	SÚRIY-I-VAFÁ1 (Tablet to Vafá)	سُوره وفا
1	He is the All-Knowing	هُو العليم
2	O VAFÁ! Render thanks unto thy Lord for having aided thee to embrace His Cause, enabled thee to recognize the Manifestation of His Own Self and raised thee up to magnify Him Who is the	ان یا وفا ان اشکر ربّک بما ایّدک علی امره و عرّفک مظهر نفسه و اقامک علی ثناء ذکره الاعظم فی هذا النّبأ العظیم
3	Most Great Remembrance in this glorious Announcement. Blessed art thou O Vafá, inasmuch as thou hast been faithful to the Covenant of God and His Testament at a time when all men have violated it and have repudiated the One in Whom they had believed, and this notwithstanding that He hath appeared invested with every testimony, and hath dawned from the	فطوبی لک یا وفا بما وفیت بمیثاق الله و عهده بعد الّذی کلّ نقضوا عهد الله و کفروا بالّذی آمنوا بعد الّذی ظهر بکل الآیات و اشرق عن افق الامر بسلطان مبین
4	It behoveth thee, however, to exert thine utmost to attain the very essence of fidelity. This implieth to be well assured in thy heart and to testify with thy tongue to that whereunto God hath testified for His Own exalted Self, proclaiming: 'Verily, self-subsisting am I within the Realm of Glory.' Whoso is enabled in these days to solemnly affirm this truth, hath attained unto all good, and the heavenly Spirit shall descend upon him in the daytime and in the night season, shall graciously assist him to glorify the Name of his Lord and suffer him to unloose his tongue and uphold with his words the Cause of his Lord, the Merciful, the Compassionate. And none can ever achieve this except he who hath purged his heart from whatsoever is created between heaven and earth, and hath entirely detached himself from all but God, the sovereign Lord, the Almighty, the Gracious.	ولكن فاسع بان تصل الى اصل الوفاء و هو الايقان بالقلب و الاقرار باللّسان بما شهد الله لنفسه الأعلى بانّى انا حيّ فى افق الابمى و من فاز بحده الشّهادة فى تلك الايّام فقد فاز بكلّ الخير و ينزل عليه الرّوح فى كلّ بكور و اصيل و يؤيّده على ذكر ربّه و يفتح لسانه على البيان فى امر ربّه الرّحمن الرّحمن الرّحيم و ذلك لا يمكن لاحد ابداً اللّا لمن طهر قلبه عن كلّ ما خلق بين السّموات و الارضين و انقطع بكلّه الى الله الملك العزيز الجميل
5	Arise thou to serve the Cause and say: I swear by the righteousness of God! Verily this is the Primal Point, arrayed in His new attire and manifested in His glorious Name. He at present beholdeth everything from this Horizon. Indeed He is supreme over all things. Amongst the Concourse on High He is known as the Most Great Announcement and in the Realms of	قم على الامر و قل تالله انّ هذا لنقطة الاولى قد ظهر فى قميصه الاخرى باسمه الأبمى و اذاً فى هذا الافق يشهد و يرى و انّه على كلّ شىء محيط و انّه لهو المذكور فى الملأ الأعلى بالنّبأ العظيم و فى ممالك البقاء بجمال القديم

	Eternity as the Ancient Beauty, and before the Throne by this	و لدى العرش بمذا الاسم الّذي منه زلّت اقدام العارفين
	Name 2 which hath caused the footsteps of them that are endued	
	with understanding to slip.	
