Letters to Christians

False Prophets and Bible Scholars

First Letter

Dear Christian:

Who are the false prophets? I once asked two young well-dressed Mormons: "When God sends a Prophet or a Redeemer, He gives us certain signs in advance of His coming, so that we can recognize Him. What Biblical prophecies are there about Joseph Smith?" Their response was sheer silence. They could not cite even one prophecy about their prophet! Now compare that record—zero prophecy—with *three large volumes* containing over 1,800 Biblical prophecies that *Bahá'u'lláh*, meaning *the Glory of God*, and His martyred Herald, *the Báb*, meaning *the Gate*, have fulfilled. The probability of fulfilling 1,800 prophecies by chance is: $1/10^{80}$, which is the number of atoms in the known universe. (See *Lord of Lords*, Chapter 20.)

If you examine the three-volume series, you will find six times as many fulfilled prophecies in Jesus' Second Advent, compared to His First. Would God mislead us 1,800 times? Please resolve the preceding puzzle. Should you ignore the call of your Lord? Would you ignore His call because "Bible scholars" have told you that they know the true meaning of prophecies? Who are those Bible scholars? Are they authorized to interpret the prophecies? Please note this clear warning:

No prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation... II Peter 1:20

If Bible scholars are not authorized to interpret the prophecies, you are also *not* authorized to trust their interpretation. The clear evidence that Bible scholars are as confused as the rest of Christians is that they bitterly disagree with one another. If you are searching for a given address and ten people give you ten different directions, would you trust any one of them? Why then should you trust those unauthorized interpreters of the Bible?

What would you think about a Jew who disregarded the News of the First Advent for the same reason? If he said: "My rabbi tells me that our Messiah must come this way or that way"? Would you excuse him from his responsibility to examine the evidence for Jesus, as He offered them, and not as the rabbis have been telling the Jews that they are sure how their Messiah will come?

Should you trust Bible scholars who believe what their teachers told them to believe? Consider this amazing fact: Bible scholars are divided on almost all doctrinal and theological issues. Otherwise, why do we have hundreds, if not thousands, of denominations? If Bible scholars disagree on doctrinal issues, *then how do you expect them to know the true meaning of prophecies, which are far more complex?* There are as many interpretations of *the Book of Revelation* as there are scholars who have tried to decipher that Book. Should you surrender your destiny to people who prove to be so fallible, subject to all human errors?

An Invitation to the Banquet of Heaven

Dear Christian:

You are invited to investigate the greatest News the world has ever known!

Blessed are those who are invited.

Christ (Rev. 19:9)

Our Lord is calling you to the Banquet of Heaven. Will you respond or ignore His call?

Many are called, but few are chosen.

Christ (Matt. 22:14)

Yes, the Advent has taken place! Our Lord has come precisely as He predicted:

I will come like a thief...

Christ (Rev. 3:3)

Hard to believe? Please do not judge until you have examined the mountain of evidence we will place at your fingertips! By searching, you have lost nothing; on the contrary, you have gained a clear conscience:

Does our law...permit us to pass judgment on a man unless we have first given him a hearing and learned the facts?

John 7:51

What is the clearest sign of loving our Lord? Obedience! All we are asking you to do is to obey our Lord. Is that too much to ask? Ponder the meaning of this verse among many others:

Test the spirits to see whether they are from God.

I John 4:1

Who will you obey? Your Lord, or your church leader, who might brush aside this incredible and awesome Advent simply by saying: "Beware of false prophets!"

False Prophets

Who are the false prophets? If you pay close attention to the words of Jesus, you will recognize that "false prophets" are the Christians who prophesy in the name of Jesus, by saying "We are sure what prophecies mean." As stated, they clearly violate this warning:

No prophecy in Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation... II Peter 1:20

The church leaders tell Christians "What their itching ears love to hear" (II Tim 4:3). Bible scholars and preachers who "prophesy in the name of the Lord," and assure Christians that they know the true meaning of prophecies, fulfill Jesus' description of "false prophets." By their false interpretation, they prevent Christians from knowing Jesus at His Second Advent.

