Tablet to Pope Pius IX

- O Pope! Rend the veils asunder. He Who is the Lord of Lords is come overshadowed with clouds, and the decree hath been fulfilled by God, the Almighty, the Unrestrained. Dispel the mists through the power of thy Lord, and ascend unto the Kingdom of His names and attributes. Thus hath the Pen of the Most High commanded thee at the behest of thy Lord, the Almighty, the All-Compelling. He, verily, hath again come down from Heaven even as He came down from it the first time. Beware that thou dispute not with Him even as the Pharisees disputed with Him without a clear token or proof. On His right hand flow the living waters of grace, and on His left the choice Wine of justice, whilst before Him march the angels of Paradise, bearing the banners of His signs. Beware lest any name debar thee from God. the Creator of earth and heaven. Leave thou the world behind thee, and turn towards thy Lord, through Whom the whole earth hath been illumined.
- یا پاپا اخرق الأحجاب قد اتی ربّ الأرباب فی ظلل السّحاب و قضی الأمر من لدی الله المقتدر المختار اکشف السّبحات بسلطان ربّک ثمّ اصعد الی ملکوت الأسمآء و الصّفات کذلک یأمرک القلم الأعلی من لدن ربّک العزیز الجبّار انّه اتی من السّمآء مرّة اخری کما اتی منها اوّل مرّة ایاک ان تعترض علیه کما اعترض الفریسیون من دون بینة و برهان قد جری عن یمینه کوثر الفضل و عن یساره سلسبیل العدل و یمشی قدّامه ملائکة الفردوس برایات الآیات
- We have adorned the Kingdom with the ornament of Our name, the All-Glorious. Thus hath it been decreed by God, the Fashioner of all things. Take heed lest thy vain imaginings withhold thee, when once the Sun of Certitude hath shone forth above the horizon of the Utterance of thy Lord, the Mighty, the Beneficent. Dwellest thou in palaces whilst He Who is the King of Revelation liveth in the most desolate of abodes? Leave them unto such as desire them, and set thy face with joy and delight towards the Kingdom.

ایاک ان تمنعک الأسمآء عن الله فاطر الأرض و السّمآء دع الوری ورائک ثمّ اقبل الی مولاک الّذی به اضائت الآفاق قد زیّنا الملکوت باسمنا الأبهی کذلک قضی الأمر من لدی الله خالق الأشیآء ایاک ان تمنعک الظّنون بعد اذ اشرقت شمس الیقین من افق بیان ربّک العزیز المنّان أ سکنت فی القصور و سلطان الظّهور فی اخرب البیوت دعها لأهلها ثمّ اقبل الی

		الملكوت بروح و ريحان
3	Say: O peoples of the earth! Destroy the abodes of negligence with the hands of power and assurance, and	قل يا ملأ الأرض اخربوا بيوت الغفلة بأيادي القدرة و الاطمينان
	raise up the mansions of true knowledge within your hearts, that the All-Merciful may shed the radiance of	و عمّروا غرف العرفان في القلوب ليتجلّى عليها الرّحمن هذا خير
	His light upon them. Better is this for you than all whereon the sun shineth, and unto this beareth witness	لكم ممّا تطلع الشّمس عليه يشهد بذلك من عنده فصل
	He Who holdeth within His grasp the ultimate decree. The Breeze of God hath been wafted over the world at	الخطاب قد فاحت نسمة الله في العالم بما اتى المقصود
	the advent of the Desired One in His great glory, whereupon every stone and clod of earth hath cried out:	بمجده الأعظم اذاً كلّ حجر و مدر ينادي قد ظهر الموعود
	"The Promised One is come! The Kingdom is God's, the	الملك لله المقتدر العزيز الغفّار
4	Mighty, the Gracious, the Forgiving." Beware lest human learning debar thee from Him Who is the Supreme Object of all broaded as a plant the world	اياك ان تمنعك العلوم عن سلطان المعلوم او الدّنيا عمّن
	the Supreme Object of all knowledge, or lest the world deter thee from the One Who created it and set it upon	خلقها و تركها قم باسم ربّك الرّحمن بين ملأ الأكوان و خذ
	its course. Arise in the name of thy Lord, the God of Mercy, amidst the peoples of the earth, and seize thou	كأس الحيوان بيد الاطمينان اشرب منها اوّلاً ثمّ اسق المقبلين
	the Cup of Life with the hands of confidence. First drink thou therefrom, and proffer it then to such as turn	من اهل الأديان كذلك لاح قمر البيان من افق الحكمة و
	towards it amongst the peoples of all faiths. Thus hath the Moon of Utterance risen above the horizon of	التّبيان
	wisdom and understanding.	