6	Say, I swear by God! In this Revelation even before a single verse	قل تالله قد تمّت حجّة الله في هذا الظّهور لكلّ من في السّموات و الارض
	was sent down from the realm of holiness and sublimity, the	
	supreme testimony of God had been fulfilled for all the inmates of heaven and the dwellers on earth; moreover, We have revealed	من قبل ان ینزل آیة من سمآء قدس رفیع و من دونه قد نزّل معادل ما نزّل
	the equivalent of whatsoever was sent down in the Dispensation	المال الم
	of the Bayán. Fear ye God and suffer not your deeds to be	في البيان خافوا عن الله و لاتبطلوا اعمالكم و لا تكوننّ من الغافلين ان
	rendered vain and be not of them that are sunk in heedlessness.	افتحوا عيونكم لتشهدوا جمال القدم من هذا المنظر المشرق المنير
	Open your eyes that ye may behold the Ancient Beauty from this	
	shining and luminous station.	
7	Say, God is my witness! The Promised One Himself hath come down from heaven, seated upon the crimson cloud with the hosts	قل تالله قد نزّل هیکل الموعود علی غمام الحمراء و عن یمینه جنود الوحی و
	of revelation on His right, and the angels of inspiration on His	
	left, and the Decree hath been fulfilled at the behest of God, the	عن يساره ملائكة الالهام و قضى الامر من لدى الله المقتدر القدير و بذلك
	Omnipotent, the Almighty. Thereupon the footsteps of everyone	زلّت كلّ الاقدام الّا من عصمه الله بفضله و جعله من الّذين عرفوا الله
	have slipped except such as God hath protected through His	رت کل ۱۱ کام ۱۱ کام ۱۱ کام کیسته ۱۱ کام
	tender mercy and numbered with those who have recognized	بنفسه ثم انقطعوا عن العالمين
	Him through His Own Self and detached themselves from all that pertaineth to the world.	
8	Hearken thou unto the Words of thy Lord and purify thy heart from every illusion so that the effulgent light of the remembrance	اسمع كلمات ربّك طهّر صدرك عن كلّ الاشارات لتجلّى عليه انوار شمس
	of thy Lord may shed its radiance upon it, and it may attain the	ذکر اسم ربّک و یکون من الموقنین
	station of certitude.	د در اسم ربک و یکون من انموعتین
9	Know thou moreover that thy letter reached Our presence and We perceived and perused its contents. We noted the questions	ثمّ اعلم بأن حضر بين يدينا كتابك و شهدنا ما فيه و كنّا من الشّاهدين و
	thou hast asked and will readily answer thee. It behoveth	, ,
	everyone in this Day to ask God that which he desireth, and thy	عرفنا ما فيه من مسائل الّتي سئلت عنها و انّاكنّا مُجيبين و لكلّ نفس اليوم
	Lord will heed his petition with wondrous and undeniable verses.	یلزم بان یسئل عن الله فیما یحتاج به و انّ ربّک یجیبه بآیات بدع مبین
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10	Thou hast asked regarding the subject of the return. Know thou that the end is like unto the beginning. Even as thou dost	و امّا ما سئلت في المعاد فاعلم بانّ العود مثل البدء و كما انت تشهد البدء
	consider the beginning, similarly shouldst thou consider the end,	
	and be of them that truly perceive. Nay, rather consider the	كذلك فاشهد العود وكن من الشّاهدين بل فاشهد البدء نفس العود و
	beginning as the end itself, and so conversely, that thou mayest	كذلك بالعكس لتكون على بصيرة منير ثمّ اعلم بانّ كلّ الاشياء في كلّ
	acquire a clear perception. Know thou moreover that every	

	created thing is continually brought forth and returned at the	حین تبدء و تعود بامر ربّک المقتدر القدیر
	bidding of thy Lord, the God of power and might.	حين ببدغ و تعود بامر ربح المفتدر الفدير
11	As to the Return, as God hath purposed in His sacred and exalted Tablets wherein He hath made this theme known unto His	و امّا عود الّذي هو مقصود الله في الواحه المقدّس المنيع و اخبر به عباده
	servants; by this is meant the return of all created things in the Day of Resurrection, and this is indeed the essence of the Return	هو عود الممكنات في يوم القيامة و هذا اصل العود كما شهدت في ايّام
	as thou hast witnessed in God's own days and thou art of them that testify to this truth.	الله و كنت من الشّاهدين
12	Verily God is fully capable of causing all names to appear in one name, and all souls in one soul. Surely powerful and mighty is	و انّه لو يعيد كلّ الأسماء في اسم و كلّ التّفوس في نفس ليقدر و انّه لهو