Please ponder this question: What is the difference between *the Spirit of God* and *the spirit of a conman*—a liar and deceiver? Think about the Jews at the time of Jesus. Why did they reject their Messiah? Instead of witnessing the Spirit of God in Jesus through their own minds, they looked up to their rabbis, who called Jesus a false prophet, *without ever suspecting that they themselves were playing the role of false prophets! They were*

prophesying in the name of Moses and the Hebrew Prophets just as Christian teachers are prophesying in the name of Jesus. It is amazing how history repeats itself! Instead of witnessing the Spirit of God in Jesus, they focused on a single prophecy, based on their human and unjustified interpretation. They focused their attention on the word king, just as Christians are focusing on the word sky.

What do these words—king and sky—have in common? They both excite the human imagination: a King comes from an unknown place and saves the Jews from suffering; a Savior comes from the sky and takes Christians to heaven. How amazing! One word, with a symbolic meaning, has prevented the Jews from knowing their Redeemer. Once again, a few words, with a symbolic meaning, is preventing Christians from knowing their Redeemer!

Was not and is not the claim of the rabbi to know the true meaning of the Hebrew prophecies similar to the belief of the church leaders of our time who say: "When Jesus comes, we will know for sure. How can we miss the One who has promised to descend from the sky, riding upon the clouds? Only the blind would miss such a spectacular Advent!"

Should Christians fall into the same glamorous trap the Jews fell? How can Christian leaders claim to be wiser than Jewish leaders? What evidence do they have?

St. Paul was a strong believer in Moses. Yet he persecuted Jesus. Why? He assumed, like many Christians, that he knew for sure how the Messiah would come. Only the divine hand saved him. The example of Paul should teach every church leader, every true believer in Jesus, a lesson of humility.

Dear Christian! Will you allow history to repeat itself? Instead of investigating the evidence for yourself and by yourself, will you surrender your eternal life to someone else—your pastor or Sunday school teacher? If you do, we predict that he will appeal to your fear instinct by giving you warnings such as:

- The devil is well and alive. He is clever and cunning. Don't let him deceive you!
- Beware of false prophets. We know how Jesus will come!

A few words of avoidance and fear may conceal the Face of the One who has suffered to save you.

How did Jesus describe false prophets? He said: *They will prophesy in the name of the Lord* (Mat. 7:22). What does that mean? Preachers use the authority of Jesus to interpret the meaning of prophecies. They will say: "Our Lord told us in the clearest language that when He comes 'every eye shall see Him." Their literal minds disregard all the warnings that tell them that they are not authorized to interpret the prophecies.

Bible scholars and teachers who *disobey* their Lord, and continue to prophesy in His name, instead of examining the evidence the Redeemer Himself presents to them, are warned in the harshest words:

Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive

out demons and in your name perform many miracles?" Then I will tell them plainly, "I never knew you. *Away from me, you evildoers!*" Christ (Matt. 7:21-23)

Is it wise to risk such a rejection? By their unauthorized interpretation, Bible scholars become *false prophets*. Thus, without suspecting, you surrender your eternal life to those who mislead you! How amazing!

Unjustified fear prevented the Jews from entering the Banquet of Heaven. Will you follow their example? Fear of being deceived shows a lack of faith in our Lord. In *the Book of Revelation* (2:18) Jesus warned the fearful of the most severe punishment: eternal hell! Will not the fear of eternal hell overcome your fear of being deceived?

Is Your Guide Fear or Faith, the Light of Knowledge and Wisdom, or the Darkness of Avoidance and Ignorance?

The five young maidens who *lacked wisdom* were told:

Truly I say to you, I do not know you.

Christ (Matt. 25:12)

What does "wisdom" say? Does it say "seek knowledge" or does it say "live in ignorance"? Does it say "Investigate for yourself" or "Ask your pastor"? We are offering you nothing but the knowledge of truth—a knowledge that will bestow on you everlasting life. Would knowledge harm you?

Many Christians have lost their faith. They have become lukewarm:

At that time many will turn away from the faith...

Christ (Matt. 24:10)

Just as a pure heart allows us to see God, so does true faith allows us to see Jesus in His Second Advent: the Glory of God.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall **see God**.

Christ (Matt. 5:8)

Did I not tell you that if you have faith, you will see the Glory of God?

