

Subuhun - Quddusun

(For unison/octave voices)

Text by The Bab

Music (c) by Michael Knopf

Slowly and evenly



This verse is from the Writings of The Bab and was used by His followers at the fort of Shaykh Tabarsi on the occasion of Quddus' arrival there after an unjust confinement of many months in the town of Sari. He was delivered from this imprisonment through the instructions of Baha'u'llah, who had remarked that the defenses lacked only the presence of Quddus. After his release, Quddus approached the fort through the forests of Mazindaran where he was greeted in the dark by the Babis, who carried a lighted candle in both hands, and who chanted the above verse.

PRONUNCIATION

Subuhun = So boo hone

Quddusson *= Qo doo sone

rab (as in rabbit), i, na (gnaw),

va (as in van), rab, bil (beel)

ma (as in man), la (law),

i,ka,tih (sound out the "H"),

va (van), ruh (rooh -sound the "H")

* (Q is guttural, somewhere between a swallowed "G" or "K" sound

The dotted line signifies that the "la" sound should be carried and drop in pitch to connect smoothly with "ikatih" as these sounds are all parts of the same word and should not be broken.