5	Tear asunder the veils of human learning lest they hinder thee from Him Who is My name, the Self-Subsisting. Call	اخرق سبحات العلوم لئلًا تمنعك عن شطر اسمى القيوم اذكر
	thou to remembrance Him Who was the Spirit, Who, when He came, the most learned of His age pronounced	اذ اتى الرّوح افتى عليه من كان اعلم علمآء عصره في مصره و
	judgement against Him in His own country, whilst he who was only a fisherman believed in Him. Take heed,	آمن به من يصطاد الحوت فاعتبروا يا اولى الألباب انَّک من
	then, ye men of understanding heart! Thou, in truth, art one of the suns of the heaven of His names. Guard	شموس سموات الأسمآء احفظ نفسك لئلّا تغشاها الظّلمة و
	thyself, lest darkness spread its veils over thee, and fold	

	thee away from His light. Ponder, then, that which hath been sent down in the Book by thy Lord, the Almighty,	تحجبك عن النّور انظر ما نزّل في الكتاب من لدن ربّك العزيز
	the All-Bountiful.	الوهّاب
6	Say: Still your pens, O concourse of divines, for lo, the shrill voice of the Pen of Glory hath been lifted up between earth and heaven. Cast away all that ye possess and take fast hold of that which We have revealed unto you with power and authority. The Hour that was concealed within the knowledge of God hath struck, whereupon all the atoms of the earth have proclaimed: "The Ancient of Days is come in His great glory! Hasten unto Him, O peoples of the earth, with humble and contrite hearts." Say: We, in truth, have given Ourself as a ransom for your own lives. Alas, when We came once	قل یا معشر العلمآء امسکوا اقلامکم قد ارتفع صریر القلم الأعلى بین الأرض و السّمآء ضعوا ما عندکم و خذوا ما ارسلناه الیکم بقدرة و سلطان قد اتت السّاعة الّتی کانت مکنونة فی علم الله و نادت الذّرّات قد اتی القدیم ذو المجد العظیم اسرعوا الیه یا ملأ الأرض بخضوع و اناب قل انّی فدیت بنفسی لحیاتکم و لمّا جئتکم مرّة اخری اراکم تفرّون منّی لذا تبکی
	again, We beheld you fleeing from Us, whereat the eye of My loving-kindness wept sore over My people. Fear God,	عين شفقتي على شعبي اتّقوا الله يا اولي الأنظار
	O ye that perceive.	
