

Enclose you will find
address on soul, mind, spirit

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Dear Harriet!

The Master said:- When the Cause is well-founded in Paris, there will be other emotions, other susceptibilities and other attractions. Although Paris compared with other ^{countries} ~~places~~ is showing, in a general way little attention to spiritual problems, of ~~life~~ yet under the education and training of Our Beloved there are signs and traces of ~~the~~ spiritual spring time. ^{In future} Once the Master leaves ~~this field of labor~~ ^{the} then people will become awakened as though from a deep slumber and ^{know} ~~realize~~ ~~that~~ who was amongst them and what wonderful teachings he has left behind! Then to their great disappointment they will realize ^{that they could not get for all the wealth} ~~that they cannot~~ ~~take~~ off the world the gift that

get for the wealth of the whole world
~~what~~ they could receive ^{from Abdul Baha} freely without
money and without price! ~~at this~~
~~time~~. What is this ^{Gift}? To behold the
Countenance of the Beloved; to hear ~~a few~~
words of benediction from His Holy lips; to
stand in His Presence and to serve
Him in ~~the~~ ^{every} ~~smallest~~ possible way.
These Favours have been showered upon
so many people in America and esp-
ecially upon so many believers. I hope
everyone ~~of them~~ will appreciate
dearly these divine Gifts and in
order to demonstrate ~~their~~ ^{his}
appreciation ~~they~~ ^{he} will arise to
spread the message and make
mindful those who are
heedless. The seeds which are
scattered by ~~Our~~ ^{Abdul Baha} ~~Lord~~ in America
must be well matured - so that
millions of harvests ^{maybe} ~~are~~ gathered.
If every one of the friends decides
to really teach one soul in a year
~~next~~ ^{every} year ~~at time~~ the number ^{would be}
doubled.

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2 This morning immediately after drinking tea the Master called me to go out with him. It was hardly eight o'clock. He called on Mon. and Madame Dreyfus; They were of course asleep but soon Mon. Dreyfus was in his presence. After a ^{while} ~~few minutes~~ Madame Dreyfus ^{too} came in. ~~The~~ ^{He} Master talked with Mon. Dreyfus about a most prominent Persian statesman ~~who~~ ^{has} just arrived from Azarbaïdjan. Mon. Dreyfus ^{already} ~~has~~ ^{invited} him ^{to} ~~for~~ dinner ~~for~~ Tuesday night so that he may meet ~~again~~ the Master. He said, that during an interview ~~with him~~ he had related to him the wonderful visit of the Beloved ^{to} ~~in~~ America and his addresses before Universities, Colleges, churches, Clubs etc. ~~and~~ ^{he} was much impressed. After awhile the Master returned home and I presented to him the petitions

of some of the friends and ~~he~~^{he} revealed
wonderful Tablets for each. ~~Then~~
3 ~~At~~^{At} half past ten Madame Dreyfus
announced the presence of several
new people who were longing to
have a few moments each with
the Master. I retired from the
field leaving it to others. I have
no doubt that all those people
who ^{meet Abdul Baha} go in ~~the presence of Our~~
~~Lord~~ receive such a heavenly
Benediction that they ^{will} never forget
it ~~throughout all~~^{throughout all} their lives. Each hour spent
in his presence at his divine
Threshold is equal to an age. In the
storm and stress of ^{this} time, we may
not ^{have time to} think of ~~this~~ as ~~such~~ just
~~now~~ but in the near future,
we will dwell on these ^{days} ~~hours~~
as the most precious ~~hours~~
~~of~~ⁱⁿ our lives. The greatest
gift in this world is the Love
and Kindness of a Blessed Personage
who only thinks of one's progress
and illumination.

4 It was ^{noon} ~~past twelve~~ when the Master
 entered the Parlor to greet the waiting
 crowd. He smiled his heavenly
 smile ~~that~~ ^{winning} the hearts and
 attracting the souls. His talk was
 against the theories of the agnostics
 who ~~say~~ ^{claim that} there ~~is~~ ^{was} nothing beyond
 this physical life, that after this,
 there is an eternal sleep. Then
 he summed up his address:— ^{He} I hoped
 that ^{the} ~~your~~ intellectual powers ^{of those who were present} may
 advance, ^{then} ~~your~~ ideal knowledge
 may grow ~~in proportion~~ and the
 circle of ^{then} ~~your~~ thoughts may
^{under} ~~expand~~;— so that ^{they} ~~you~~ may discover
 the divine worlds—worlds which
 are infinite. Just as these
 phenomena are infinite as regards
 to their forms and species, likewise
 the worlds of God are ^{infinite}.
 May ~~every~~ ~~every~~ ~~everyday~~ ^{then} ~~you~~
~~may~~ become informed ^{everyday} with
 a new mystery! ~~Every day~~

May they ~~you may~~ ^{every day} obtain a new life,
~~everyday~~ ^{May they} ~~you may~~ ^{involve} ~~disaster~~ ^{every day} & new
reality - so that ~~you~~ ^{they} may find
entrance to all the worlds of
God.

