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Dear friends!

To translate a few Tablets is better than my own trite and uninteresting writings, thus I will share this joy with you:-

"O ye spiritual friends! Thank ye God His Highness the Almighty who has granted ye such a gift and conferred such a Bestowal! He enkindles the Splendor of the Most Great Guidance and burned away the veils of superstitions. He destroyed the foundation of strangeness and laid the basis of oneness. He caused the illumination of the eyes and made the ears to hearken the melody and the harmony of the supreme Concurrence and listen to the Divine Call, to such an extent that the heart and the spirit cried out, yea, yea! This is through the Generosity of His Highness the Incomparable One who hath suffered this Imprisoned Servant to be engaged with your mentioning and occupied with your remembrance with the utmost joy and fragrance. Thank ye God for this! Verily this is a great Bounty! Verily this is a great favor! (Sig) Al-dul Baka Abbas."

Another Tablet:-

O ye friends of His Highness the Merciful! A hundred thousand glad-tidings are descending at every moment from the Kingdom of Abha and thousands of the stars of Bestowals are shining at every second from the horizon of Providence. But the heedless souls like unto adamantine rock do not receive any benefit from the Graces of God and the inferior realities are shareless from the Bounties of the Superior world

The crow and the Gnat will never become the royal eagle and the owl and the bat will not take the form of the sweet nightingale. Therefore you who have taken a share and a portion from this Bestowal and have received an inexhaustible part from this most Great Favor like unto the wine-adoring cup-bearers must become intoxicated and taking into your hands this Divine Chalice may cause to drink the immortal wine those who are the seekers of the Cause of "am I not your Lord?" and inform the laughing ones who desire to see the Beauty of Merciful with the sweetness and Charm of the Ancient Countenance;"

another Tablet:-

O thou who hast inhaled the Fragrance of faithfulness from the Rose-garden of the Bestowal of God!

By God, the True One, Verily the Prophecies of the Books and the predictions of the Tablets have come pass and become manifest, like unto the manifestation of the lights of the Sun and are shining upon all the countries and regions. Glorify unto my Lord, El-Abha! Verily the Splendor of Success, shone forth upon the Kingdom of humanity, the garden of Holiness is perfumed, the nightingales of Affirm are singing melodiously, the meadows of significances are adorned, the Paradise of Grandeur is decorated, the Houris of realities are evidenced, the goblets of attraction are given around, the hearts are gladdened, the souls are rejoiced, the spirits are exhilarated, the minds are dilated, the faces are illumined and the Temples

of sanctification are inspired. But the heedless ones are in manifest darkness and the agitators are in great pride!"

Another Tablet:-

O thou real friend! At this time Alidel Baha in the city of Alexandria is engaged in the ~~measuring~~ ^{and} day and night with the utmost supplication and entreaty I beg Confirmation and assistance from the Threshold of the Lord of the Kingdom; - so that the friends may co-operate with each other and assist each other in the establishment of unity in this material world; - to such an extent that every stranger may become a friend, the remote one become near and the unknown known. In the world of existence there is no greater harm than Difference and no more useful object than unity. The Beauty of the Almighty caused the appearance of the oneness of the world of humanity on this earth. But alas! that the inhabitants of the world have deprived themselves on account of a few dewes from the most great sea. The Blessed Perfection for more than 50 years accepted most severe hardships, passed his days in exile and imprisonment, forebore chains and fetters; - so that the Tabernacle of the oneness of the world of humanity may be pitched in the Centre of the world and the Flag of Unity may become unfurled. Undoubtedly the hosts of the people of the world shall not withstand in the path of this most

great Cause. I hope that ere long this Flag
may be upraised and the basis of strangeness
may be razed to ground and the world
of mankind may become the delectable
paradise of abba! "

Here is a supplication:-

"O God! O God! Cause me to drink from the cup
of Thy Bestowal! Illumine my face with the
light of guidance! Make me firm in faithfulness
and steadfast in Thy Ancient Covenant! Suffer
me to become ^{one} of Thy sincere servants. Open ^{before}
my face the doors of prosperity. Prepare for
me the means of livelihood! Give me my bread
through channels over which I have no control.
Thy heavenly treasures; grant me the power to turn
my face toward Thy Merciful Countenance and
be faithful in Thy Cause, O Thou ^{the} Clement and
and the Compassionate! Verily Thou art Gracious
to those who are firm and steadfast in Thy
strong and impregnable Covenant! Praise be
to God, the Lord of the worlds! " "

This was another beautiful day in our Calendar
for early morning I was present in the Holy Presence
of our Beloved. Mrs De Bon and her child were
going to leave for Cairo and so they came to say
farewell. He told her:- "you must live and
conduct yourself in Cairo in such a manner and
characterize thyself with such attributes that
when people come in contact with thee
they may feel thy spiritual influence, that
if they are earthly they may become heavenly
if they are blind they may find sight, if
~~they~~ they are dead they may become quickened
if they are material they may become spiritual

Speak to them on divine subjects. Tell them that this world is ephemeral, it is not worth human attachment. Man must seek after eternal joy, he must obtain everlasting life and become in the image and likeness of God. Speak about the Cause with thy Western friends. Teach thy pupils the beauty and charm of the spiritual music, the harmonies that exalt the spirit and ennobles one's thoughts. Man can teach better through deeds than words. But when the words are the expressions of our deeds, then it will be light upon light. When you write to your mother in Paris give her my greetings and tell her:- Thou hast made me very happy with thee. Thou hast become the cause of my joy. I shall never forget thee and beg from the Kingdom of God that thou mayest sit upon the throne of everlasting glory. " He spoke a great deal on this line and then took a piece of Russian gold out of his pocket and gave it to Anna as a souvenir. He caressed her very much and told her mother:- "This girl must become spiritual, divine and heavenly. Spiritually illumined she may become a great teacher in the Cause of God and invite innumerable souls to the Kingdom of Abha".

After an hour we received the letters from the West, especially from Germany, a petition from Stuttgart believers made him most happy. My goodness! He gave me such a hard slap on the face to express his joy! For the last two days he has been showering these Graces upon me. Now I love to have all of you to share them with with me! I am sure you

will enjoy them. Then he said; "Always bring me such good news! These news give me a new happiness because I see the souls have arisen to teach the Cause of God, to diffuse the Fragrance of God, are detached from the world and its alluring conditions, have hoisted the Banner of Ya Baha Allah and are spreading the glorious signs of the Merciful One. These news give me spiritual delight heavenly bliss and bestow to my heart ease and tranquility. Look, look" and he extended his hands towards the West his face wreathed with beaming smiles "what relation exists between Germany and Persia! Notwithstanding this the fire of the Love of God is kindled in their hearts, the glowing light of the Kingdom of Baha Allah is visible on their faces, the rays of the Sun of Truth are emanating from their eyes." Then while walking to and fro, as though intoxicated with the wine of joy he dictated a beautiful Tablet for them. Till noon he dictated many beautiful Tablets and then we left the house our cups filled with the essence of the Spirit of Revelation.

In the afternoon the Beloved called on Mirza Abul Fajl and spoke about some of the phases of the life of Adrian which he was living there. From there he resorted to the Hotel and met our American pilgrims. His talk to them was on the physical and spiritual path. Then he went back home to rest and none saw him that night.