7	Consider those who opposed the Son, when He came unto them with sovereignty and power. How many the	انظر في الّذين اعترضوا على الابن اذ اتاهم بسلطنة و اقتداركم
	Pharisees who were waiting to behold Him, and were lamenting over their separation from Him! And yet,	من الفريسيين كانوا ان ينتظروا لقائه و يتضرّعوا في فراقه فلمّا
	when the fragrance of His coming was wafted over them, and His beauty was unveiled, they turned aside from	تضوّع طيب الوصال وكشف الجمال اعرضوا عنه و اعترضوا
	Him and disputed with Him. Thus do We impart unto thee that which hath been recorded in the Books and	عليه كذلك القينا اليك ما هو المسطور في الزّبر و الألواح ما
	Scriptures. None save a very few, who were destitute of any power amongst men, turned towards His face. And	اقبل الى الوجه الا عدّة معدودات من الّذين لم يكن لهم عزّ
	yet today every man endowed with power and invested with sovereignty prideth himself on His Name! In like	بین النّاس و الیوم یفتخر باسمه کلّ ذی عزّ و سلطان کذلک انظر
	manner, consider how numerous, in these days, are the monks who, in My Name, have secluded themselves in	في هذا الزّمان كم من الرّهبان اعتكفوا في الكنائس باسمي
	their churches, and who, when the appointed time was	

	fulfilled, and We unveiled Our beauty, knew Us not, though they call upon Me at eventide and at dawn. We	فلمّا تمّ الميقات وكشفنا لهم الجمال ما عرفوني بعد اذ
	behold them clinging to My name, yet veiled from My Self. This, verily, is a strange thing.	يدعونني بالعشيّ و الاشراق نراهم باسمي احتجبوا عن نفسي ان
		هذا الّا شيء عجاب
8	Say: Take heed lest your devotions withhold you from Him Who is the object of all devotion, or your worship	قل اياكم ان يمنعكم الذّكر عن المذكور و العبادة عن المعبود
	debar you from Him Who is the object of all worship. Rend asunder the veils of your idle fancies! This is your	اخرقوا حجب الأوهام هذا ربّكم العزيز العلّام قد اتى لحياة
	Lord, the Almighty, the All-Knowing, Who hath come to quicken the world and unite all who dwell on earth. Turn	العالم و اتّحاد من على الأرض كلّها اقبلوا يا قوم الى مطلع
	unto the Dayspring of Revelation, O people, and tarry not, be it for less than the twinkling of an eye. Read ye	الوحي و لا توقّفوا اقلّ من آن أ تقرئون الانجيل و لا تقرّون للرّبّ
	the Evangel and yet refuse to acknowledge the All- Glorious Lord? This indeed beseemeth you not, O	الجليل هذا لا ينبغي لكم يا ملأ الأحبار
	concourse of learned men!	
9	Say: If ye deny this Revelation, by what proof have ye believed in God? Produce it then. Thus hath the	قل ان تنكروا هذا الأمر بأيّ حجّة آمنتم بالله فأتوا بها كذلك
	summons of God been sent down by the Pen of the Most High at the bidding of your Lord, the Most Glorious, in	نزّل الأمر من القلم الأعلى من لدن ربّكم الأبهى في هذا اللّوح
	this Tablet from whose horizon the splendour of His Light hath shone forth. How many are My servants	الّذي من افقه اشرقت الأنواركم من عباد صارت اعمالهم
	whose deeds have become veils between them and their own selves, and who have been kept back thereby from	حجباً لأنفسهم و بها منعوا عن التّقرّب الى الله مرسل الأرياح
	drawing nigh unto God, He Who causeth the winds to blow.	
10	O concourse of monks! The fragrances of the All-	t .
	Merciful have wafted over all creation. Happy the man	يا ملأ الرّهبان قد تضوّعت نفحات الرّحمن في الأكوان طوبي
	that hath forsaken his desires, and taken fast hold of guidance. He, indeed, is of those who have attained unto	لمن نبذ الهوى و اخذ الهدى انّه ممّن فاز بلقآء الله في هذا اليوم
	the presence of God in this Day, a Day whereon commotions have seized the dwellers of the earth and	الَّذي فيه اخذت الزَّلازل سكَّان الأرض و فزع من عليها الَّا من

