come in Holy Writ (See Isaiah 62:2, Rev. 3:12, Isaiah 6:3, Ezekiel 43:2). 'Abdu'l-Baha was the Crown Prince of the Aghsan, the eldest son, 'the Most Great Branch', 'who is issued from this ancient Root,' (Kitab-i-Ahd, BWF, page 209). 'Abdu'l-Baha had only daughters that grew into adulthood. When his little son passed away, his wife Munirih stated: "When my darling little son Husayn passed away, Baha'u'llah wrote the following: 'The knowledge of the reason why your sweet baby has been called back is in the mind of God, and will be manifest in His good time. To the prophets of God the present and future are as one." According to the Covenant of Baha'u'llah, 'Abdu'l-Baha's brother, Muhammad Ali, 'the lesser Branch', an Aghsan was to succeed 'Abdu'l-Baha, but he broke the Covenant. "Consider! the Divine Gardener cuts off the dry or weak branch from the good tree and grafts to it a branch from another tree. He both separates and unites" (The Master's Last Tablet to America, BWF, page 438). 'Abdu'l-Baha separated Muhammad Ali from the good tree creating a dichotomy* and grafted a branch from another tree into the tree of Holiness when he took Mason Remey to be his son, making him an Aghsan. He called him Aghsan (His son).

God gave us the prophecy through the mouth of His prophet Jeremiah that he would raise up a righteous Branch ('Abdu'l-Baha) unto David (Jeremiah 23:5, 30:9). From this Branch that is raised up to David comes the Davidic Kingship, that is, there shall always be a son to this Branch to reign upon the Davidic throne.

"In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous branch ['Abdu'l-Baha] to spring forth for David,for thus says the Lord: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel" (Jeremiah 33:15 and 17). "Thus says the Lord: If you can break my covenant with the day and my covenant with the night, so that day and night will not come at their appointed time [something you can't do]; then also my covenant with David my servant may be broken [something that can't happen] so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne" (Jer. 33:20, 21).

Thus, there will always be a descendant of 'Abdu'l-Baha to reign upon His throne, although His son died in infancy. By 'Abdu'l-Baha grafting in Mason Remey by adoption, His line of descent continues forever.

When 'Abdu'l-Baha appointed Shoghi Effendi Afnan (a twig) (*BWF*, p. 449 and W&T, p. 25) 'the guardian of the Cause of God,' he did not appoint

^{*} See the Tablet "Understanding the Dichotomy", pp. ix-xv.

him to be the guardian of the Baha'i Faith seated upon David's throne. Only a descendant of Baha'u'llah through a male member—an Aghsan—could sit upon the throne of David. Although he, Shoghi Effendi, branched from the 'two hallowed and Divine Lote-Trees', his descendancy from Baha'u'llah is through a female member—his mother, Diyaiyyih Khanum, Abdu'l-Baha's daughter—a Holy Leaf. His father was Aqa Mirza Hadi Afnan—a twig. The Afnans are descendants of Muhammad through Imam Husayn, who were not Israelites, much less descendants of Jesse and King David. Baha'u'llah referred to the Babi Faith also as the Cause of God (The Ninth Ishraq, *Baha'i World Faith*, p. 202). Shoghi Effendi, being of the kindred of the Bab (*God Passes By*, p. 239), and of the Imams, the descendants of Muhammad, was of the line of sacrifice, and like the Bab before him gave his life so the Davidic Kingship could be continued as the Executive Branch of the true Universal House of Justice of Baha'u'llah.

"After him [Shoghi Effendi] will succeed the first-born of his lineal descendants" (Will and Testament, page 11). Shoghi had no issue, so therefore he had to "choose another branch to succeed him" (W&T, page 12). The only Branch (Aghsan) that he could choose was the one that 'Abdu'l-Baha had grafted into the tree to replace the one he had cut off (Muhammad Ali) which was Mason Remey, who he welcomed as the president of that council. Had Shoghi Effendi an issue, and had he chosen him to succeed him, he also would be an Afnan (twig). Had Shoghi grafted Mason Remey into the tree instead of 'Abdu'l-Baha, then he also could not have been seated upon the throne as he would have also been an Afnan (twig). Mason knew all of this. Why do you think that he adopted you? The only way to have a continuation of the Davidic Kingship, the Aghsan Guardianship of the Baha'i Faith, was for him to graft you into the Aghsan tree as he had been grafted into it, making you the Crown Prince, and then to appoint you as he had done. All of the others that Mason appointed are also guardians, for he appointed them, but none of them are either the guardian of the Cause of God, nor are they the guardian of the Baha'i Faith, for none of them are either an Aghsan or Afnan. They are the guardians of their own religion. Therefore all other appointments are null and void. The only person on this earth that could possibly be the guardian of the Baha'i Faith is you.

And now the reason for all of this, for "the wisdom of every command is to be tested" (*The Tablet of Ahmad*). The reason Baha'u'llah stated that God had taken 'Abdu'l-Baha's little son is so that all of these tests could take place. The necessity of these tests is so that the usurper may never sit upon the throne. See the Fifth Ishraq (*BWF*, page 199). The reason that Shoghi Effendi

Afnan—Kindred of the Bab—(a twig) was appointed Guardian of the Cause of God is that, being of the kindred of the Bab, he would set up an administration, of which both he and it would be sacrificed to be succeeded by the true UHJ with the Davidic King as its head or president. He was "under the unerring guidance of the Exalted One (The Bab)" (*Dispensation of Baha'u'llah*, page 57, or *WOB*, page 149). This is so that when the usurpers would gain control of that administration they wouldn't be seated upon the throne, but only in control of the outward husk of Shoghi's administration and would become the 7th head of the Beast.

In the past, all of the religions were taken over by the usurpers, such as Christianity being taken over by the Papacy, and Islam by the Umayyads. But this is the day that is not to be followed by night. There always will be a descendant of David to sit upon the throne (Jeremiah 23:5, 30:9, 33:15; Hosea 3:5).

The first usurpers were the "Hands," who took control of that administration by convincing the believers that the guardianship, the Davidic Kingship, had come to an end and therefore they should be in control. Their stated reason is that Shoghi had no son and that he left no Will. Had the believers been awake to violation, they could have easily seen that neither was a valid reason for the guardianship to come to an end, for nowhere does it state that a guardian must appoint his successor in a Will, nor that he has to be a son of the Afnan, but a son of a son of Baha'u'llah, an Aghsan, and that this son can be grafted in—per The Master's Last Tablet to America. An adopted son has all the rights and perogatives of a natural son, including the Kingship. Mason had explained to me that this test will not come again as the believers will never accept an usurpation on the premise that the guardianship had come to an end. He told me the next test would be that they would not know which one appointed would be the Guardian. You see, Mason understood all of this. That is why he appointed so many different ones to succeed him so that the Cause could go through the other tests that were necessary.

The next test was the usurpation of the guardianship while the guardian was still alive and active, in spite of the fact that "the guardian of the Cause of God is the sacred head and distinguished member for life of that body [UHJ]" (W&T, p. 14). There were at least two 'faux-pas' in this direction.

The first was the Covenant-breaking violation of the Joelites (Joel Marangella). He was able to accomplish this by first using the outworn shibboleth first used by the "Hands" "that the guardian was losing his marbles" and that he needed to save the Faith by stepping in and taking over

the direction of the Faith. In doing this he had committed the greatest sin of backbiting. How else would he have been able to accomplish this without first undermining the Guardian? This same method was used in the past to usurp the seat of authority. Mu'awia, the son of Abu Sufian—'666'—in order to gain support undermined the 1st Imam, Ali, by stating that he killed Othman, who had been elected before him to the Caliphship. Later, after it was too late, they found that this wasn't true. Therefore, not only is slander and backbiting forbidden in the Baha'i Revelation, but 'Abdu'l-Baha in the Will and Testament stated: "My object is to show that the Hands of the Cause of God must be ever watchful and as soon as they find anyone beginning to oppose and protest against the guardian of the Cause of God cast him out from the congregation of the people of Baha and in no wise accept any excuse from him. How often hath grievous error been disguised in the garb of truth, that it might sow the seeds of doubt in the hearts of men" (W&T, page 12). Mason Remey had appointed all of the people that had accepted his guardianship as Hands of the Cause of God. But when their time came to defend the then living guardian from the sedition of the usurper, they acted as did the Hands before them, by joining the ranks of the usurper and turning against the Guardian of the Cause of God. The seditious could never usurp the scepter of authority from the true one unless he first undermined the base and position of the one that he is trying to usurp.

Let us now examine the argument of the great Covenant-breaking violation of Joel Marangella. In his letter of November 12, 1969, he tells us that in December of 1961 "a letter was received from Mason Remey in whose outer envelope was enclosed a smaller sealed envelope containing the following inscription by Mason Remey on its face:"

"Joel: Please take care of this sealed envelope among your papers in the Bernese Oberland. As I see things now it may have to do with the coming world catastrophe in or after 1963. You will know when to break the seal."

It is clear and evident to the reader of the instructions on this envelope that the recipient should break the seal of this letter only after the great catastrophe, and after the passing of the guardian, that is if he would be killed in the great catastrophe. But in violation to the instructions on the envelope, Joel opened the envelope after September 21, 1964—before the great catastrophe and while the guardian was still alive. The statement contained therein was handwritten at Washington, D.C. on December 5, 1961, and read as follows:

"Dear Joel:

This is to tell you to tell the Baha'i World that I appoint you to be the third Guardian of the Faith according to the Will and Testament of the Master, 'Abdu'l-Baha.

Mason, Guardian of the Baha'i Faith

It is evident that Joel was to tell the Baha'i World that he was guardian, for at that time after the great catastrophe Mason would have perished in it, and at that time Joel would be the guardian, that is, if he should have survived the great catastrophe. On September 21, 1964, Mason announced his appointment of Joel as President of the Second International Baha'i Council, meaning that he would assume the office of guardian if he survived the great catastrophe. Joel realized and accepted this. Joel stated in this same letter of Nov. 12, 1969:

"I would be the third Guardian of the Faith unless, as he stated, I was unable to assume this Office. In this eventuality and apparently based on his conviction that the world catastrophe which he had prophesied would have grave and unpredictable consequences, he also designated the eight Vice Presidents as potential successors in order named (the one closest the top that survived would be the successor)."

Joel knew and understood all of this, for he stated in this same letter:

"I concluded then that such an announcement on my part would only be appropriate after the passing of the second Guardian. Also it occurred to me that such an announcement made after the passing of Mason Remey would then only be a confirmation of what had already been announced to the believers by the second Guardian at the time the second International Baha'i Council was created. The thought did not cross my mind at that time that it would ever be proper to make this announcement in advance of the passing of the second Guardian. In this regard, Baha'is had accepted as a matter of course that the incumbent of the Office of Guardian would hand over the scepter of this Office to his successor only at the hour of his death..." (This concept is upheld by the W&T, page 14).

Therefore it must be concluded that Joel could not ascend to that office, Head of the UHJ—the guardian of the Cause of God—while the guardian was still alive.

What then caused Joel to change his mind and to announce to the Baha'i World in his letter of November 12, 1969, that he was the third guardian, while the second guardian was still alive and functioning in that post? His violation is very similar to that of Muhammad Ali, 'Abdu'l-Baha's brother. This is cited in the Will and Testament. Baha'u'llah in His Covenant appointed him to succeed 'Abdu'l-Baha, but he wanted to sit on the throne simultaneously with 'Abdu'l-Baha. 'Abdu'l-Baha resisted this, Muhammad Ali set out to usurp the throne and thus he became the Arch Covenant-breaker. Consult the Will and Testament. When Mason had decided to do away with the 2nd International Baha'i Council that he had created including Joel as president of it, and when he appointed someone else to succeed him in guardianship, and it came in loud and clear that Joel was not to be his successor, he then plotted to usurp the guardianship. All that he needed to do is wait for an opportune time to do so. This came in 1969 when Mason had sent out his epistle stating that Rex King is the Satan of our era. This caused quite a consternation among some of the Baha'is (those that backed Rex) so Joel struck at the weakest link, the apathy of the Baha'is.

In the summer of 1965, Joel states: "When (he) visited him in Florence, Italy...he instructed me to announce to the Baha'i World the activation of the second International Council." Then Joel quotes from a letter from Mason of February 18, 1966:

"I am turning the affairs of the Faith over to you as President of the second Baha'i International Council to handle this **for me**—you having the other members of the International Council to assist you...from now on I will leave you free to conduct the affairs of the Faith, I making suggestions when necessary (published in the Glad Tidings of May 1966)."

Joel contends that he then became the guardian of the Faith in the place of Mason Remey, but if you will note the wording of the letter that Joel was to handle the affairs of the faith **for** Mason Remey, not in the place of him. And this handling of the affairs was to be under his direction and suggestions.

Soon after Mason had set up under his guardianship an "International Baha'i Council", Mason, an Aghsan, who was the first guardian of the Baha'i Faith seated upon the throne of David, continued his test that he was given by 'Abdu'l-Baha to carry out. In 1961, when I visited the Guardian in Washington D.C., this question came up amongst the believers assembled there. Mason explained that this was a test, 'that iniquities must come', as it says in the Bible, 'but woe betide them by whom they come.' Mason explained to those gathered, that they had already passed the first test: that now they knew that the Guardianship would never end. Then he told them that he was going to test them again and that this time they would not know who the next guardian was. After stating this, Mason Remey proceeded, over the course of several years, to appoint several different persons to be decoy guardians for his test. For instance, after stating the explicit fact that 'the head cannot create the body and that the body cannot create the head', he appointed an IBC naming the different members of it "vice president number one," "vice president number two," and so forth, with the implication that the highest one left on the list to survive the common catastrophe after his death would be the next guardian. As none of them were his son, an Aghsan, and as he had already expressly stated from the explicit Holy Text that 'the head cannot create the body, and that the body cannot create the head', they should have all realized that this was a test. Instead they all started fighting with one another, calling each other covenant-breaker, etc..., arguing about who would survive and be top of the list. It was such a debacle that Mason dissolved that council.†

As this debacle went on and the test of Mason ran its course, it became more than obvious that those who claimed to be Baha'is were failing this test miserably, not knowing the difference between the Baha'i Faith (Covenant) and the Administration. Shoghi Effendi explicitly stated:

"I need not dwell upon what I have already reiterated and emphasized that the administration of the Cause is to be conceived as an instrument **and NOT a substitute** for the Faith of Baha'u'llah that it should be regarded as a channel through which His promised blessings may flow, that it should guard against such rigidity as would clog and fetter the liberating forces released by His Revelation."

(World Order of Baha'u'llah, page 9)

In the book of the Covenant of Baha'u'llah He states: "Kings are the manifestors of God's power and the source of His affluence. Pray ye in their

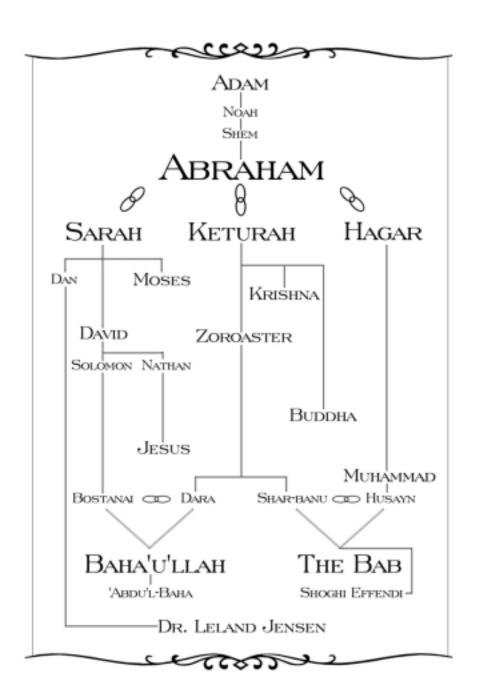
[†] Revelation Explained, 'Seven Churches', pp. 496-497.

behalf. The governments of the earth have been vouchsafed unto them. But the hearts of men He decreed unto Himself' (*Baha'i World Faith*, page 209). In the minds of these Baha'is they were setting up an administration that they believed was to evolve into a world government and replace the governments that Baha'u'llah stated were vouchsafed unto the Kings. This is why the Soviet Government kicked that administration out of Russia, as it was seditious. It was being set up to replace their government. There is no call for this set forth in the Will and Testament. Those who held this idea were not in accordance with the Instructions of Baha'u'llah and 'Abdu'l-Baha. We are to change the hearts of the people including the kings of the earth, and thus have mass conversion. As set forth in the Will and Testament, these National Houses of Justice, of the Believers, will then elect the Universal one and the guardian will be "Its sacred head and the distinguished member for life of that body."

When Mason saw all of this he began to dismantle that administration and dissolved that council that Joel Marangella was on, explaining to the believers that the administration is not a substitute for the Faith of Baha'u'llah, and that unlike Shoghi Effendi, he was the Guardian of the Baha'i Faith; that is, the one seated upon David's throne, the Executive Branch of the Universal House of Justice. All of this met with the objection and greatest consternation of the so-called faithful who were not under the unerring guidance themselves, and who refused to use their intellects that God gave them to see the truth of all these things, and therefore didn't understand. This gave the workers of iniquities the greatest opportunity to weave their web of violation to snare those that were not firm and steadfast in the Provisions of the Covenant and Will and Testament. When these workers of iniquities began "to oppose and protest against the guardian of the Cause of God," the so-called faithful Hands, instead of casting them "out from the congregation of the people of Baha and in no wise except any excuse from them," joined them (See W&T, page 12).

I have stated that none of them would have been able to usurp the position of the guardian if they didn't first undermine his position. Joel in his letter of usurpation of 11-12-69 wrote the following to undermine the position of the Guardian:

"It is difficult to point to a specific date when the fortunes of the Faith under the hereditary Guardianship began to falter and then later to decline rapidly, but it was soon after the formation of the second International Baha'i Council. I, myself, suffered considerable conster-



nation on more than one occasion at that time upon receiving letters from Mason Remey which were increasingly condemnatory of everything that the first Guardian of the Faith had said and accomplished during his ministry, and which presented views diametrically opposite from many of those which he had expressed in his Proclamation, Encyclical Letters, Daily Observations and other writings penned during the early years of his ministry. In several instances I felt moved to write to Mason Remey on these matters pointing out in some cases that I felt this continued criticism of the actions of the first Guardian would serve no useful purpose, even if justified, and would in the eyes of the believers weaken the basis of his own claim to the Guardianship. I felt increasingly frustrated and hopeless at the time, a feeling I am certain was shared by many of the faithful believers, as one by one the victories which we had won for the Covenant so recently, began to slip from our grasp. It was not long before the Baha'i administrative institutions under the hereditary Guardianship were dismantled by Mason Remey and the second International Baha'i Council which had been activated only some twelve months earlier was summarily dismissed without the slightest prior intimation to its President of his intention to do so. In a letter addressed to me on October 18, 1966, Mason Remey instructed: 'At your leisure will you kindly turn over to me such records as you have of the second Council that no longer exists."

The reason that Joel wrote his letter of usurpation was not only because Mason pulled down the second International Council that he had erected, including its President, but because he announced that another other than Joel was to become the next guardian: "This was an announcement in August 1967 that a person other than myself and not one of the original members of the second International Baha'i Council whom he had designated as potential Guardians, had been appointed the third guardian of the Baha'i Faith" (Joel, 11-12-69). Mason had already stated that whenever he had made an appointment or decision, and then later made an appointment or decision that was in conflict with the previous one, that the previous one was then repealed and void. Joel understood this. Therefore the reason that he had decided to usurp the guardianship was that he saw another than himself becoming the next guardian.

Why then did he wait until November 12, 1969, to write his letter of usurpation? Why didn't he write it way back in August of 1967 when Mason appointed another than he to be his successor? In this same letter of usurpation he wrote: "Having finally come to the realization late in 1967 [after Mason appointed another in his stead] that I had actually been the Guardian of the Faith since 1964, the faithful friends may well ask why I did not forthwith claim this fact to them then and there...I can only say...I was certain that my claim to the Guardianship would now most certainly be openly repudiated by the very one who had appointed me to this supreme Office—my predecessor in the Office of the Guardianship... Further, I reasoned that (the) faithful friends were not yet prepared to accept my claim to the Guardianship." So like a fox he "elected to remain silent and await the course of events."