Christ (John 11:40)

Do you have enough faith to search for, and to see and recognize Jesus Christ with His new name *Bahá'u'lláh*, a title that means *the Glory of God*? To help overcome the prevailing and widespread apathy and distrust among Christians, we are appealing in the strongest words, to your faith and your love for Jesus. We invite you to show courage, by taking one step forward—only one. Examine the mountain of evidence we place between your fingertips and your keyboard! You do not need to buy anything or go anywhere. Technology allows your eyes, and indeed *every eye*, *to see our Lord in all His glory and majesty*, wherever you may be on this planet. Trust your Lord, not your Bible teacher. "Seek and ye shall find" the truth.

Please examine the Second Letter for the sources of information: books you can download free of charge and inexpensive books you can purchase.

May God bless you and aid you in all your endeavors

When and How Will Jesus Return?

Second Letter

Dear Christian:

God works in wondrous ways. Could anyone be farther away than Jesus from the "*Image of the Messiah*" the Jews had cherished? Could not that happen once again?

Let us first see what history can teach us. It is said "Those who fail to heed the lessons of history are doomed to repeat them." Why did the Jews make a colossal misjudgment concerning their Messiah? Why did they think that He would be a king? What lesson can we learn from their example? The first and foremost lesson is *humility*. We can learn that we may also fail to know the true meaning of prophecies. Do you know any Christian scholar who has the wisdom and the authority to know the true meaning of prophecies? Personal views of prophecies among Bible scholars are so diverse, they have given rise to seven "*Schools of Interpretation*."

Aside from heeding the lessons of history and noting the diversity of views among scholars, we can also learn lessons from how Jesus spoke concerning His First Advent. Consider this example:

I have come from the sky.

Christ (John 6:30, also 42)

We know Jesus was born on earth. Why then did He say that He came down from the sky? How could He make such a claim? The only reason is this: He often spoke in *Spiritual Language*.

Let us now apply the two lessons we have learned from the First Advent (the failure of the Jews, and the use of spiritual language) to the Second Advent. Consider the following critical statements, one of them a prophecy, the other an instruction. What did Jesus mean by this *prediction*:

I shall come upon you like a thief.

Revelation 3:3; 16:15

And what was His purpose in giving this *instruction*:

Be always on the watch.

Luke 21:36

Blessed is he that watcheth...

Revelation 16:15

Are not His *prediction* and His *instruction* in perfect harmony? Being alert or watchful is essential only when an event can be missed.

Did not Jesus in His First Advent come also "*like a thief*"? He walked among the people, but did they know who He was? His Spirit was concealed by flesh and bone.

You may ask: "If Jesus returns once again 'like a thief' just the way He came the first time, how can we know Him? What about false prophets? How can we recognize His supreme Spirit in an ordinary body?" This is a serious concern we should all consider. In response to this concern, ponder this point: What is the difference between the Spirit of God, and the spirit of a deceiver, a conman—a false prophet? According to Jesus, their

difference is comparable to that of a *shepherd* and a *wolf*. Is it beyond our God-given gifts to recognize such a vast difference? Would any human being, endowed with a mind, claim that he cannot tell one from the other?

As we noted, the First Advent of Jesus proved that people completely misunderstood the prophecies. They hoped for a crown of gold; instead they received a crown of thorns! Could Christians be in the same position the Jews were? Could Jesus, once again come "like a thief" and yet claim that He has come from the sky, as He did in His first Advent? What if we inform you that this is exactly what has happened! Please do not take this message lightly. Be critical and skeptical, but *depend on your mind, not on your feelings; on courage, not on your comfort zone*. Allow the evidence to guide you, not tradition or popularity.

You may say: How could millions of Christians remain unaware of such an awesome and incredible Advent? The answer was given by Jesus in a graphic language. Why did He say that He would come *like a thief*? Can we find a thief without being watchful, without searching for him?

Unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time.

Hebrews 9:28

The Lord knocks at your heart. Only if you invite Him, will He enter. He will not enter by force. He respects our freedom to invite Him or to ignore Him:

I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Revelation 3:2

Are you willing to open your heart, and pay attention—*Watch!*—to the greatest News the world has ever known? On the other hand, *are you willing to risk your everlasting life by saying "No!" to this possibility*, by ignoring our invitation to examine the mountain of evidence we are offering you?

Please be both critical and skeptical. But do not close your heart and mind before you have examined the most conclusive proof you could ever expect. Was this promise and instruction given to us in vain?

Seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you.

Christ (Matt. 7:7)

Does our law permit us to pass judgment on a man unless we have first given him a hearing and learned the facts?

John 7:51

Yes, Jesus returned with *a new name* (Rev. 2:17), *Bahá'u'lláh*, (meaning *the Glory of God*), and just like His First Advent, He had a Herald, *the Báb* (meaning *the Gate*) who proclaimed His Mission and the dawning of the Day of the Lord in 1844—a date predicted eleven times in both the Old and New Testaments. An entire volume (*I Shall Come Again*, over 500 pages) is devoted to *eleven time-prophecies*, *all of them pointing to 1844 as the time of the Second Advent*.

Do we make such an awesome and seemingly incredible claim without conclusive proof? No, we have more evidence than you could possibly imagine! We invite you to begin your search by examining a three-volume series that covers over 1,600 pages of prophecies fulfilled by the Báb and Bahá'u'lláh. If 1,600 pages of fulfilled prophecies will not move you to investigate, then what will? What else do you expect?

If you are like many Christians who expect Jesus to come from heaven and lift them to heaven, you will be disappointed. Lifting is entirely up to you. You must lift your soul to heaven through your own endeavors, your own free will. This invitation offers you the "wings" that will help you rise from ignorance to the knowledge of truth, from darkness to light. Only the wings of knowledge will help you rise to your divine destination. Once you take the first step, you will say: "Why has such an awesome Advent remained hidden from so many Christians? We have already offered you the answer:

I shall come upon you like a thief...

Christ (Rev. 3:3)

It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes.

Christ (Luke 12:37)

Jesus *really meant* what He said. And His prediction has come true.

To start your search, you have many choices. You can begin by reading the *three-volume series of prophecies* fulfilled by Jesus in His Second Advent and by His Herald. These prophecies are so vast, they are explained in three large volumes:

- I Shall Come Again, hardcover, 518 pages, \$12.00
- *Lord of Lords*, hardcover, 630 pages, \$12.00
- King of Kings, hardcover, 508 pages, \$12.00
 Shipping is free. If you are not satisfied, you may return the books for a full refund.

The Scripture teaches us that our salvation depends on knowledge. And that is exactly what we are asking you to seek:

Through knowledge shall the just be delivered.

Proverbs 11:9

What can you lose from seeking knowledge, from searching and learning? And what can you lose from *not* searching and learning? Your eternal life is at stake! Would you take that loss lightly?

Suppose some day you will be asked: "Why did you fail to investigate *the Greatest News* the world has ever known?" How will you respond? Will you say:

"My pastor told me that we are certain how Jesus will return. Do not believe anyone who tells you otherwise. Jesus promised that He will come down from the sky and take us—the faithful Christians—to heaven. We have no doubt about this. The only thing we can do is to be patient. Anyone who comes any other way is a false prophet. Do not trust him." Then you add: "I was sure my pastor knew more about the Bible than I did. Therefore, I believed him."

Please respect and support your pastor or your priest, or whoever you think will guide you to heaven. But remember that *you alone are accountable to God for your choices*. *You* must stand alone before "the judgment seat of God" (2 Cor. 5:10), without the support of your pastor.

Our world is extremely crowded. We hear so many stories that make us careless and callous. Many Christians have become lukewarm (Rev. 3:16). They have lost their faith. Jesus predicted the scarcity of faith in our time:

When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?

Christ (Luke 18:8)

As things were in Noah's days, so will they be when the Son of Man comes.

Christ (Matt. 24:37)

We hope and pray that you are an exception; that you have not lost your faith and trust in Jesus; that you are not like those who lived at the time of Noah. Our sole responsibility is to inform you and invite you. You are free to ignore our invitation, or in the words of Jesus "Watch!" that is, pay attention to our message. It is entirely up to you. We will not send you another letter. To make your search easy, we are offering you several choices, all of them within your reach:

