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Dear friends!

In a recent Tablet Abdul Baha writes the following, eloquent, soul-stirring words concerning the promotion of the Cause of God:-

"The fundamental object is: the promulgation of the Cause of the Cause of God and the exaltation of the Word of God. This is the Power that will become effective in the very heart of the world, because it is confirmed by the Holy Spirit. This matter will confer life upon the body of the world of creation.

"Today if the soul who is attracted with the Love of God and burning with the flame of enthusiasm - open his tongue, speaking or delivering his speech in the utmost state of attraction, it will undoubtedly display the most wonderful effect upon the hearts. With a resonant voice he must cry out:-

'O people! O people! The Sun of Reality has dawned from the horizon of the world, casting its Effulgence upon the East and the West. He has instructed the

world of humanity through heavenly Teachings and has become the cause of human solidarity. The Teachings of His Holiness Baha - ollah declare the oneness of the world of humanity; cause Religion to be the foundation of Union and Accord in the world; become conducive to good-fellowship between the children of men; conform religion with science and reason; take away political prejudices, religious prejudice and racial prejudice; uphold the doctrine of perfect equality between men and women; espouse the cause of the International Auxiliary language; foster the universalization of education; redress and equalize in the most perfect manner the economic relations of the social structure; destroy totally the basis of hostility and ill-will from amongst mankind; constitute the five continents as one continent; suffer the various races of men to become as one race; rend asunder entirely the veil of these superstitions; reveal in the assemblage of humanity the Light of Truth; illumine the hearts with the Ray of Guidance; resurrect the spirits with the Breathes of the Holy-Spirit and baptize the souls with the Water of Life Eternal, the Fire of the Love

of God and the outpouring of the Divine Spirit!

O thou world of humanity! Awake! Awake!

O thou negligent of the Kingdom of God! Revive! Revive!

O thou prisoner of nature! Liberate thyself! Liberate
thyself!

O thou afflicted with antiquated dogmas! Get clear of
superannuated imaginations! Free thyself of this
Inertia!

O thou deprived of the heavenly Bestowals! Acquire
a share! Acquire a share!

O thou heedless of Divine World! Be informed! Be
informed!

Cry at the top of your voice similar utterances in those
meetings before the concourse of humanity. The effect
of your words will be conditioned upon the degree of
your attraction and exultation. Then you will ob-
serve what an effect this will have.'"

In another Tablet to Mr. Jos. H. Bowen he says:-
"Now the believers must engage their time in teaching
the Cause of God and in the meetings no other discuss-
ion should be carried on save the Cause of God. The
members of the Bahai Assemblies must be infinitely

kind towards each other and all their deliberations must be concerning the Kingdom of Abha. Grossious discussions must be discounteranced, for these things will become conducive to the lukewarmness and apathy of those who are present. The Candles of all the meetings must be the mention of God, the propagation of the Cause of God, the exposition of Divine Proofs and the elucidation of the Principles of His Holiness Baha-ullah. When this condition is obtained, the meeting will become heavenly, celestial, godlike and the means of the guidance of the erring ones. It will yield most great results"

To the Editor of Lake Erie Zephyr of Lakelawn, Derby N.Y. he says :-

"O thou spreader of Reality! In the first two editions of the Magazine, thou didst demonstrate noble effort in serving the Kingdom of God. This aspiration is the means of the exposition of Reality. Reality will unquestionably be revealed sooner or later. Then it will become established that thou art an adorer of Reality. The Editors of the Magazines and Newspapers must be the spreaders of the realities of facts; for it is

Certain, the truth of every problem will become manifest and apparent in the future. The proprietors of the periodicals who conform their statements with the reality will attain to Everlasting Glory in the coming ages....."

A beautiful prayer revealed for Portland Assembly is as follows:-

"O Thou Heavenly Father ! Thou hast the hosts of the Kingdom and the spiritual Angels ! We indigent souls, are broken-winged birds, yet do we yearn to soar towards the Immensity of the Kingdom. We are thirsty fish; we seek the sea of the Water of Life. We are the moths of the nether world; we long the lamp of the Realm on High. We are in the utmost meekness and feebleness; yet we are fighting against the armies of the world.

"Therefore, O Lord of Hosts... Confirm us so that the army of Light may become victorious and the legions of darkness be defeated. Assist us in the service of the Kingdom and inform us with the Divine Mysteries. Rejoice us with the Glad-tidings of the Everlasting Sovereignty and bestow upon us a portion and a share of the Life Eternal. Suffer the tongues to be unloosed and grant sight to the eyes;— so that

we may behold the world of the kingdom and may praise with an eloquent speech Thy Beauty and Perfection! Verily Thou art the Generous and the Kind. Signed: Abdul Baha Abbas.

Last night Doctor Getsinger arrived from India, and we were pleased to meet him after his eight months sojourn in that country. In the evening the Beloved turning his face to Haji Mirza Haydar Ali said:-
 (A.B.) "This is Doctor Getsinger (H.A.) I know, . But he is not a Doctor of Medicine (A.B.) yes." He is a Doctor of philosophy. (H.A.) See. (A.B.) If he was a doctor of ~~medicine~~ he could not be sick." "He has now come to the Ideal Physician." This reminds me of another lovely incident happened a few weeks ago. In a meeting Mirza Haydar Ali asked the Master whether a poem composed by a Baha'i in Persia could be read. "Why?" the Beloved asked smilingly. "He will be pleased to hear about it." "I am old now. A poem must be chanted for those who are young." "But the Master is young."

I met the Beloved only for a few minutes during the day. He was dictating Tablets to Shengji Effendi for the believers of Persia and America. In the evening he had a long walk and on his return while I was writing in my room below I could hear his voice speaking to the members of the Holy Family on the Appearance of Christ at a time when the Romans ruled over Palestine.