What made him decide to make his claim to the guardianship on November 12, 1969? What was the 'course of events'? On September 13, 1969, Mason Remey, Guardian, wrote an epistle denouncing Rex King as the Satan of our era, and this was distributed to the Baha'i World. Rex had been spending his energies to gain control of the Orthodox Baha'i Faith. As you know, this began way back in 1963 when he gained control of that newly formed NSA. I was on that Assembly so I know very well what took place way back then. His take-over is documented in several letters that I sent to that Assembly during that year that I was on it. These letters didn't get general circulation as they were sent only to NSA members. However, they have been reproduced and they are now available to anyone that would like a copy. In 1966, Mason dissolved that NSA, and Rex to a certain extent lost his power. But he continued to undermine Mason and he gained in influence in that Orthodox Faith. In 1969, he had a large following and he decided that he would now take over that religion. That was the purpose of his trip to see Mason. Instead of his supporting Mason in his purge from the Baha'i Faith of that Administration, he intended to blast Mason for it. He said in a letter—not dated—"Before I left Europe I studied all of the letters I have from Mason directly sent to me, N.S.A. copies of correspondence while I was secretary of that body, and letters sent to other believers and shared with me. This totals over 500 letters...I was increasingly concerned with the communications which were flowing out of Florence. I was not alone in deepening concern over such matters as the attacks on the person as well as the dispensation of Shoghi Effendi as first Guardian of the Faith." He, therefore, was not concerned with Mason's cleansing the Faith from the defilement of that Administration,—which Shoghi Effendi warned should not "clog and fetter" the progress of the Cause—and helping him with it, but with using this as a basis of an attack to gain control of the guardianship. This was very similar to the attack of Muhammad Ali on 'Abdu'l-Baha in his attempt to gain control. He intended that this visit to Mason would be a confrontation. He would proceed to inundate him with a flood of rhetoric backed by his evidence (the 500 letters, etc.). For this reason, it was necessary for him to have several witnesses so he could authentically tell the Baha'i World how he had put Mason down. He was in hopes that this would convince Mason that he should be appointed regent in his stead, as he had gained control of the minds of the believers; and now that they were followers of him he should therefore be the guardian.

Rex stated in that letter: "In order that there might be no suggestion that the conclusions reached after the visit [confronta-tion] were mine alone, it was decided that two others, not of my family, would go with me. As a result of consultation [conspiracy] with a number of believers who knew of my proposed trip, it was decided that we should go unannounced." If he were going as a believer to see the guardian in order to gain understanding he would not have needed the witnesses. Because of his 500 letter back-up, he had a large number of believers convinced that Mason, in his clean-up of the defilement of the Faith, was incompetent and therefore needed a regent guardian, which he intended to force Mason to appoint him.

Mason was on to him, however, and refused to meet the two witnesses, for they were stooges of Rex. He tried to pawn the two boys off on Mason as being believers under his guardianship, saying: "The two boys...had come a long way to see him." Mason said: "They are not my followers, they are yours, and I refuse to see them." Without allowing Rex to go into his act he told him: "You are the Satan of the Baha'i Dispensation." And thus he cast him out of the community of the people of Baha. Rex had failed! What was he to do? Up until this point he had accepted Mason as the Guardian of the Baha'i Faith. To continue to do so would mean that he is telling everyone that he (Rex) is Satan and thus he would lose his following—something he was not willing to do. At this point, none would accept him as the regent guardian. He was through. That is, unless he could find another guardian. Then it flashed through his mind that Joel is egotistical. He knew that Mason had appointed him successor. He stated: "I learned that Mason had appointed his successor in the person of Joel Marangella and that any further appointments (unless Joel had refused or been unable to serve) were false." So what does he do? He straightway sent a letter to Joel supporting Joel's claim to the guardianship. This is just exactly what Joel was waiting for. It didn't matter to him that it was Satan giving him the support he needed to make his claim. All he wanted to do was sit upon the throne even if Satan sat him there. Rex had the followers, something that he needed. He didn't care how he got their support, so he joined forces with Satan. He sent his letter of Proclamation out on November 12, 1969—just exactly two months after Mason's epistle of September 13, 1969, denouncing Rex as Satan.

Rex concluded his letter that I have been quoting from with a P.S. stating: "May we all rise together in the support of our third Guardian, Joel Marangella!" Then he compiled a little 8-page tract supporting Joel's claim to the guardianship, entitled, "The Mutilation of the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha."

In this compilation he acknowledges that 'Abdu'l-Baha continually called Mason Remey Aghsan (His son), and he wrote several Tablets stating the implications of this adoption. 'Abdu'l-Baha writes:

"To his honor, Mr. Charles Mason Remey Upon him be Baha'u'llah El-Abha!

He is God!

O thou herald of the Covenant!

Thy letters have been received and an answer has been written.

Verily thou art firm in the Covenant, art self-sacrificing art the **Son of the Kingdom**

and dost deserve the confirmation of His Holiness Baha'u'llah.

Consequently 'Abdu'l-Baha is highly pleased with thee and begs for thee from His Holiness Baha'u'llah limitless bounties.

As a result of this glad-tidings fly on the wings of joy and raise the melody: 'Happy am I, blessed am I'."

Translated by Shoghi Rabbani. Haifa, Palestine, December 24, 1919 Star of the West, Vol. Eleven No.15

When 'Abdu'l-Baha refers to Mason as the 'son of the Kingdom', he is referring to the Davidic Kingship of which throne Baha'u'llah sat upon and He 'Abdu'l-Baha—an Aghsan—was the Most Great Branch and also sat upon.

After 'Abdu'l-Baha grafted Mason into the Davidic Kingship line, he prophesies that ere long he would be appointed guardian. Rex quotes this:

"...Do not become despondent, neither be thou sad. Ere long thy Lord shall **make** thee a **sign** of guidance among mankind."

(Breakwell Tablet)

—meaning that later this son (Aghsan) would be appointed guardian. Here 'Abdu'l-Baha is prophesying that the Lord shall make him a sign of guidance among mankind. On page 11 of the Will and Testament, 'Abdu'l-Baha refers to the guardian as being a **sign** of God, and of course the guardian is a sign of guidance.

Rex goes on to state in his compilation:

"There are those who say that Mason Remey cannot be the Second Guardian because he is not of the blood line of Baha'u'llah."

Then he quotes from the Will and Testament:

"...then must he (The guardian of the Cause of God) choose another branch to succeed him" (W&T, page 12).

Rex goes on to state:

"The Hands say that the phrase 'another branch' refers to a blood relative of Baha'u'llah. They say that as there were no such relatives worthy of the station, there could be no more guardians."

Rex goes on further to state: "What does the Master say?"

"Consider! The Divine Gardener cuts off the dry or weak branch from the good tree and grafts to it, a branch from another tree. He both separates and unites. That is that which His Holiness Christ says: that from all the world they come and enter the Kingdom, and the children of the Kingdom shall be cast out." (*'The Master's Last Tablet to America,' Baha'i World Faith*, p. 438)

Here Rex recognizes that 'Abdu'l-Baha had grafted Mason Remey into the Aghsan tree in the place of Muhammad Ali, of whom he had cut off. Therefore the only person in this world that Shoghi Effendi could choose for his successor was Mason Remey, a branch (Aghsan). In the guardian appointing a successor, in so doing it does not make him a branch. He must already be a

branch before he is appointed. "...then must he, (the guardian of the Cause of God) choose another branch to succeed him" (W&T, page 12). Otherwise, if he is not a branch (Aghsan), he could not possibly become the guardian of the Baha'i Faith by appointment only.

Rex goes on and states:

"Mason was the 'branch' from another tree grafted to the good tree. He was the Second Guardian of the Baha'i Faith!"

In spite of this, Rex goes on to promote Joel as the third guardian, although he knew that Mason had not grafted him into the tree. You are the only person, Joseph Pepe Remey, that Mason had grafted into the tree. Rex goes on to state in that same compilation:

"On the 5th of December, 1961, Mason Remey wrote in his own hand a letter in which he named Joel B. Marangella as his successor and the third Guardian:

"Dear Joel:

This is to tell you to tell the Baha'i World that I appoint you to be the Third Guardian of the Baha'i Faith according to the Will and Testament of the Master 'Abdu'l-Baha."

/s/ Mason, Guardian of the Baha'i Faith

"In 1964 Mason Remey appointed the second Inter-national Baha'i Council with Joel Marangella as its president. In 1966 he turned the affairs of the Faith over to the President of the Council thus abdicating the guardianship because of his advanced age to Joel Marangella."

(From that 8-page tract by Rex King)

Rex supported Joel fully in his claim to the guardianship, although he knew that he was not grafted in and was not the guardian. He was only using Joel. He had no intention of Joel or anyone else sitting in the seat of the guardianship and over the administration but himself. First off, however, he

had to dissuade the friends from believing that Mason was the guardian when he called him Satan and cast him out. If he didn't he would lose his following, as none knowingly would want to follow Satan. In this he failed, however, for when he made his declaration most of the so-called believers remained with Joel, even those that were on that NSA that I was on in 1963 that had supported Rex in the take-over of that Assembly. None of them went with him, for when Rex had considered that he had all of the friends away from Mason he severely blasted Joel, and they all could tell then that he really was the Satan of our era.

Rex, in his own Proclamation as regent guardian, wrote another compilation with the same title as the one supporting Joel's claim, 'The Mutilation of the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha'. In this 'mutilation of the Will and Testament', he comes up with a whole new theology (mythology).

If it wasn't so tragic it would be hilarious. After he had shown how 'Abdu'l-Baha had grafted Mason into the tree in place of Muhammad Ali and that Shoghi Effendi had appointed him to be the guardian, he now comes up with the perfidious doctrine that Mason 'was in error' in claiming the guardianship, that "in one last desperate move to preserve the Institution of the Guardianship, he seized it himself." That when Shoghi Effendi appointed him to the presidency of the UHJ this was not meant to be his successor but to represent Shoghi Effendi. Then he quotes from the Will and Testament to back this up. "...should he (the Guardian) not attend in person its (UHJ) deliberations, he must appoint one to represent him..." In order for one to represent the guardian in the above framework, the guardian would have to be alive and give him directions. There is a big difference between being a representative to and being the president of the UHJ to which Shoghi appointed Mason. In being the president, he becomes the guardian upon the passing of the Guardian; and a person who is just a representative represents the guardian only while he is alive and doesn't remain representative or become guardian. Rex claims in his new mutilation of the Will and Testament that the second guardian of the blood line is living. This one is supposed to have been born in 1963 to fulfill the prophecy of Daniel of the 1335 days. Yet I am the only person in this world that fulfills this prophecy. He said that he is the second guardian, but it takes more than just the blood line to be a guardian. He must also be appointed by a guardian. The guardian must appoint in his own lifetime him that is to become his successor. If Mason was not the guardian, then the last guardian would be Shoghi Effendi. I can't see how Shoghi Effendi, who passed in 1957, could come back and appoint one born in 1963, for nowhere did Shoghi appoint one that was to be born in 1963 to be his successor. He claims that regents of the Faith have existed in the Baha'i Faith, such as the Greatest Holy Leaf. Of course she represented the guardian, but Shoghi was still alive and certainly she would not be empowered to appoint a successor to the guardianship. Only a guardian can do that. Besides, this boy is a descendant of the Covenant-breakers that 'Abdu'l-Baha had cut off of the tree, and no how could he become guardian unless you, Pepe, would graft him back into the tree by adoption as you were adopted and then appoint him to be your successor during your lifetime. Certainly the hierarchy set up by Rex wouldn't be able to do this. Besides, Rex was never appointed by Mason, or anyone else for that matter, to succeed him to the regency. He was self-appointed only. In 1969 Mason not only turned him down to this, but appointed him to the station of Satan forevermore.

He claims to be "Reginald (Rex) King, the present Regent of the Faith." He claims that Mason appointed him to this in a letter from Mason to him on February 14, 1963, which he quotes from:

"Be assured that your future is very great. God has chosen you to preserve His Cause. I leave all teaching matters in your hands—what you decide I approve without question. You are chosen by me to lead the Faith for you are its greatest living teacher."

There has been an innumerable number of leaders in the Faith from its inception. I personally know hundreds of them. But none of them because of this thought they were the regent guardian. This leadership mentioned by Mason refers to "teaching matters" and not to regent guardianship. Rex stated in that first letter I quoted from that "I learned that Mason had appointed his successor in the person of Joel Marangella and that any further appointments were false." In his first 'Mutilation of the Will and Testament', he states: "On the 5th of December, 1961, Mason Remey wrote in his own hand a letter in which he named Joel B. Marangella as his successor and the Third Guardian." So you see, by his own statements he condemns himself and his claim to the successorship. This letter was written to Rex (2-14-63) before he was elected to that NSA that I also was on in 1963-64 in which Rex used this letter and other tactics to gain control of that Assembly, causing the Guardian to change his mind about Rex. Instead of Rex establishing Mason's teachings, he was establishing himself. Because Rex had gained control of the NSA, the guardian had to dissolve that Assembly. Because of his continued machinations and perfidity, the guardian eventually, in 1969, named him Satan of our era. I don't see how anyone could possibly accept his "mythology" unless they really wanted to follow Satan.

There are other violations almost as perfidious as those above. One is that of several elderly ladies that are in communication with Shoghi Effendi's spirit???? and that "he gives them Divine Guidance." In order for you, the guardian, and I, the Promised One, to be properly guided, all we need to do is turn to Shoghi Effendi through their intermediaryship.

Then we have the violation of Donald, and I hope you are able to rescue him. He bases his claim on a handwritten document appointing him the Third Guardian of the Baha'i Faith (not the second). Some deem his handwritten document should be given priority over your appointment, because it is hand written. But here again this is extra to the Will and Testament. No place in the Will of 'Abdu'l-Baha does it state that the appointment must be in a handwritten document. All that it states is that he must appoint a successor during his lifetime. It leaves the manner and style up to the guardian. Shoghi Effendi appointed his successor in a cablegram, but the "Hands" deemed that the appointment had to be in a Will. To add or subtract from the Will interpolates it; then it is no longer the document sent down by God:

In the Most Holy Name of El Baha

I the second Guardian of the Baha'i Faith hereby appoint Donald Harvey at my death to be my successor the third guardian of the Faith.

Mason Remey May 23, 1967 Florence, Italy

P.S.

May the Spirit of El Baha ever protect this line of Spiritual descent from 'Abdu'l-Baha the Center of the Covenant of El Baha.

C. M. R.

This looks like a perfectly good appointment, that is, to the unwary, unsuspecting, and the pygmies. But it just doesn't measure up to the Provisions of the Will and Testament to qualify Donald to be the second Guardian of the Baha'i Faith.

To begin with, he was not the last one appointed to be the guardian, an essential, which I have already many times pointed out to you. In spite of this, he claims that his appointment is valid and yours isn't because his is in a written document (a non-essential). But as you have already stated, an appointment in itself does not make a guardian. An absolute requirement before this type of an appointment could be valid is for Donald to first be a branch (Aghsan). Every requirement of the Sacred Will must be met. A spiritual descendant is not enough. We are all spiritual descendants. The requirement of the Will is that the appointee must first be an Aghsan (an absolute requirement). A natural descendant of Baha'u'llah also could not qualify, for 'Abdu'l-Baha removed all of the natural branches and the only one that he grafted in their place was Mason Remey; thus, the only person that Shoghi Effendi could appoint for his successor in the Institution of the Guardianship was Mason Remey Aghsan, when he welcomed him as president of the UHJ. Therefore, unless Donald Harvey could show that Mason had grafted him into the tree before he appointed him, like he did you, making him Donald Harvey Remey Aghsan before he appointed him, and had he been the last one appointed, then he would be the guardian. By Mason appointing a successor, this does not graft him into the tree. Unless an appointee is grafted into the tree prior to the appointment (an absolute requirement of the Will), the appointment is null and void. Shoghi Effendi did not graft Mason Remey into the tree by appointing him a successor. Mason was already grafted into the tree by adoption by 'Abdu'l-Baha. An adopted son has all the rights and privileges of a natural descendant of Baha'u'llah. Thus Mason's adoption of you makes you an Aghsan, and by his last appointment you alone are the second guardian of the Baha'i Faith seated upon the throne of David. You have been this ever since the passing of the first Guardian of the Baha'i Faith, Mason Remey (Aghsan).

September 9, 1971 c/o American Express Co. Florence, Italy

ANNOUNCEMENT

Since Shoghi Effendi announced himself to be the Guardian (Afnan, a twig, of the line of Muhammad and the Bab, W&T, pp. 3 & 25) that no longer exists, Mason Remey should be known as the **First Guardian of the Faith** of Baha'u'llah (Aghsan, seated upon David's Throne), giving all (the) Friends ample time to make their adjustments about the Baha'i Faith (and) about the Manifestation of God, Baha'u'llah, under the Guardianship of Charles Mason Remey, whose address is given above.

Finis

C.M.R.

There is one more thing that you could do, and that is for you to come forth and be coronated King of the Kingdom by the High Priest standing in the Holy of Holies, and then for you to take your seat upon the throne of God.

You need to get Donald to see all of this so that he can support you in your claim to the guardianship as you had supported him. I would like this very much. I always liked Donald, and had he actually been the Guardian I would have supported him in that role. I would like very much for him to become one of the 24 Elders, but he needs to stop his lying first. He has been spreading the lie stating that I claim to be a Manifestation of God with a Revelation direct from God, something that I vehemently deny. Never have I said or written such a statement, nor have I ever inferred in any way that I was. He has nothing whatsoever to base this on. He has spread this lie to several of his followers. I don't know what his need is in doing this unless it is malicious. I make the same claim, to be the Promised Lamb, that Mason claimed. Why didn't he write letters stating that Mason claimed to be the Manifestation?

I would also like for Joel to see this and become one of the 24 Elders. All sins are forgiven unto man unless they should see this and then persist in their error. Judas Iscariot when he saw what he had done—sold his Lord for 30 pieces of silver—had he repented instead of hanging himself he could have been forgiven. I am sure had he come to Jesus and repented, Jesus would have forgiven him. Then he could have established Christianity instead of Paul. Actually, Judas had greater capacity than the rest of the apostles.

It is my opinion that Jesus had chosen him to be the establisher of his Revelation. Peter was the center of his covenant. When Judas failed, Jesus raised up Paul in his place and he established Christianity in the western world.

I also would like very much for the successors of Rex to come forth and receive a very high station in the Kingdom. I talked with several of them and it was my opinion that they were sincere, but sincerely wrong, as I so aptly pointed out to them. Certainly I am sure that should they see and repent they will be forgiven.

All of these wrong moves that have been made are to show that the Kingdom of God cannot be usurped. There are two main requirements to be a successor and that is to be an Aghsan and to be appointed. One of these in itself is not sufficient. The first lesson to be learned by these tests is that the Davidic Kingship cannot be passed down through a leaf—a female—for a leaf cannot sit upon the throne (a queen). Therefore Shoghi Effendi did not sit upon the throne of God—the Davidic Kingship. He was an Afnan—a twig—and therefore established his administration which he explained was transitional.*

The purpose of this administration was so that if any usurper should succeed he would only get possession of that temporary administration and not sit upon the throne of God. There is something in common with all of the usurpers, and that is that they all were out to grab the seat at the head of the administration. They also all add to or subtract from the Provisions of the Will and Testament in order to establish their usurpation.

The former Hands in their usurpation stated that Shoghi had no son and left no will—both non-essentials, and are additional requirements to the Will. In their usurpation they came into possession of that administration Shoghi Effendi had set up but not the throne of God. By doing this they cut themselves off from the Divine Guidance from both he who is seated upon the throne and the Promised One of God. Thus they go into the fire and become destroyed.

Joel in his usurpation has also set up an administration, like Shoghi's, under his guardianship, of one man rule, and thus did not usurp the throne. This usurpation also shows us that the guardianship cannot be usurped by being the first one appointed and then taking over the guardianship during the life of the living guardian. Here again, unless he repents, he goes into the fire. Should he repent and arise to support your guardianship, I would also like for him to be one of the 24 Elders.

^{*} Shoghi Effendi explained (WOB, p. 6) his administration would be "replaced in time" and "gradually be superceded by" the House of Justice (i.e. with the Davidic King as its president, W&T p. 14).

Rex's violation shows us that the guardianship cannot be usurped and then be replaced with a regency in the place of the living guardian. Also they have set up a bogus administration in place of the Baha'i. It also shows us that a natural branch that is cut off of the tree cannot become the guardian unless he is grafted back into the tree by adoption of the living guardian, and that he cannot be appointed guardian by a regent guardian, for only a guardian can appoint his successor in the guardianship. So Rex has gone to dwell where Satan dwells. Unless his successors repent, they will go to dwell with him and you know where that is.