- 1. Download the books of your choice from the following website: (www.TheKnowledgeOfGod.com) free of charge:
 - If you are convinced that Jesus will come from the sky to take "the faithful to heaven," please start with this book: *Will Jesus Come from the Sky or as a Thief?*, 207 pages.
 - If you would like to know how confused Bible scholars are concerning the meaning of prophecies, please read: *Mysteries of the Bible*, 39 pages, or *Prophecy: the Obstacle that Prevents People from Knowing Their Redeemer*, 33 pages.
 - If you would like to receive general information about the Second Advent, please read: *Christ Has Come!*, 155 pages.
- 2. If you would like to start with *the three-volumes of fulfilled prophecies*, introduced earlier, order them from the publisher or borrow them through your library. Two of the three volume series, *I Shall Come Again* and *Lord of Lords*, are also available as eBook (\$7.99 each).
- 3. If you would like to compare the two advents and see how identical they were, please order or borrow *The Glory of the Father*, hardcover, 312 pages, \$9.00.
- 4. If you would like to study the flaws and contradictions in Christian theology, please order or borrow *Come Now, Let Us Reason Together*, softcover, 285 pages, \$6.00. Shipping is free for all orders. If you are not satisfied, return the books for a full refund.

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Thus, you have many choices and many ways to start your search. Your eternal life is God's greatest gift to you. Do not take it lightly.

What will profit a man if he gained the world, but lost his soul? Christ (Matt. 16:26)

May God bless you and guide you in His ways,

From the believers who love the Lord

p.s. The Shrine of The Báb (the Gate) the martyred Herald of Bahá'u'lláh (the Glory of God), is located on the slopes of Mt. Carmel, known as the Mountain of the Lord, in

Israel. It is called the Eighth Wonder of the World. It attracts hundreds of thousands of pilgrims and tourists every year. To see pictures of the Shrine, visit: www.GlobalPerspective.org, click on Bahá'í Photos.

Who Do You Believe? The Lord, or Your Church Leaders?

A letter to Christians who trust Jesus rather than their church leaders

This letter prepares you for hearing *the greatest News* the world has ever known.

The religious leaders and scholars—most of them anyway—have been hiding the News of the Second Advent from Christians for more than a century. Why? They say they want to protect their followers from false prophets. No, they are hiding from the believers the greatest and most joyous News the world has ever known!

Who do you believe? Your Lord or your priests and pastors? Please pay attention to these commands:

Test the spirits to see whether they are from God.

I John 4:1

Be always on the watch...that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.

Christ (Luke 21:36)

Can you test a Spirit without knowing Him, without examining the evidence for His claim? What does "*Watch*!" mean? It means: *Pay attention*! Are you ready and willing to pay attention to the greatest News the world has ever known?

Many Christians lean on their pastors and priests to lead them to heaven. Is there a single verse in the Scripture that says "Delegate your judgment to your leaders"? That is precisely what the Jews have been asked to do by their rabbis. Christian leaders have been hiding the News of the Second Advent *by remaining silent, by simply ignoring the News. This is the most effective strategy for hiding the truth*, for keeping the One who promised to come "like a thief", unknown to Christians. By their action, they have made Jesus' prediction to come to pass.

This same strategy has worked for rabbis for 2000 years, and it will continue to work for church leaders for ages to come. How did the rabbis conceal the truth? Either they remained silent, or when challenged, they told their followers: "Trust us! We know the true meaning of prophecies. If our Messiah comes, we will be the first to let you know! Don't waste your time by listening to Christians. Jesus is a false prophet."

Please ponder this question: Why is there a difference between synagogue leaders and church leaders? Do they not both make their living by being loyal to the status quo? One pastor in Saginaw, Michigan, who strayed slightly from hiding the truth, was forced to apologize and warned of the loss of his job! Would not a rabbi face the same dilemma, if on a given Saturday, he invited a Christian to his congregation and told them: "Listen to this Christian, and decide for yourself if Jesus is our Messiah!" Or if he said: "We have been wrong! Jesus is our true Messiah!"

What does this verse mean?

Many are called, but few chosen.

Christ (Matt. 20:16)

Are you one of the majority who are called but ignore the call, or one of the minority who receive the honor of being one of the chosen?

Will you *follow* the example of the Jews, or will you *learn a lesson* from their example? History always repeats itself. Once again, like the Jews, most Christians do not trust their own judgment. Are you like one of the Jews who have ignored the call of Jesus? Will you follow someone else because he has taken more courses in Bible studies than you have? Is Bible studies, and the knowledge of Greek and Hebrew, the gate to heaven?

