ATTENTION ALL LUBAVITCHERS OF CHABAD AND JEWS EVERYWHERE!!!!

The Rebbe is dead!

The prophecy states that after seven generations when the Rebbe dies (he being the seventh) we would know who our Messiah is. For this reason I send you this OPEN EPISTLE!¹

My Hebrew name is Nahum Khazinov and I am of Russian Jewish descent from both parents. My father is a Kohen and my mother is a Kohen which makes me of this same lineage of our high priests (Kohen ha-Gadowl) that goes all the way back to Aaron the brother of Moses from the tribe of Levi even as it is written: "For thus says the Lord: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel, and the Levitical priests shall never lack a man in my presence to offer burnt offerings, to burn cereal offerings, and to make sacrifices for ever" (Jeremiah 33:17-18).

This, my letter to you, may it be in the sight and presence of my God and yours, in the presence of the Holiest Lord and in His Holy Name and His Most Ineffable Name of Names, Ha Shem, let this, my letter, be my sacrifice and my burnt offerings, may it be even like burnt cereal offerings for the sufferings of my people, who suffer not knowing where to look or which way to turn for our Messiah, whose Presence is about to be known throughout the entire world, from this time forth and forever more---the zeal of the Lord of Hosts shall do this.

1.

The first problem for our people is that they don't seem to know what the word Messiah even means. Messiah means the 'anointed one' but specifically the anointed descendant of King David. All the kings of Israel from the line of David that were seated upon David's throne were anointed with olive oil in the ceremony by the high priest. The Messiah must be of this lineage of David only and must be seated upon David's throne. We are forbidden to accept anyone who is not of David's lineage---and FURTHERMORE this descendant of David MUST BE SEATED UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID!

THIS IS THE COVENANT OF GOD!

I will sing of thy steadfast love, O Lord, for ever; with my mouth I will proclaim thy faithfulness to all generations.

For thy steadfast love was established for ever, thy faithfulness is firm as the heavens. Thou hast said,

"I have made a Covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant: I will establish your descendants for ever, and build your

 $^{^1}$ THIS OPEN EPISTLE WAS WRITTEN AND SENT ON THE MORROW OF THE PASSING OF THE $7^{\rm TH}$ REBBE OVER A DECADE AGO IN THE LATE 1990's.

throne for all generations." -- Psalms 89:1-4, RSV.

If a man does not fulfill these two criteria, to be of David's lineage and be seated upon David's throne, then he is a lying imposter and should not be followed! He stands condemned and he is most certainly not the Messiah that we Jews were told to await for by the word of God Almighty Himself as spoken to us through our fathers the prophets!

About 24 times, or so, throughout history, document some sources, false "Messiah's" have been followed by our people and each time our people became scattered and killed and the curse of Moses levied against our people in Deuteronomy ch. 28 and in other places came to pass.

In 66 A.D., the Jews accepted a certain Menahem, a son of the rebel Judas Gaulan to be their Messiah.² He put on the royal robes, the people paraded around him with adoration and pageantry and he led them and the Zealots head-long into a war with Rome which resulted in the Temple being burned to the ground, the blessed city of Jerusalem burned, pillaged and destroyed, the hold-outs fleeing to the highest mount then having mass suicide at Masada as our ancestors were catapulted alive against the walls, and then Titus cut up the Jews into little pieces and sold the remnant as slaves to the other countries to which we have been scattered today. And was all this not prophesied in the song of Moses?

Now was this Menahem of the lineage of David? **NO! BY GOD! HE WAS NOT!** Was he seated upon David's throne? **NO! BY THE LIFE OF GOD HE WAS NOT!** Yet our people follow the false after the false! And then they follow the false again.

Then comes Bar Kochba who was prodded on by Rabbi Akiba ben Joseph (one of the most outstanding figures of his day) and Akiba changed his name from Bar Koziba (the man of Koziba) to Kochba "the son of a star" as if this name change would qualify him as the Messiah. He was no descendant of David! And he didn't sit upon David's throne and therefore he was not the Messiah---but the people didn't listen to the voice of God spoken to them through the prophets and through the intellect that God gave them to know the truth from the false, instead the people listened to Akiba and Kochba and they led them into war with Rome! O THE LAMENTATIONS OF JEREMIAH ARE NOT ENOUGH! Five hundred and Eighty thousand men are said to have been killed in this battle, in one day alone! By God, when will our people learn that the Messiah must be of the seed and lineage of David and come with proofs and evidences and that he must above all BE SEATED UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID!

Next we merely indicate that awful fraud and charlatan embraced by the majority of all European

² Josephus, cited in, Robert Eisler, PH.D., <u>The Messiah Jesus and John the Baptist according to Flavius Josephus' recently rediscovered "Capture of Jerusalem," pp. 46, 53, 554-555. (A book the Christians wished had never survived.)</u>

³ Solomon Grayzel, <u>A History of the Jews</u>, p. 182 ff.

⁴ Grayzel, p. 182 ff.

Jewry, Sabbetai Zevi. In the end he converted to the Trinitarianism of a perverted Christian sect and apostatized his own faith abandoning the one true invisible God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob---and this after destroying millions of lives. When will the people learn! Now was Zevi a descendant of David? Was he seated upon David's throne? **NO! CERTAINLY NOT! HE DIDN'T EVEN CLAIM THAT HE WAS!!!** He was an ignoramus, yet the people believed. The people followed and they believe, and they follow into damnation and destruction.

And the results of following such flim-flam artists, no matter how sweet, eloquent, refined or charismatic has resulted in the curse of God being levied against or people time and time again as it is so ominously written in Deuteronomy ch. 28 and so forth. Following the ones not of the lineage of David and not seated upon the throne of David has caused the scattering of our people--and now they are even scattered into innumerable warring and contentious sects.

We are to only accept the one **SEATED UPON DAVID'S THRONE** which is of the blood and lineage of David. This is what Messiah means, the descendant of David that is anointed, the one we look for is that descendant of David seated upon **DAVID'S THRONE!** And we are to look for no other!