Mary Magdalene's violation tells us that we cannot say that we believe in the guardian but not his interpretations (executive function) and actions. Also one cannot say they believe in the Promised One and then say that when the Promised One supports the actions and interpretations of the guardian that "It is the work of Satan!" She had stated that when Mason Remey had cut out of the Faith the Great Violation when he removed from the Baha'i Faith the administration of Shoghi Effendi, that he was under the influence of Satan because he was at that time living in a Catholic retreat. In other words, whenever the guardian makes a pronouncement or initiates an action that is contrary to her meager understanding, she then states that this action is that of Satan, not the guardian. She wrote a broadcast when I supported Mason's pronouncements and actions as the Executive Branch: Dr. Jensen... "this publicized letter of July 1, 1977, was not written by you. It is the work of Satan!" She throws her hat in the ring as guardian, although a female cannot be the guardian, when she states: "After forty-five years of battling to preserve this cause of God—I can recognize his (Satan's) handiwork!" Here she is claiming infallibility, and the guardianship. It is quite evident that she was not appointed to this post by a guardian, and because she is a female she was definitely not grafted into the Holy Tree as an Aghsan. This violation shows us that we should not follow anyone in the place of the guardian or the Promised One, especially a female. She also would establish an administration in substitute for the Faith of Baha'u'llah under your guardianship (see WOB, p. 9). Certainly I would like nothing better than for her to repent and sit upon her throne as one of the 24 Elders. By her rejecting the guidance of the First Guardian of the Baha'i Faith and that of the Promised One, she will go blindly into the fire, where she is now living.

The violation of Donald shows us that a written document does not take precedence over a non-written document, that the last appointment takes precedence over all previous appointments and that for an appointment to be valid the person must already be a Branch (Aghsan) before the appointment.

Otherwise, in the future when the Kingdom is established in this world and in operation, perhaps a thousand people may come with slips of paper in their hands claiming to be guardians or regent guardians by claiming that the guardian had appointed them, without them being a natural or adopted descendant of you, Joseph Pepe Remey Aghsan. Also Donald would reestablish a bogus Administration under his guardianship, in substitute for the Faith of Baha'u'llah, for he stated that it is not time yet to re-establish the Administration.

Now, Pepe, all these tests were absolutely essential in order to point out to future generations the wrong ways, so that they won't be repeated. Otherwise, after the Kingdom is established and in operation the Kingdom may be usurped.

These tests were so severe that they almost destroyed the Kingdom of God on earth before it became established. Only two remained in the Baha'i Faith. These are the two 'Knights of Baha'u'llah' that 'Abdu'l-Baha stated would establish the Kingdom. Drs. Opal and Leland Jensen. All of those that have accepted your guardianship have come to this realization through our guidance. Therefore, God in his infinite wisdom prophesied the coming of one in 1963 for this direct purpose so this Cause could go through all of these tests and still not be completely destroyed. You see, Pepe, you cannot establish yourself or the guardianship of the world, even with all of my interpretations. Certainly the followers of the "Hands"—the Great Violation—won't even listen to our explanations. From those that left that violation and came under the guardianship of Mason Remey, only 24 will come under your guardianship, and all of them will be through my explanations and commentaries. You will not be able to convince the mass of the people that are now outside the Cause of God that you are indeed the 2nd guardian of the Faith, for the peoples of the other beliefs view all of this as an internal squabble within a religion. However, through this mighty document, the rest of the 24 Elders will come forth and take their seats. This is what Christ meant when he said the whole world will come and enter the Kingdom, but the children of the Kingdom will be cast out. All the peoples of the world, 144,000 before the catastrophe, and the rest that are left after the catastrophe will accept you as their King, the Guardian of the Baha'i Faith. They will do this not because of you, but because I establish you.

Therefore, God in His infinite wisdom prophesied throughout the Holy Books one that would come in 1963 for the direct purpose to establish the Kingdom that was brought by Baha'u'llah. This is so the Baha'i Faith could go through all of these tests to its almost utter destruction, and then the

Promised One comes and establishes it in the world. Each of the religions have had an establisher: Joshua for Moses, Paul for Christ, Ali for Muhammad, and Quddus for the Bab (see *SAQ*, pages 59, 63, 64). 'Abdu'l-Baha explains that the establisher of the Baha'i Faith was yet to come. He told us that the 7th Angel, a man with heavenly qualities, will arise so that the Divine Manifestation of Baha'u'llah will be proclaimed and diffused, and in that day the divine Kingdom will be established (*SAQ*, page 66). On page 302 of *Baha'u'llah and the New Era*, 1953 Edition, 'Abdu'l-Baha tells that this establishing of the Kingdom will take place after 1963, the date given by Daniel for "Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the 1335 days" (Daniel 12:12).

The first guardian of the Baha'i Faith, Mason Remey, was seated upon the throne by the provisions of the Covenant of Baha'u'llah and 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament. This is the "book written within and on the backside" (Rev. 5:1). He knew that in order to establish this Davidic Kingship in the world the Promised Lamb had to come and break the 7 seals. Donald, on his visit to Mason in September of 1972, asked Mason this question: "...in the Bible where it is spoken of the Lamb of God who will sit upon the Throne of God surrounded by the Faithful and where he will unfurl and unveil the scrolls, Mason confirmed that the Lamb of God is in fact the Guardian of the Cause of Baha'u'llah." Mason knew the Lamb would have to break the 7 seals to establish the Kingdom. But Mason didn't even know what the 7 seals were. He rambled on about "the Seven Lights or Candles of the spirit. Each of the true followers of Baha'u'llah and the Guardianship which is inseparable to this Cause should be as each of these Lights." Thus Mason, who was seated upon the Throne, could not be the Lamb before the throne. He was seated upon it, not before it, and therefore he could not break the 7 seals and establish the 'Kingdom of God on earth' (the Davidic Kingship). The only one that can establish the Kingdom is the Lamb, for he alone can break the 7 seals:

"And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth was able to open the book, neither to look thereon...And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not behold the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof...And I beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne, and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns, and seven eyes, which are the Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth...And he came and took the

book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne...And when he had taken the book, the four beasts, and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints...And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation...And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth...And I behold, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne, and the beasts, and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands...Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing...And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever" (Rev. 5:3-13).

The Bab was the return of the Holy Spirit—a Manifestation, the Door to the Kingdom. He cleansed the Sanctuary with His blood and ten thousand of His followers. He made his Proclamation and established the Baha'i Calendar just exactly 2300 years from the order to restore and rebuild Jerusalem which brought the 'transgression of desolations' to an end (in 457 B.C.) in 1844 A.D. The order to restore and rebuild Jerusalem was given on March 21, 457 B.C. 2300 years from that date brings us to March 21, 1844 A.D., the start of the Baha'i Calendar. His message therefore was in the potency of the sanctuary of the Tabernacle that descends from heaven (Dan. 8:13, 14—Eze. 43:1-7—Rev. 21:3).

Baha'u'llah is the return of Christ, the return of the Holy Spirit, in the potency of the Holy of Holies, the Supreme Manifes-tation of God. He explains how He fulfills the prophecies of His Manifestation. His Covenant fulfills the re-establishing of the Covenant in the Holy of Holies. His Revelation is that of the Kingdom. The establisher of this Kingdom is prophesied to come in the seven great revealed religions of the world. When he comes he fulfills these prophecies. These prophecies are obscure, as are all prophecies, and thus sealed. When he explains how he fulfills these prophecies, he breaks these seals, for the meaning of these prophecies were unknown before he does this. Each of the Promised Ones of God have done this; that is, they explain how they fulfill the prophecies of their coming.

Jesus said that He was "the root and the offspring of David" (Rev. 22:16). He was the Sacrificial Lamb that was slain (Rev. 5:6, 12). He was not a priest after the order of Aaron, therefore he could not enter the Tabernacle on this earth. He was a high priest, however, after the order of Melchizedec (Heb. 5:6). This sacrificial Lamb entered into the sanctuary not made by hands, "neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood, he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us" (Heb. He returns as the Lamb with 9:12). seven horns seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth (Rev. 5:6). That is, these seven eyes mean that he is able to understand the meaning of the prophecies of the seven Revealed Religions that tell of his return Advent as the High Priest standing in the Holy of Holies—in the midst of the throne (Rev. 5:6). When he does this, every person in the world becomes a believer (Rev. 5:13). Thus, he establishes the Kingdom brought by Baha'u'llah.

Mason did not put forth a single instance where he fulfilled any of these prophecies, thus he did not break a single seal. Besides, he was seated upon the throne and not before it. I, however, fulfill the prophecies of these Revelations of God. I point out, or explain, how I fulfill these prophecies in the minutest detail so that there can be no doubt, breaking the Seals. Thus I take the book out of the hand of him seated upon the throne—meaning that I take the establishing of the Kingdom out of the hand of the guardian. That is, I, the establisher, establish the Kingdom of the Manifestation of God. I am not the second coming of Christ, the Manifestation of God, but the second coming of Jesus, the High Priest, standing in the Holy of Holies before the Ark of the Covenant.

The people are unable to distinguish between the second coming of Christ and second coming of Jesus. Jesus was the Christ. The Holy Spirit descended upon him, anointing Him—thus, Jesus, the Anointed. The next person anointed with the Holy Spirit was Muhammad. The Bab was the third and Baha'u'llah was the fourth. Does that make Muhammad the second coming of Christ? **No!** The Jewish people lost their Davidic Kingship when they went into captivity in Babylon in 606 B.C. All throughout the Old Testament are the prophecies of the re-establishment of the Davidic Kingship. All of the kings were coronated by the High Priest by anointment with oil. Thus the Jewish people were looking for an Anointed One—Messiah, which means anointed. This anointed one had to be a descendant of David. The Gospel of Matthew explains how Jesus fulfills the prophecies for the Advent of the Jewish Messiah—Anointed—in the Greek language *Christos*. Christ in English. Both

the Gospels of Matthew and Luke give the genealogy of Jesus back to David through his father Joseph. Jesus said: "I Jesus...I am the root and offspring of David, and the bright and morning-star" (Rev. 22:16). But Jesus did not establish the Davidic Kingship in the world. He didn't marry and have a son. He also did not reassemble the 12 tribes of Israel. Therefore, He had to come again. Muhammad was not a descendant of David; in fact He was not an Israelite. Therefore, He couldn't be the second coming of Christ. The Bab, who was a descendant of Muhammad and also not an Israelite, also could not be the second coming of Christ, although they were both anointed ones— Manifestations through the Holy Spirit. Baha'u'llah, however, has announced that 'He ruleth on the throne of David, (God Passes By, page 230). He being a descendant of David, and being Anointed with the Holy Spirit, fulfills the prophecies of the 2nd coming of Christ. He married and had sons (Aghsan). His firstborn, 'Abdu'l-Baha, became His successor on the throne of David. 'Abdu'l-Baha removed all the other Aghsan from the tree. Then he called Mason Aghsan (His son), grafting him into the tree. Thus Mason succeeded 'Abdu'l-Baha upon the throne of David, becoming the first guardian of the Baha'i Faith.

Baha'u'llah, however, did not fulfill the prophecies for the second coming of Jesus, who returns as the Lamb with 7 horns and 7 eyes and takes the scroll out of the hand of him who is seated upon the throne and establishes it in the world. It is obvious, therefore, that the return of Jesus, of a necessity, is another person other than the return of Christ. Baha'u'llah doesn't take the scroll out of His own Hand and open it because He can't open it. It therefore is evident that the one that is seated upon the the time that the Lamb takes the scroll is one that doesn't have the knowledge that Baha'u'llah has. This, then, can only refer to the guardian who is seated upon the throne.

If the Bab, or Baha'u'llah, or 'Abdu'l-Baha, or Shoghi Effendi, had broken the seals then everyone would have known who the Lamb was and there would not be all the confusion. None of the above revealed who the Lamb was, and none of them claimed to be the Lamb! They left it for the Lamb himself to break the seals and explain who the Lamb is. Therefore all of the so-called researchers and bumblebugs all missed the boat, so to speak, for the very simple reason that none of them were the Lamb either.

There are a number of very good reasons why the Lamb is not pointed out and proven by his forerunners. One reason is that only the Lamb can show he is that individual by making his Proclamation and proving it. If he couldn't establish himself, how could he establish his mission?

Clearly, the one seated upon the throne is not God for John **SAW** the one seated upon the throne in Revelation chapter five and **SAW** in his right hand the scroll written within and on the back sealed with seven seals and this same John tells us in his letters: "**no man** has ever **seen** God." (1 John 4:12).†

The scroll written "within" and "on the back sealed with seven seals" is the Kitab-i-Ahd written within, which is the Book of the Covenant of Baha'u'llah, and "on the back" is the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha, which is the addendum to the Covenant of Baha'u'llah, which the Master sealed with seven seals.

When a king makes a document official (and even today in both business and government) he affixes his seal to it to show that it came from him. 'Abdu'l-Baha sealed all three parts with his signature and then on the envelope he sealed it again with his signature three more times where it was stuck down on the back, and then he sealed it again on the front where he addressed it to "Shoghi Effendi the chosen branch." Three seals on the three parts plus three seals on the envelope where it was stuck down plus one seal on the front makes seven seals (3+3+1=7). This is given by the sans guardians:

"Abdu'l-Baha's Will was written in three parts at three different times in His life. All three parts are in His handwriting and are signed by Him [3]. All three, comprising twelve pages in all, were in an envelope under lock and key in His safe when he died. The face of the envelope was addressed to Shoghi Effendi in the Master's handwriting and signed by him [1]. On the back it bears three more signatures [3] where it was stuck down.*

When a King is seated upon a throne he holds in his hand a scepter to show the authority by which he rules. Therefore Mason is the first Aghsan guardian seated upon this throne, the throne of David, by the authority of this scepter (scroll) of the Book of the Covenant and the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha to show that this Davidic Kingship of the Aghsan lineage, and only this

[†] Epistle to Knight Courageous, May 2, 1991, p. 4; Labbe Letter, May 9-June 9, 1992, p. 8.

^{*} The Power of the Covenant, Part II, (Oct. 2, 1974 Letter from bogus UHJ), pp. 22-23.

lineage of David through Baha'u'llah and 'Abdu'l-Baha has the authority to sit on the Throne of David as the presidents of the IBC/UHJ as the Executive Branch. I, and I alone, took this scepter (scroll) out of the hand of him who is seated upon the throne (Mason) and I, and I alone, opened up these seven seals and established the Kingdom as revealed by Baha'u'llah and delineated by 'Abdu'l-Baha in His sacred Will and Testament, which is the CHARTER for the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven. (WOB, p. 144).

Therefore none of these is the Lamb, and as the date for his advent (1963) has come and gone, no one else ever in the future or the past can ever fulfill these prophesies.†

The Bab didn't fulfill the prophecies for the return of Jesus the High Priest, and He was not of the root and offspring of David; therefore, He could not be the Promised Lamb or the return of Jesus. I fulfill the prophecies for the return of Jesus, and I am the only one in this world that does fulfill these prophecies. Therefore, I, and I alone, establish the Branch in the world (Zech. 3:8). That is, I establish the Provisions of 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament in the world. For instance, in this epistle I point out that only you, Joseph Pepe Remey Aghsan, fulfill the provisions of 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will to be the second guardian of the Baha'i Faith. I am the only person in this world that could have done this. Nobody else in this world could do this, for I am the establisher of the **branch** in this world. I not only establish the Davidic Kingship—guardianship—but the UHJ in this world, for as I point out to the peoples of the world how I fulfill the prophecies of the establisher of the Kingdom in their books, I break the seals of their religion and they become believers. These Baha'i nations then will elect their UHJ.

I am the pre-embryonic UHJ, and I will be succeeded by the elected body as I have already explained to you in my other epistles.

This epistle is not intended to show how I fulfill all of the prophecies of the one that is to come in 1963 A.D. (the 1335 days of Daniel). This fills a book which is still in manuscript form and is not yet published. I have gone into this subject, however, in my other writings, especially 'The Beast is about to be Dead'. Refer to them. To those that are not in possession of these other writings I will supply them on request. Let it suffice for here that I fulfill the prophecies for the Advent of Joshua, the High Priest, establishing the **branch** in the world, in the third chapter of Zechariah.

[†] Revelation Explained, 'Chapter 5:1'; Labbe Letter, pp. 3, 13.

I had Satan (Rex) who began his opposition to me resist me (Zech. 3:1) on April 21, 1963, the date given by Daniel for 'Blessed is he who comes to the 1335 days' (Daniel 12:12). (1335 = 1963, page 302, *Baha'u'llah and the New Era* 1953 Edition). He so resisted me during that year—1963-64—that he passed a motion in that NSA, that we were on, to set up a Baha'i court and then have me castigated and thrown out of the Baha'i Faith. The guardian then wrote the NSA to cease and desist. I "wore the dirty garment" (prison garb) (Zech. 3:3) when I had "the stone with seven eyes before me" (Zech. 3:9) when I was in the Montana State Prison, which has a stone wall with 7 watchtowers. "The Lord rebuked Satan" (Rex) when Mason wrote his letter of

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Bottom to top, left to right: Mrs. Mary Magdalene Wilkin, Dr. Marie Frain, Mrs. Marion Rhodes, Charles H. Gaines, Dr. Leland Jensen, Clarence M. McClymonds, Franklin D. Schlatter, Rex King, A. S. Petzoldt.

rebuke of Rex on September 13, 1969, designating him Satan. I came in the name prophesied for the Advent of Joshua—"the land" (Leland) (Zech. 3:9), for the iniquities of Joshua (Zech. 3:4) and the iniquities of "the land" (Zech. 3:9) are the same iniquities—the dirty garment. I had the "fair mitre" set upon my head when I became knowledgeable of what the prophecies of scripture that had not previously been explained by the Bab, Baha'u'llah, or 'Abdu'l-Baha meant (Zech. 3:5). I came into this knowledge when I had the "stone with 7 eyes before me" (Zech. 3:9). By my explanations and commentaries I "judge the House of Israel" by its new name, Baha'i (Zech. 3:7). For instance, I explain that only you can be the 2nd guardian of the Baha'i Faith, and that only I fulfill the prophecies for the Promised One that comes in 1963 A.D., something that the Baha'is are asleep to. Although this is a prominent prophecy, they are like the peoples of the past, not the least bit concerned about who that Promised One is. If I am not that One, who is? I "will keep His courts" (Zech. 3:7) for I am the pre-UHJ, as I have already explained to you in a previous epistle. I will establish the kingdom in my day and "Ye shall call every man his neighbor under the vine and under the fig tree" (Zech. 3:10).

Zechariah 3

- "And he showed me Joshua the High Priest standing before the angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.
- 2 And the Lord said unto Satan, The Lord rebuke thee, O Satan; even the Lord that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?
- 3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.
- 4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I clothe thee with change of raiment.
- 5 And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments, and the angel of the Lord stood by.
 - 6 And the angel of the Lord protested unto Joshua saying.
- 7 Thus saith the Lord of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways, and if thou wilt keep my charge, then thou shalt also judge my house, and shalt also keep my courts, and I will give thee places to walk among these that stand by.

- 8 Hear now, O Joshua the High Priest, thou and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for behold, I will bring forth my servant The **Branch**.
- 9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone shall be seven eyes: Behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the Lord of hosts and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

10 In that day, saith the Lord of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbor under the vine and under the fig-tree."

Immanuel (Hebrew), Joshua (Aramaic), and Jesus (Greek) have all the same meaning. The Catholics in their translation of the Bible use the word Jesus instead of Joshua in this 3rd chapter.

Jesus of Nazareth did not fulfill the above prophecy. He did not wear the dirty garment. He did not establish the **Branch** in the world. All Baha'is know that 'Abdu'l-Baha is the **Branch**. Baha'u'llah in His Book of the Covenant and in the Aqdas called 'Abdu'l-Baha the Most Great Branch. His name was not "the land" (Leland), nor did he have the "stone with seven eyes before him." Also he did not establish the Kingdom (call every man his neighbor).

I am the only man in history that fulfills the above prophecies. Thus I am the only person in this world that can establish you the true guardian in the world. So, I call you to come forth and be coronated King of the Kingdom, the second guardian of the Baha'i Faith, by Joshua, the High Priest standing in the Holy of Holies assembling the 12 Tribes of Israel, the 144,000, under their new name Baha'i.

APPENDIX NO. 1

January 9, 1974

Dear Joseph Pepe:

It was nice to have received your letter of December 28, which I am answering right away.

My husband tells me that Jimmie Barrett and Mary Magdalene Wilkins were the only ones on that Assembly that would listen to him, the rest were adamantly pro Rex. J. Barrett and M. Wilkins were confused and on the fence, so to speak. They finally fell over to support Rex to bring unity, leaving my husband standing alone. Since the Convention of 1964, my husband has had no further contact with any that were on that Assembly, and therefore does not know of Jimmie's present status.

It is Dr. Leland's opinion that Jimmie Barrett and all of the Baha'is under the Guardian, from the Guardian himself on down are in a state of suspended animation, and will remain there until the Great Projection, which is just about to take place.

In the Great Projection, the dead in Christ are to rise first (1 Thess. 4:16). These are the pure of heart of apostate Christendom. Then those who are alive, who are left (the Baha'is under the second Guardian), shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; (1 Thess. 4:17).