	filled with dismay all save those who have been	شآء الله مالک الرّقاب
11	exempted by God, He Who layeth low the necks of men. Adorn ye your bodies whilst the raiment of God is stained with the blood of hatred at the hands of the people of denial? Issue forth from your habitations and bid the people enter the Kingdom of God, the Lord of the Day of Judgement. The Word which the Son concealed is made manifest. It hath been sent down in the form of the human temple in this day. Blessed be the Lord Who is the Father! He, verily, is come unto the nations in His most great majesty. Turn your faces towards Him, O concourse of the righteous!	أ تزيّنون اجسادكم وكان قميص الله محمرًا بدم البغضآء بما ورد عليه من اولى الاغضآء اخرجوا من اماكنكم ثمّ ادخلوا العباد فى ملكوت الله مالك يوم التّناد قد ظهرت الكلمة الّتى سترها الابن انها قد نزّلت على هيكل الانسان فى هذا الزّمان تبارك الرّبّ الّذى هو الأب قد اتى بمجده الأعظم بين الأمم توجّهوا اليه يا ملأ الأخيار
12	O followers of all religions! We behold you wandering distraught in the wilderness of error. Ye are the fish of this Ocean; wherefore do ye withhold yourselves from that which sustaineth you? Lo, it surgeth before your faces. Hasten unto it from every clime. This is the day whereon the Rock 1 crieth out and shouteth, and celebrateth the praise of its Lord, the All-Possessing, the Most High, saying: "Lo! The Father is come, and that which ye were promised in the Kingdom is fulfilled!" This is the Word which was preserved behind the veils of grandeur, and which, when the Promise came to pass, shed its radiance from the horizon of the Divine Will with clear tokens.	قل يا ملأ الأديان نراكم هائمين في تيه الخسران وكنتم حيتان هذا البحر لم منعتم عن مبدئكم انّه يتموّج امام وجوهكم اسرعوا اليه من كلّ الأقطار هذا يوم فيه تصيح الصّخرة بأعلى الصّيحة و تسبّح باسم ربّها الغنيّ المتعال قد اتى الأب وكمل ما وعدتم به في الملكوت هذه كلمة كانت محفوظة خلف حجاب العظمة فلمّا اتى الوعد اشرقت من افق المشيّة بآيات بيّنات
13	My body hath borne imprisonment that your souls may be released from bondage, and We have consented to be abased that ye may be exalted. Follow the Lord of glory and dominion, and not every ungodly oppressor. My body longeth for the cross, and Mine head awaiteth the thrust of the spear, in the path of the All-Merciful, that	قد حبس جسدی لعتق انفسکم و قبلنا الذّلة لعزّکم اتّبعوا الرّبّ ذا المجد و الملکوت و لا تتّبعوا کلّ مشرک جبّار جسدی یشتاق الصّلیب و رأسی ینتظر السّنان فی سبیل الرّحمن لتطهیر العالم

	the world may be purged from its transgressions. Thus hath the Daystar of divine authority shone forth from the horizon of the Revelation of Him Who is the Possessor of all names and attributes.	عن العصيان كذلك اشرقت شمس الحكم من افق امر مالك الأسمآء و الصّفات
14	The people of the Qur'án have risen against Us, and tormented Us with such a torment that the Holy Spirit lamented, and the thunder roared out, and the clouds wept over Us. Among the faithless is he who hath imagined that calamities can deter Bahá from fulfilling that which God, the Creator of all things, hath purposed. Say: Nay, by Him Who causeth the rain to fall! Nothing whatsoever can withhold Him from the remembrance of His Lord.	قد قام علينا اهل الفرقان و عذّبونا بعذاب ناح صبه روح القدس و صاح الرّعد و بكى علينا السّحاب من المشركين من ظنّ انّ البلآء يمنع البهآء عمّا اراد الله موجد الأشيآء قل لا ومنزل الأمطار انّه لا يمنعه شيء عن ذكر ربّه