	He. And this Return is realized at His behest in whatever form He willeth. Indeed He is the One Who doeth and ordaineth all	المقتدر القدير و هذا العود يحقّق بامره فيما اراد و انّه لهو الفاعل المريد و
	things. Moreover, thou shouldst not perceive the fulfilment of the Return and the Resurrection save in the Word of thy Lord, the	انّک لا تشهد في الرّجع و العود الّا ما حقّق به هذان و هو كلمة ربّک
	Almighty, the All-Knowing. For instance, were He to take a handful of earth and declare it to be the One Whom ye have been	العزيز العليم مثلاً انّه لو يأخذكفّا من الطّين و يقول هذا لهو الّذي اتّبعتموه
	following in the past, it would undoubtedly be just and true, even as His real Person, and to none is given the right to question His	من قبل هذا لحقّ بمثل وجوده و ليس لاحد ان يعترض عليه لانّه يفعل ما
	authority. He doeth what He willeth and ordaineth whatsoever He pleaseth. Moreover, in this station take thou heed not to turn	يشاء و يحكم ما يريد و انّك لا تنظر في هذا المقام إلى الحدود و الاشارات
	thy gaze unto limitations and allusions, but rather unto that whereby the Revelation itself hath been fulfilled and be of them	بل فانظر بما حقّق به الامر و كن من المتفرّسين اذا نصرّح لك ببيان واضح
	that are discerning. Thus do We explain for thee in a lucid and explicit language that thou mayest comprehend that which thou didst seek from thine ancient Lord.	مبین لتطّلع بما اردت من مولاک القدیم
13	Consider thou the Day of Resurrection. Were God to pronounce the lowliest of creatures among the faithful to be the First One to	فانظر في يوم القيامة لو يحكم الله على ادني الخلق من الّذين آمنوا بالله بانّ
	believe in the Bayán, thou shouldst have no misgivings about it and must be of them that truly believe. In this station look not	هذا اوّل من آمن بالبيان انّک لا تكن مريبا في ذلك و كن من الموقنين و
	upon human limitations and names but rather upon that whereby the rank of the First One to believe is vindicated, which	لا تنظر إلى الحدود و الأسماء في هذا المقام بل بما حقّق به اوّل من آمن و
	is faith in God, and recognition of His Being and assurance in the fulfilment of His irresistible and binding command.	هو الايمان بالله و عرفان نفسه و الايقان بامره المبرم الحكيم
14	Consider thou the Revelation of the Point of the Bayán—exalted is His glory. He pronounced the First One 3 to believe in Him to	فاشهد في ظهور نقطة البيان جل كبريائه انّه حكم لاوّل من آمن بانّه محمّد
	be Muḥammad, the Messenger of God. Doth it beseem a man to dispute with Him by saying that this man is from Persia, the	رسُول الله هل ينبغي لاحدٍ ان يعترض و يقول هذا عجميّ و هو عربيّ او

	Other from Arabia, or this one was called Ḥusayn while the Other	هذا سمّى بالحُسين و هو كان محمّدا في الاسم لا فو نفس الله العليّ العظيم
	bore the name of Muhammad? Nay, I swear by God's holy Being,	
	the Exalted, the Most Great. Surely no man of intelligence and insight would ever pay attention unto limitations or names, but	و انّ فطن البصير لن ينظر إلى الحدود و الاسماء بل ينظر بماكان محمّد عليه
	rather unto that with which Muhammad was invested, which was	
	none other than the Cause of God. Such a man of insight would	و هو امر الله و كذلك ينظر في الحسين على ماكان عليه من امر الله
	likewise consider Husayn and the position he occupied in the	المقتدر المتعالى العليم الحكيم و لمإكان اوّل من آمن بالله في البيان على ما
	Cause of God, the Omnipotent, the Exalted, the Knowing, the	المصدر المتعالى العليم الحاديم و لم حال أول من المن بالله في البيال على ما
	Wise. And since the First One to believe in God in the	كان عليه محمّد رسول الله لذا حكم عليه بانّه هو هو او بانّه عوده و رجعه
	Dispensation of the Bayán was invested with command similar to	ا عال عليه علمه رسول الله عالم عليه بالله علو علو الو باله عوده و رجعه
	that with which Muhammad, the Messenger of God, was	و هذا لمقام مقدّس عن الحدود و الاسمآء لا يرى فيهما الّا الله الواحد الفرد
	invested, therefore the Báb pronounced him to be the latter,	و عدا معام معامل حل المحاود و الا عام لا الله الواحد العرد
	namely His return and resurrection. This station is sanctified	العليم
	from every limitation or name, and naught can be seen therein	المنافعة الم
	but God, the One, the Peerless, the All-Knowing.	