God is always present (Omnipresent), therefore, the coming of God is the coming of a Promised One. This coming of the Lord will not be the coming of a Manifestation of God, as was the Bab and Baha'u'llah. This coming of the Lord will be the cry of command of an archangel's call, and the sound of the trumpet of God (1 Thess. 4:16). An archangel is one who is very firm in the religion of the Manifestation of God. Of the more than 130 Knights of the Lord (who are to lead the hosts to victory; see *The World Order of Baha'u'llah*, page 17) there are only two remaining in the Cause of God. The rest were expelled from the Baha'i Religious Faith for Covenant-breaking by he who sits upon the Throne, the Guardian of the Cause of God. The archangel's trumpet blast that resurrects the dead is his Book that he wrote with the "stone with seven eyes before him". This Book of Life is now being readied for publication. The meeting the Lord in the air is not up in the sky where there is no air but here on earth where we are now breathing air, that is,

in flesh. Being "caught up" is coming into his service, entering God's heavenly army, that Joshua is now raising up through his explanations and commentaries.

This archangel is also the Promised seventh angel that 'Abdu'l-Baha stated on pages 66 and 67 of the Book, *Some Answered Questions*, that is to come and establish on earth the Kingdom of God that was brought by Baha'u'llah. This seventh angel is also the Promised Lamb of Chapters 5, 6, 7, 8, and 14 of the Book of Revelation, for when he sounds this trumpet the same thing happens as when the Lamb breaks the seventh seal (see Rev. 8:1-5 and Rev. 11:15-19 and Rev. 16:17-21).

Rex King sought a station above his station and God cast him out of heaven (the 9th heaven), the Cause of Baha'u'llah (see Isaiah 14:12-15), through he who sits upon the Throne of God, Mason Remey, the Guardian of the Cause of God (see Rev. 4:3). The Throne of God is the Revelation of Baha'u'llah. The Guardian sits upon the Throne, because he is the expounder (executive function) of the Revelation, as was 'Abdu'l-Baha, and he is the head (President) of the Universal House of Justice that will eventually be elected by National Houses of Justice. Therefore the Guardian is seated upon the Throne and not before it. Thus, he cannot be the Lamb that is before the Throne, that is to establish on earth the Kingdom of God that was brought by Baha'u'llah. Therefore, Mason Remey, and the Baha'is under him are in a state of suspended animation. The Promised Joshua is to bring forth the Branch (see Zech. 3:8). He is to establish the Cause of God as set forth in the Covenant of Baha'u'llah and the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha.

'Abdu'l-Baha is the Greatest Branch. He fulfills the prophecies of the coming of the Righteous Branch. In His Will and Testament the guardians are branches. Through the Divine Plan of 'Abdu'l-Baha, the first gathering of the Tribes of Israel took place. Baha'i is Israel under its new name, *Glory* (see Isaiah 6:3 and 65:15). Therefore, 'Abdu'l-Baha has a station of Joshua but He does not fulfill the prophecies of the Promised Joshua in Zechariah three. The first gathering of the Tribes of Israel—the establishing of the Baha'i Faith throughout the world—went astray with the passing of the first Guardian, and thus, the Tribes of Israel became dispersed throughout the world. Therefore, the second Guardian was obliged to expel them along with their administration, out of the Baha'i Religious Faith, making them the 7th head of The Beast that now rules the world.

The second gathering of the Tribes of Israel (Isaiah 11:11) takes place by the Promised Joshua of Zechariah three. This gathering was prophesied by Moses (Duet., chapter 30), and became the theme of the

prophets. This gathering is the Promised 144,000 of Chapters 7 and 14 of the Book of Revelation. My husband is the Promised Joshua, because he fulfills the prophecies of the coming of the Promised Joshua, which means Jesus.

The Bab was the return of Holy Spirit, because He was a Manifestation of God and fulfilled the prophecies for the return of the Holy Spirit as the Door or Gate. He came in the year 1260 A.H. that the Revelation of Christ gave for His coming; and in the year 1844 A.D. and 1260 A.H. that Daniel gave for His coming. He turned the Kingdom over to the Father (the Glory of the Father), Baha'u'llah, also a Manifestation of God after destroying every rule and every authority and power of Shi'a Islam (see 1 Cor. 15:24). The coming of the Glory of the Father—Baha'u'llah—came at the date given by Daniel— 1260—(Dan. 12:11). The Bab and Baha'u'llah are the Promised twin Manifestations ("one on this bank of the stream and one on that bank of the stream") that were prophesied to come (see Dan. 12:5 and Ez. 43). The Advent of Joshua fulfills the prophecies for the return of Jesus, the archangel, the Lamb, the son of man on the cloud of heaven, the man on the white horse. He is not a Manifestation of God bringing a new religion, but he establishes what all of the past Manifestations of God came for, the Kingdom of God, that was brought by Baha'u'llah. He came at the date that Daniel gave for his coming—1335 + 628 A.D. = 1963 A.D.—the year that Satan (Rex King) resisted and accused him.

The Books of God were sealed up until the time of the end, until the Promised Lamb came to break the seven seals. What Jesus had to say to the peoples of the world today are sealed up in the Book of Revelation in allegory, symbolism and parableism (Mark 4:11). 'Abdu'l-Baha explained in detail the 11th and 12th chapters and part of the 21st chapter of the Book of Revelation in the Book, *Some Answered Questions*. This was His perogative to do so, for these chapters dealt mainly with the Advent of Islam and the Advent of the Bab and Baha'u'llah. The rest of the chapters He left untouched. Therefore the rest of the Book has remained sealed. For instance, nobody knew who The Beast was until the Promised Joshua wrote the article of 'The Beast', with "The Stone With Seven Eyes before him". He wrote this in a hurry to use in his teaching work, for he was busy writing the Book of Life of the Lamb.

In this Book of Life, among other things, he explains what Jesus had to say in the rest of the chapters of Revelation that are not now explained anywhere else in any of the Baha'i writings, and are erroneously explained by some apostate sects of Christendom. Thus, Jesus who died comes to life in the Lamb's Book of Life (Rev. 5:6). Therefore, the explanations and commentaries of the Promised Joshua is the Promised return of Jesus. Thus, he will resurrect the dead in Christ, who are the pure of heart of apostate Christendom.

The Lamb—Joshua—takes the scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals from the right hand of him who is seated on the throne—the Guardian—and breaks the seven seals in his Book of Life (Rev. 5:1 and Rev. 5:6). The little Book written within and on the back is the Covenant of Baha'u'llah and the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha. It is in the right hand of the Guardian for by this Book he is seated upon the Throne. But he is in suspended animation and can't get anyone to see this for it is sealed with seven seals and he cannot break the seven seals of the religions that came before the Baha'i Faith: The Sabaean, the Jewish, the Hindu, the Zoroastrian, the Buddhists, the Christian, and the Islam. The seals of these Books of these religions are broken in the Lamb's Book of Life.

My husband, besides explaining the prophecies of these religions that are in allegory, parableism and symbolism, so that all of the peoples of the world will come into the Kingdom of God, under the guardian of the Cause of God, but he also proves them all for the first time by conquering The Great Pyramid.

The Great Pyramid is a chronological time scale in measurable inches giving the "road map" or pathway of God from the incep-tion at the time of Adam to the establishment of the Kingdom of God on earth. The Great Pyramid is referred to in the Bible in a number of places as a witness to the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth. Isaiah said: "In that day there shall be an altar to the Lord in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the Lord. And it shall be for a sign (a monument or prophecy in stone) and a witness unto the Lord of hosts in the land of Egypt: for he shall send them a savior and a great one, and he shall deliver them" (Isaiah 19:19, 20).

"In that day" refers to this day, the day of the establishing of the Kingdom of God on earth. "An altar" refers to the Great Step, or altar in the Great Pyramid, which represents the Advent of the Bab, the Door of the Kingdom. The Great Pyramid is "in the midst of Egypt", and is a pillar "of stone at the border thereof." It was built at the border of upper and lower Egypt, which were separate kingdoms in predynastic Egypt, but now is in the midst of Egypt. It is "a witness—road—to the Lord of Hosts in the land of Egypt," for it gives the chronological dates of the Advents of all the Manifestations of God and Promised Ones in the Great Plan of God to

Spiritualize the peoples of this planet. The dates of their Advents are given in measurable distances all the way from Adam to the establishing of the Kingdom of God on earth: Adam, Cain are the start of civilization, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Krishna, Zoroaster, Buddha, Baptism of Jesus, the crucifixion, Muhammad, the Advent of the Bab or start of the Baha'i calendar, the year nine of the Baha'i era, April 21, 1863 or the Proclamation of Baha'u'llah, the Al-Kitab Al-Aqdas, the Kitab-i-Ahd, the date of Joshua or April 21, 1963 and the date for the Proclamation of Joshua or April 29, 1971 and the date of the capstone as well as the date for the establishing of the Lesser Peace. This is within one thousandth of an inch of accuracy, which is but a matter of hours.

When this book is published the dead in Christ will resurrect and rush into the Kingdom. When this happens the Guardian's fund will be bountifully supplied. Then he will be able to do all of the things for the Faith that will need to be done. What I send to him is not a token donation, but to try to really help him in the interim. I would gladly send him more, but I have the entire weight of supporting the Faith here, as my husband has not as yet received his clean garment, and he is yet deprived of making a living; and the most part of those that have come into the Faith under the Guardian here are prisoners, making but 10 cents a day, and those that have left the prison have a very difficult time making a go of it.

Those that come into the Faith here in Montana do so by hearing his lectures. In his talks he reveals to them what he has written in his Book. There have been over 100 come into the Cause of God through his explanations. These are either now in the prison, or have left it. He is just getting his teaching work started outside of the stone with seven eyes, and they from the outside are now starting to enter the Cause of God. He has two Firesides here at home a week and one at the prison, but a deepening class is being planned at the prison, which should start next week. When he gets his printshop set up they will start entering the Cause in troops.

He is now getting the printing equipment together to print his Book and other Baha'i Books. He cannot have his Book published by a publishing house, for he would lose control of the copyright and they then would be able to shelve his work. He knows the printing work well though, for he worked his way through college in the world's largest printshop.

At present he is writing a second edition of "The Beast is About to be Dead". He wrote the first edition in a hurry so that it wouldn't take too much of his time from writing his Book. He made it small and compact so that it could be read in a hurry, to the detriment of thoroughness. This he used in his

teaching work inside the prison. The second edition will be five or six times longer and will be most explicit. This will be used in the teaching work that is now started on the outside of the stone with seven eyes. It will open the eyes of the blind that read it, so that they may get a glimpse of the Perfections of the Blessed Beauty. It will open the ears of the deaf that hear it, so that they may hear the sweet refrains of the Nightingale of Paradise as he singeth upon the branches of the tree of eternity with holy and sweet melodies. It will resurrect the dead and they will rush forward toward God, calling on Him in His Greatest Name, with their face bent toward the orient of His Cause and the Dawning Point of its Horizon.

Enclosed please find several pictures that were just taken behind the stone with seven eyes. Under separate cover I am sending you additional pictures. We have from 35 to 50 people attending those Sunday afternoon Firesides at the prison. This is from a total population inside the walls of 150. About 1/3 of that population are believers. It is the biggest thing going there.

My husband joins me in sending you our kindest regards, and we are praying in the Guardian's and your behalf. This letter is very short and in order to begin to understand it, it will be necessary to look up the references in the Bible. He is hoping to run off the second edition of "The Beast" in a month or two. I will send you a copy as soon as it comes off the press. Then you will be able to get a much better insight into this whole subject.

Faithfully in El Abha,

Dr. Opal M. Jensen

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APPENDIX NO. 2

FOR DR. LELAND JENSEN • FROM THE GUARDIAN OF THE ORTHODOX BAHA'I
WORLD FAITH

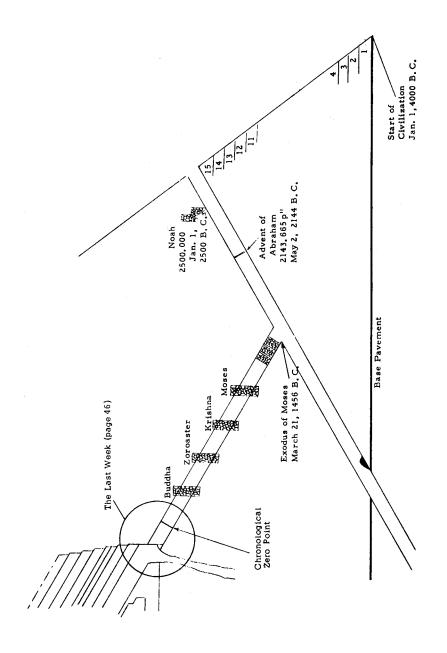


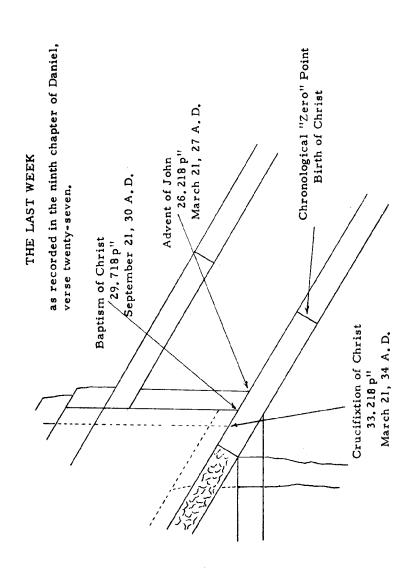
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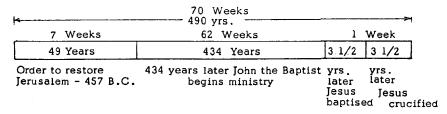
Some days ago I was astonished to have word that Rex King and two young men were below wishing to see me! I sent word back to say I would like very much to see Rex but not the young men. I had things I wanted to tell him but not them.

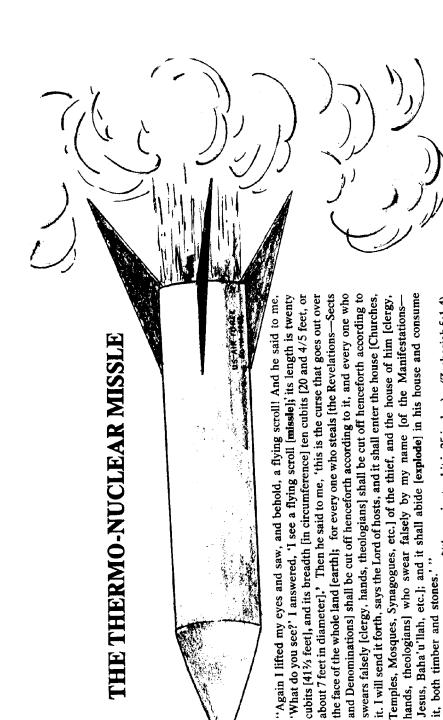
I told Rex that no one of my acquaintance has a better knowledge of the Baha'i Faith than he but as Lucifer in Old Testament Days chose to put truth aside and espouse the cause of Satan,
so had he done in these modern times decided that he would now
assume the station of Satan in these days of the Dispensation of
Christ, despite the many opportunities that I had given him to
change his evil ways, yet he refused and blatantly insisted on
maintaining his satanic intentions, therefore obliging me to cast
him out from all association in this world with the people of God
that included the life to come as well as his life here upon
earth - his station to be ever and eternally that of Satan for
evermore.

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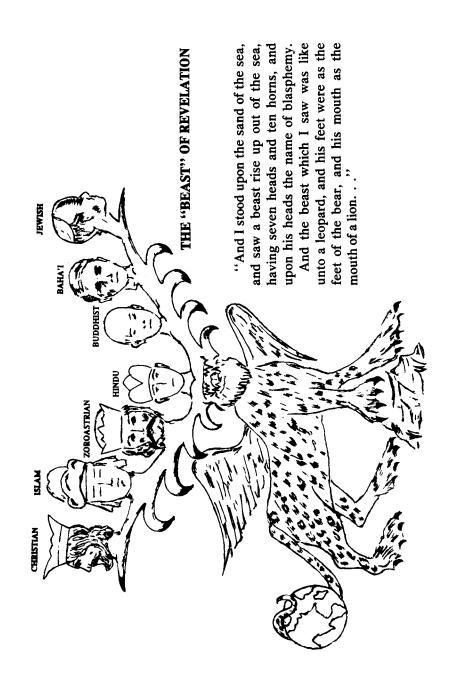








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14 March 1978

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Dear Guardian:

It has not been my pleasure to meet you yet. But in 1963 I wrote the second Guardian, Mason Remey, your father, stating my desire and asking his permission to withdraw from the Baha'i Faith. I gave as my reason that my life had become oppressive and frustrated and I wanted to seek a way to reach and help my people. The second Guardian gave me his permission to withdraw from the Faith.

What I told no one at that time was the agony of my soul at watching the same thing happen to the Baha'i Faith that had hap-pened to the Cause of God from time immemorial. I believed then that the Baha'i Revelation was the answer to man's prayers and the solution to his problems, but also that men were surely cor-rupting it. I could see then that what was already in existence and what was coming into existence was not what Baha'u'llah had meant. Even so, I resisted what I thought to be definite signs and indications that my Lord had in mind to drive me from His Cause. But the pressures increased, the oppression of my spirit mounted, and finally, I acquiesced and with trepidation and reluctance with-drew from the Cause.

When I was twelve years old, I vowed publicly to seek the truth of God and follow it wherever it led and whatever it cost me. At that time I started my preparation for the priesthood. But my Lord took me literally at my word and He began moving me along arduous and torturous paths into and out of the various expressions of religion. Each time I realized that men had perverted the teachings of God, and had no choice but to leave in search of the truth. In 1957 I became a Baha'i. Because of my training and discipline in preparation for the priesthood and my education in biblical languages in

preparation for the ministry I could recognize that the Bab and Baha'u'llah fulfilled the prophecies of the scriptures. But then in late 1957 Shoghi Effendi died and the whole Baha'i world believed they had been left without a Guardian. Then in 1960 Mason Remey issued his proclamation to the Baha'i World that he was, indeed the appointed second Guardian. Then I was a very popular and well known Baha'i teacher throughout the eastern part of the U.S. and I received Mason's Proclamation and set about to disprove it and the more I searched to disprove the more evidence I found to prove it. Finally, after much agony and soul searching I wrote a Trilogy in Defense of Mason Remey's Guardianship, at the time I wrote that defense I didn't know there was another Baha'i in the world who believed it. I had great fear that by writing such a paper I would be disrupting the Faith of God and breaking the Covenant. But after much intense prayer and meditation I realized that by writing such a paper I would be keeping the Covenant, so I wrote.

Dear Guardian it is important that I state that I did not support Mason Remey's claim to the Guardianship on faith or for personal reasons. At that time I had never heard of Mason, but when I read his proclamation and studied the Holy Writings, Mason met all the criteria and satisfied the proofs and this is the only real basis for accepting anyone to be who they claim to be.

In 1963, when my Lord drove me from the Baha'i Faith, I thought He had abandoned me. Now I know that He had a work for me to do and was both protecting me and preparing me for that work. For 14 years I have been separated and isolated from the Baha'is and all news about what was going on in the Faith. During all that time my faithful "companions were the tears I shed," and my comforters were the "groans I uttered," and my daily food, "the fragments of my broken heart." But my Lord never left me, although I didn't realize it. All that time He guided me, relentlessly and implacably. He pounded my spirit with the pestle of trials in the crucible of this world and hammered out my mettle on the anvil of tribulation.

On February 19, 1971 I had the first of a series of spiritual awakenings, and I started writing my thoughts and inspirations in a little green book. I felt quite strongly that there was time for a great teacher to come. I didn't know who he would be or where he would come from—I even thought he could possibly come from outer space—but I knew it was time for him to come and that when he came he would teach me and all men. I wrote:

"Last night I tried to reach the universal mind that will be my contact and tutor. For I am convinced that if I am not insane, there is a Universal mind, a human reality who is New Man in another world, who will be my contact with other new men and a sort of tutor."

I had no success reaching "New Man" but the awareness that he had to be here grew more intense. In March I wrote:

"There is a need, desperate and imperative for someone who can direct the energies of the majority of the young people who are genuinely concerned about the establishment of justice, the abolition of war, and the welfare of their fellowman; who can interdict the efforts, counter the influence and expose the motives of those whose air is sheer destruction and whose dream is to see something far worse than that which now exists dominant over the world; who can challenge with authority and shake from their torpor and blind unthinking allegiance those vast anonymous millions who, because of their childish faith, their unquestioning allegiance and fanatic dedication to anything purported to be the "Will of God" have allowed themselves to be used as instruments in the establishment of injustice, the waging of war, the initiation, perpetuation and defense of the most fiendish and perfidious concept of race and of human rights to ever plague the earth; who can begin the care and feeding of the embryo of new man, to come into this world with power and force.