15	By the righteousness of God! Should they cast Him into a fire kindled on the continent, He will assuredly rear His head in the midmost heart of the ocean and proclaim: "He is the Lord of all that are in heaven and all that are on earth!" And if they cast Him into a darksome pit, they will find Him seated on earth's loftiest heights calling aloud to all mankind: "Lo, the Desire of the World is come in His majesty, His sovereignty, His transcendent dominion!" And if He be buried beneath the depths of the earth, His Spirit soaring to the apex of heaven shall peal the summons: "Behold ye the coming of the Glory; witness ye the Kingdom of God, the Most Holy, the Gracious, the All-Powerful!" And if they shed His blood, every drop thereof shall cry out and invoke God in this Name through which the fragrance of His raiment hath been diffused in all directions.	تالله الحقّ لو يحرقونه في البرّانّه من قطب البحريرفع رأسه و ينادى انّه اله من في السّموات و الأرض و لو يلقونه في بئر ظلمآء يجدونه في عُلى الجبال ينادى قد اتى المقصود بسلطان العظمة و الاستقلال و لو يدفنونه في الأرض يطلع من افق السّمآء و ينطق بأعلى النّدآء قد اتى البهآء بملكوت الله المقدّس العزيز المختار و لو يسفكون دمه كلّ قطرة منه تصيح و تدعو الله بهذا الاسم الّذى به فاحت نفحات القميص في الأشطار
16	Though threatened by the swords of Our enemies, We summon all mankind unto God, the Fashioner of earth and heaven, and We render Him such aid as can be	انّا تحت سيوف الأعدآء ندعو العباد الى الله فاطر الأرض و
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	hindered by neither the hosts of tyranny nor the ascendancy of the people of iniquity. Say: O peoples of	السّمآء و ننصره بقوّة لا تمنعنا جنود الّذين ظلموا و لا سطوة
	the earth! Scatter the idols of your vain imaginings in the name of your Lord, the All-Glorious, the All-Knowing,	الفجّار قل يا اهل الأرض كسّروا اصنام الأوهام باسم ربّكم
	and turn ye unto Him in this Day which God hath made the King of days.	العزيز المنّان ثمّ اقبلوا اليه في هذا اليوم الّذي جعله الله سلطان
		الأيام
17	O Supreme Pontiff! Incline thine ear unto that which the Fashioner of mouldering bones counselleth thee, as	يا رئيس القوم استمع لما ينصحك به مصوّر الرّمم من شطر
	voiced by Him Who is His Most Great Name. Sell all the embellished ornaments thou dost possess, and expend	اسمه الأعظم بع ما عندك من الزّينة المزخرفة ثمّ انفقها في
	them in the path of God, Who causeth the night to return upon the day, and the day to return upon the night.	سبيل الله مكوّر اللّيل و النّهار دع الملك للملوك و اطلع من افق
	Abandon thy kingdom unto the kings, and emerge from thy habitation, with thy face set towards the Kingdom,	البيت مقبلاً الى الملكوت و منقطعاً عن الدّنيا ثمّ انطق بذكر
	and, detached from the world, then speak forth the praises of thy Lord betwixt earth and heaven. Thus hath	ربّک بین الأرض و السّمآء كذلک امرک مالک الأسمآء من
	bidden thee He Who is the Possessor of Names, on the part of thy Lord, the Almighty, the All-Knowing. Exhort	لدن ربّک العزيز العلّام انصح الملوک قل ان اعدلوا بين النّاس
	thou the kings and say: "Deal equitably with men. Beware lest ye transgress the bounds fixed in the Book."	ایاکم ان تجاوزوا ما حدّد فی الکتاب هذا ینبغی لک ایاک ان
	This indeed becometh thee. Beware lest thou appropriate unto thyself the things of the world and the riches	تتصرّف في الدّنيا و زخرفها دعها لمن ارادها و خذ ما امرت به
	thereof. Leave them unto such as desire them, and cleave unto that which hath been enjoined upon thee by Him	من لدن مالك الاختراع ان يأتك احد بخزائن الأرض كلّها لا
	Who is the Lord of creation. Should anyone offer thee all the treasures of the earth, refuse to even glance upon	تردّ البصر اليهاكن كماكان مولاك كذلك نطق لسان الوحي
	them. Be as thy Lord hath been. Thus hath the Tongue of	بما جعله الله طرازكتاب الابداع
	Revelation spoken that which God hath made the ornament of the book of creation.	