2. What happened to the throne of David, and where is the lineage of David?

When Nebuchadnezzar destroyed Jerusalem and burned down the Temple, he had also taken the Davidic King Jehoiachin captive back to Babylon where he threw him in prison. Nebuchadnezzar also took the throne of David back to Babylon with him also. The throne of David, is an actual throne with two lions on either side and with seven steps, six leading to the throne chair itself which was on the seventh level representing, symbolically, the 6000 year cycle, each day being 1000 years, and then on the seventh day, 1000 years of peace, God would ascend His throne, meaning that the Kingdom of our Messiah shall be established throughout all the world and the "House of the Lord" (Isaiah 2:2) shall be built up and that all nations shall flow to it and learn war no more. This is the Kingdom of God! The Kingdom of God is a real Kingdom with laws, subjects, and a king (of David's lineage seated upon the throne of David)---and it is the government of God ruling from the throne of David (Isaiah 9:6-7). This is why we await our Messiah from the lineage of David who shall be seated upon David's throne. To deny this fact, that the Messiah must be of David's lineage and must be seated upon the throne of David, is the same as apostatizing and denying our faith!

"From Moses to Moses there is no one like Moses!" So saith the elders concerning Rabbi Moses ben Maimonides. Well, read these words of Rambam (Maimonides) and consider to yourself: Do I wish to forfeit my eternal redemption? Rambam writes:

the Jew, unless he wishes to forfeit his claim to eternal life by denial of his faith, must, in acceptance of the teachings of Moses and the prophets down to Malachi, believe that the Messiah will issue forth from the house of David in the person

of a descendant of Solomon, the only legitimate king.⁵

In other words the Messiah must be <u>BOTH</u> of the lineage of David and <u>ALSO</u> be <u>SEATED UPON</u> <u>THE THRONE OF DAVID</u> as was King Solomon--for Solomon had seven hundred wives and three hundred concubines so there could be a lot of descendants of David out there, though unlikely, after wars such as WW II, and killers such as Hitler and the Inquisitions and the Crusades--nevertheless, God made a Covenant with David that his line would last forever and that his throne would endure as long as the sun and the moon exist, that is for the rest of the life of this planet.

Now, a description of the throne of David is given in several sources⁶. This depiction is from the <u>Legend's of the Jews</u> by Louis Ginzberg:

THE THRONE OF DAVID AND SOLOMON

Next to the Temple in magnificence, it is the throne of [David and therefore of] Solomon that perpetuates the name and fame of the wise king. None before him and none after him could produce a like work of art, and when the kings, his vassals, saw the magnificence of his throne they fell down and praised God. The throne was covered with fine gold from Ophir, studded with beryls, inlaid with marble, and jeweled with emeralds, rubies and pearls, and all manner of gems. On each of its six steps there were two golden lions and two golden eagles, a lion and an eagle to the left, and a lion and eagle to the right, the pairs standing face to face, so that the right paw of the lion was opposite to the left wing of the eagle, and his left paw opposite to the right wing of the eagle. The royal seat was at the top, which was round.

This is the very same throne of David that Nebuchadnezzar took out of the palace and brought back to Babylon with him!

And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and his servants did besiege it. And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he, his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his officers: and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign.

And he carried out thence ALL THE TREASURES of the House of the Lord, AND ALL THE TREASURES OF THE KING'S HOUSE [WHICH INCLUDES THE THRONE OF DAVID], and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel had made in the temple of the Lord, as the Lord had

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⁵ Maimonides cited in K. Kohler, <u>Jewish Theology</u>, pp. 386-7.

⁶ see Cassel, <u>Der Thron Salomos</u> and in his edition of Targum Sheni, as well as by Salzberger, <u>Salomos Thron.</u> Comp. also Gaster, <u>Exempla</u>, No. 115.

⁷ Ginzberg, Vol. IV, p. 157.

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And so the throne of David⁹ was now in Babylon, and Nebuchadnezzar took Jehoiachin and threw him in prison. By 586 B.C., the temple was burned to ashes, the rest of the family of David had been killed off during the war, Zedekiah blinded, imprisoned and killed, and the Jews feared that unless Jehoiachin would be allowed to re-unite with his wife in conjugal intercourse, they feared the lineage of David would come to an end. **YET GOD NEVER MAKES A PROMISE THAT HE DOESN'T KEEP!**

"I WILL NOT VIOLATE MY COVENANT,

or alter the word that went forth from my lips.

Once for all I have sworn by my holiness;

I WILL NOT LIE TO DAVID.

His line shall endure for ever, his throne as long as the sun before me. Like the moon it shall be established for ever; it shall stand firm while the skies endure."

--Psalms 89: 34-37, RSV.

And so our fathers and ancestors and holy ones prayed to the Almighty for salvation and for our kingship and the lineage of David to flourish and for the throne to continue as the Divine Promise and Covenant of God had promised us down to this very day.

The king Jehoiachin was incarcerated for life, a solitary prisoner, separated from his wife and family. The Sanhedrin [Council of 70], who were among those deported with the king [as was Ezekiel], feared that the house of David die out. They therefore besought Nebuchadnezzar not to separate Jehoiachin from his wife. They succeeded in enlisting the sympathy of the queen's hairdresser, and through her of the queen herself, Semiramis, the wife of Nebuchadnezzar, who in turn prevailed upon the king to accord mild treatment to the unfortunate prince exiled from Judea. Suffering had completely changed the once sinful king...Such steadfastness pleaded with God to pardon the king for his sins, and the heavenly Sanhedrin absolved God from His oath, to crush Jehoiachin and deprive his house of sovereignty. By way of reward for his continence he was blessed with distinguished posterity...THE MESSIAH HIMSELF WILL BE A DESCENDANT OF HIS.¹⁰

After 37 years in prison a descendant of Nebuchadnezzar named Evil-merodach released Jehoiachin from prison and dressed him in his royal robes and set him **BACK** upon the throne of David. And

⁸ II Kings 24:12-13. KJV.

⁹ "Nebuchadnezzar was the next possessor of the throne [of David]. It fell to his lot at the [should read, after the] conquest of Egypt..."(which is when he conquered Jerusalem next). Ginzberg, Vol. IV, p. 160.

¹⁰ Ginzberg, Vol. IV, p. 287.

then he **exalted** his throne **(the throne of David) above** the other thrones which were also there as captive in Babylon.