15	Know thou moreover that in the Day of Revelation were He to	تُسل الله الله الله الله الله الله الله ال
	pronounce one of the leaves to be the manifestation of all His	ثمّ اعلم بانّه في يوم الظّهور لو يحكم على ورقة من الاوراق كلّ الاسمآء من
	excellent titles, unto no one is given the right to utter why or	المداء المان تا المان تا المان ا
	wherefore, and should one do so he would be regarded as a	اسمائه الحسني ليس لاحد ان يقول لم و بم و من قال فقد كفر بالله و كان
	disbeliever in God and be numbered with such as have	من المنكرين
	repudiated His Truth.	الل المنافرين
16	Beware, beware lest thou behave like unto the people of the	ایّاک ایّاک انّک لا تکن بمثل اهل البیان لانّ اکثرهم قد ضلّوا و اضلّوا و
	Bayán. For indeed they erred grievously, misguided the people,	ا بي ڪ بي ڪ ايڪ ۽ صف جمل بمل انجيل انجيان ۽ ٿ انجيار هند مسلوا و انجيلوا و
	ignored the Covenant of God and His Testament and joined	نسوا عهد الله و ميثاقه و اشركوا بالله الواحد الفرد الخبير و ما عرفوا نقطة
	partners with Him, the One, the Incomparable, the All-Knowing.	ا مسور حها الله و الميدود و المسرور و لله الواسعة العرد العبير و الم عرور العصة
	Verily they failed to recognize the Point of the Bayán, for had	البيان لانمّم لو عرفوه بنفسه ماكفروا بظهوره في هذا الهيكل المشرق المنير و
	they recognized Him they would not have rejected His	·
	manifestation in this luminous and resplendent Being. And since	انَّهُم لما كانوا ناظرا إلى الأسماء فلمَّا بدُّل اسمه الأعلى بالابمي عمت عيونهم و
	they fixed their eyes on names, therefore when He replaced His	
	Name 'the Most Exalted' by 'the Most Glorious' their eyes were dimmed. They have failed to recognize Him in these days and are	ما عرفوه في تلك الايّام وكانوا من الخاسرين و انّهم لو عرفوا نفسه بنفسه و
	reckoned with those that perish. Indeed, had they known Him	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	through His own Self or by virtue of that which He hath revealed,	بما ظهر من عنده ما انكروه في هذا الاسم المبارك البديع الّذي جعله الله
	they would not have repudiated Him when He appeared in this	ن السلام الكين المناسلام الكين الماليان
	glorious and incomparable Name, which God hath ordained to be	سيف امره بين السّموات و الارضين و يفصل به بين الحقّ و الباطل من
	the Sword of His Revelation between heaven and earth, and	يومئذ إلى يوم الّذي يقوم النّاس لربّ العالمين
	through which truth is separated from error, even from now until	يومند إلى يوم الدى يقوم الناس ترب العالمين

	the Day when mankind shall stand before the Lord of the worlds.	