18	Consider a pearl which shineth by virtue of its inherent nature. If it be covered with silk, its lustre and beauty	انظر في اللّؤلؤ انّ صفائه بنفسه لو تغطّيه بالحرير انّه يحجب

19	will be concealed. Likewise, man's distinction lieth in the excellence of his conduct and in the pursuit of that which beseemeth his station, not in childish play and pastimes. Know that thy true adornment consisteth in the love of God and in thy detachment from all save Him, and not in the luxuries thou dost possess. Abandon them unto those who seek after them and turn unto God, He Who causeth the rivers to flow. Whatever proceeded from the tongue of the Son was revealed in parables, whilst He Who proclaimeth the Truth in this Day speaketh without them. Take heed lest thou cling to the cord of idle fancy and withhold thyself from that which hath been ordained in the Kingdom of God, the Almighty, the All-Bountiful. Should the inebriation of the wine of My verses seize thee, and thou determinest to present thyself before the throne of thy Lord, the Creator of earth and heaven, make My love thy	حسنه و صفائه كذلك الانسان شرفه بآدابه و ما ينبغى له لا بما تلعب به الصّبيان اعلم انّ زينتك حبّ الله و انقطاعك عمّا سواه لا ما عندك من الزّخارف دعها لأهلها و اقبل الى الله مجرى الأنهار كلّما نزّل من الأمثال قد نزّل بلسان الابن و الّذي ينطق اليوم لا يتكلّم بها ايّاك ان تتمسّك بحبال الأوهام و تمنع نفسك عمّا قدّر في ملكوت الله العزيز الوهّاب اذا اخذك سكر خمر الآيات و اردت الحضور تلقآء عرش ربّك فاطر الأرضين و السّموات اجعل قميصك
20	inebriation of the wine of My verses seize thee, and thou	
21	Give ear unto that which the Dove of Eternity warbleth upon the twigs of the Divine Lote-Tree: O peoples of the earth! We sent forth him who was named John to baptize you with water, that your bodies might be cleansed for	اسمعوا ما تغرّدت الحمامة البقائيّة على افنان السّدرة الالهيّة يا ملاً الأرض قد ارسلنا اليكم من سمّى بيوحنّا ليعمّدكم بالمآء

	the appearance of the Messiah. He, in turn, purified you with the fire of love and the water of the spirit in anticipation of these Days whereon the All-Merciful hath purposed to cleanse you with the water of life at the hands of His loving providence. This is the Father foretold by Isaiah, and the Comforter concerning Whom the Spirit had covenanted with you. Open your eyes, O concourse of bishops, that ye may behold your Lord seated upon the Throne of might and glory.	لكى تطهّر اجسادكم لظهور المسيح و انّه طهّركم بنار الحبّ و مآء الرّوح للاستعداد لهذه الأيّام الّتى فيها اراد الرّحمن ان يغسّلكم بمآء الحيوان من ايادى الفضل و الاحسان هذا لهو الوالد الّذى اخبركم به اشعيا و المعزّى الّذى اخذ عهده الرّوح افتحوا الأبصاريا ملأ الأحبار لتروا ربّكم جالساً على عرش العزّة و الاجلال
22	Say: O peoples of all faiths! Walk not in the ways of them that followed the Pharisees and thus veiled themselves from the Spirit. They truly have strayed and are in error. The Ancient Beauty is come in His Most Great Name, and He wisheth to admit all mankind into His most holy Kingdom. The pure in heart behold the Kingdom of God manifest before His Face. Make haste thereunto and follow not the infidel and the ungodly. Should your eye be opposed thereto, pluck it out. 2 Thus hath it been decreed by the Pen of the Ancient of Days, as bidden by Him Who is the Lord of the entire creation. He, verily, hath come again that ye might be redeemed, O peoples of the earth. Will ye slay Him Who desireth to grant you eternal life? Fear God, O ye who are endued with insight.	قل يا ملأ الأديان لا تكونوا كالذين اتبعوا الفريسيين و بذلك احتجبوا عن الروح ان هم الا في غفلة و ضلال قد اتى جمال القدم باسمه الأعظم و اراد ان يدخل العالم في ملكوته الأقدس و يرى المخلصون ملكوت الله امام وجهه اهرعوا اليه و لا تتبعوا كلّ مشرك كفّار لو يخالف في ذلك عين احد ينبغي له ان يقلعها كذلك رقم من قلم القدم من لدن مالك الامكان انه قد اتى مرّة اخرى لخلاصكم يا اهل الانشآء أ تقتلونه بعد اذ اراد لكم الحياة الباقية اتّقوا الله يا اولى الأبصار