And it came to pass in the seventh and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the seventh and twentieth day of the month, that Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign did **lift up the head** of Jehoiachin out of prison; and he spoke kindly to him **AND SET HIS THRONE [OF DAVID]** above the throne of the kings that were with him in Babylon; And changed his prison garments: and he did eat bread continually before him all the days of his life. And his allowance was a continual allowance given him of the king, a daily rate every day, all the days of his life. ¹¹

Jehoiachin was released from prison and was placed <u>BACK</u> upon the throne of David. The throne of David was then moved into the AREA OF PURE LINEAGE (see map) to a town called Nehardea. When Jehoiachin died, his son, Shenazzar, succeeded him to the throne of David and from Jehoiachin and Shenazzar comes the "exilarchs" which means the "exiled lineage of king David." This line of exilarchs existed down throughout all the warring dynasties and factions, and throughout history, all of them, everyone of the exilarchs, without one exception sat upon the throne of David which is to last forever. From father to son, and that son to grandson, this lineage existed intact and remained in an unbroken line of monarchs in exile called exilarchs right down to our present day today where the heir to this throne is now alive and well.

3.

Now the Christians believe that Jesus is the Messiah. But Jesus never sat upon the throne of David. According to the <u>Magnes Anniversary Book</u>: Jerusalem, Hebrew University Press (1938), ¹² at the very time that Jesus was hanging on the cross, there was an Exilarch in the Area of Pure Lineage **SEATED UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID** that all Jews were paying their taxes to. From the article by W.I. Fischel, Fischel cites this passage from the History of Al-Tabari, translated and edited by Moshe Perlman:

At the time of the crucifixion it was the younger Herod who reigned on behalf of Tiberius, the son of Augustus, except in matters of (criminal court). This was entrusted to a Roman called Pilate, on behalf of Caesar; THE EXILARCH WAS LIUNAN SON OF BABBUTAN.¹³

The exilarchs existed in the Area of Pure Lineage for almost 1000 years. They were recognized by

¹¹ 11 Kings 25:27-30.

¹² W.I. Fischel cited in <u>Magnes Anniversary Book</u>, pp. 181-187, Hebrew University Press: Jerusalem, ed. Baer, Bodenheimer, Epstein, Fekete, Fordor, Klingler, and Mayer.

¹³ The History of Al-Tabari, p. 125.

all Jews as the kingship of David in exile, they were known to be seated upon the throne of David, and to them all of our people everywhere paid them their tributes, tithes and honors. Rambam from Mishneh Torah, explains:

As soon as David was anointed king he acquired the crown of royalty, which became **hereditary in his male line forever**, as it is written: Thy throne shall be established forever (II Sam. 7:16).¹⁴

The exilarchs [Davidic lineage in exile] of Babylon stand in the place of the king. They exercise authority over Israel everywhere and sit in judgement over the people, with or without the consent of the latter, as it is said: The scepter shall not depart from Judah (Gen. 49:10). This refers to the exilarchs of Babylon. ¹⁵

Maimonides not only writes that the exilarchs of Babylon are the correct lineage in continuation of the Davidic lineage and the throne of David in exile, but when Rambam received Responsa from them he made all his disciples and the leadership of the entire community in Fustat stand at attention for the respect of the king seated upon David's throne from whom would come the Messiah!

Curiously such an outstanding student of the law as Maimonides held the exilarch **IN HIGHER ESTEEM THEN THE GAON.** In deference to the highest office in Jewry, he [Rambam] once read an exilarchic letter before the entire communal leadership of Fustat, assembled at his home on the Feast of Tabernacles. **BOTH READER AND CONGREGATION REMAINED STANDING DURING THE ENTIRE RECITATION.**¹⁶

Why did Rambam do this? Because he knew then, as all of us Jews should know today, that from the living exilarch or one of his descendants would come the Messiah seated upon David's throne from the lineage of David himself! And compared to this, did Rambam care about the gaon?

Being both scion of David and recognized governor of the Jews, the exilarch represented the fulfillment of prophetic hopes for the restoration of a Jewish monarch of the Davidic line. Hence his rule was legitimate and should be obeyed...the exilarch had a powerful claim too. He was of David's seed, and from him, or one of his relatives, would come the Messiah.¹⁷

Thus is written the testimony of Jacob Neusner on the authority and power of God's Covenant to

¹⁴ The Code of Maimonides: Book Fourteen: The Book of Judges, pp. 208-209.

¹⁵ ibid, p. 15.

¹⁶ A Social and Religious History of the Jews Vol. 5, p. 12 by S.W. Baron.

¹⁷ Neusner, <u>TJSP</u>, pp. 115 and 118.

David preserved in the exilarchic line from which the Messiah "would come."

Now my fellow brothers and sisters in blood and in faith, I tell you now before Almighty God that not only has the lineage of David been preserved and the throne along with it, but that an accurate and historical documentation and recording of all the names, professions and entitlements of each and every one of the heirs has been preserved from our Messiah all the way back to David in a father to son lineage. And these are not just a list of names but they are signatures! As this scroll passed from father to son, the father would sign his sons name to it, and so on, down throughout the ages until today. Such a thing as this authenticates our Messiah's Kingship, it documents His genealogy back to David, and openly proclaims His right to sit upon the throne of David and bequeath this inheritance unto His heirs---for this lineage will never end and the throne of David shall endure forever! This scroll and the other artifacts accompanying it, IS NOT A MATTER OF THE HEART, BUT IT IS A MATTER OF THE INTELLECT. We should have faith, but faith based on proofs, not a blind faith--but faith nevertheless--open, wise and intelligent like in the image of the intelligent God to which we are to be created!

This genealogy scroll is several thousand years old, like the dead sea scrolls, only kept in better condition. It has been handed down from father to son, father to son, father to son, throughout the centuries. The Crusade wars, the Napoleonic wars, World War II, World War I, these were all fought to destroy this scroll and exterminate this line of David. Hitler didn't know which one had it so he figured, "Kill them all." Well, he failed.

How can such a thing be preserved?