To prove it to yourself, try this experiment: Invite a Jewish layman to examine the News of the First Advent. What do you think he will say? Who will he trust? You or his rabbi? What do you think the rabbi will tell him? Why would the church leaders behave any different from Jewish leaders? Please offer one reason:

We invite you to depend on God and on your own judgment as your guide to heaven. Would not our Lord guide you and protect you from deception, from false prophets? Would you trust your priests and pastors more than your Lord?

Please ponder also this question: What is the difference between *God*-made and *man*-made? Is it hard to tell the difference? If you cannot tell the difference between a candle and the sun, you will also be unable to tell the difference between a Redeemer from God and a false prophet. Their difference is even more evident.

Notice what Jesus said to those who ignored or denied Him:

Whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

Christ (Matt. 1:33)

Do you think the rules have changed? Our Lord invites you to come and learn about the News of His return—the greatest and the most joyous News the world has ever known. What do you expect if you ignore His call, if you fail to *pay attention* to the News of His return? Will you not hear the previous response of rejection again?

To help you investigate the Greatest News, we have made it quite easy for you, as easy as touching your keyboard. What can you lose from knowledge? To learn about some of the books you can download free of charge, borrow, or purchase, please read *the Second Letter*.

May God bless you and aid you in all your endeavors.

Sorry! I Did not Pay Attention When I Had a Chance

"I had read many times Jesus' warning that I should '*Watch!*' that is '*Pay attention*!' What else deserves more attention than the News of the coming of my Lord? Why did I *not* take a little time to examine the evidence? Why did I listen to Bible scholars, and not to my Lord?"

If you truly trust and love Jesus, you will obey Him, rather than the Bible scholars. Jesus emphasized the word "*Watch!*" more than any other. Why? He knew Christians would ignore the News of His coming. He knew that, just like the Jews, they would expect dramatic events, such as being suddenly lifted to heaven!

We love Jesus as much as you do. We do not want to take your precious faith away from you. We want to strengthen your faith by showing you that the prophecies of the Second Advent have all been fulfilled. When you discover that the promises of our Lord have all been fulfilled, your soul will rise (be raptured) to heaven. You will fall in love with Jesus a second time.

Do not take our word for it. Examine the evidence. *Watch!* Pay attention to the greatest News the world has ever known. The three large volumes present over 1,800 prophecies that have been fulfilled. What more could you expect? Yes, Christ kept His promise of Return, but not in the way you and most Christians have learned from Bible scholars. God works in mysterious ways, often not according to our expectations.

When Jesus promised that: "By their fruits ye shall know them" (Matt. 7:20), did He set any condition, such as "Provided you have several years of biblical training"?

Remember that Jesus did not bless Bible scholars or religious leaders, who knew Hebrew and Greek. He blessed those who have *a pure heart*. *Is your heart pure from preconceived notions about the Second Advent?*

May Jesus bless you and guide you to His presence

A Free Book for Christians

Dear Friend,

Christians have been expecting *the Second Advent* for a long time. The common belief is that He will come from heaven. Have you ever read a book that proves that "coming from the heaven" is not literal, but rather spiritual? If Jesus meant to come from the sky, why did He say:

I shall come upon you like a thief!

Revelation 3:3

Be always on the watch!

Luke 21:36

Do we need to "watch" for the One who comes from the sky, or for the One who comes "like a thief," just the way Jesus came from the sky the first time, hidden in a human body:

I have come down from heaven!

Christ (John 6:38)

According to God's plan, we can be saved through knowledge, not through ignorance:

Through Knowledge shall the just be delivered.

Proverbs 11:9

Knowledge bestows life; ignorance brings death:

My people perish for want of knowledge.

Hosea 4:6

It was *the literal mind* that kept the Jews in ignorance and prevented them from seeing the Spirit of God hidden in human flesh:

The letter kills; the spirit gives life.

II Corinthians 3:6

Nowhere are we told that the Word of God must be understood literally. We are told just the opposite:

The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God...and he cannot understand them, because *they are spiritually discerned*.

I Corinthians 2:14

We invite you to practice the Word of God by choosing knowledge over ignorance, life over death. To help you succeed, we are offering you the knowledge of the Word of God through our website as well as free copies of books, with no strings attached.

If you have a desire to expand your knowledge of God and His plan for you and all true believers, take a look at these websites:

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- Will Jesus Come from the Sky or as a Thief?
- Mysteries of the Bible.