The Master went out with Doctor
Mohamed Khan and on his return
he had dinner. Two Persian Students
who had come from Versaille met
the Beloved and then he had his
5 nap. In the afternoon Madame
Lacy with her mother and her
children and Madame D'Astie came
to see Our Beloved. As the
daughters are being educated in
the Catholic Convent, they have
become most devout and
zealous ^{in that faith}. Half-jokingly - half-
seriously the Master carried
a religious discussion with
one of the young girls whom
I think is not older than
14 or 15 yrs old. She was clever
in her own way, quoting the

traditions of the church, ^{verses from} portions of the bible etc etc. The talk was most interesting as it ^{touches} dealt of baptism; the interpretation of the Word; the ^{saying} ~~claim~~ of John the Baptist that he was not Christ, and Christ saying that he was. At last the Master finished the discussion by saying:— Christ and the Bible ^{be} for us; the Pope and all the priests be for you. We follow Christ and not the priests. We give more importance to what Christ said than what the Pope and ^{the} Cardinal say. We are the followers of Christ. We love him and are always ready to sacrifice our lives for him. At this time Rasheed Pasha and Monner Pasha (former Ambassador of Turkey to this city) entered and the discussion came to an end.

these men

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Both ~~of them~~ kissed the hands of
the Master. For more than one
hour the Beloved spoke to them
in Turkish about America,
his tour and his 40 yrs of
imprisonment. When they
left, he was ~~most~~ ^{very tired} fatigued.
He ~~retired~~ ^{went} to his room to rest
for a few minutes ~~and~~ when
Hasrat ~~and~~ - Daubt with his
younger brother ~~came in~~ ^{arrived he} ~~he~~
came out of his room to meet
them. They arose from their seats.
~~and he~~ ^{he} welcomed them. Although he was
very tired yet he spoke with them
7 for a full hour. Some of the things
he said: - Sultan Abdul Hamid impris-
oned ~~us~~ ^{him} ~~for~~ forty years. Were ~~of~~ ^{we} free
during ~~these forty years~~ ^{the} ~~now~~ this
Cause ~~was~~ ^{would have been} ~~well~~ ^{widely} - spread in
America and Europe ~~and~~ ^{the} ~~this~~
~~union of the East & the West would have been~~
~~would have brought to them~~
~~realized~~
~~Much progress~~. At one time
Abdul Hamid became very suspicious

because his spies reported to him
that Abbas Effendi ^{was} ~~is~~ carrying a large
correspondence with America. So I
gathered 250 letters which had ~~just~~
just arrived and mailed them to ~~the~~
^{the Sultan's} private Secretary to be translated
and ~~shown~~ ^{read} to him. When the Sultan
reads them carefully, he inquired from
his Secretary, whether there ^{was} ~~is~~ anything
else in those letters that might
incriminate Abbas Effendi. No.
There ^{was} ~~is~~ nothing else. he answered.
~~Then the Sultan said:~~
These letters are very strange
indeed. I do not know what to
do with ~~them~~ ^{Abbas Effendi}. Suppose ~~that~~
all the Bahais are destroyed by
the Shah in Persia ^{and suppose I} ~~I may~~ also
kill those ~~that are~~ living
in my country. What ^{are} ~~can~~ we
^{going to} do with these American ^{Bahais?} It
is impossible to do away ^{with}
them. I am puzzled what course
to take. "
The Secretary ^{said} ~~says~~ "I have

often said to your Majesty that these people ^{are} ~~do~~ not interfering with Politics. It ^{was} ~~is~~ better to leave them to themselves. Because if any harm came to Abbas Effendi at this time, his followers in America will create many complications for you, which will be most difficult for any of us to unravel."

~~This~~ Rasheed Pasha who was here today was once the most powerful Governor-general of all Syria. ~~He~~ ^{and} was moreover the confident spy of Abdul Hamid. All the inhabitants of Syria were afraid of him. If he reported ^{by cable} to the Sultan that any man or any number of men ^{were} ~~are~~ plotting against him, ~~in a day~~ ^{in a day} they ~~were~~ disappeared. ~~Once~~ ^{Once} ~~Abdul Baha wrote~~ ^{he} told him that a ^{few} ~~number~~ of Americans had come to see ^{him} ~~him~~. They had ^{a number of} ~~certain~~ religious and

scientific ^{questions to ask and if} problems that they wish
me to solve for them. ^{the thought} If you think
that their stay ^{in Syria} here is in anyway
against ^{his} your policies I ^{he would} send
them away, ~~immediately~~. ~~But~~
But the governor
answered: Oh no! We are very proud
to have a man amongst us
who can attract the American
people through his wisdom and
knowledge."

Our two guests having departed
~~that~~ Master ^{he} went out again with
Doctor Mohamadd. Khan. These days
he is becoming so restless, ^{and} for
I believe ^{am} the Paris sojourn is drawing
to a close. He returned after
one hour and ordered dinner, ^{but}
~~he~~ ^{he} did not eat himself. Faithful
Sayad Assadallah, however
kept ^{a dish} something for him to
be carried to his room
about eleven o'clock

Love to all
Ahmed