... These are unprecedented times, plagued by unprecedented crises and to help these times there must be unprecedented solutions, applied by unprecedented men with unprecedented power."

On February 19, 1975, I had another siege of spiritual awareness, this time more intense than before. I knew there was a Teacher here. I would get in my car and drive the cities' streets, the high-ways, going into bars, picking up hitchhikers, trying to find him. I knew from history that you couldn't tell where you might find him. I just believed I had to go out and look, for I couldn't expect him to just walk up and knock on my door. On February 16, just passed, I was compelled to get out my little green book and as I read I knew that on February 19th I would have the answers to my questions. And on February 18th Leland Jensen knocked on my door—I hadn't seen him since we served on the Assembly in 1963—he came in and before the night was over he had supplied me with all the evidence I needed to know that he was the Great One promised, He was Joshua, the return

of Jesus. The rest of that evening and the next day, the 19th, I and my daughter listened while Leland explained and interpreted the Book of Revelation and the other prophecies and broke the seals of all books and the Pyramid, and I knew that only one per-son could do that, and that he is who he says he is.

In Isaiah 19:19, 20 it is recorded, "In that day shall there be an altar to the Lord in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the Lord. And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the Lord of Hosts in the land of Egypt; for they shall cry unto the Lord because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a Saviour, and a Great One, and he shall deliver them."

Leland Jensen gives the proofs, he meets the criteria, it is not faith that leads me to this but the intellectual awareness that Leland is the only man in all history that meets all the tests, **HE IS JOSHUA**, **THE RETURN OF JESUS**, **THE GREAT ONE** and of that there can be no doubt and no question.

I also know that you are, in truth, the third Guardian of the Cause of God. And inasmuch as I wrote the second Guardian, Mason Remey, about my withdraw from the Faith, I now write you, the third Guardian about my return and place myself at your service.

Allah-u-Abha!

Yours in His service,

Charles H. Gaines

MASON REMEY, Aghsan

Branch; 1st Guardian, Baha'i Faith



SON OF 'ABDU'L-BAHA

JOSEPH PEPE REMEY, Aghsan

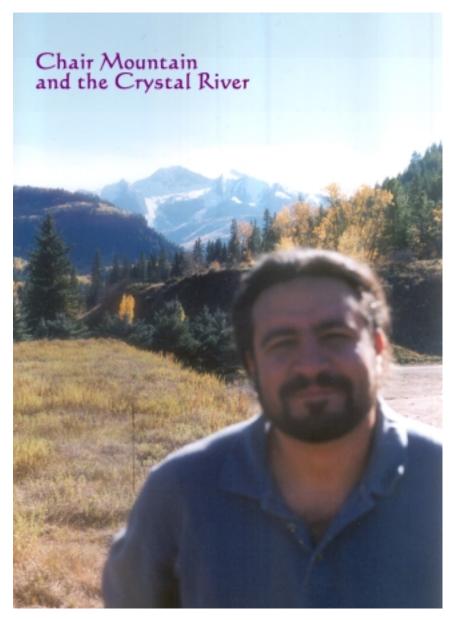
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SON OF MASON REMEY

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Branch; 3rd Guardian, Baha'i Faith



SON OF JOSEPH PEPE REMEY

Day of the Great Dividing

THE HANDS OF THE FAITH have no authority to pass upon the one the Guardian chooses for his successor:

"The statement in the Will of 'Abdu'l-Baha does not imply that the Hands of the Cause of God have been given the authority to overrule the Guardian. 'Abdu'l-Baha could not have provided for a conflict of authority in the Faith. This is obvious, in view of His own words, which you will find on page 13 (p. 11 of 1944 U.S. edition) of the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha. 'The mighty stronghold shall remain impregnable and safe through obedience to him who is the guardian of the Cause of God...It is incumbent upon ...the Hands of the Cause of God to show their obedience, submissiveness and subordination unto the guardian of the Cause of God, to turn unto him and be lowly before him. He that opposeth him hath opposed the true One', etc."

Shoghi

(Letter to an American believer from the Guardian through his secretary, June 6, 1954, published in Baha'i News, February, 1955.)

THE HANDS OF THE FAITH have no authority to decide upon who is or is not a Covenant-breaker. Only Shoghi Effendi and after him the Universal House of Justice with the Guardian as its president can do that. If there is no guardian, there can be no Covenant-breakers!

Expulsion and Reinstatement of Covenant-Breakers

"The Guardian [Shoghi Effendi], like the Master before him, has not considered it advisable to as yet permit any person or Assembly to put another person out of the Cause of God. There is a sharp distinction between depriving a believer of his voting rights, which is a severe disciplinary measure and not a spiritual sanction, and pronouncing a former believer to be a truly spiritually diseased soul, a soul in the condition the Master referred to when, in His last cable to America before His ascension, He said, 'He who sitteth with a leper catcheth leprosy'. The Guardian [Shoghi Effendi] has, within the last few years, considered the National Assemblies strong enough to wield the instrument of sanction in the sense of depriving a Baha'i of his voting rights. But no one but himself can pronounce a person to be in that diseased condition we call 'Covenant-

breaking', and no one but he can reinstate a Covenant-breaker. No National Assembly has been given this right and cannot, therefore, review the question or reinstate anyone. All any National Assembly can do is to report to the Guardian [Shoghi Effendi and after him the UHJ both body and head] if they are approached by a Covenant-breaker, and then the Guardian [Shoghi Effendi and after him the UHJ both body and head] will take action. It is a pity that some of the Western friends, with remarkable **naivete**, do not grasp the fact that there is absolutely nothing keeping those who have broken the Covenant, whether Baha'u'llah's or the Master's out of the Cause of God except their own inner spiritually sick condition. If they were sound, instead of diseased, and wanted to enter the service of the Faith, they would apply direct to the Guardian [Shoghi Effendi and after him the UHJ both body and head] and he would be able to adjudge of their sincerity and, if sincere, would welcome them into the ranks of the faithful as he did with Sydney Sprague. Unfortunately, a man who is ill is not made well just by asserting there is nothing wrong with him! Fact, actual states, are what count. Probably no group of people in the world have softer tongues, or proclaim more loudly their innocence, than those who in their heart of hearts, and by every act, are enemies of the Center of the Covenant. The Master well knew this and that is why He said we must shun their company, but pray for them. If you put a leper in a room with healthy people, he cannot catch their health; on the contrary they are very likely to catch his horrible ailment."

> Shoghi Baha'i News, No. 220 (June, 1949), p. 2

THE HANDS OF THE FAITH have no authority to decide the question as to whether the guardianship had come to an end. Each individual must decide this for himself by himself—**Independent Investigation of the Truth.**

THE HANDS OF THE FAITH (without a guardian) have no authority to decide anything in the Faith, for without a guardian they are not constituted. They are appointed and under the direct supervision of the Guardian. Without a guardian they do not exist:

"O friends! the Hands of the Cause of God must be nominated and appointed by the guardian of the Cause of God. All must be under his shadow and obey his command. Should any, within or without the company of the Hands of the Cause of God disobey and seek division, the wrath of God and His vengeance will be upon him, for he will have caused a breach in the true Faith of God...this body of the Hands of the Cause of God is under the direction of the guardian of the Cause of God..."

Will and Testament, pp. 12-13

"The Hands of the Faith can only function as protectors of the Faith when they are serving under the direction following the commands of the Guardian of the Faith. They have no authority vested in themselves as Hands of the Faith to act in their own capacity nor in any other capacity, save under the direction of the living Guardian of the Faith."

Mason Remey, Guardian (Proclamation, p. C)

SHOGHI EFFENDI APPOINTED HIS SUCCESSOR TO THE GUARDIANSHIP when he welcomed Mason Remey, the son of 'Abdu'l-Baha, to be the President [**Head**] of his International Baha'i Council, which is the **Head** of the Universal House of Justice, and the **Head** of the Universal House of Justice (Supreme Tribunal) is the Guardian of the Cause of God. Shoghi announced this appointment in two cablegrams. These are recorded in "Messages of the Guardian."

[Messages to the Baha'i World, 1950-1957, pp. 7 and 8.]

Formation of First International Baha'i Council

"Proclaim National Assemblies of East and West weighty epoch-making decision of formation of first International Baha'i Council, forerunner of supreme administrative institution destined to emerge in fullness of time within precints beneath shadow of World Spiritual Center of Faith . . . Nascent Institution now created is invested with threefold function: . . . To these will be added further functions in course of **evolution** of this first **embryonic** International Institution, marking its development into **officially recognized Baha'i Court,** its **transformation** into duly elected **body,*** its **efflorescence** into Universal House of Justice, . . . "

Shoghi (Cablegram, January 9, 1951) *body only to be elected

Spiritual and Administrative World Center

Announce to friends of East and West the following: . . . Greatly welcome assistance of the newly-formed International Council, particularly its President [Head]* Mason Remey . . .

Shoghi (Cablegram, March 2, 1951) *Head not to be elected successor in Guardianship **SHOGHI EFFENDI HAD INDICATED** that his International Baha'i Council would develop into an officially recognized International Baha'i Court—the Supreme Tribunal; that its Body would be elected and Mason Remey would remain its Head in its evolution. But the Supreme Tribunal would be just the **intermediate stage** in its efflorescence into the Universal House of Justice. This would signalize the establishment of the lesser Peace of Baha'u'llah in the world.

Peace cannot be established until after the Thermo-nuclear holocaust, for the 'Beast' goes into **the fire** and becomes utterly destroyed (Rev. 17:8, 19:20). The present United Nations is the **BEAST** that is about to be dead, for it is a political union of nations—not a spiritual union. After the holocaust the nations that formed the Beast will become the 'four living creatures' (Baha'i States). The lion, England—the ox, Russia (its ancient symbol)—face of a man (De Gaulle), France—eagle, America (Rev. 4:6, 7 RSV).

'Abdu'l-Baha wrote how this **intermediate stage** of Baha'u'llah's **Supreme Tribunal** would be elected and instituted by Baha'i Nations:

"For example, the question of Universal Peace, about which His Holiness Baha'u'llah says that the Supreme Tribunal must be established: although the League of Nations has been brought into existence, yet it is incapable of establishing Universal Peace. But the Supreme Tribunal which His Holiness Baha'u'llah has described will fulfill this sacred task with the utmost might and power. And His plan is this: that the national assemblies of each country and nation—that is to say parliaments—should elect two or three persons who are the choicest men of that nation, and are well informed concerning international laws and the relations between governments and aware of the essential needs of the world of humanity in this day. The number of these representatives should be in proportion to the number of inhabitants of that country. The election of these souls who are chosen by the national assembly, that is, the parliament, must be confirmed by the upper house, the congress and the cabinet and also by the president or monarch so these persons may be the elected ones of all the nation and the government. From among these people the members of the Supreme Tribunal will be elected, and all mankind will thus have a share there in, for every one of these delegates is fully representative of his nation. When the Supreme Tribunal gives a ruling on any international question, either unanimously or by majority-rule, there will no longer be any pretext for the plaintiff or ground of objection for the defendant. In case any of the governments or nations, in the execution of the irrefutable decision of the Supreme Tribunal, be negligent or dilatory, the rest of the nation will rise up against it, because all the governments and nations of the world are the supporters of this Supreme Tribunal. Consider what a firm foundation this is! But by a limited and restricted League the purpose will not be realized as it ought and should. This is the truth about the situation, which has been stated."

Baha'i World Faith, pp. 291-292

THE SUPREME TRIBUNAL, which is the intermediary link in the formation of the Universal House of Justice, will be elected by Baha'i nations. It cannot be established until the beast of Revelation (Chapter 13 and 17, Daniel 7:4-6) that now rules the world (the United Nations) is dead (Lion, England—Bear, Russia—Leopard, France—Eagle, United States).* The thermo-nuclear holocaust will be over in one hour. One third of the people of the world, mostly in Europe and America, will be dead (Rev. 9:13-19; 18:10, 17, 19). Amid the confusion in a seven year tribulation period (Ezekiel 39:9) of starvation and disease and the pillage and carnage, in which another one third of the peoples of the world will be killed (Zechariah 13:8), mass **conversion** will take place of the peoples that are left of the countries that now form the Beast (Revelation 7:9-14). These four nations then become the four living creatures, taking on the Spirit (Rev. 5:8-14 RSV). They will then elect the Supreme Tribunal which will establish peace in the world. Other nations will join the Supreme Tribunal at this time. This conversion will take place by the Baha'is Under the Provisions of the Covenant (Israel under its new name). These are the promised 144,000 of Revelation 7 and 14, or God's heavenly army on white horses which follow the Lamb where ever he goes (Rev. 14:5). *See "The Beast is about to be dead"

THE UNIVERSAL HOUSE OF JUSTICE will be elected after the lesser peace of Baha'u'llah is firmly established in the world, following the great global catastrophe which is prophesied to occur in the 21st century of the Christian Era. Mass conversion of the peoples of the other countries who have not yet joined the Supreme Tribunal will then take place, also in a seven year period. The ordeal of this great global catastrophe will cause the rest of the people to turn to God. For instance, in the earths shifting crust, China will move into the Arctic circle and get the deep freeze as did Siberia in the last crustal shift wherein millions of mammoths underwent the deep freeze. The

Supreme Tribunal with the Guardian at its **Head** will lay down its constitution in accordance with the laws and teachings of Baha'u'llah. Then they will institute secondary Houses of Justice in all the nations and these secondary Houses of Justice will elect the Universal House of Justice. The Supreme Tribunal and the Universal House of Justice cannot exist at the same time, as they both do the same thing: "Should differences arise they shall be amicably and conclusively settled by the Supreme Tribunal, that shall include members from all the governments and peoples of the world" (Will and Testament, p. 13). "By this House is meant the Universal House of Justice; that is, in all countries a secondary House of Justice must be instituted, and these secondary Houses of Justice must elect the members of the Universal one. Unto this body all things must be referred. It enacteth all ordinances and regulations that are not to be found in the explicit Holy Text. By this body all the difficult problems are to be resolved and the guardian of the Cause of God is its sacred head and distinguished member for life of that **body**" (Will and Testament, p. 14). These two bodies are but different phases of the same body. A head cannot exist without a body, and the body cannot exist without a head. A head cannot create its body and the body its head. In the embryo and the fetus, both the body and the head exists together. Therefore Shoghi Effendi's International Baha'i Council was the embryonic Universal House of Justice. It didn't exist at the time that the guardianship came into existence (at the passing of 'Abdu'l-Baha), and it was set up by Shoghi Effendi. Shoghi had every right, however, to appoint its head, as he must appoint his successor to the guardianship during his lifetime. By Shoghi appointing Mason **Head** of an embryonic House of Justice, (when he welcomed him as president of that Council), Mason was thus appointed to be the Head of the embryonic House of Justice that was in existence at the passing of 'Abdu'l-Baha. The Lamb (7th angel), having his root in prophecy, has the authority to establish the Branch (the Provisions of 'Abdu'l-Baha's Will and Testament) in the world. As prophecy gives him infallibility in his work, he therefore also derives this authority in the Will and Testament by being the embryonic Universal House of Justice. He was alive and in the world at the passing of 'Abdu'l-Baha. Thus the embryonic head and body existed together in the embryo. He was referred to in a number of prophecies of 'Abdu'l-Baha. He will be replaced by the elected Body (the Supreme Tribunal).

After 'Leland' was born on August 22, 1914 A.D. 'Abdu'l-Baha made this prophecy of one who is already born and in the world. This is in reference to Daniel's prophecy of "blessed is he who waits and comes to the thousand three hundred and thirty-five days" (April 21, 1963, Dan. 12:12). This also is in reference to 'Abdu'l-Baha's explanation of the 7th Angel that **was yet to come and establish the Kingdom** on page 66 of *Some Answered Questions*.

Verily that Infant is **born** and exists and there will appear from his cause a wonder which thou wilt hear in future. Thou shalt see Him with the most perfect form, most great gift, most complete perfection, most great power and strongest might! His face glisteneth a glistening whereby the horizons are illumined! Therefore, forget not this account as long as thou art living, for as much as there are **signs for it in the passing centuries and ages**.'

'Abdu'l-Baha—from the *Tablets of* '*Abdu'l-Baha*, Vol. II, p. 484

Later on 'Abdu'l-Baha in commenting on this person that was already in the world, that was prophesied to come in past Holy Scriptures, states to a believer:

"O thou dear friend!—Know that the Distinguished Individ-ual of every age is according to the virtues of that age. The Distinguished Personage who was in the former cycle, His power and virtues were according to the former age, but in this brilliant age and divine cycle, the nobel Personage, the Radiant Star, the Distinguished one, will manifest with virtues which will eventually amaze the peoples, for he is in spiritual virtues and divine perfections loftier than all the Individuals; nay, rather, He is the Source of Divine Benedic-tion and the Center of the Radiant Circle. He is certainly comprehensive. There is no doubt that He will reveal Him-self to such a degree as to bring all under his overshadowing shelter."

Tablets of 'Abdu'l-Baha, Vol. III, p. 541

- THE GUARDIAN OF THE BAHA'I FAITH, Mason Remey, has designated the former Hands as being in that spiritually sick condition of Covenant-breaker. Those that sat with these sick souls have caught their leprosy and have become as sick as they were. Thus they have gone from one sick violation of the Master's Sacred Will to another, until the list of their violations has become long and glaring:
 - 1. Refused to become submissive to the living Guardian of the Baha'i Faith. They acted on their own, rather than under the direct direction of the Guardian. Thus, they were not submissive to God (W&T p. 11).
 - 2. Killed Shoghi Effendi's International Baha'i Council in embryo and replaced it with a plan of their own. Thus, they have opposed the True One, and have made a breach in the Cause of God.
 - 3. Eliminated the intermediary part of Supreme Tribunal—"Officially recognized International Baha'i Court." Thus, they have rebelled against God.
 - 4. Replaced Baha'u'llah's Universal House of Justice with their own brand. Thus, they have contended with God.
 - 5. Had their creation elected by N.S.A.s instead of Secondary Houses of Justice. Thus, they have disputed with God.
 - 6. Took over the function of the Guardian. Thus, they have denied God.
 - 7. They devised a "**ploy**" to divert the believers from the Guardianship, by naming the Guardian—Mason Remey—Covenant-breaker, so the Baha'i World would avoid him and not investigate the matter for themselves. Thus, they have disbelieved in God.
 - 8. They named anyone who held to the Provisions of the Covenant and continued with the Guardianship as Covenant-breakers, causing their followers to become more **sick**, avoid-ing all contact with the Baha'i Faith under the Provisions of the Covenant. Thus, they have separated themselves from God.
 - 9. Their illegitimate U.H.J. has taken over many of the functions of the Guardianship. Thus, they have turned aside from God. May the wrath of God rest upon them.
 - 10. Took over the Huquq (money offering to be paid directly to the Guardian), having it paid to their **bogus** U.H.J. Thus, they have subverted His word.
 - 11. Set up Continental Board of Counselors to replace the institution of the Hands of the Cause of God. Thus, they have become a manifestation of the Center of Sedition.

These are just a few, but the more glaring, of their Covenant-breaking violations.

THE SEVEN HEADS OF THE BEAST are the seven alive revealed religions of the world. The Sabian (or Adamic) is no longer an alive religion, neither is the Babi. The Sabians were converted into the other religions and the Babis became Baha'is. The same thing has happened to the Baha'i Faith that had happened to the other religions. It has been taken over by a dynasty of usurpers. The Guardian, when he cleansed the Baha'i Faith of its defilement, cut it out root and branch as you would a cancer. He did this by removing forever the administration of Shoghi Effendi. He was able to do this as it formed no part of the Sacred Holy Text. Thus the apostate Baha'i Faith, under the dynasty of the Covenant-breaking Hands, has become the seventh head of the Beast (Rev. 17:10). It goes with the Beast into the lake of fire, the thermo-nuclear holocaust, and becomes completely and thoroughly destroyed (Rev. 17:8, 19:20). Those that are associated with this seventh head that have a pure heart and haven't caught that horrible spiritual disease called leprosy, will come out of this violation and join God's heavenly army, the 144,000, under the direction of the Lamb and Guardianship, and thus avoid the flames of the fire.

THE SEVENTH HEAD OF THE BEAST has no message for the world. It is just a Covenant-breaking sect—another organized religion—that has joined the other six Heads in opposition to the Kingdom (the re-established Davidic Kingship) of God on earth as it is in heaven. "In the Day of the Great Dividing" those pure-hearted souls that have not caught that dreadful disease 'Leprosy', and that "have stood fast and firm in the (Provisions of the) Covenant" (W&T, page 1), will leave the 7th Head of the Beast and come under the Davidic Kingship and assist the Lamb in establishing the Kingdom. But those severely diseased souls in that "Day" that remain in that Covenant-breaking Sect of the 7th Head will go with the Beast and its other six Heads into the Fire and go to perdition. In this state they will descend to the lowest ABYSS and suffer the eternal, dismal gloom, for they are the lovers of darkness (the unforgivable sin). When they cry out in their suffering there will be no one to hear them and no one to rescue them, for they are the eternal enemies of God and His Prophets.