If the books on that website appeal to you, then take a look at the other site: www.GlobalPerspective.org.

You are entitled to receive a free copy of *God's 19 Great Little Tranquilizers*, mentioned on that website. It describes the basics of human happiness, the spiritual principles that bind us to God and bring joy and tranquility to our life. In addition to that, you can request a free copy of one of the following paperbacks:

- The Greatest News
- Come Now, Let Us Reason Together

What will profit a man if he gained the world, but lost his soul? Jesus (Matthew 16:26)

What will profit a believer if he gained the world, but lived in ignorance of the true meaning of the Word of God? We will be honored to respond to your questions:

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May God bless you and aid you in all your endeavors.

A Final Invitation

I consider myself a humble servant of God who has been given the mission of being a voice for Him in this dark and dreary world. My mission is to awaken the masses of Christians who are for the most part complacent with their present lives. The news of the coming of our Lord does not excite them. It does not bring them out of the churches. They continue to remain asleep in the night of unawareness. They do not heed Jesus' repeated warnings that they should be watchful and vigilant at all times.

Behold, I come like a thief! Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed.

Christ (Revelation 16:15)

Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man. Christ (Luke 21:36)

I have made an urgent appeal in the strongest language in numerous letters to Christians—who have fixed their hopes and their eyes on the skies—to investigate for themselves the news of the Advent of this most glorious Revelation.

May I invite you to step forward and see for yourself the fulfillment of all the prophecies of the Scriptures! May I invited you to seek the knowledge of the most glorious event in human history!

Through knowledge shall the just be delivered.

Proverbs 11:9

May I invite you to see for yourself the supreme power of glory of the One you have been waiting for! May I invite you to come and see the Blueprint He has brought for building the City of God! May I invite you to come and see for yourself the heavenly Civilization He has already established—a Civilization the like of which the world has never seen before!

This Civilization, this Kingdom, has been growing steadily and slowly "like a mustard seed." And as our Lord has promised, it will become, in due season, the largest of all trees:

What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade.

Christ (Mark 4:30-32)

You have the freedom and the honor to participate and become a part of this Kingdom. May I invite you to set aside all your fears, assumptions, and preconditions, and begin your spiritual journey with total dependence on God rather than on Bible teachers and scholars, who depend fully on human understanding! May I invite you to hear the knocking on your heart!

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me. To him who overcomes, I will

give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I overcame and sat down with my Father on his throne. Christ (Revelation 3:20-21)

Can you expect to be delivered through avoidance and inaction? Can you expect to be saved by ignoring His "knocking" and by keeping your heart closed? Can you expect to be saved by disobeying your Lord, by not seeking, by not praying, and by not "watching" or paying attention to the news of His coming?

May I invite you not to lose this opportunity! May I invite you to overcome your fears and open your heart to this most glorious Advent! May I invite you to search for the Heavenly Thief! May I invite you to use the "Lamp of your Spiritual Wisdom" to lead you to the Bridegroom and His everlasting Banquet! You are not asked to accept anything, only to investigate, test and examine. Can any harm come to you from knowing?

May God bless you in all your endeavors,

Hugh Motlagh



Dear Bahá'í Friends,

When you give an introductory book to a seeker, you are planning a seed that may grow or fail to grow depending on its vitality and growing capacity. To succeed, you must take the time to study carefully the introductory book you choose. *The everlasting destiny of the seeker depends on your choice*. To be effective, an introductory book should have all the following features. It should:

- 1. Strike a balance between the social and spiritual teachings of the Faith.
- 2. Contain a section on Bahá'u'lláh with a special emphasis on His suffering.
- 3. Include a chapter that presents Bahá'í prayers.
- 4. Contain a special chapter addressed to Christians to investigate the News of the Second Advent.
- 5. Present briefly the proofs of the Bahá'í Faith.
- 6. Include a section that introduces Bahá'u'lláh's Works to encourage further reading.
- 7. Include a section that introduces books on biblical prophecies that point to the Advent of Bahá'u'lláh.
- 8. Contain a few references from recognized figures about the Bahá'í Faith.
- 9. Emphasize independent investigation of truth.
- 10. Present an inviting letter to seekers at the end of the book to remind them of the honor of knowing Bahá'u'lláh and the responsibility that God has given to each individual to test His Mission.
- 11. Be long enough to cover the absolute essentials (about 150 pages), but not too long.
- 12. Its tone should be inviting and positive.
- 13. Its style should be simple and fluent—easy to read.
- 14. And finally the book should be both attractive and inexpensive.