17	Know thou moreover that in the Day of His Manifestation all things besides God shall be brought forth and placed equally, irrespective of their rank being high or low. The Day of Return is inscrutable unto all men until after the divine Revelation hath been fulfilled. He is in truth the One Who ordaineth whatsoever He willeth. When the Word of God is revealed unto all created things whoso then giveth ear and heedeth the Call is, indeed, reckoned among the most distinguished souls, though he be a carrier of ashes. And he who turneth away is accounted as the	ثمّ اعلم بانّ يوم الظّهور يعود كلّ الاشياء عمّا سوى الله و كلّها في صقع واحد و لو كان من اعلاها او ادناها و هذا لعود لن يعرفه احد الّا بعد امر الله و انّه لهو الآمر فيما يريد و بعد القاء كلمة الله على الممكنات من سمع و اجاب انّه من اعلى الخلق و لو يكون من الّذين يحملون الرّماد و من اعرض هو من ادنى العباد و لو يكون عند النّاس وليّا و يكون عنده كتب
	lowliest of His servants, though he be a ruler amongst men and the possessor of all the books that are in the heavens and on earth.	السموات و الارضين
18	It behoveth thee to look with divine insight upon the things We have revealed and sent unto thee and not towards the people and that which is current amongst them. They are in this day like unto a blind man who, while moving in the sunshine, demandeth: Where is the sun? Is it shining? He would deny and dispute the truth, and would not be of them that perceive. Never shall he be able to discern the sun or to understand that which hath intervened between him and it. He would object within himself, voice protests, and would be among the rebellious. Such is the state of this people. Leave them unto themselves, saying: Unto you be that which ye desire and unto us that which we desire. Wretched indeed is the plight of the ungodly.	فانظر بعين الله فيما نزّلناه لك و ارسلناه اليك و لا تنظر إلى الخلق و ما عندهم و انّ مثلهم اليوم كمثل عميّ يمشى فى ظلّ الشّمس و يسئل ما هى و هل هى اشرقت ينفى و ينكر و لا يكون من المستشعرين لن يعرف الشّمس و لن يعرف ما حال بينه و بينها و يصيح فى نفسه و يعترض و يكون من المعرضين هذا شأن هذا الخلق دعهم بانفسهم و قل لكم ما اردتم و لنا ما نريد فسحقا للقوم المشركين
19	Know thou moreover that the former Manifestation affirmed that the return and rising of the spirits would occur on the Day of Resurrection, while in truth there is a return and resurrection for every created thing. However We do not wish to mention aught that is not set forth in the Bayán, lest perchance the people of malice raise a great outcry. O would that that which interveneth between the children of men and their Creator were dispelled that they might be enabled to behold God's invincible sovereignty and dominion, quaff from the wellspring of His heavenly streams, be sprinkled with the outpourings of the ocean of true understanding and be purged from the defilements of the ungodly and the suspicious.	ثمّ اعلم بانّ ظهور القبل حكم العود و الحيات على الارواح في يوم القيامة . و لو انّ لكلّ شيء عود و رجع ولكن انا لا نحبّ بأن نذكر ما لا ذكر في البيان لئلّا يرفع ضجيج المبغضين فياليت يرفع ما حال بين النّاس و بارئهم ليشهدوا سلطنة الله و عظمته و يشربوا من معين الكوثر و السّلسبيل و يترشّح عليهم بحور المعاني و يطهّرهم عن رجس كلّ مشرك مريب .