23	O people! Hearken unto that which hath been revealed by your All-Glorious Lord, and turn your faces unto God, the Lord of this world and of the world to come. Thus doth He Who is the Dawning-Place of the Daystar of divine inspiration command you as bidden by the	یا قوم اسمعوا ما یوحی الیکم من شطر ربّکم الأبهی و توجّهوا الی الله ربّ الآخرة و الأولی کذلک یأمرکم مطلع شمس

	Fashioner of all mankind. We, verily, have created you for the light, and desire not to abandon you unto the fire. Come forth, O people, from darkness by the grace of this Sun which hath shone forth above the horizon of divine providence, and turn thereunto with sanctified hearts and assured souls, with seeing eyes and beaming faces. Thus counselleth you the Supreme Ordainer from the scene of His transcendent glory, that perchance His summons may draw you nigh unto the Kingdom of His names.	الالهام من لدن خالق الأنام قد خلقناكم للنّور ما نحبّ ان نترككم للنّار اخرجوا يا قوم من الظّلمات بهذه الشّمس الّتى اشرقت من افق عناية الله ثمّ اقبلوا اليها بقلوب مطهّرة و انفس مطمئنة و عيون ناظرة و وجوه ناضرة هذا ما يعظكم به مالك القدر من شطر المنظر الأكبر ليجذبكم النّدآء الى ملكوت الأسمآء
24	Blessed the one who hath remained faithful to the Covenant of God, and woe betide him who hath broken it and disbelieved in Him, the Knower of secrets. Say: This is the Day of Bounty! Bestir yourselves that I may make you monarchs in the realms of My Kingdom. If ye follow Me, ye shall behold that which ye were promised, and I will make you My companions in the dominion of My majesty and the intimates of My beauty in the heaven of My power forevermore. If ye rebel against Me, I will in My clemency endure it patiently, that haply ye may awaken and rise up from the couch of heedlessness. Thus hath My mercy encompassed you. Fear ye God and follow not in the ways of those who have turned away from His face, though they invoke His name in the daytime and in the night season.	طوبی لمن وفی بالمیثاق و ویل لمن نقض العهد و کفر بالله عالم الأسرار قل هذا یوم الفضل تعالوا لأجعلکم ملوک ممالک ملکوتی ان اطعتمونی تروا ما وعدناکم به و اجعلکم مؤانسی نفسی فی جبروت عظمتی و معاشری جمالی فی سمآء اقتداری الی الأبد و ان عصیتمونی اصبر بحلمی لعلّکم تنتبهن و تقومن من فراش الغفلة کذلک سبقتکم رحمتی اتّقوا الله و لا تتّبعوا الذین اعرضوا عن الوجه بعد ما یدعونه فی الغدو و الآصال
25	Verily, the day of ingathering is come, and all things have been separated from each other. He hath stored away that which He chose in the vessels of justice, and cast into fire that which befitteth it. Thus hath it been decreed by your Lord, the Mighty, the Loving, in this promised Day. He, verily, ordaineth what He pleaseth. There is	انّه قد اتى يوم الحصاد و فصّل بين الأشيآء خزن ما اختار فى اواعى العدل و القى فى النّار ما ينبغى لها كذلك حكم ربّكم العزيز الودود فى هذا اليوم الموعود انّه هو الحاكم على ما يشآء

	none other God save He, the Almighty, the All- Compelling. The desire of the Divine Sifter hath been to	لا اله الّا هو المقتدر القهّار و المنقّى ما اراد الّا ان يخزن كلّ
	store up every good thing for Mine own Self. Naught hath He spoken save to acquaint you with My Cause and	جیّد لنفسی و ما تکلّم الّا بما یعرّفکم امری و یهدیکم سبیل
	to guide you to the path of Him whose mention hath	الَّذي بذكره زيَّنت الألواح
	adorned all the sacred Books.	