You will find all the preceding features in the **Bahá'í Faith: God's Greatest Gift to Humankind**.

A Letter to Those Who Wish to Know God



The Spiritual Design of Creation is a gift to all sincere seekers who have a desire to advance their knowledge of God, to know why our Creator designed us the way He did, and what He has in store for us after we leave this life. I am delighted to know that you are one of those enquiring seekers.

After reading the book, please let me know if it has resolved some of your questions about God, and if it has impacted your life in a positive way. Please also send me any questions you may have, so that I can respond to you and address your concerns in the next edition.

If you face questions early in your reading, please be patient. You will, most likely, find the answers later in the book. Only after seeing all the pieces of the puzzle of creation, will you be able to discover the "big picture" that is, to view everything from God's perspective.

Please read the book with an open mind. Nothing as much as the knowledge of God and the human immortality can elevate your life, can crown your days with joy, hope, peace and patience.

You may ask: What is the role of religion in our relationship with God? Religion is not the goal, but a means to the goal. Religion should provide an environment through which we can associate with like-minded seekers of truth. If it cannot help us become more spiritual, and if it contradicts the established principles of science, it is best to live without it.

If you are unhappy with old and established religions, I invite you to investigate the Bahá'í Faith, the latest of the great religions. It will enhance your spiritual life. You will find many like-minded individuals in this Faith who will join you and help you in your spiritual journey.

You may wonder why I wrote *The Spiritual Design of Creation*. I have written as many as 30 volumes and have taught psychology to several thousand university students. Based on my experience, the root cause of the prevailing chaos in the world and the mounting stress and distress in our personal life is our increasing alienation from God. Unless this trend is reversed, troubles and tribulations will continue to gain a greater and greater momentum.

Presenting an impartial and objective picture of human destiny is my contribution to the life of those who thirst for true knowledge, but do not know where to search. I have helped many people, especially the young, through spiritual counseling, that is, by

showing them "the big picture". What an honor to lift a seeking soul to an intimate relationship with its Creator.

God has left a vacuum in our soul for His presence. Unless that vacuum is filled, we cannot experience true and lasting peace. I am convinced that an intimate relationship with God is the very foundation of our happiness, and a solution to many of our problems. That is the way we are designed. It is this conviction that motivated me to write this book and to offer it to you and all seeking souls as a gift. I will be honored to elevate even one life, to lift one soul to the presence of its Creator.

God can be likened to the sun. Those who have never seen the sun, do not know what they are missing. Some of them, because of unfounded information they have received, consider God to be mere illusion. They do their best to ignore and deny Him. If you belong to this group of people, I invite you to disregard at least for a moment your past learning.

Are there requirements for knowing and loving God? To succeed in an endeavor, we must meet certain requirements. Is knowing and loving God an exception to this rule? The physical and spiritual laws are quite similar, sometimes identical. Just as we must open our eyes to see the sun, so must we open our heart and soul to see God.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Christ (Matt 5:8)

We cannot see God when our spiritual eyes are blemished by multiple misconceptions and a negative attitude. This is how our Creator designed us, both physically and spiritually. If you have an aversion to God, it is because of misinformation you have received, especially from the religious leaders. To succeed in your journey of the search for truth, you must reassess your past learning and start with a new and pure vision. Unless you abandon your negative attitude and the prevailing misconceptions about God, you will not be able to make an impartial assessment.

Yet another requirement for knowing and loving God is having a sincere *desire* to attain this honor. Our relationship with God can be likened to a marriage. Can a genuine relationship begin and endure without desire? *Meeting the preceding requirements is absolutely essential*. Once again, remember the example of seeing the sun. You will not be able to know and see God unless you open your heart and soul.

If you like to further your knowledge of human life and destiny, take a look at the books posted on *www.GlobalPerspective.org*. If any of those books interests you, let me hear from you. I will be delighted to send it to you as a gift.

May God bless you and guide you to His presence

Hugh Motlagh