As to thy question concerning the worlds of God. Know thou of a truth that the worlds of God are countless in their number, and infinite in their range. None can reckon or comprehend them except God, the All-Knowing, the All-Wise. Consider thy state when asleep. Verily, I say, this phenomenon is the most mysterious of the signs of God amongst men, were they to ponder it in their hearts. Behold how the thing which thou hast seen in thy dream is, after a considerable lapse of time, fully realized. Had the world in which thou didst find thyself in thy dream been identical with the world in which thou livest, it would have been necessary for the event occurring in that dream to have transpired in this world at the very moment of its occurrence. Were it so, you yourself would have borne witness unto it. This being not the case, however, it must necessarily follow that the world in which thou livest is different and apart from that which thou hast experienced in thy dream. This latter world hath neither beginning nor end. It would be true if thou wert to contend that this same world is, as decreed by the All-Glorious and Almighty God, within thy proper self and is wrapped up within thee. It would equally be true to maintain that thy spirit, having transcended the limitations of sleep and having stripped itself of all earthly attachment, hath, by the act of God, been made to traverse a realm which lieth hidden in the innermost reality of this world. Verily I say, the creation of God embraceth worlds besides this world, and creatures apart from these creatures. In each of these worlds He hath ordained things which none can search except Himself, the All-Searching, the All-Wise. Do thou meditate on that which We have revealed unto thee, that thou mayest discover the purpose of God, thy Lord, and the Lord of all worlds. In these words the mysteries of Divine Wisdom have been treasured. We have refrained from dwelling upon this theme owing to the sorrow that hath encompassed Us from the actions of them that have been created through Our words, if ye be of them that will hearken unto Our Voice.

و امّا ما سئلت من العوالم فاعلم بانّ لله عوالم لا نماية بما لا نماية لها و ما احاط بما احد الّا نفسه العليم الحكيم تفكّر في النّوم و انّه آية الاعظم بين النَّاس لو يكوننّ من المتفكّرين مثلاً أنَّك ترى في نومك امرا في ليل و تجده بعینه بعد سنة او سنتین او ازید من ذلک او اقل و لو یکون العالم الّذی انت رأيت فيه ما رأيت هذا العالم الّذي تكون فيه فيلزم ما رأيت في نومك يكون موجودا في هذا العالم في حين الّذي تراه في النّوم و تكون من الشّاهدين . مع انّک تري امرا لم يكن موجودا في العالم و يظهر من بعد اذا حقّق بانّ عالم الّذي انت رأيت فيه ما رأيت يكون عالما آخر الّذي لا له اوّل و لا آخر و انّک ان تقول هذا العالم في نفسک و مطويّ فيها بامر من لدن عزيز قدير لحق و لو تقول بانّ الرّوح لما تجرّد عن العلائق في النّوم سيّره الله في عالم الّذي يكون مستورا في سرّ هذا العالم لحق و انّ لله عالم بعد عالم و خلق بعد خلق و قدّر في كلّ عالم ما لا يحصيه احد الّا نفسه المحصى العليم و انتك فكّر فيما القيناك لتعرف مراد الله ربّك و ربّ العالمين و فيه كنز اسرار الحكمة و انّا ما فصّلناه لحزن الّذي احاطني من الّذين خلقوا بقولي ان انتم من السماعين

Where is the one who can help Me and shield Me from the swords of these faithless souls? Where is the man of insight who will behold the Words of God with his own eyes and rid himself

فهل من ناصر ينصرني و يدفع عنّى سيوف هؤلاء المعرضين و هل من ذي

	of the opinions and notions of the peoples of the earth?	بصر ينظر كلمات الله ببصره و ينقطع عن انظر الخلائق اجمعين
22	O servant! Warn thou the servants of God not to reject that which they do not comprehend. Say, implore God to open to your hearts	و انّک یا عبد نبّئ عباد الله بان لا ینکروا ما لا یعقلوه قل فاسئلوا الله بان
	the portals of true understanding that ye may be apprised of that of which no one is apprised. Verily, He is the Giver, the	يفتح على قلوبكم ابواب المعاني لتعرفوا ما لا عرفه احد و انّه لهو المعطى
	Forgiving, the Compassionate.	الغفور الرّحيم
23	Thou hast moreover asked Me concerning the ordinances of God. Know thou of a truth that whatsoever hath been prescribed in the	و امّا ما سئلت في اوامر الله فاعلم بانّ كلّما حدّد في الكتاب حقّ لا ريب
	Book is indeed the truth, no doubt is there about it, and it is incumbent upon everyone to observe that which hath been sent	فیه و علی الکل فرض بان یعملوا بما نزّل من لدن منزل علیم و من یترکه
	down by Him Who is the Revealer, the All-Knowing. Were a man to put them away despite his being aware thereof, God would	بعد علمه به انّ الله برىء عنه و نحن برءاء منه لانّ اثمار الشّجرة هي اوامره
	truly be clear of such a one and We too would be clear of him, inasmuch as His ordinances constitute the fruits of the divine	و لن يتجاوز عنه الاكلّ غافل بعيد
	Tree and none other than the heedless and the wayward will deviate therefrom.	