26	Say: O concourse of Christians! We have, on a previous occasion, revealed Ourself unto you, and ye recognized	قل یا ملأ النّصاری قد تجلّینا علیكم من قبل و ما عرفتمونی هذه
	Me not. This is yet another occasion vouchsafed unto you. This is the Day of God; turn ye unto Him. He, verily,	مرّة اخرى هذا يوم الله اقبلوا اليه انّه قد اتى من السّمآء كما اتى
	hath come down from heaven even as He came down the first time, and He desireth to shelter you beneath the	اوّل مرّة و اراد ان يأويكم الى ظلال رحمته انّه هو المتعالى
	shade of His mercy. He, verily, is the Exalted, the Mighty, the Supreme Helper. The Beloved One loveth	العزيز النّصّار انّ المحبوب لا يحبّ ان تحترقوا بنار الهوى انتم و
	not that ye be consumed with the fire of your desires. Were ye to be shut out as by a veil from Him, this would	لو احتجبتم هذا لم يكن الّا من غفلتكم و عدم عرفانكم
	be for no other reason than your own waywardness and ignorance. Ye make mention of Me, and know Me not. Ye	تذكرونني و لا تعرفونني تدعونني و غفلتم عن ظهوري بعد اذ
	call upon Me, and are heedless of My Revelation, notwithstanding that I came unto you from the heaven of	جئتكم من سمآء القدم بمجدى الأعظم احرقوا الأحجاب
	pre-existence with surpassing glory. Rend the veils	باسمی و سلطانی لکی تجدوا الی الرّبّ سبیلاً
	asunder in My name and through the power of My sovereignty that ye may discover a path unto your Lord.	
27	The King of Glory proclaimeth from the tabernacle of majesty and grandeur His call, saying: O people of the	الرّبّ الجليل من افق سرادق العظمة و الكبريآء ينادي و يقول يا
	Gospel! They who were not in the Kingdom have now entered it, whilst We behold you, in this day, tarrying at	ملأ الانجيل قد دخل الملكوت من كان خارجاً منه و اليوم نراكم
	the gate. Rend the veils asunder by the power of your Lord, the Almighty, the All-Bounteous, and enter, then,	متوقّفين لدى الباب اخرقوا الأحجاب بقوّة ربّكم العزيز الوهّاب
	in My name My Kingdom. Thus biddeth you He Who desireth for you everlasting life. He, verily, is potent over	ثمّ ادخلوا باسمى في ملكوتي كذلك يأمركم من اراد لكم
	all things. Blessed are those who have recognized the Light and hastened unto it. They, verily, dwell in the	الحياة الباقية انّه كان على كلّ شيء قديراً طوبي للّذين عرفوا

	Kingdom, and partake of the food and drink of God's chosen ones.	النّور و سرعوا اليه اذا هم في الملكوت يأكلون و يشربون مع
		الأصفيآء
28	We behold you, O children of the Kingdom, in darkness. This, verily, beseemeth you not. Are ye, in the face of the Light, fearful because of your deeds? Direct yourselves towards Him. Your All-Glorious Lord hath blessed His lands with His footsteps. Thus do We make plain unto you the path of Him Whom the Spirit prophesied. I, verily, bear witness unto Him, even as He hath borne witness unto Me. Verily, He said: "Come ye after Me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." In this day, however, We say: "Come ye after Me, that We may make you to become quickeners of mankind." Thus hath the	و نراكم يا ابنآء الملكوت في الظّلمة هذا لا ينبغي لكم أ تخافون من اعمالكم تلقآء النّور اقبلوا اليه انّ ربّكم الجليل قد شرّف بقدومه دياره كذلك نعلّمكم سبيل من اخبر به الرّوح انّى اشهد له كما انّه كان لى شهيداً انّه قال تعاليا لأجعلكما صيّادى الانسان و اليوم نقول تعالوا لنجعلكم علّة حياة العالم كذلك
	decree been inscribed in this Tablet by the Pen of Revelation.	قضى الحكم في لوح كان من قلم الأمر مسطوراً
29	O Pen of the Most High! Bestir Thyself in remembrance of other kings in this blessed and luminous Book, that perchance they may rise from the couch of heedlessness and give ear unto that which the Nightingale singeth upon the branches of the Divine Lote-Tree, and hasten towards God in this most wondrous and sublime Revelation.	يا قلم الأعلى تحرّك على ذكر ملوك اخرى في هذه الورقة المباركة النّورآء ليقومنّ عن رقد الهوى و يسمعنّ ما تغرّد به الورقآء على افنان سدرة المنتهى و يسرعنّ الى الله في هذا الظّهور الأبدع المنيع

^{1. [}Peter.] [† Back To Reference]

^{2.} cf. Matthew 5:29; Mark 9:47. [†Back To Reference]