DOES YOUR RELIGION (sect or denomination) tell you the "**Day** and the **Hour**" for the oncoming **thermo-nuclear holocaust** in which **a third of mankind are to be killed,** so that you can be 100 miles from a thermo-nuclear blast (Rev. 14:20)? If it doesn't it lacks Divine Guidance to save you. Are you of the opinion that being in a sect or denomination, that you are thus believing

in Jesus and saved (up in the **sky** when this occurs)? Or, will those in their Covenant-breaking sect get any credit (brownie points) for their works?

JESUS SAID:

"Not everyone who **says to me, 'Lord, Lord,'** shall enter the Kingdom (Davidic) of heaven, but **he who does the will of my Father** who is in heaven. On that **DAY** many will say to me 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do mighty works in your name? And I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you evil doers'" (Matt. 7:21-23).

ARE YOU OF THE OPINION that no one will know the **Day** or the **Hour? JESUS SAID:**

"For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. And if those days had not been shortened, no human being would be saved; but for the sake of the elect the days will be shortened... But of that **day and hour** no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only" (Matt. 24:21, 22, 36).

BUT, THE 'SON OF MAN' has come in the 'Glory of the **FATHER**' as promised (Mark 8:38). In order to understand this you need to read this book of the 'The Lamb', "**The Most Mighty Document,**" 'the Lamb' who took **The Most Mighty Document**, out of the hand of him who was seated upon the Throne and broke the "seven seals" (Rev. Chap. 5). Until the Lamb broke the seven seals no one on earth knew the **Day** or the **Hour. DO YOU?** The **Day** and the **Hour** is recorded in the 9th chapter of the Book of Revelation, but no one knows what this means with-out the Lamb's explanation.

"Then the sixth angel blew his trumpet, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before God saying, 'Release the four angels (angels of winds of destruction) who are bound at the great river Euphrates.' So the four angels were released, who had been held ready for the **hour**, the **day**, and the **month**, and the **year**, to kill a third of mankind (Rev. 9:13, 14, 15)."

'Abdu'l-Baha explained that the fifth angel was Ali that promoted the Law of Muhammad and occured in the days of the First Woe (the days of Muhammad). The sixth angel is that of Janabi Quddus, the promoter of the morn of guidance of the second woe of the Bab (*SAQ* p. 64). From the time (July 10, 1844) when Quddus recognized and became a follower of the Bab until the dropping of the bombs, there is a **month**, a **year**, a **day and then the hour**. The **month** is a Baha'i month of 19 days. Each of these days is one year. There are exactly 19 years, **one Vahid**, from the Advent of the sixth angel Quddus to the Advent of the "Glory of the Father"—Baha'u'llah—when He made His Proclamation on April 21, 1863. The year is the hundred "Golden Jubilee year" of Baha'u'llah's Proclamation, April 21, 1963. This is the Advent of the seventh angel—the Lamb with seven horns and seven eyes, the Son of Man—that wrote this book and broke the seven seals.

THIS IS THE DAY THAT THE 7TH ANGEL sounds his trumpet, which is when "The Most Mighty Document" is published, and comes to an end with the Hour when one third of mankind will be killed. This is the Day in which the guilt of Joshua (the land) will be removed in one day (Zech 3:9). This is the Day in which the 'sheep' will be separated from the 'goats' and the 'grain' from the 'weeds'. The weeds and the goats go into the fire and are destroyed in an Hour, the Day of Judgement; the Day of Resurrection, in which those dead in Christ (Christians) come out of their graves (churches) and support the Kingdom, those that are left alive in the Baha'i Faith will join them, and the Elders will help guide them. These are the voices that are raised in the heaven of the Revelation of Baha'u'llah in support of the Kingdom (the Davidic Kingship).

"Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever." And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshipped God, saying, "We give thanks to thee, Lord God Almighty, who are and who wast, that thou hast taken thy great power and begun to reign. The nations raged, but thy wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, for rewarding thy servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear thy name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth." Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and

the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes of lightning, loud noises, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail" (Rev. 11:15-19)

The lightning is the missiles spewing their propulsive force from their tails across the midnight sky at a rate of speed almost as fast as lightning, lighting up from one side to another. The loud noises and peals of thunder is the explosion of the bombs as they reach their targets with its deafening percussion. The earthquake is the earth's shifting crust.

This is the sign that Jesus gave so that you would be able to recognize him on his return—the missiles coming from Russia to America:

"...then will appear the **sign** of the Son of man in heaven, and then all of the tribes of the earth will **mourn** . . . For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will the coming of the Son of man be" (Matt. 24:27, 30).

THE DATE FOR THE HOUR is very accurately established by graphic and measurable prophetic time in the Great Pyramid, and it doesn't allow for any doubt.

SOME OF THE CHRISTIANS believe they will be up in the sky when this happens—the rapture—but this is a mythology created by the mythologians. It is **not Biblical**. No place in the Bible does it say that Jesus will come out of the sky, or that the Christians will meet him in the sky. It said that he went up into heaven and that he would return from heaven. On his first coming he said that he came from heaven, but he didn't descend from the sky. They build their theology on the following verses in Thesselonians:

"For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with the cry of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first; then those that are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with him in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; . . . " (1 Thess. 4:16, 17).

See! No place does it say that they would meet him in the sky! There is no air up in the sky. It's a vast void of air, water, and food, besides being 250 degrees below zero. Some Christians say that they are not going up in the sky that high (above 10 miles), but that is where the nuclear bombs are going to explode. If they are not destroyed by the extreme cold and lack of air, they will be destroyed by the bombs. What it does say is that the Lord (the Kingdom of God) will descend to earth by the archangel's trumpet sound. That is, the Kingdom will be established be the arch-angel's (7th angel's) trumpet sound which is "The Mighty Document," and they will meet the Lord in the air, not up in the sky where there isn't any air. The clouds of heaven are the mythologies of the theologians, of the seven heads of the Beast, that prevents their followers from seeing the truth.

SOME CHRISTIANS ARE OF THE OPINION (Billy Graham in "World Aflame") that God is going to burn up the world while the Christians are up in the sky and then he is going to form a new world out of the ashes. But in the Bible where it tells us that one third of the people will be destroyed in One Hour, it tells us how they are to be destroyed. Here it describes the **ballistic missile** with its thermo-nuclear warhead:

"And this is how I saw the horses [missiles] in my visions: the riders [war heads] wore breastplates the color of fire [red] and of sapphire [hyacinth, in minerology, a gem formerly thought to be the sapphire of brown orange or red-ish color] and of sulphur [yellow—the colors of the mushroom explosion] and the heads of the horses were like lions' heads, and fire, smoke and sulphur issued from their mouths. By these three plagues a third a mankind was killed [1 1/2 billion], by fire, smoke and sulphur issuing from their mouths. For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails; their tails are like serpents with heads, and by means of them they wound" (Rev 9:17, 18, 19).

Here he said the horses are like snakes. A snake propels itself by its tail and its head it wounds. By the three plagues that issue from the mouth, fire, smoke and sulphur, a third of mankind is killed. There are three things that come from the nuclear explosion that kills instantly: radiation, heat and per-cussion. For instance, if you were sitting on your porch when a nuclear bomb exploded the first thing that would hit you is the radiation. If you received over a thousand rems you would die instantly by it immediately destroying your

nervous system. The next thing that would hit you would be the heat, and this would burn you immediately to a cinder. Then comes the percussion and it would blow you apart and off the porch.

It doesn't make any difference who or what you believe: "that you are going to be up in the sky," or if you "no longer believe in this guardianship (Davidic Kingship)," or "that there isn't going to be any thermo-nuclear war;" if you are not at least one hundred miles from the epi-center of a nuclear explosion and in an adequate fallout shelter, you will either be destroyed or severely chastised by fire. You must believe in Jesus to be saved; He made the above prophecies and has returned as the Lamb to explain what they mean.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE LORD, because of the publication of "The Mighty Document," will be severely attacked by the Christians, who believe in the corporal resurrection of Jesus and His return from the sky instead of heaven; by the Jews who believe in the re-establishment of the brick and stone Temple on Mount Moriah instead of the one that has come down from heaven (Rev. 21:2, 3) in the Bab (Sanctuary) and Baha'u'llah (Holy of Holies) that occurs at the end of the chronological time scale in the Great Pyramid; by the Baha'is that have broken the Covenant and no longer believe in the re-establishment of the Davidic Kingship (Guardianship) in the world; and by the other heads of the Beast that hold to their mythologies. During the confusion of this period the pure of heart will come forth out of these religions and support the Kingdom (the Davidic Kingship). These will comprise God's heavenly army seated on white horses (Rev. 19:14), the elect (Matt. 24:22), and the 144,000 (Rev. Chap. 7 & 14).

Baha'u'llah has stated that if the Persian Baha'is failed to establish the Kingdom (Davidic Kingship), he would raise up another people. The Persian Baha'is have always been in opposition to the Center of the Faith. In another place he has stated:

"There lay concealed within the Holy Veil and prepared for the service of God, a company of His chosen ones who shall be afraid of no one, though the entire human race rise up and war against them. These are the ones who, before the gaze of the dwellers on earth and the denizens of heaven, shall arise and, shouting aloud, acclaim the name of the Almighty, and summon the children of men to the path of God, the All-glorious, the All-Praised" (*Gleanings*, p. 280).

BAHA'U'LLAH ALSO STATED:

"The world is in travail, and its agitation waxeth day by day. Its face is turned toward waywardness and unbelief. Such shall be its plight, that to disclose it now would not be meet and seemly. Its perversity will long continue" (*Gleanings* p. 118).

This perversity, as well as what its plight will be, is now being revealed by the knights of the Lord.

"AND WHEN THE APPOINTED HOUR is come, there shall suddenly appear [thermo-nuclear holocaust] that which shall cause the limbs of mankind to quake. Then, and only then will the Divine Standard be unfurled, and the Night-ingale of Paradise warble its melody" (*Gleanings* p. 119).

"THE ELECT"

In the many ways of darkness, we all step boldly forth, To bring about God's Kingdom, first, forever on this earth, We are of the elect, the 144,000 Souls, so Pure of Heart, So join us in our Legions, with your mind and hearts!

Through all the times and ages, of the earth of all mankind, All the Souls and Saints of God, wished to live in this place and time,

We seek the Truths that have been sealed, in all of His Revelations, And thus we find the Truth of Proofs, of a New and true Religion!

We follow the Lamb, where-so-ever he goes,

And we fight beside him, in the Battle Zones,

Our hopes and prayers for the Most Great Peace on earth to soon give birth, And Great shall be the Day, for God, we all will conquer earth!

The Forces of Light shall win out over the forces of darkness and thus, Without the pure and the Elect, Light can not alone do this,

Without the Lamb of God, our Guide, we all on earth are lost,

And the Covenant of the Most Great King, all earth would pay the cost!

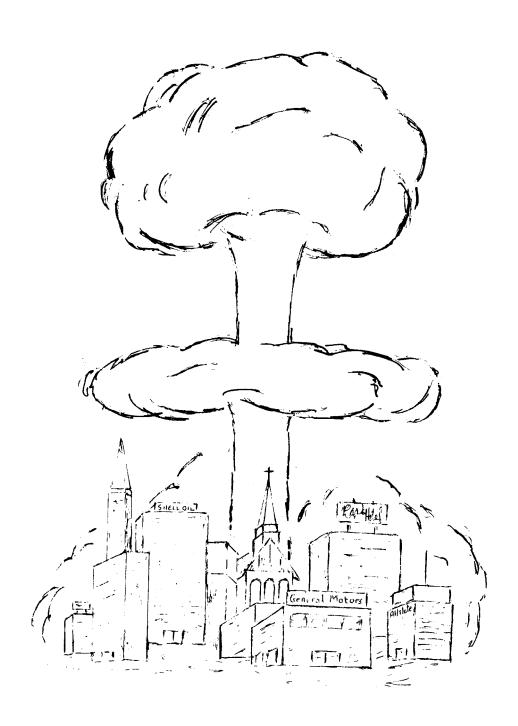
So we pray, Oh! Joshua! This Lamb will number us,

In the Lamb's Great Book of Life, our work we give and thus,

We wish forever to be among, God's Chosen shining Lights,

The Elect of Glory, Baha'is, following under God's glowing Guide!

Written By: Roger Caryl



SHOGHI EFFENDI IN 1953-54 KNIGHTED about 150 believers from about eight to ten million Baha'is as "**Knights of Baha'u'llah**" (*Messages to Baha'i World*, 1950-57, p. 49-52). Among those that were knighted, only two remained in the Baha'i Faith, Drs. Opal and Leland Jensen. All the rest cast themselves out when they went a whoring after "the Hands of the Faith" and were separated from the Faith when the guardian eliminated Shoghi's Effendi's Administration.



THE KNIGHTS OF THE LORD

'ABDU'L-BAHA "UTTERED THESE PROPHETIC and ominous words:"

"How great, how very great is the Cause! How very fierce the onslaught of all the peoples and kindreds of the earth. Ere long shall the clamor of the multitude throughout Africa, throughout America, the cry of the European and of the Turk, the groaning of India and China, be heard from far and near. One and all, they shall arise with all their power to resist His Cause. Then shall the **knights of the Lord,** assisted by His grace from on high, strengthened by faith, aided **by the power of understanding**, and **reinforced by the legions of the Covenant**, arise and make manifest the truth of the verse: 'Behold the confusion that hath befallen the tribes of the defeated!'" (*The World Order of Baha'u'llah*, p. 17)

JOSHUA

"And if you be unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this DAY whom you serve, whether the gods of your fathers [clergy] served in the region beyond the River [of the water of life], or the gods of the Amorites [the nation] in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

(Joshua 24:15)

THE MOST MIGHTY DOCUMENT

The Kitab-i-'Ahd

The Book of the Everlasting Covenant of God

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THE KITAB-I-'AHD

The Book of the Everlasting Covenant of God

Although the Most High Horizon is devoid of trivial possessions of the earth, we have nevertheless bequeathed unto our heirs a noble and peerless heritage within the treasure-house of trust and resignation.

We have left no treasure nor have we added to man's pains.

By the Life of God! In earthly riches fear is hidden and peril is concealed. Consider, then take warning by what the God of Mercy hath revealed in the Qur'án:—

"Woe unto those who malign and speak evil of their fellows; who hoard earthly goods and count their riches."†

Earthly possessions are unstable; wherefore whatsoever passeth or suffereth vicissitudes is unworthy of regard except to a limited measure.

In bearing hardships and tribulations and in revealing verses and expounding proofs, it has been the purpose of this oppressed One to extinguish the fire of hate and animosity, that, haply, the horizons of the hearts of mankind be illumined with the light of concord and attain real tranquillity.

The light of the following utterance shineth from the horizon of the Divine Tablet, which should be observed by all: Oh people of the world! I counsel you to act in a manner which shall tend to elevate your stations. Cling to divine virtue and obey the divine law. Truly I say, the tongue is for mentioning that which is good; do not defile it by evil speech. "God hath forgiven your past

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[†] Our'an 104: 1-2

ways." You must henceforth speak that which is worthy. Shun reviling, maligning, and whatsoever will offend your fellowmen.

Man's station is great. Ere this, the following exalted words have flowed forth from the Pen of Abhá:

This is a Day great and blessed. Whatsoever was hidden in man is today being revealed. The station of man is great, were he to cling to truth and righteousness and be firm and steadfast in the Cause. Before the God of Mercy, a true man appears like unto heaven. The sun and the moon of that heaven are his sight and hearing and its stars are his shining attributes. His station is the highest and his signs are the educator of the world.

In this Day, every believer who discovered the fragrance of the garment and turned with a pure heart unto the most high horizon is indeed recorded in the Crimson Tablet as of the people of Bahá

Hold the chalice of My grace in My name. Then drain it in My mention, the mighty, the wonderful!

Oh people of the world! The religion of God is to create love and unity; do not make it the Cause of enmity and discord. All that is regarded by men of insight and the people of the most lofty outlook as the means for safeguarding and effecting the peace and tranquillity of man, has flowed from the Supreme Pen. But the ignorant ones who are the victim of self and desire, are heedless of the consummate wisdom of the truly wise One, and their words and deeds are prompted by fancy and superstition.

Oh ye chosen of God and His trusted ones! Kings are the manifestors of God's power and the source of His majesty and affluence. Pray ye in their behalf. The government of the earth has been vouchsafed unto them. But the hearts of men He decreed unto Himself. He forbade conflict and strife—a rigid prohibition in the Book. This is the Decree of God in this most great Manifestation; and God hath preserved it from annulment and clothed it with the broidered garment of confirmation. Verily, He is the all-knowing, the all-wise!

It is incumbent upon everyone to aid those daysprings of authority and sources of command who are adorned with the ornament of equity and justice. Blessed are the rulers and the learned among the people of Baha. They are My trustees among My servants, and the manifestations of My commandments amidst My people. Upon them rest My glory, My blessings, and My grace which have pervaded the world of being. In this connection the utterances revealed in the Kitab-i-Aqdas are such that from the horizon of their words the light of divine grace shineth luminous and resplendent.

Oh my Branches! A mighty power and supreme potency is hidden and concealed in the world of being. Focus your gaze upon the direction of its unity, not upon the differences which are apparent therein.

God's Will and Testament enjoins upon the branches, the twigs, and the kinsfolk, one and all, to gaze unto the most great Branch. Consider what we have revealed in my Book of Aqdas, to Wit:

"When the sea of My Presence is exhausted and the Book of Origin hath reached its end, turn you unto him ('Abdu'l-Baha) who is desired by God—he who is issued from this ancient Root."

The purpose of this sacred verse is the Most Great Branch. Thus have we declared the matter as a favor on our part, and we are the gracious, the beneficent!

God hath, verily, decreed the station of the great Branch next to that of the Most Great Branch. Verily He is the wise ordainer. We have chosen el-Akbar after the el'A'sam, as a command on the part of God, the all-knowing, the omniscient.

All must regard the other Branches with affection, but God hath not decreed unto them any right to the people's property.

Oh my branches, my twigs, and my kinsfolk! I counsel you to manifest divine virtue, and to act in accord with the Law, and with whatsoever is befitting and will elevate your stations.

Truly I say, virtue is the greatest commander which leads the Cause of God to victory, and the legions which deserve this commander are pure, sanctified and praiseworthy deeds and attributes.

Say: Oh servants! Do not make the cause of order a cause for disorder, nor the means of unity a means for disunity. It is hoped that the people of Baha will observe the sacred verse: "Say, all are created by God." This lofty utterance is like unto water for quenching the fire of hate and hostility which is hidden and stored in men's hearts and minds. This single utterance will cause the various sects and creeds to attain the light of true unity. Verily He speaketh truth and guideth to the right path; and He is the mighty, the glorious, the omnipotent.

For the honor of the Cause and the promotion of the Word—it is necessary that all shall respect and have regard for the Branches. This command has been recorded once and again in the divine Book. Blessed is he who obeys whatsoever hath been ordained on the part of God, the ancient ruler. All shall also have respect for the womenmembers of Our household and for the afnán and kinsfolk. We likewise counsel you to serve mankind and bring peace to the world.

All that leads to the quickening of the peoples and the salvation of the world hath been revealed from the kingdom of utterance by the Lord of mankind. Hearken to the exhortations of the Supreme Pen with ideal ears. These are preferable unto you above all that is on the earth. Whereunto beareth witness my Book, the blessed, the glorious!

Whoso Layeth Claim to a Revelation

Whoso layeth claim to a Revelation direct from God, ere the expiration of a full thousand years, such a man is assuredly a lying impostor. We pray God that He may graciously assist him to retract and repudiate such claim. Should he repent, God will, no doubt, forgive him. If, however, he persisteth in his error, God will, assuredly, send down one who will deal mercilessly with him. Terrible, indeed, is God in punishing! Whosoever interpreteth this verse otherwise than its obvious meaning is deprived of the Spirit of God and of His mercy which encompasseth all created things. Fear God, and follow not your idle fancies. Nay, rather follow the bidding of your Lord, the Almighty, the All-Wise.