24	As to Paradise: It is a reality and there can be no doubt about it, and now in this world it is realized through love of Me and My	و امّا الجنّة حقّ لا ريب فيه و هي اليوم في هذا العالم حبّى و رضائي و من
	good-pleasure. Whosoever attaineth unto it God will aid him in this world below, and after death He will enable him to gain	فاز به لينصره الله في الدّنيا و بعد الموت يدخله في جنّة ارضها كارض
	admittance into Paradise whose vastness is as that of heaven and earth. Therein the Maids of glory and holiness will wait upon him	السّموات و الارض . و يخدمنّه حوريّات العزّ و التّقديس في كلّ بكور و
	in the daytime and in the night season, while the day-star of the unfading beauty of his Lord will at all times shed its radiance	اصیل و یستشرق علیه فی کل حین شمس جمال ربّه و یستضیء منها علی
	upon him and he will shine so brightly that no one shall bear to gaze at him. Such is the dispensation of Providence, yet the	شأن لن يقدر احد ان ينظر اليه كذلك كان الامر ولكن النّاس هم في
	people are shut out by a grievous veil. Likewise apprehend thou the nature of hell-fire and be of them that truly believe. For every	حجاب عظیم و كذلك فاعرف النّار و كن من الموقنين و لكلّ عمل جزاء
	act performed there shall be a recompense according to the estimate of God, and unto this the very ordinances and	عند ربّک و یشهد بذلک نفس امر الله و نهیه و لو لم یکن للاعمال جزاء
	prohibitions prescribed by the Almighty amply bear witness. For surely if deeds were not rewarded and yielded no fruit, then the	و ثمر لیکون امره تعالی لغوا فتعالی عن ذلک علوّا کبیر ولکن المنقطعین لن
	Cause of God—exalted is He—would prove futile. Immeasurably high is He exalted above such blasphemies! However, unto them	يشهدنّ العمل الّا نفس الجزاء و انّا لو نفصّل ذلك ينبغي ان نكتب الواحا
	that are rid of all attachments a deed is, verily, its own reward.	

	Were We to enlarge upon this theme numerous Tablets would	عديد
	need to be written.	-4
25	I swear by the righteousness of the One true God! The Pen is unable to move by reason of that which hath befallen its Lord,	تالله الحقّ انّ القلم لن يحرّک بما ورد على صاحبه و يبكي و ابكي ثمّ تبكي
	and it weepeth sore, and so do I weep, and likewise weepeth the	عين العظمة خلف سرادق الاسماء على عرش اسمه العظيم
	eye of Him Who is the Essence of Grandeur behind the	
	Tabernacle of Names while seated on the Throne of His glorious	
	Name.	