Aaron Oppenheimer in his Magna Opus entitled: <u>Babylonia Judaica in the Talmudic Period</u>, explains that the most accurate and precise of all Jewish genealogies were preserved in the Area of Pure Lineage. He explains:

The Jews of ancient Babylonia left their mark on the history on the Jewish people more than those of any other country in the Diaspora....Life centered around the leadership institutions in the community, the Exilarch and the main yeshivas. The **Exilarch** was the political [and religious] head of the Babylonian Jewry, deriving his authority on the one hand from the status accorded him by the government [of the land], and on the other from his recognition by the people, who acknowledged him as a descendant of the House of David [seated upon the throne of David |.... Babylonian Jews considered themselves not only responsible for the inculcation of Jewish tradition, but also charged with PRESERVING PURE JEWISH LINEAGE....Tradition places the start of this strictness [which was designed to preserve the lineage of David] as far back as Ezra, who did not leave Babylonia for Eretz Israel until he "made her like pure sifted flour."...The fact that Babylonian Jews made SAFEGUARDING THEIR LINEAGE [AND ESPECIALLY THAT OF THE EXILARCH'S THE CORE OF THEIR VALUE SYSTEM also undoubtedly helped them to maintain their identity and particularity [unlike the 10 lost tribes that were lost to assimilation down throughout the ages].... For the Babylonian sages, the preservation of pure lineage was the criterion determining the borders, separating "healthy Babylonia," where great strictness was observed, from adjacent lands considered "dead," "dying," or "sick" in regard to lineage. 18

This goes all the way back to the time of Ezra that these scrolls were kept and preserved---and before that time. Werner Keller, scientist, writer and archaeologist, in his book, <u>The Bible as History</u>, explains:

One family [circa the time of Ezra] that had made the grade has left to posterity its dust-covered business documents on clay: Murashu and Sons--International Bank--Insurance, Conveyancing, Loans--Personal and Real Estate--Head Office: Nippur; Branches Everywhere--a firm with a reputation throughout the world, the "Lloyd's" of Mesopotamia.

The Murashus--displaced persons from Jerusalem--had done well for themselves in Nippur since 587 B.C. They were an old established office. Their firm still stood for something in Mesopotamia, even in the Persian era. The "books" of Murashu and Sons are full of detailed information about the life of the exiles [which includes the Davidic king], such as their names, their occupations, their property.¹⁹

So in this manner the names, professions and entitlements were preserved.

4.

The greatness of the exilarchate cannot be understated especially during its glory days under the Parthian and Sassanian dynasties. A multitude of historical literature describes their authority and greatness and their lineage and throne back to David.

However, at the close of the Sassanian times and at the rise of Islam, the exilarchs became no longer safe in the Area of Pure Lineage. King Chosroes II of Persia had every single member of the House of David exterminated, for he, being a Zoroastrian, saw a rival prophecy that one of his descendants should be the King of Glory and not one of the descendants of David. Miraculously, one heir only survived three months old in the womb of his mother, the wife of the previous exilarch who had been killed. Because of a dream, and a frightening rebuke from God in this dream, Chosroes repented, found the widow and brought her into his palace until the little boy was born whom he named Bostanai, which is Persian means "of the garden" from the dream in which there was a garden. Bostanai grew up strong and was placed upon the throne of David and became Grand Vizier for Chosroes—and in one last victory the Sassanians were able to recapture Jerusalem away from

¹⁸ Oppenheimer, pp. 15-16.

¹⁹ The Bible as History, pp. 33-334.

Rome and for a generation the Jews were able to return.

But with the rise of Islam, things changed. The life of the exilarch and his sons were sought again. Although it is reported that Muhammad had made a law that the exilarchs were not to be harmed in any way and were to be honored as of the lineage of David, the later Caliphate did not honor those words. The <u>Jewish Encyclopedia</u> in the article on "Babylonia" records that it was the exilarch Isaac Iskoi II who was in the presence of Haroon Al-Rashid, the Caliph of the 1001 Arabian nights.

Yet before this time Salo W. Baron explains:

An ancient **law** allegedly going back to Muhammad, the world traveler [Benjamin of Tudela] declared, had ordered that every Mohammadan or Jew or one belonging to any nation in his dominion, should rise up before him (the Exilarch) and salute him....And every fifth day when he goes to pay a visit to the great Caliph, horsemen, Gentiles, as well as Jews escort him and heralds proclaim in advance, "Make way before our Lord, the son of David, as is due unto him."

And so it was until 817 A.D.. At this time, the dynasties of Islam had just switched from Ummayyad rule to that of the Abbassid. The exilarch went before Haroon Al-Rashid to make peace and later he went before his son the Caliph Al-Mammun. It was at this precise time in 817 A.D. when the exilarch was before Al-Mammun, that he was made aware of the impending dangers about to befall him and our people.

When he returned from his trip and meeting with Al-Mammun he succeeded in convincing only 600 other Jews, mostly of his closest companions, friends and their relatives, that they must move out of the Area of Pure Lineage, for it was soon to become an Area of Open Carnage. And so it was as Ganges Khan and Hulagu Khan raided the area raping and pillaging and destroying everything everywhere they went. But the lineage of David was safe---and so was the throne of David.

So right after he returned in 817 A.D., he and his companions numbering no more than about 600 moved themselves, all their possessions **AND THE THRONE OF DAVID** north into the Mountainous Haven of Mazindaran guarded on all sides by the Alburuz mountain range and the Caspian Sea in the farthest northern extent of Persia they dwelt.

One thousand years later, protected in this haven of safety, in 1817 A.D. on November 12th, our Messiah was born from this glorious lineage and heir to the throne of David. And of this, the proofs are strong and powerful, for He alone is of the lineage of David through Solomon and the Exilarchs; and He alone is seated upon the throne of David which can be passed down ONLY to his heirs, his sons from that same lineage, as no queen ever sat upon the throne of David.

²⁰ Baron, Vol. 5, pp. 11-12.

The vision of Ezekiel, the vision of the first chapter, is the vision identical with that of Isaiah chapter six, the elders of our faith point out, and is explained in <u>The Guide for the Perplexed</u>, by Rambam. He explains this in chapter six of The Guide:

The sublime and great subject which Ezekiel by prophetic impulse began to teach us in the description of the Mercabah, is exactly the same which Isaiah taught us in general outlines, because he did not require all the detail. Isaiah says, "I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train [of his garment] filled the temple [see Ez. ch. 43]. Above it stood seraphims," etc (Isa.vi.1 seq.). Our sages have already explained that the vision of Ezekiel is the same as that of Isaiah, and illustrate their view by the following simile:--Two men saw the king [Messiah, descended from David] riding, the one a townsman, the other a countryman. The former, seeing that his neighbors know well how the king rides, simply tells them that he saw the king; but the villager, wishing to tell his friends things which they do not know, relates in detail how the king [Messiah of the lineage of David] was riding, describes his followers, and the officers who execute his order and command. This remark is a most useful hint; it is contained in the following passage (Hagigah, 13 b): "Isaiah saw all that has been seen by Ezekiel; Isaiah is like a townsman that sees the king, Ezekiel like a countryman that sees the king." These words can be explained in the manner which I have just mentioned, viz., the generation of Isaiah did not require the detailed description; his account, "I saw the Lord," etc., sufficed. The generation of the Babylonian exile [just like that of today which is still in exile] WANTED TO LEARN ALL THE DETAILS. It is, however, possible that the author of this saying held Isaiah as more perfect than Ezekiel, so that the vision might have overawed Ezekiel and appeared fearful to him; but Isaiah was so familiar with it that he did not consider it necessary to communicate it to others as a new thing, especially as it was well known to the intelligent.²¹

