



O DWELLERS OF MY PARADISE!

With the hands of loving-kindness I have planted in the holy garden of paradise the young tree of your love and friendship, and have watered it with the goodly showers of My tender grace; now that the hour of its fruiting is come, strive that it may be protected, and be not consumed with the flame of desire and passion.

—Bahá'u'lláh

我天堂的居民啊！

我用仁慈之手，
在圣圃种下你爱与友谊之苗，
并以我恩宠之甘霖浇灌。
现在，
结果的时候到了，
你当竭力保护它，
别让贪欲之火吞掉。



내 낙원의 주민들아 !
나는 자애의 손으로 낙원의 거룩한 동산에
네 사랑과 우정의 어린 나무를 심어, 내 온
화로운 은총의 단비를 뿌리었노라. 이제
그 열매가 맺힐 때가 왔으니, 이를 보호하
여, 욕망과 열정(熱情)의 불길로 타버리지
않도록 힘써야 하느니라.

おおわが楽口の住民達よ！
慈悲の手もて、われ汝らの愛と友情の若木
(わかぎ)を、天国の聖なる花園に植え、わ
がやさしき恵みの雨を注いだ。その果実の
実る時が来ている今、それを護り、欲望と
情欲の焰(ほのお)もて焼き尽くされること
なきよう努めよ。

Life of the Spirit Life of the Spirit



Put into practice the Teaching of Bahá'u'lláh, that of kindness to all nations. Do not be content with showing friendship in words alone, let your heart burn with loving kindness for all who may cross your path.

— Abdu'l-Bahá

Who finds a faithful friend, finds a treasure.

-- Jewish Saying



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--Abdu'l-Baha

"One loyal friend is worth ten thousand relatives."

-- Euripides (408 B.C.)

"Let there be no purpose in friendship save the deepening of the spirit."

-- Kahil Gibran.



Hold a true friend with both your hands.

— Nigerian Proverb



"A friend loves at all times."

— The Bible: Proverbs 17, 17.



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I beseech you, one and all, to add your prayers to mine to the end that war and bloodshed may cease, and that love, friendship, peace and unity may reign in the world.

--Abdu'l-Baha



O Lord! Draw up the people from the abyss of the ocean of hatred and enmity, and deliver them from the impenetrable darkness. Unite their hearts, and brighten their eyes with the light of peace and reconciliation.



--Abdu'l-Baha