26	Purge thou thy heart that We may cause fountains of wisdom and utterance to gush out therefrom, thus enabling thee to raise thy	و انّک صفّ قلبک انّا نفجّر منه ينابيع الحكمة و البيان لتنتطق بها بين
	voice among all mankind. Unloose thy tongue and proclaim the truth for the sake of the remembrance of thy merciful Lord. Be	العالمين ان افتح اللّسان على البيان في ذكر ربّك الرّحمن و لا تخف من احد
	not afraid of anyone, place thy whole trust in God, the Almighty, the All-Knowing. Say, O people, fulfil whatever ye understand of	فتوكّل على الله العزيز الحكيم قل يا قوم ان اعملوا ما عرفتم في البيان
	the Persian Bayán and whatever ye understand not ask this	
	unerring Remembrance that He may set forth clearly that which	الفارسي و ما لا عرفتموه فاسئلوا من هذا الذِّكر الحكيم ليبيّن لكم ما اراد الله
	God hath intended in His Book, for in truth He knoweth that	
	which is enshrined in the Bayan by virtue of the Will of Him Who	في كتابه و انّ عنده ماكنز في البيان من لدن مقتدر قدير
	is the Omnipotent, the Powerful.	
27	Thou hast enquired about the warning We gave to the people at	بامّا والعالم في النمينا الواد حيد الخرب و والواقي في إنّ النِّس اذا
	the time of Our departure from 'Iráq to the effect that when the	و امّا ما سئلت فيما اخبرنا العباد حين الخروج عن العراق في انّ الشّمس اذا
	Sun disappeareth from sight, birds of darkness will be in motion and the standards of Samírí 4 will be reared high. I swear by God!	غابت تتحرّک طیور اللّیل و ترفع رایات السّامری تالله قد تحرّکت الطّیور فی
	Those birds have stirred in these days and Samírí hath raised his clamour. Well is it with him who recognizeth and is numbered	تلک الایّام و نادی السّامری فطوبی لمن عرف و کان من العارفین ثمّ
	with men of understanding. We have also warned them against	اخبرناهم بالعجل تالله كلّ ما اخبرناهم قد ظهر و لا مردّ له الّا بان يظهر
	the appearance of the calf. God is My witness! All Our warnings	الحبرناهم بالعجل فالله على من الحبرناهم فعد ظهر و لا شرد له الد بأن يظهر
	have come to pass, as indeed, they are bound to, inasmuch as	لانّه جرى من اصبع عزّ قدير و انّک انت فاسئل الله بان يحفظک من شرّ
	they have issued from the fingers of glory and might. Beseech	
	thou God to protect thee from the mischief of these men and to purify thee from the insinuations of the froward. Strengthen thy	هؤلاء و يقدّسك من اشارات المعرضين فاشدد ظهرك لنصرة الامر و لا
	loins then for the promotion of the Cause and pay no attention unto the words uttered by the people of the Bayán, for they are	تلتفت إلى ما يخرج من افواه ملأ البيان لانهم لا يعرفون شيئاً و ما اطّلعوا
	truly incapable of understanding and have failed to comprehend	
	the essence of the Cause as is revealed in this august, this Most	باصل الامر في هذا النبأ الاعظم العظيم كذلك الهمناك و القيناك ما تغني
	Great Announcement. Thus have We inspired thee, and infused	به عن ذكر العالمين
	into thy heart that which will make thee independent of the	به على دير العملين

	allusions of mankind.	
28	The glory of God be upon thee and upon them that give ear unto the words thou dost utter for the love of God, thy Lord, and remain steadfast in His Cause. All praise be unto God, the Lord of the worlds.	و البهآء علیک و علی الّذینهم یسمعون قولک فی الله ربّک و یکوننّ من الرّاسخین و الحمد لله ربّ العالمین .

- 1. Muḥammad Ḥusayn, one of the early believers of $\underline{\mathsf{Sh}}$ íráz, surnamed 'Vafá (Fidelity) by Bahá'u'lláh.
- 2. The Most Great Name.
- 3. Mullá Ḥusayn.
- 4. The maker of the Golden Calf. See Qur'án 20:87–98.