More to the truth is that the people of Isaiah's time couldn't bear to hear the full description of the Mercabah and the appearance of the likeness of the Glory of the Lord seated upon the throne---for as we shall see, the unfoldment of these things wasn't even meant for those of Ezekiel's day, or for that matter, those of Rambam's day, but for our day, today. Rambam himself indicates that he understands the full vision---yet he himself insists on keeping the full disclosure a secret. I would have done the same, except that now the prophecy is fulfilled, and the Rebbe is dead, and the time for the unveiling of the vision of the prophets and sages has come! And so the identity of the Messiah descended from David and seated upon David's throne is revealed to your opened eyes in this Open Epistle.

The vision of Isaiah and that of Ezekiel is not a vision of God---for NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN

²¹ Rambam, The Guide to the Perplexed trans. Friedlander, pp. 258-259.

GOD! But it is therefore a vision of something other than God, and this true explanation is the same view as that of Maimonides which he gives in the next chapter, chapter 7 of <u>The Guide for the Perplexed</u>. But first I would like to insist on pointing out this one fact, that the throne of the Lord or the throne of God is the same as, and is identical to, the throne of David, even as we read in I Chronicles 29:23:

Then Solomon sat on the **THRONE OF THE LORD** as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.--KJV.

Therefore when Isaiah sees the man seated on the throne of the Lord it is the Messiah we await for whom he sees, for He is to be seated upon the throne of David which is the throne of the Lord on earth even as a shadow of the one above. And when Ezekiel sees this same vision of the man (descended from David) seated on the throne of God, behold it is not God that he sees, **FOR NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN GOD**, but it is the Messiah descended from David that he sees seated upon the throne of David, and unlike Isaiah in ch. 6., Ezekiel **NAMES HIM!**

But first let Rambam shed his lights upon this subject for all to see. He explains in chapter 7 of <u>The Guide</u> a full treatment of the entire subject, but for the purposes of this Open Epistle I will only address the salient features necessary for the sake of expedience, although the entire Mercabah is known to me, and if God willing, we meet in person, that is the proper time to speak of it. For now we concentrate upon the throne! Rambam writes, starting with a quote from Ezekiel 1:26:

"And I looked, and behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the **APPEARANCE OF THE LIKENESS OF A THRONE**"²²

This can only be the throne of David, for there is no other throne the Bible speaks of.

But, as regards the throne, he says, "the likeness of a throne appeared over them," in order to indicate that the firmament was first perceived and then the likeness of the throne was **SEEN OVER IT.** Consider this well.²³

Rambam has already explained this in chapter six, where he states: "but the villager, wishing to tell his friends things which they do not know, relates in detail how the king [which is the Messiah of the lineage of David] was riding, describes his followers, and the officers who execute his order and command." Therefore the firmament filled with the heavenly lights is the heaven of the prophecy of God and the stars are the pure in heart and true believers that are the followers and servants of the one seated upon the throne of David who is the Messiah descended from David. Of this the fact is sure and the proof is certain, for in Daniel chapter 12 verse 3 it is written:

²² Guide, p. 259.

²³ Guide, p. 260.

And they that be wise [use their intellect and have pure hearts] shall shine as the brightness of the firmament: and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever (Dan. 12:3).

Therefore the firm believers are the stars who are under the authority of the Messiah seated upon the throne of David, which is above them, and accept his authority and power. Also in Isaiah 14 it relates:

How thou art fallen **from heaven**, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which did weaken the nations (Isaiah 14:12, KJV).

And so Daniel explains in chapter 12 verse 2: Others like Lucifer shall fall "to shame and everlasting contempt" (Dan. 12:2). The choice of your own fate lies within your own hands.

Thus the rebellious that refuse to accept the Messiah are "fallen stars" fallen from the firmament of firmness in the Covenant of God because of impure hearts, the evil-inclination, lust for power and leadership and for reasons of their own. Rambam continues:

He [Ezekiel] further says, "As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory," etc. (i.28). The substance and TRUE ESSENCE OF THE BOW DESCRIBED HERE IS WELL KNOWN. THE SIMILE AND COMPARISON IS IN THIS CASE VERY EXTRAORDINARY, AND IS UNDOUBTEDLY PART OF THE PROPHECY; AND NOTE IT WELL.²⁴

Maimonides explains nothing about the bow and nothing about its extraordinary comparison to the throne in this case at all. No! He leaves you the reader to figure it out.

The bow placed in the cloud in the book of Genesis is a symbol of the everlasting Covenant of God, even as it is written: "I do set my bow [rainbow] in the cloud, and it shall be for a **TOKEN OF THE COVENANT** between me and the earth" (Gen. 9:13).

Yet here in Ezekiel chapter one verses 26 and 27 and 28 he sees the appearance of the throne like sapphire, and the appearance of a man seated upon that throne and then he sees the likeness of the rainbow encircling that throne: and this is the simile and comparison that is extraordinary---for the bow represents the Covenant, the throne is the throne of David and the one seated upon the throne of David is the male-sperm descendant of David that is the Messiah we await for to be seated upon the throne of David. And why a rainbow of the Covenant surrounding this throne of David? For it is written:

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²⁴ Guide, p. 260.

I will sing of thy steadfast love, O Lord, for ever; with my mouth I will proclaim thy faithfulness to all generations.

For thy steadfast love was established for ever, thy faithfulness is firm as the heavens. Thou hast said,

"I HAVE MADE A COVENANT with my chosen one, I have sworn TO DAVID MY SERVANT: I will establish your descendants for ever, and build your throne for all generations."

--Psalms 89:1-4, RSV.