The Sacred Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Bahá

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[PART ONE]

Herein Follow the Tablets and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Bahá:

ALL-PRAISE TO HIM Who, by the Shield of His Covenant, hath guarded the Temple of His Cause from the darts of doubtfulness, Who by the Hosts of His Testament hath preserved the Sanctuary of His most Beneficent Law and protected His Straight and Luminous Path, staying thereby the onslaught of the company of Covenant-breakers, that have threatened to subvert His Divine Edifice; Who hath watched over His Mighty Stronghold and All-Glorious Faith, through the aid of men whom the slander of the slanderer affect not, whom no earthly calling, glory and power can turn aside from the Covenant of God and His Testament, established firmly by His clear and manifest words, writ and revealed by His All-Glorious Pen and recorded in the Preserved Tablet.

Salutation and praise, blessing and glory rest upon that primal branch of the Divine and Sacred Lote-Tree, grown out, blest, tender, verdant and flourishing from the Twin Holy Trees; the most wondrous, unique and priceless pearl that doth gleam from out the Twin surging seas; upon the offshoots of the Tree of Holiness, the twigs of the Celestial Tree, they that in the Day of the Great Dividing have stood fast and firm in the Covenant; upon the Hands (pillars) of the Cause of God that have diffused widely the Divine Fragrances, declared His Proofs, proclaimed His Faith, published abroad His Law, detached themselves from all things but Him, stood for righteousness in this world, and kindled the Fire of the Love of God in the very hearts and souls of His servants; upon them that have believed, rested assured, stood steadfast in His Covenant and followed the Light that after my passing shineth from the Dayspring of Divine Guidance—for behold! he is the blest and sacred bough that hath branched out from the Twin Holy Trees. Well is it with him that seeketh the shelter of his shade that shadoweth all mankind.

O ye beloved of the Lord! The greatest of all things is the protection of the True Faith of God, the preservation of His Law, the safeguarding of His Cause and service unto His Word. Ten thousand souls have shed streams of their sacred blood in this path, their precious lives they offered in sacrifice unto Him, hastened wrapt in holy ecstasy unto the glorious field of martyrdom, upraised the Standard of God's Faith and writ with their life-blood upon the Tablet of the world the verses of His Divine Unity. The sacred breast of His Holiness, the Exalted One (may my life be a sacrifice unto Him), was made a target to many a dart of woe, and in Mázindarán, the blessed feet of the Abhá Beauty (may my life be offered up for His loved ones) were so grievously scourged as to bleed and be sore wounded. His neck also was put into captive chains and His feet made fast in the stocks. In every hour, for a period of fifty years, a new trial and calamity befell Him and fresh afflictions and cares beset Him. One of them: after having suffered intense vicissitudes, He was made homeless and a wanderer and fell a victim to still new vexations and troubles. In 'Iráq, the Day-Star of the world was so exposed to the wiles of the people of malice as to be eclipsed in splendor. Later on He was sent an exile to the Great City (Constantinople) and thence to the Land of Mystery (Adrianople), whence, grievously wronged, He was eventually transferred to the Most Great Prison ('Akká). He Whom the world hath wronged (may my life be offered up for His loved ones) was four times banished from city to city, till at last, condemned to perpetual confinement, He was incarcerated in this prison, the prison of highway robbers, of brigands and of man-slayers. All this is but one of the trials that have afflicted the Blessed Beauty, the rest being even as grievous as this.

And still another of His trials was the hostility, the flagrant injustice, the iniquity and rebellion of Mírza Yáhyá. Although that Wronged One, that Prisoner, had through His loving-kindness nurtured him in His own bosom ever since his early years, had showered at every moment His tender care upon him, exalted his name, shielded him from every misfortune, endeared him to them of this world and the next, and despite the firm exhortations and counsels of His Holiness, the Exalted One (the Báb) and His clear and conclusive warning;—"Beware, beware, lest the Nineteen Letters of the Living and that which hath been revealed in the Bayan veil thee!" yet notwithstanding

this, Mírza Yáhyá denied Him, dealt falsely with Him, believed Him not, sowed the seeds of doubt, closed his eyes to His manifest verses and turned aside therefrom. Would that he had been content therewith! Nay, he even attempted to shed the sacred blood (of Bahá'u'lláh) and then raised a great clamor and tumult around him, attributing unto Bahá'u'lláh malevolence and cruelty towards himself. What sedition he stirred up and what a storm of mischief he raised whilst in the Land of Mystery (Adrianople)! At last, he wrought that which caused the Day-Star of the world to be sent an exile to this, the Most Great Prison, and sorely wronged, and in the West of this Great Prison He did set.

O ye that stand fast and firm in the Covenant! The Center of Sedition, the Prime Mover of mischief, Mirza Muhammad Ali, hath passed out from under the shadow of the Cause, hath broken the Covenant, hath falsified the Holy Text, hath inflicted a grievous loss upon the true Faith of God, hath scattered His people, hath with bitter rancor endeavored to hurt 'Abdu'l-Bahá and hath assailed with the utmost enmity this servant of the Sacred Threshold. Every dart he seized and hurled to pierce the breast of this wronged servant, no wound did he neglect to grievously inflict upon me, no venom did he spare but he poisoned therewith the life of this hapless one. I swear by the most holy Abhá Beauty and by the Light shining from His Holiness, the Exalted One (may my soul be a sacrifice for Their lowly servants), that because of this iniquity the dwellers in the Pavilion of the Abhá Kingdom have bewailed, the Celestial Concourse is lamenting, the Immortal Maids of Heaven in the All-Highest Paradise have raised their plaintive cries and the angelic company sighed and uttered their moanings. So grievous the deeds of this iniquitous person became that he struck with his axe at the root of the Blessed Tree, dealt a heavy blow at the Temple of the Cause of God, deluged with tears of blood the eyes of the loved ones of the Blessed Beauty, cheered and encouraged the enemies of the One True God, by his repudiation of the Covenant turned many a seeker after Truth aside from the Cause of God, revived the blighted hopes of Yahya's following, made himself detested, caused the enemies of the Greatest Name to become audacious and arrogant, put aside the firm and conclusive verses and sowed the seeds of doubt. Had not the promised aid of the Ancient Beauty been graciously vouchsafed

at every moment to this one, unworthy though he be, he surely would have destroyed, nay exterminated the Cause of God and utterly subverted the Divine Edifice. But, praised be the Lord, the triumphant assistance of the Abhá Kingdom was received, the hosts of the Realm above hastened to bestow victory. The Cause of God was promoted far and wide, the call of the True One was noised abroad, ears in all regions were inclined to the Word of God, His standard was unfurled, the ensigns of Holiness gloriously waved aloft and the verses celebrating His Divine Unity were chanted. Now, that the true Faith of God may be shielded and protected, His Law guarded and preserved and His Cause remain safe and secure, it is incumbent upon everyone to hold fast unto the Text of the clear and firmly established blessed verse, revealed about him. None other transgression greater than his can be ever imagined. He (Bahá'u'lláh) sayeth, glorious and holy is His Word:—"My foolish loved ones have regarded him even as my partner, have kindled sedition in the land and they verily are of the mischief-makers." Consider, how foolish are the people! They that have been in His (Bahá'u'lláh's) Presence and beheld His Countenance, have nevertheless noised abroad such idle talk, until, exalted be His explicit words, He said:—"Should he for a moment pass out from under the shadow of the Cause, he surely shall be brought to naught." Reflect! What stress He layeth upon one moment's deviation: that is, were he to incline a hair's breadth to the right or to the left, his deviation would be clearly established and his utter nothingness made manifest. And now ye are witnessing how the wrath of God hath from all sides afflicted him and how day by day he is speeding towards destruction. Ere long will ye behold him and his associates, outwardly and inwardly, condemned to utter ruin.

What deviation can be greater than breaking the Covenant of God! What deviation can be greater than interpolating and falsifying the words and verses of the Sacred Text, even as testified and declared by Mírzá Bádi'u'lláh! What deviation can be greater than calumniating the Center of the Covenant himself! What deviation can be more glaring than spreading broadcast false and foolish reports touching the Temple of God's Testament! What deviation can be more grievous than decreeing the death of the Center of the Covenant, supported by the holy verse:—"He that layeth a claim ere the passing of a

thousand years . . . ," whilst he (Muhammad 'Alí) without shame in the days of the Blessed Beauty had advanced such a claim as this and been confuted by Him in the aforementioned manner, the text of his claim being still extant in his own handwriting and bearing his own seal. What deviation can be more complete than falsely accusing the loved ones of God! What deviation can be more evil than causing their imprisonment and incarceration! What deviation can be more severe than delivering into the hands of the government the Holy Writings and Epistles, that haply they (the government) might arise intent upon the death of this wronged one! What deviation can be more violent than threatening the ruin of the Cause of God, forging and slanderously falsifying letters and documents so that this might perturb and alarm the government and lead to the shedding of the blood of this wronged one, such letters and documents being now in the possession of the government! What deviation can be more odious than his iniquity and rebellion! What deviation can be more shameful than dispersing the gathering of the people of salvation! What deviation can be more infamous than the vain and feeble interpretations of the people of doubt! What deviation can be more wicked than joining hands with strangers and with the enemies of God!

A few months ago, in concert with others, he that hath broken the Covenant, hath prepared a document teeming with calumny and slander wherein, the Lord forbid, among many similar slanderous charges, 'Abdu'l-Bahá is deemed a deadly enemy, the ill-wisher of the Crown. They so perturbed the minds of the members of the Imperial Government that at last a Committee of Investigation was sent from the seat of His Majesty's Government which, violating every rule of justice and equity that befit His Imperial Majesty, nay, with the most glaring injustice, proceeded with its investigations. The ill-wishers of the One True God surrounded them on every side and explained and excessively enlarged upon the text of the document whilst they (the members of the Committee) in their turn blindly acquiesced. One of their many calumnies was that this servant had raised aloft a banner in this city, had summoned the people together under it, had established a new sovereignty for himself, had erected upon Mount Carmel a mighty stronghold, had rallied around him all the peoples of the land and made them obedient to him, had caused disruption in the Faith of Islam, had covenanted with the following of Christ and, God forbid, had purposed to cause the gravest breach in the mighty power of the Crown. May the Lord protect us from such atrocious falsehoods!

According to the direct and sacred command of God we are forbidden to utter slander, are commanded to show forth peace and amity, are exhorted to rectitude of conduct, straightforwardness and harmony with all the kindreds and peoples of the world. We must obey and be the well-wishers of the governments of the land, regard disloyalty unto a just king as disloyalty to God Himself and wishing evil to the government a transgression of the Cause of God. With these final and decisive words, how can it be that these imprisoned ones should indulge in such vain fancies; incarcerated, how could they show forth such disloyalty! But alas! The Committee of Investigation hath approved and confirmed these calumnies of my brother and ill-wishers and submitted them to the presence of His Majesty the Sovereign. Now at this moment a fierce storm is raging around this prisoner who awaiteth, be it favorable or unfavorable, the gracious will of His Majesty, may the Lord aid him by His grace to be just. In whatsoever condition he may be, with absolute calm and quietness, 'Abdu'l-Bahá is ready for self-sacrifice and is wholly resigned and submitted to His Will. What transgression can be more abominable, more odious, more wicked than this!

In like manner, the focal Center of Hate, hath purposed to put 'Abdu'l-Bahá to death and this is supported by the testimony written by Mírzá Shua'u'lláh himself and is here enclosed. It is evident and indisputable that they are privily and with the utmost subtlety engaged in conspiring against me. The following are his very words written by him in this letter:— "I curse at every moment him that hath kindled this discord, imprecate in these words 'Lord! have no mercy upon him' and I hope ere long God will make manifest the one that shall have no pity on him, who now weareth another garb and about whom I cannot any more explain." Reference he doth make by these words to the sacred verse that beginneth as follows:—"He that layeth a claim ere the passing of a thousand years. . . ." Reflect! How intent they are upon the death of 'Abdu'l-Bahá! Ponder in your hearts upon the phrase "I cannot any more

explain" and realize what schemes they are devising for this purpose. They fear lest, too fully explained, the letter might fall into alien hands and their schemes be foiled and frustrated. The phrase is only foretelling good tidings to come, namely that regarding this all requisite arrangements have been made.

O God, my God! Thou seest this wronged servant of Thine, held fast in the talons of ferocious lions, of ravening wolves, of bloodthirsty beasts. Graciously assist me, through my love for Thee, that I may drink deep of the chalice that brimmeth over with faithfulness to Thee and is filled with Thy bountiful Grace; so that, fallen upon the dust, I may sink prostrate and senseless whilst my vesture is dyed crimson with my blood. This is my wish, my heart's desire, my hope, my pride, my glory. Grant, O Lord my God, and my Refuge, that in my last hour, my end may even as musk shed its fragrance of glory! Is there a bounty greater than this? Nay, by Thy Glory! I call Thee to witness that no day passeth but that I quaff my fill from this cup, so grievous are the misdeeds wrought by them that have broken the Covenant, kindled discord, showed their malice, stirred sedition in the land and dishonored Thee amidst Thy servants. Lord! Shield Thou from these Covenant-breakers the mighty Stronghold of Thy Faith and protect Thy secret Sanctuary from the onslaught of the ungodly. Thou art in truth the Mighty, the Powerful, the Gracious, the Strong.

In short, O ye beloved of the Lord! The Center of Sedition, Mírzá Muhammad 'Alí, in accordance with the decisive words of God and by reason of his boundless transgression, hath grievously fallen and been cut off from the Holy Tree. Verily, we wronged them not, but they have wronged themselves!

O God, my God! Shield Thy trusted servants from the evils of self and passion, protect them with the watchful eye of Thy loving kindness from all rancor, hate and envy, shelter them in the impregnable stronghold of Thy care and, safe from the darts of doubtfulness, make them the manifestations of Thy glorious Signs, illumine their faces with the effulgent rays shed from the Dayspring of Thy Divine Unity, gladden their hearts with the verses revealed from Thy Holy Kingdom, strengthen their loins by Thy all-swaying power that cometh from Thy Realm of Glory. Thou art the All-Bountiful, the Protector, the Almighty, the Gracious!

O ye that stand fast in the Covenant! When the hour cometh that this wronged and broken-winged bird will have taken its flight into the Celestial Concourse, when it will have hastened to the Realm of the Unseen and its mortal frame will have been either lost or hidden neath the dust, it is incumbent upon the Afnán, that are steadfast in the Covenant of God, and have branched from the Tree of Holiness; the Hands, (pillars) of the Cause of God (the glory of the Lord rest upon them), and all the friends and loved ones, one and all to bestir themselves and arise with heart and soul and in one accord, to diffuse the sweet savors of God, to teach His Cause and to promote His Faith. It behooveth them not to rest for a moment, neither to seek repose. They must disperse themselves in every land, pass by every clime, and travel throughout all regions. Bestirred, without rest, and steadfast to the end, they must raise in every land the triumphal cry "O Thou the Glory of Glories!" (Yá Bahá'il'Abhá), must achieve renown in the world wherever they go, must burn brightly even as a candle in every meeting and must kindle the flame of Divine love in every assembly; that the light of truth may rise resplendent in the midmost heart of the world, that throughout the East and throughout the West a vast concourse may gather under the shadow of the Word of God, that the sweet savors of holiness may be diffused, that faces may shine radiantly, hearts be filled with the Divine spirit and souls be made heavenly.

In these days, the most important of all things is the guidance of the nations and peoples of the world. Teaching the Cause is of utmost importance for it is the head corner-stone of the foundation itself. This wronged servant has spent his days and nights in promoting the Cause and urging the peoples to service. He rested not a moment, till the fame of the Cause of God was noised abroad in the world and the celestial strains from the Abhá Kingdom roused the East and the West. The beloved of God must also follow the same example. This is the secret of faithfulness, this is the requirement of servitude to the Threshold of Bahá!

The disciples of Christ forgot themselves and all earthly things, forsook all their cares and belongings, purged themselves of self and passion, and with absolute detachment scattered far and wide and engaged in calling the peoples of the world to the divine guidance; till at last they made the world another world, illumined the surface of the earth, and even to their last hour proved self-sacrificing in the pathway of that beloved One of God. Finally in various lands they suffered glorious martyrdom. Let them that are men of action follow in their footsteps!

O my loving friends! After the passing away of this wronged one, it is incumbent upon the Aghsán (Branches), the Afnán (Twigs) of the Sacred Lote-Tree, the Hands (pillars) of the Cause of God and the loved ones of the Abhá Beauty to turn unto Shoghi Effendi—the youthful branch branched from the two hallowed and sacred Lote-Trees and the fruit grown from the union of the two offshoots of the Tree of Holiness,—as he is the sign of God, the chosen branch, the Guardian of the Cause of God, he unto whom all the Aghsán, the Afnán, the Hands of the Cause of God and His loved ones must turn. He is the Interpreter of the Word of God and after him will succeed the first-born of his lineal descendents.

The sacred and youthful branch, the Guardian of the Cause of God, as well as the Universal House of Justice to be universally elected and established, are both under the care and protection of the Abhá Beauty, under the shelter and unerring guidance of the Exalted One (may my be offered up for them both). Whatsoever they decide is of God. Whoso obeyeth him not, neither obeyeth them, hath not obeyed God; whoso rebelleth against him and against them hath rebelled against God; whoso opposeth him hath opposed God; whoso contendeth with them hath contended with God; whoso disputeth with him hath disputed with God; whoso denieth him hath denied God: whoso disbelieveth in him hath disbelieved in God; whoso deviateth, separateth himself and turneth aside from him hath in truth deviated, separated himself and turned aside from God. May the wrath, the fierce indignation, the vengeance of God rest upon him! The mighty stronghold shall remain impregnable and safe through obedience to him who is the Guardian of the Cause of God. It is incumbent upon the members of the House of Justice, upon all the Aghsán, the Afnán, the Hands of the Cause of God to show their obedience, submissiveness and subordination unto the Guardian of the Cause of God, to turn unto him and be lowly before him. He that opposeth him hath opposed the True One, will make a breach in the Cause of God, will subvert His Word and will

become a manifestation of the Center of Sedition. Beware, beware, lest the days after the ascension (of Bahá'u'lláh) be repeated when the Center of Sedition waxed haughty and rebellious and with Divine Unity for his excuse deprived himself and perturbed and poisoned others. No doubt every vainglorious one that purposeth dissension and discord will not openly declare his evil purposes, nay rather, even as impure gold, will he seize upon divers measures and various pretexts that he may separate the gathering of the people of Bahá. My object is to show that the Hands of the Cause of God must be ever watchful and so soon as they find anyone beginning to oppose and protest against the Guardian of the Cause of God, cast him out from the congregation of the people of Bahá and in no wise accept any excuse from him. How often hath grievous error been disguised in the garb of truth, that it might sow the seeds of doubt in the hearts of men!

O ye beloved of the Lord! It is incumbent upon the Guardian of the Cause of God to appoint in his own life-time him that shall become his successor, that differences may not arise after his passing. He that is appointed must manifest in himself detachment from all wordly things, must be the essence of purity, must show in himself the fear of God, knowledge, wisdom and learning. Thus, should the first-born of the Guardian of the Cause of God not manifest in himself the truth of the words:—"The child is the secret essence of its sire," that is, should he not inherit of the spiritual within him (the Guardian of the Cause of God) and his glorious lineage not be matched with a goodly character, then must he, (the Guardian of the Cause of God) choose another branch to succeed him.

The Hands of the Cause of God must elect from their own number nine persons that shall at all times be occupied in the important services in the work of the Guardian of the Cause of God. The election of these nine must be carried either unanimously or by majority from the company of the Hands of the Cause of God and these, whether unanimously or by a majority vote, must give their assent to the choice of the one whom the Guardian of the Cause of God hath chosen as his successor. This assent must be given in such wise as the assenting and dissenting voices may not be distinguished (i.e., secret ballot).

O friends! The Hands of the Cause of God must be nominated and appointed by the Guardian of the Cause of God.

All must be under his shadow and obey his command. Should any, within or without the company of the Hands of the Cause of God disobey and seek division, the wrath of God and His vengeance will be upon him, for he will have caused a breach in the true Faith of God.

The obligations of the Hands of the Cause of God are to diffuse the Divine Fragrances, to edify the souls of men, to promote learning, to improve the character of all men and to be, at all times and under all conditions, sanctified and detached from earthly things. They must manifest the fear of God by their conduct, their manners, their deeds and their words.

This body of the Hands of the Cause of God is under the direction of the Guardian of the Cause of God. He must continually urge them to strive and endeavor to the utmost of their ability to diffuse the sweet savors of God, and to guide all the peoples of the world, for it is the light of Divine Guidance that causeth all the universe to be illumined. To disregard, though it be for a moment, this absolute command which is binding upon everyone, is in no wise permitted, that the existent world may become even as the Abhá Paradise, that the surface of the earth may become heavenly, that contention and conflict amidst peoples, kindreds, nations and governments may disappear, that all the dwellers on earth may become one people and one race, that the world may become even as one home. Should differences arise, they shall be amicably and conclusively settled by the Supreme Tribunal, that shall include members from all the governments and peoples of the world.

