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Dear friends!

True happiness is shared by those souls who find their faith anchored in Abdul Baha, their lives becoming the serene expression of his spiritual ideals and their hearts reflecting the artistic pictures of Love, joy and Peace. The more we are surrounded by the ministering angels of his heaven-like Presence the greater ^{will} ~~be~~ the immortal consciousness of self-surrender. He inspires our minds with the pure reflections of the Glorious beings and ignites with his divine fire the lamp of our holy enthusiasm. His magnetic attractions draws us near unto the Throne of the Forgiving Lord and his humanistic qualities teach us the lesson of brotherhood. To love him is to serve mankind, to stand in his Presence is to feel the Love of God, to hear his voice is to listen to the harmonies of the Kingdom and to remain firm in the Cause is to grow and develop day by day. Ours is indeed a great privilege to have

accepted this Revelation and in order to become
 worthy of this privilege we must work for
 the Cause and flinging our comfort and
 rest to the wind we must arise to acquaint
 with the universal principles those who have
 not heard the Message before. Whilst the
 Master lives amongst us we have no more
 important work than the awakening of the
 souls and summoning the people to
 the Kingdom of Alho. Praise be to God that
 the believers of America and Europe are all
 united and in one accord. They are not
 attached with any personal tie and are
 freed from dogmas and traditions. Their
 greatest desire is to serve the world of
 humanity and promote the confederation
 of mankind. They are the noblest altruists
 of this or any other age, ever striving in
 the Path of renunciation and sacrifice.
 Having no other selfish hope they long for
 the day of Millennium, constantly working
 for its realization. They are devoted to
 the cause of Peace and reconciliation.

It is hoped that during this year they will with voice and one ultimate purpose make an extraordinary forward movement, organize meetings, invite souls to the Cause, teach the people and cause the tree of Baha become more fruitful. They are assisted uninterruptedly with the cohorts of the Supreme Concourse and the angels of the Kingdom of Abha. They must not lag behind but must summon others to sit around this divine Table and partake of this spiritual food. The Cause of Baha-Ollah is for the whole world and not only for one section in exclusion of another. It is all-inclusive and all the people shall taste this sweet water. If we do not exert to inform others with the universality and teachings of this Revelation we are either spiritually selfish or unworthy. If we work for the Cause without any personal motive undoubtedly our painstaking endeavor will be crowned with success and the Blessed Perfection will become pleased with us.

This morning the Master sent for me. After dictating a cablegram for New York, he told me he has been unable to sleep all night because his mind was the battleground for many conflicting thoughts of the Cause. Later on I was called again to translate for Mrs Beede but it was only for a few minutes because the Beloved expressed a wish to retire owing to the sleeplessness of last night.

According to the recent development Mrs Stannard is going to India later on in the season to join Mrs Geringer; so she called on the Master in the afternoon and had a long interview with him. In the course of conversation and in answer to various questions the Beloved said: "The principles of the Baha'i Cause are the pure seeds which we are sowing in the fertile ground. Unquestionably many harvests shall be gathered. Daily these seeds are sprouting, growing in size and verdancy and soon they will reach the stage of fruition. Rest

then assured that all thy services in the
 Cause will yield abundant results. Now
 you will go to Bombay. I am not going
 to give you any set of rules but let the
 spirit and the requirements of the time and
 moment guide you in your propagation
 of the Cause. There are many friends in India
 with whom you can consult whenever
 you feel the need of consultation, you
 may stay in Bombay as long as you
 deem it necessary then you may go to
 another part. Praise be to God thou art
 free, detached from husband or son or
 home tie. Thou hast created all
 thy time to the service of the world of humanity.
 Deliver your addresses according to my
 speeches in America and Europe, let
 them be the foundation of all your public
 talks. To the Indians say - God is the
 Shepherd of all and we are his flock.
 There are not many races. There is only
 one race. Were you to look carefully
 the Englishman is the Persian, the Persian

is the American, the American is the French,
 the French is the German etc. Don't talk
 about politics. Speak about the good work
 the English have done in Egypt. To the Persian
 Zoroastrian say:- Awake, Awake! For the
 sun of ^{your} salvation hath arisen from the horizon
 of Persia. Ere long the ancient glory of
 your native land shall return, you ^{will}
 be honored amongst all the nations of the
 earth. Shake off your sleep! Ahura Mazda has
 come and he shall make this world a paradise
 and its inhabitants the angels of heaven.
 Be kind and considerate to all the religions
 and sects and show your genuine sympathy
 and respect toward all. The spiritual
 youth shall inspire your heart. You are young,
 man alone does enjoy physical and spiritual
 youth but the donkey and cow have
 only the former and are deprived of the
 latter. The spiritual youth renews one's
 force ^{from heaven} and upbuilds one's character. It is
 the great elixir that changes the base metals
 of human nature into precious divine attributes
 of the divine nature.

To the Theosophists be kind and considerate. They are readier to receive this Truth than many other sects. Make them understand that a young boy educated in Oxford will not become the universal educator of mankind. One who is in need of the knowledge of the Professors of a university will not become the manifestation of God. Christ was never taught by any man yet he was the universal Educator. Baha-Allah did not study but his knowledge was immeasurable. He became the general instructor of the world of humanity. Even his enemies testify to this fact. In short associate with all with joy and fragrance. The Confirmations of the Kingdom of Abha will encircle you at all times." Then other matters were discussed and after drinking tea we left the house. Together we called on Mirza Abdul Gajl and then we heard from him a most instructive account of the migration of civilization from one country to another. All now the Americans and Europeans have become the inheritors of the old provinces.