I WILL NOT VIOLATE MY COVENANT,

or alter the word that went forth from my lips.

Once for all I have sworn by my holiness;

I WILL NOT LIE TO DAVID.

His line shall endure for ever, his throne as long as the sun before me. Like the moon it shall be established for ever; it shall stand firm while the skies endure."

--Psalms 89:34-37, RSV.

And this Covenant shall never be broken! For God never makes a promise which He doesn't keep! So remember: "And they that be wise [use their intellect and have pure hearts] shall shine as the brightness of the firmament: and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever" (Dan. 12:3). Others like Lucifer shall fall "to shame and everlasting contempt" (Dan. 12:2). The choice is yours.

Rambam continues:

Now consider how they [the prophets and sages] clearly stated that the divided likeness of the man over the throne [or seated upon it] DOES NOT REPRESENT GOD, who is above the whole chariot, but represents a part of the creation. The prophet likewise says "that is the likeness of the glory of the Lord"; but "the glory of the Lord" is DIFFERENT FROM "the Lord" Himself, as has been shown by us several times. ALL THE FIGURES IN THIS VISION [OF EZEKIEL CHAPTER ONE] REFER TO THE GLORY OF THE LORD, to the chariot, and not to Him who rides upon the chariot; for God cannot be compared to anything...If you consider all that has been said in this part up to this chapter, the greater part of this subject or the whole of it will be clear to you [that it pertains exclusively to the coming of the Messiah descended from David and seated upon David's throne], except a few points and some repetitions the meaning of which is unknown [to Maimonides]. Perhaps further study will help to reveal even these things so that nothing will remain unintelligible. [And with the appearance of the Messiah this is now fulfilled].

Do not expect or hope to hear from me after this chapter a word on this subject, either explicitly or implicitly, for all that could be said on it has been said, though with great difficulty and struggle. I will now begin to treat of some of the other subjects which I hope to elucidate this treatise.²⁵

The reason for not disclosing any more information is for the safety and protection of the lineage of David. If it were known at that time that the lineage had moved the throne and the kingship to Mazindaran, the family of David and his lineage would have been sought out and exterminated like in the holocaust. After the two slaughters during the final years of the Sassanian dynasty, the Caliphate of Islam was the next to begin to control and manipulate the exilarchic line; soon the Khans and later the Mongols came down and wiped every one out.

One of the sayings of our sages, with which Rambam was undoubtedly familiar, is this one:

Y. Nazir 7:1 "It is a religious duty to see the great men of the realm. For when the dynasty of the house of David will come, one must know how to distinguish one dynasty from the other."²⁶

Thus after Isaac Iskoi II met with Haroon Al-Rashid and then later with Al-Mammun in 817 A.D., he and 600 adherents took the throne of David to Mazindaran where the exilarchs flourished as kings in that safe haven. It was not for Maimonides or any one else faithful to God's plan to disclose the identity and whereabouts of the Jewish kingship, the lineage of David, and the throne in exile to any foreign power or even to any friendly face. But the whereabouts were known amongst an initiated certain few who moved in small circles. And so it has come down to us today.

To appease the public, and the nations at large a "dummy" or "decoy" exilarchate, having no claim to the throne of David was set up by leave of the true exilarchs circa 817 A.D., when the true line moved away from the Area of Pure Lineage and took the seven tiered throne of David with the two lions on either side with them where they remained safe in Mazindaran for a full 1000 years.

This "red-herring" line was that of the pomp and circumstance witnessed by Benjamin of Tudela in his travels²⁷ and also by Nathan ha-Bavli in his reports documented in <u>Medieval Jewish Chronicles</u>, vol. 2, ed. Adolf Neubauer (Oxford, 1895), pp. 83-85. The purpose that this served in the Plan of God, irregardless of the motives of men or rabbis, for good or for evil, was to protect the true line of David and the throne which had moved. The Caliphate was not obeying the law of Muhammad to respect and honor "the sons of David" and as the true exilarchs had moved away for safety, security

²⁶ Messiah in Context, p. 89.

²⁵ <u>GUIDE</u>, pp. 260-261.

²⁷ <u>The Itinerary of Benjamin of Tudela</u>, Critical Text, Translation and Commentary by Marcus Nathan Adler, M.A. (Oxford University Press, Amen Corner, E.C.), London: Henry Frowde, 1907.

and salvation, this "red-herring decoy dynasty" though of a non-reigning branch sat on a cushion made by the caliph. This was ordered by Muhammad himself, it is said, to prove that they were not the legitimate line.

Then he [the red-herring] appears before the Caliph and kissed his hand, and the Caliph rises and **PLACES HIM ON A THRONE WHICH MUHAMMAD HAD ORDERED TO BE MADE FOR HIM** [not the throne of David which was taken away], and all the Mohammadan princes who attend the court of the Caliph, rise up before him. And the Head of the Captivity [the red-herring] is seated on his throne [made by the Caliph---not the throne of David] opposite to the Caliph, in compliance with the <u>command of Muhammad</u> to give effect to what is written in the Law--"The scepter shall not depart from Judah..."²⁸

The true scepter, the throne of David and the lineage was in Mazindaran as has already been stated. The fate of this "red herring line" was to be totally vanquished and killed off which is exactly what happened to them during the wars of the Khans who murdered and eradicated every last one of them. However the Jews of Persia and Iraq, the Jews of Arab Lands, knew darn well the prophecies for the coming of the descendant of David that would be upon the Davidic throne, and they knew Maimonides and they read TaNaK and they waited.

In Ezekiel chapter one, and all throughout his book, and all throughout the Bible, it gives the name of the Messiah seated upon the throne of David. His date is also given. As well as his place or address: where he will be. And so his mission is also given: what he will do when he gets there--and as we shall see, all of these four things: name, date, address and misssion, like a Divine Calling Card, are fulfilled in His person. Thus He fulfills prophecy showing that He is authentic. And Authenticity is the criteria for believability!

Ezekiel sees "The Glory of the Lord" seated upon the throne, which is the throne of David. In Ezekiel 43 he sees the "Glory of the Lord" again and then he hears his voice from out the Temple saying "this is the place of my throne [the throne of David] and the place of the soles of my feet where I will dwell in the midst of the Land of Israel forever."