O ye beloved of the Lord! In this sacred Dispensation, conflict and contention are in no wise permitted. Every aggressor deprives himself of God's grace. It is incumbent upon everyone to show the utmost love, rectitude of conduct, straight forwardness and sincere kindliness unto all the peoples and kindreds of the world, be they friends or strangers. So intense must be the spirit of love and loving kindness, that the stranger may find himself a friend, the enemy a true brother, no difference whatsoever existing between them. For universality is of God and all limitations earthly. Thus man must strive that his reality may manifest virtues and perfections, the light whereof may shine upon everyone. The light of the sun shineth upon all the world and the merciful showers of Divine Providence fall upon all peoples. The vivifying breeze reviveth

every living creature and all beings endued with life obtain their share and portion at His heavenly board. In like manner, the affections and loving kindness of the servants of the One True God must be bountifully and universally extended to all mankind. Regarding this, restrictions and limitations are in no wise permitted.

Wherefore, O my loving friends! Consort with all the peoples, kindreds and religions of the world with the utmost truthfulness, uprightness, faithfulness, kindliness, good-will and friendliness, that all the world of being may be filled with the holy ecstasy of the grace of Bahá, that ignorance, enmity, hate and rancor may vanish from the world and the darkness of estrangement amidst the peoples and kindreds of the world may give way to the Light of Unity. Should other peoples and nations be unfaithful to you show your fidelity unto them, should they be unjust toward you show justice towards them, should they keep aloof from you attract them to yourselves, should they show their enmity be friendly towards them, should they poison your lives, sweeten their souls, should they inflict a wound upon you, be a salve to their sores. Such are the attributes of the sincere! Such are the attributes of the truthful.

And now, concerning the House of Justice which God hath ordained as the source of all good and freed from all error, it must be elected by universal suffrage, that is, by the believers. Its members must be manifestations of the fear of God and daysprings of knowledge and understanding, must be steadfast in God's faith and the well-wishers of all mankind. By this House is meant the Universal House of Justice, that is, in all countries a secondary House of Justice must be instituted, and these secondary Houses of Justice must elect the members of the Universal one. Unto this body all things must be referred. It enacteth all ordinances and regulations that are not to be found in the explicit Holy Text. By this body all the difficult problems are to be resolved and the Guardian of the Cause of God is its sacred head and the distinguished member for life of that body. Should he not attend in person its deliberations, he must appoint one to represent him. Should any of the members commit a sin, injurious to the common weal, the Guardian of the Cause of God hath at his own discretion the right to expel him, whereupon the people must elect another one in his stead. This House of Justice enacteth the laws and the government enforceth them. The legislative body must reinforce the executive, the executive must aid and assist the legislative body so that through the close union and harmony of these two forces, the foundation of fairness and justice may become firm and strong, that all the regions of the world may become even as Paradise itself.

O Lord, my God! Assist Thy loved ones to be firm in Thy Faith, to walk in Thy ways, to be steadfast in Thy Cause. Give them Thy grace to withstand the onslaught of self and passion, to follow the light of Divine Guidance. Thou art the Powerful, the Gracious, the Self-Subsisting, the Bestower, the Compassionate, the Almighty, the All-Bountiful.

O friends of 'Abdu'l-Bahá! The Lord, as a sign of His infinite bounties, hath graciously favored His servants by providing for a fixed money offering (Huquq), to be dutifully presented unto Him, though He, the True One and His servants have been at all times independent of all created things, and God verily is the All-Possessing, exalted above the need of any gift from His creatures. This fixed money offering, however, causeth the people to become firm and steadfast and draweth Divine increase upon them. It is to be offered through the Guardian of the Cause of God, that it may be expended for the diffusion of the Fragrances of God and the exaltation of His Word, for benevolent pursuits and for the common weal.

O ye beloved of the Lord! It is incumbent upon you to be submissive to all monarchs that are just and to show your fidelity to every righteous king. Serve ye the sovereigns of the world with utmost truthfulness and loyalty. Show obedience unto them and be their well-wishers. Without their leave and permission do not meddle with political affairs, for disloyalty to the just sovereign is disloyalty to God Himself.

This is my counsel and the commandment of God unto you. Well is it with them that act accordingly.

Note: (This written paper hath for a long time been preserved under ground, damp having affected it. When brought forth to the light it was observed that certain parts of it were injured by the damp, and the Holy Land being sorely agitated it was left untouched.)

[PART TWO]

He Is God

O MY LORD, my heart's Desire, Thou Whom I ever invoke, Thou Who art my Aider and my Shelter, my Helper and my Refuge! Thou seest me submerged in an ocean of calamities that overwhelm the soul, of afflictions that oppress the heart, of woes that disperse Thy gathering, of ills and pains that scatter Thy flock. Sore trials have compassed me round and perils have from all sides beset me. Thou seest me immersed in a sea of unsurpassed tribulation, sunk into a fathomless abyss, afflicted by mine enemies and consumed with the flame of their hate, enkindled by my kinsmen with whom Thou didst make Thy strong Covenant and Thy firm Testament, wherein Thou biddest them turn their hearts to this wronged one, to keep away from me the foolish, the unjust, and refer unto this lonely one all that about which they differ in Thy Holy Book, so that the Truth may be revealed unto them, their doubts may be dispelled and Thy manifest Signs be spread abroad.

Yet now Thou seest them, O Lord, my God! with Thine eye that sleepeth not, how that they have broken Thy Covenant and turned their backs thereon, how with hate and rebelliousness they have erred from Thy Testament and have arisen intent upon malice.

Adversities have waxed still more severe as they rose with unbearable cruelty to overpower and crush me, as they scattered far and wide their scrolls of doubt and in utter falsehood hurled their calumnies upon me. Not content with this, their chief, O my God, hath dared to interpolate Thy Book, to fraudulently alter Thy decisive Holy Text and falsify that which hath been revealed by Thy All-Glorious Pen. He did also maliciously insert that which Thou didst reveal for the one that hath wrought the most glaring cruelty upon Thee, disbelieved in Thee and denied Thy wondrous Signs, into what Thou didst reveal for this servant of Thine that hath been wronged in this world. All this he did that he might beguile the souls of men and breathe his evil whisperings into the hearts of Thy devoted

ones. Thereunto did their second chief testify, confessing it in his own handwriting, setting thereupon his seal and spreading it throughout all regions. O my God! Could there be a more grievous injustice than this? And still they rested not, but further strove with stubbornness, falsehood and slander, with scorn and calumny to stir up sedition in the midst of the government of this land and elsewhere, causing them to deem me a sower of sedition and filling the minds with things that the ear abhorreth to hear. The government was thus alarmed, fear fell upon the sovereign, and the suspicion of the nobility was aroused. Minds were troubled, affairs were upset, souls were perturbed, the fire of anguish and sorrow was kindled within the breasts, the Holy Leaves (of the Household) were convulsed and shaken, their eyes rained with tears, their sighs and lamentations were raised and their hearts burned within them as they bewailed this wronged servant of Thine, fallen a victim into the hands of these, his kindred, nay, his very enemies!

Lord! Thou seest all things weeping over Me and My kindred rejoicing in My woes. By Thy Glory, O my God! Even amongst mine enemies, some have lamented my troubles and my distress, and of the envious ones a number have shed tears because of my cares, my exile and my afflictions. They did this because they found naught in me but affection and care and witnessed naught but kindliness and mercy. As they saw me swept into the flood of tribulation and adversity and exposed even as a target to the arrows of fate, their hearts were moved with compassion, tears came to their eyes and they testified declaring:—"The Lord is our witness; naught have we seen from him but faithfulness, generosity and extreme compassion." The Covenant-breakers, foreboders of evil, however, waxed fiercer in their rancor, rejoiced as I fell a victim to the most grievous ordeal, bestirred themselves against me and made merry over the heartrending happenings around me.

I call upon Thee, O Lord my God! with my tongue and with all my heart, not to requite them for their cruelty and their wrong-doings, their craft and their mischief, for they are foolish and ignoble and know not what they do. They discern not good from evil, neither do they distinguish right from wrong, nor justice from injustice. They follow their own desires and walk in the footsteps of the most imperfect and foolish amongst them. O my Lord! Have mercy upon them, shield them from

all afflictions in these troubled times and grant that all trials and hardships may be the lot of this Thy servant that hath fallen into this darksome pit. Single me out for every woe and make me a sacrifice for all Thy loved ones. O Lord, Most High! May my soul, my life, my being, my spirit, my all be offered up for them. O God, my God! Lowly, suppliant and fallen upon my face, I beseech Thee with all the ardor of my invocation to pardon whosoever hath hurt me, forgive him that hath conspired against me and offended me, and wash away the misdeeds of them that have wrought injustice upon me. Vouch-safe unto them Thy goodly gifts, give them joy, relieve them from sorrow, grant them peace and prosperity, give them Thy bliss and pour upon them Thy bounty.

Thou art the Powerful, the Gracious, the Help in Peril, the Self-Subsisting!

O dearly beloved friends! I am now in very great danger and the hope of even an hour's life is lost to me. I am thus constrained to write these lines for the protection of the Cause of God, the preservation of His Law, the safeguarding of His Word and the safety of His Teachings. By the Ancient Beauty! This wronged one hath in no wise borne nor doth he bear a grudge against any one; towards none doth he entertain any ill-feeling and uttereth no word save for the good of the world. My supreme obligation, however, of necessity, prompteth me to guard and preserve the Cause of God. Thus, with the greatest regret, I counsel you saying:—"Guard ye the Cause of God, protect His law and have the utmost fear of discord. This is the foundation of the belief of the people of Bahá (may my life be offered up for them): "His Holiness, the Exalted One (the Báb), is the Manifestation of the Unity and Oneness of God and the Forerunner of the Ancient Beauty. His Holiness the Abhá Beauty (may my life be a sacrifice for His steadfast friends) is the Supreme Manifestation of God and the Dayspring of His Most Divine Essence. All others are servants unto Him and do His bidding." Unto the Most Holy Book every one must turn, and all that is not expressly recorded therein must be referred to the Universal House of Justice. That which this body, whether unanimously or by a majority doth carry, that is verily the truth and the purpose of God Himself. Whoso doth deviate therefrom is verily of them that love discord, hath shown forth malice, and turned away from the Lord of the Covenant. By this House is meant that Universal House of Justice which is to be elected from all countries, that is from those parts in the East and West where the loved ones are to be found, after the manner of the customary elections in Western countries such as those of England.

It is incumbent upon these members (of the Universal House of Justice) to gather in a certain place and deliberate upon all problems which have caused difference, questions that are obscure and matters that are not expressly recorded in the Book. Whatsoever they decide has the same effect as the Text itself. Inasmuch as the House of Justice hath power to enact laws that are not expressly recorded in the Book and bear upon daily transactions, so also it hath power to repeal the same. Thus for example, the House of Justice enacteth today a certain law and enforceth it, and a hundred years hence, circumstances having profoundly changed and the conditions having altered, another House of Justice will then have power, according to the exigencies of the time, to alter that law. This it can do because these laws form no part of the divine explicit Text. The House of Justice is both the Initiator and the Abrogator of its own laws.

And now, one of the greatest and most fundamental principles of the Cause of God is to shun and avoid entirely the Covenant-breakers, for they will utterly destroy the Cause of God, exterminate His Law and render of no account all efforts exerted in the past. O friends! It behooveth you to call to mind with tenderness the trials of His Holiness, the Exalted One, and show your fidelity to the Ever-Blest Beauty. The utmost endeavor must be exerted lest all these woes, trials and afflictions, all this pure and sacred blood that hath been shed so profusely in the Path of God, may prove to be in vain. Ye know well what the hands of the Center of Sedition, Mírzá Muhammad 'Alí, and his associates have wrought. Among his doings, one of them is the corruption of the Sacred Text whereof ye are all aware, the Lord be praised, and know that it is evident, proven and confirmed by the testimony of his brother, Mírzá Bádi'u'lláh, whose confession is written in his own handwriting, beareth his seal, is printed and spread abroad. This is but one of his misdeeds. Can a transgression be imagined more glaring than this, the interpolation of the Holy Text? Nay, by the righteousness of the Lord! His transgressions are writ and recorded in a leaflet by itself. Please God, ye will peruse it.

In short, according to the explicit Divine Text the least transgression shall make of this man a fallen creature, and what transgression is more grievous than attempting to destroy the Divine Edifice, breaking the Covenant, erring from the Testament, falsifying the Holy Text, sowing the seeds of doubt, calumniating 'Abdu'l-Bahá, advancing claims for which God hath sent down no warrant, kindling mischief and striving to shed the very blood of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, and many other things whereof ye are all aware! It is thus evident that should this man succeed in bringing disruption into the Cause of God, he will utterly destroy and exterminate it. Beware lest ye approach this man, for to approach him is worse than approaching fire!

Gracious God! After Mírzá Bádi'u'lláh had declared in his own handwriting that this man (Muhammad 'Ali) had broken the Covenant and had proclaimed his falsification of the Holy Text, he realized that to return to the True Faith and pay allegiance to the Covenant and Testament would in no wise promote his selfish desires. He thus repented and regretted the thing he had done and attempted privily to gather in his printed confessions, plotted darkly with the Center of Sedition against me and informed him daily of all the happenings within my household. He has even taken a leading part in the mischievous deeds that have of late been committed. Praise be to God affairs recovered their former stability and the loved ones obtained partial peace. But ever since the day he entered again into our midst, he began afresh to sow the seeds of sore sedition. Some of his machinations and intrigues will be recorded in a separate leaflet.

My purpose is, however, to show that it is incumbent upon the friends that are fast and firm in the Covenant and Testament to be ever wakeful lest after this wronged one is gone this alert and active worker of mischief may cause disruption, privily sow the seeds of doubt and sedition and utterly root out the Cause of God. A thousand times shun his company. Take heed and be on your guard. Watch and examine; should anyone, openly or privily, have the least connection with him, cast him out from your midst, for he will surely cause disruption and mischief. O ye beloved of the Lord! Strive with all your heart to shield the Cause of God from the onslaught of the insincere, for souls such as these cause the straight to become crooked and all benevolent efforts to produce contrary results.

O God, my God! I call Thee, Thy Prophets and Thy Messengers, Thy Saints and Thy Holy Ones, to witness that I have declared conclusively Thy Proofs unto Thy loved ones and set forth clearly all things unto them, that they may watch over Thy Faith, guard Thy Straight Path and protect Thy Resplendent Law. Thou art, verily, the All-Knowing, the All-Wise!

[PART THREE]

He Is the Witness, the All-Sufficing

O MY GOD! my Beloved, my heart's Desire! Thou knowest, Thou seest that which hath befallen this servant of Thine, that hath humbled himself at Thy Door, and Thou knowest the sins committed against him by the people of malice, they that have broken Thy Covenant and turned their backs on Thy Testament. In the day-time they afflicted me with the arrows of hate and in the night-season they privily conspired to hurt me. At dawn they committed that which the Celestial Concourse did lament and at eventide they unsheathed against me the sword of tyranny and hurled in the presence of the ungodly their darts of calumny upon me. Notwithstanding their misdeeds, this lowly servant of Thine was patient and did endure every affliction and trial at their hands, though by Thy power and might he could have destroyed their words, quenched their fire and stayed the flame of their rebelliousness.

Thou seest, O my God! how my long-suffering, my forbearance and silence have increased their cruelty, their arrogance and their pride. By Thy Glory, O Beloved One! They have misbelieved in Thee and rebelled against Thee in such wise that they left me not a moment of rest and quiet, that I might arise as it is meet and seemly, to exalt Thy Word amidst mankind, and might serve at Thy Threshold of Holiness with a heart that overfloweth with the joy of the dwellers of the Abhá Kingdom.

Lord! My cup of woe runneth over, and from all sides blows are fiercely raging upon me. The darts of affliction have compassed me round and the arrows of distress have rained upon me. Thus tribulation overwhelmed me and my strength, because of the onslaught of the foemen, became weakness within me, while I stood alone and forsaken in the midst of my woes. Lord! Have mercy upon me, lift me up unto Thyself and make me to drink from the Chalice of Martyrdom, for the wide world with all its vastness can no longer contain me.

Thou art, verily, the Merciful, the Compassionate, the Gracious, the All-Bountiful!

O ye the true, the sincere, the faithful friends of this wronged one! Everyone knoweth and believeth what calamities and afflictions have befallen this wronged one, this prisoner, at the hands of those who have broken the Covenant at the time when, after the setting of the Day-Star of the world, his heart was consumed with the flame of His bereavement.

When, in all parts of the earth, the enemies of God profiting by the passing away of the Sun of Truth, suddenly and with all their might launched their attack; at such a time and in the midst of so great a calamity, the Covenant-breakers arose with the utmost cruelty, intent upon harm and the stirring up of the spirit of enmity. At every moment a misdeed they did commit and bestirred themselves to sow the seeds of grievous sedition, and to ruin the edifice of the Covenant. But this wronged one, this prisoner, did his utmost to hide and veil their doings, that haply they might regret and repent. His long-suffering and forbearance of these evil deeds, however, made the rebellious ones still more arrogant and daring; until, through leaflets written with their own hands, they sowed the seeds of doubt, printing these leaflets and scattering them broadcast throughout the world, believing that such foolish doings would bring to naught the Covenant and the Testament.

Thereupon the loved ones of the Lord arose, inspired with the greatest confidence and constancy and aided by the power of the Kingdom, by Divine Strength, by heavenly Grace, by the unfailing help and Celestial Bounty, they withstood the enemies of the Covenant in well-nigh three score and ten treatises and supported by conclusive proofs, unmistakable evidences and clear texts from the Holy Writ, they refuted their scrolls of doubt and mischief-kindling leaflets. The Center of Sedition was thus confounded in his craftiness, afflicted by the wrath of God, sunk into a degradation and infamy that shall be lasting until the Day of Doom. Base and wretched is the plight of the people of evil deeds, they that are in grievous loss!

And as they lost their cause, grew hopeless in their efforts against the loved ones of God, saw the Standard of His Testament waving throughout all regions and witnessed the power of the Covenant of the Merciful One, the flame of envy so blazed within them as to be beyond recounting. With the utmost vigor, exertion, rancor and enmity, they followed another path, walked in another way, devised another plan: that of

kindling the flame of sedition in the heart of the very government itself, and thus cause this wronged one, this prisoner to appear as a mover of strife, inimical to the government and a hater and opponent of the Crown. Perchance 'Abdu'l-Bahá may be put to death and his name be made to perish whereby an arena may be opened unto the enemies of the Covenant wherein they may advance and spur on their charger, inflict a grievous loss upon everyone and subvert the very foundations of the edifice of the Cause of God. For so grievous is the conduct and behavior of this false people that they are become even as an axe striking at the very root of the Blessed Tree. Should they be suffered to continue they would, in but a few days' time, exterminate the Cause of God, His Word, and themselves.

Hence, the beloved of the Lord must entirely shun them, avoid them, foil their machinations and evil whisperings, guard the Law of God and His religion, engage one and all in diffusing widely the sweet savors of God and to the best of their endeavor proclaim His Teachings.

Whosoever and whatsoever meeting becometh a hindrance to the diffusion of the Light of Faith, let the loved ones give them counsel and say: "Of all the gifts of God the greatest is the gift of Teaching. It draweth unto us the Grace of God and is our first obligation. Of such a gift how can we deprive ourselves? Nay, our lives, our goods, our comforts, our rest, we offer them all as a sacrifice for the Abhá Beauty and teach the Cause of God." Caution and prudence, however, must be observed even as recorded in the Book. The veil must in no wise be suddenly rent asunder. The Glory of Glories rest upon you.

O ye the faithful loved ones of 'Abdu'l-Bahá! It is incumbent upon you to take the greatest care of Shoghi Effendi, the twig that hath branched from and the fruit given forth by the two hallowed and Divine Lote-Trees, that no dust of despondency and sorrow may stain his radiant nature, that day by day he may wax greater in happiness, in joy and spirituality, and may grow to become even as a fruitful tree.

For he is, after 'Abdu'l-Bahá, the Guardian of the Cause of God, the Afnán, the Hands (pillars) of the Cause and the beloved of the Lord must obey him and turn unto him. He that obeyeth him not, hath not obeyed God; he that turneth away from him, hath turned away from God and he that denieth him, hath denied the True One. Beware lest anyone falsely in-

terpret these words, and like unto them that have broken the Covenant after the Day of Ascension (of Bahá'u'lláh) advance a pretext, raise the standard of revolt, wax stubborn and open wide the door of false interpretation. To none is given the right to put forth his own opinion or express his particular convictions. All must seek guidance and turn unto the Center of the Cause and the House of Justice. And he that turneth unto whatsoever else is indeed in grievous error.

The Glory of Glories rest upon you!

