

# Abrogated Laws: Prohibition of the Wearing of Silk

Bahá'u'lláh



## Prohibition of the wearing of silk

*"... and permitted you to attire yourselves in silk. The Lord hath relieved you, as a bounty on His part, of the restrictions that formerly applied to clothing and to the trim of the beard."*<sup>1</sup>

**"The seventh Glad-Tidings:** *The choice of clothing and the cut of the beard and its dressing are left to the discretion of men. But beware, O people, lest ye make yourselves the playthings of the ignorant."*<sup>2</sup>

**"and permitted you to attire yourselves in silk**

According to Islamic practice, the wearing of silk by men was generally forbidden, except in times of holy war. This prohibition, which was not based on the verses of the Qur'an, was abrogated by the Báb."<sup>3</sup>



## Babi Dispensation

The Báb abrogated the prohibition of wearing of silk which was not based on Qur'anic verses.<sup>4</sup>



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1. Baha'u'llah, The Most Holy Book, para 159

2. Baha'u'llah, Glad-Tidings

3. Notes to Kitab-i-Aqdas no. 174

4. See Persian Bayan, Wáhid VI, Chapter 9



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