"The Glory of the Lord" is not God, proves Rambam. "The Glory of the Lord" has the appearance of a man in Ezekiel chapter one, a man seated upon a throne, the throne of David. In chapter 43 verse 7 Ezekiel sees the same "Glory of the Lord" he saw before and he says in verse seven that he has feet. God doesn't have feet. A man has feet. Therefore without a doubt the "Glory of the Lord" is the name of a man seated upon the throne of David and he is the Messiah descended from David that our people are awaiting. And now that the Rebbe is dead He is to be revealed!

It is a well known fact that Ezekiel wrote his original book in Aramaic, as this was the Language of the captivity. Isaiah wrote in Hebrew, but used Aramaic frequently, and Daniel wrote about half in

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²⁸ Baron, Vol. 5, pp.11-12.

Hebrew and half in Aramaic. But every word of Ezekiel was written in the original Aramaic language. This was later translated back into Hebrew hundreds of years later and the Targums, translations off the Hebrew translations were made even later. But the original script, of the original work, was in Aramaic.

In Aramaic, Glory is "Baha," of is "u," and God, Lord, the Eternal, or Father, is "Allah." Thus the NAME OF OUR MESSIAH SEATED UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID IS: BAHA'U'LLAH!

Now we possess the genealogy of Baha'u'llah to authenticate his lineage back to David. Baha'u'llah's father sat upon the throne of David, his grandfather sat upon the throne of David, his grandfather sat upon the throne of David, all the way back in an unbroken chain of father to son descendants of David in exile called exilarchs. And what does Baha'u'llah say about God? He writes:

"From time immemorial," Baha'u'llah, speaking of God, explains, "He, the Divine Being, hath been veiled in the ineffable sanctity of His exalted Self, and will everlastingly continue to be wrapt in the impenetrable mystery of His unknowable Essence...Ten thousand prophets, each a Moses, are thunderstruck upon the Sinai of their search at God's forbidding voice, 'Thou shalt never behold Me!'..."How bewildering to me, insignificant as I am," Baha'u'llah in His communion with God affirms, "is the attempt to fathom the sacred depths of Thy knowledge! How futile my efforts to visualize the magnitude of the power inherent in Thy handiwork---the revelation of Thy creative power!" "When I contemplate, O My God, the relationship that bindeth me to Thee," He, in yet another prayer revealed in His own handwriting, testifies, "I am moved to proclaim to all created things 'verily I am God!'; and when I consider my own self, lo, I find it coarser than clay!"²⁹

It doesn't matter who the Baha'is think Baha'u'llah is. And they are mostly a group of Iranian, Arabic or Gentile peoples that could care less about David and his lineage. You will never receive the truth about Baha'u'llah from them, brothers and sisters in faith and in blood. They don't know what it is like to be on the other side of the inquisition, or holocaust--all because of a promise made by God and the Ruler of this world that it would be through David's seed and through his lineage that the kingdom would come. All other groups want this for themselves yet it is in dire opposition to the plan of God. And as they don't know which Jew has the scroll or where the current descendent is they try to kill us all; periodically, time and time again. This is not paranoia. Nor is it hysteria. This is the plain facts of history. History not any older than 50 years ago. But God forbid we should turn militant or fanatic like the nations or gentiles that are lustful for the things of this world. For Moses commands us: "Hear O Israel the Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul and with all thy might" (Deut. 6:4-5).

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²⁹ Baha'u'llah, cited in World Order of Baha'u'llah, p. 113.

So we have the name: BAHA'U'LLAH.

Next we have the place or address where he is to be. First we look into Micah chapter 7 verses 12-14, KJV.

In that day [today] he [the Messiah] shall come even to thee from Assyria [Ancient name for northern Iraq and Iran], and from the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and from mountain to mountain.

Baha'u'llah came from Mazindaran into Iraq where he was exiled for two years in the mountains of Sar Galu all of which is the East in what was the Assyrian Empire at one time. Also he went from the fortified cities, and from sea to sea and from mountain to mountain.

At first He was imprisoned in the Black Pit, the dungeon in Teheran which was a fortified city. Then He was placed under house arrest in Baghdad and later in Constantinople, Adrianople and finally in the fortress of Akka which was a small prison city on the river. Thus He went from the fortified cites even unto the fortress of Akka on the river.

Baha'u'llah went from sea to sea, from the Caspian Sea, near Teheran, to the Black sea, near Constantinople and Adrianople and finally to the Mediterranean sea on the shore of the prison of Akka where he was locked up in one room for 9 years. The average life expectancy of a prisoner in Akka was two years. And finally he went from mountain to mountain: from Mount Damawand of the Alburuz mountains of Teheran to Mt. Carmel in the Holy Land. As a matter of fact Micah gives Mt. Carmel as the address in the verse after the very next.

Feed thy people with thy rod [that buds³⁰/scepter of Judah], the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood in the midst of Carmel (Micah 7:14, KJV).

Isaiah 35 gives an even more explicit depiction of Baha'u'llah on Mt. Carmel.

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon [symbol of the Temple] shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see Baha'u'llah, and the excellency of our God (Isaiah ch 35:1-2, KJV).

Hosea chapter 2 names the "fortress on the river" as being that of Akka which shall become a door

³⁰ An allusion to the staff of wood of Aaron's rod that budded representing the Davidic Kingship stored in the Holy Ark.

of hope for our people.

And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor [Akka] for a door of hope: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came out of the land of Egypt (Hos. 2:15, KJV).

And again in Ezekiel 43 which has already been lightly referred to:

And Baha'u'llah came into the house by the way of the gate that faces **EAST**. So the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and behold Baha'u'llah filled the house. And I heard **him** speaking unto me out of the house; and the man stood by me. And **he** said unto me, Son of Man, the place of my throne [of David], and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the land of Israel for ever (Ez.43:4-7, KJV).

Baha'u'llah came from the east to Israel. Maybe many people have done the same thing, but Baha'u'llah did it in chains as a prisoner. He was in Akka as spoken of by Hosea and on Carmel as given by Micah and Isaiah. I can think of only one man named Baha'u'llah that has fulfilled these things, But there is more.

7.

Baha'u'llah is prophesied of by date. This is given in many different places but the most outstanding is probably Daniel chapter 8 verse 13 and 14, KJV, in which it is written:

Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both sanctuary and host to be trodden under foot?

And he said to me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

The transgression of desolation came to end in 457 B.C. on March 21 when Ezra left the Area of Pure Lineage and reopened the city for temple worship. Until that time, Jerusalem had remained desolate for the transgression of Solomon who bowed down before Ashtoreth. The date for Ezra's ending the desolation is found in Ezra 7:11 and dated Bibles give the year of 457 B.C., and as it is written that the time should be taken from the first day of the month on the calendar then in use by the Achamenian Zoroastrian Persians, this was March 21, 457 B.C..³¹ According to Numbers 14:34 and Ezekiel 4:6 'one day is equal to one year.' Therefore, in this prophecy, 2300 days is 2300 years. All we have is simple math, to arrive at the correct date.

³¹ This same date is scientifically calculated using the star charts of Ptolemy reckoning the first day of the fist month of the seventh year of the King Artaxerxes as March 21, 457 B.C. Refer to it.

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As there is no zero year we must add a 1 to get the correct year which is March 21, 1844 A.D. the very same year our Messiah, Baha'u'llah, started the New Calendar.

Thus we have his 1) prophesied name: Baha'u'llah;

2) his prophesied place: Mt. Carmel;

3) his prophesied date: March 21, 1844.

And now we must have his mission.

8.

His Mission is found in Isaiah chapters 2, 9, and 11. Isaiah chapter 2 reveals:

And it shall come to pass in the last days [today] that the mountain of the Lord's House shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion [David's house and lineage and throne] shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more (Is.ch. 2:2-4, KJV).

Thus Baha'u'llah has revealed the blueprint for an international parliament of man with one catch. The president of it must be a descendant of King David through Baha'u'llah and his son 'Abdu'l-Baha. This is the plan of God. Other world courts, or global parliaments have tried to imitate this plan but none have had the living descendant of David at its presidency seated upon the throne of David, and therefore they are an abomination and are contra-the God given Plan as set forth by the Messiah descended from David and seated upon David's throne: Baha'u'llah.

Next we read Isaiah 9 verse 6 and 7.

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given [this could refer to anybody born a male child]: and the government will be upon his shoulders...

Baha'u'llah's father was not only the king seated upon the throne of David, he was also the King of Mazindaran and Grand Vizier to the Shah of all Persia--Baha'u'llah stood to inherit all this as the

eldest son but gave up the political life for spiritual and religious pursuits, maintaining His inheritance to the throne of David. Being of the royalty, Baha'u'llah was one of the richest men in the world at that time. He had the accumulated wealth of all the Davidic Kings down throughout the ages. And when he married his wife Navvab, from the Persian nobility the people said, "They are adding wealth unto wealth." And so Baha'u'llah was the richest man in the world at that time. He was also one of the most famous. Yet he gave all that up for God, to become a prisoner and an exile. So you can't say that Baha'u'llah did this for riches or for fame, because He already had those things which he abandoned. Isaiah continues:

and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

These names and titles all refer to Baha'u'llah. His name means the "Glory of God" or the "Glory of the Lord" or the "Glory of the Father." This is what both Ezekiel and Rambam were saying, that Baha'u'llah was the "likeness" of God. In Daniel Chapter 12 is speaks of "Michael the Great Prince who has charge of our people." The word for prince in Daniel is "Sar." Likewise is Isaiah where it speaks of the Prince of Peace, the word for Prince is also "Sar" showing that Michael in Daniel, and the Messiah seated upon the throne of David here in Isaiah chapter 9, and Baha'u'llah, the Glory of the Lord, are all one and the same personage. Now Michael in Hebrew literally means "one like God," proving what Ezekiel saw and Rambam explained that Baha'u'llah, the Glory of the Lord was the Likeness of God!

The prophet likewise says "that is the **likeness** of the glory of the Lord"; but "the glory of the Lord" is **DIFFERENT FROM** "the Lord" Himself, as has been shown by us several times. **ALL THE FIGURES IN THIS VISION [OF EZEKIEL CHAPTER ONE] REFER TO THE GLORY OF THE LORD.**³²

Therefore, as Rambam and the sages also proved Ezekiel and Isaiah's vision were the same. So in Isaiah chapter six verse one, he sees "the Lord sitting upon a throne [the throne of David]...and his train filled the temple" Whereas in Ezekiel 43 he says that "Baha'u'llah, filled the Temple." Thus it is the same vision. But Rambam doesn't limit Isaiah's visions of Baha'u'llah seated upon the throne of David to Isaiah chapter six alone for Rambam states: "which Isaiah taught us in **general outlines**" meaning that Isaiah chapter 9 was also part of Isaiah's general outline of the vision and prophecy of Baha'u'llah, the Glory of the Lord.

Therefore as He is Baha'u'llah in the Likeness of God, He has the title "Mighty God and Everlasting Father (Baha'u'llah's name literally means Father)---in other words Baha'u'llah reveals God to the people, as Moses did aforetime, but unlike Moses, today Baha'u'llah reveals God in His fullest potency, the potency of the Father. For Even Moses, who revealed God in the potency of the material law, saw the entire vision of Baha'u'llah, the Glory of the God, on the mountain, and from this he was given the Plan of God for the Tabernacle with the four veils.

³² Rambam, Guide, p. 260.

And Baha'u'llah abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and on the seventh day he [Baha'u'llah] called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud. And the sight of Baha'u'llah was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel. And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights. (Ex. 24:16-18).

Baha'u'llah, as has already been demonstrated, and as He Himself has already testified, is not God. He is not the Infinite Essence of God. **NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN GOD**, not Moses either, not Baha'u'llah. But it is the Revelation of God transcendent above the personality of the chosen one or Promised One that reveals God to us. From Baha'u'llah and the New Era:

The Baha'i [followers of the Messiah] worships not the human personality of Baha'u'llah, but the glory of God manifest through that personality [and transcendent above it]. 33

Therefore He is called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God and Everlasting Father.

As to being the Prince of Peace, Baha'u'llah brings the Plan for Peace in the House of the Lord which He designates His Universal House of Justice. Again the Hebrew word for Prince here is "Sar" identifying Baha'u'llah with "Michael [one like God, that is one reflecting God to the people] the Great Prince ["Sar" of David's seed] who has charge of our people." Isaiah continues:

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end [after the catastrophe] **UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID,** [which Baha'u'llah inherited from his father and moved to Mount Carmel], and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from this time forth and for ever. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will do this. (Is. 9:6-7, KJV).

As Baha'u'llah's genealogy shows given at the end of this text he inherited the throne of David through the unbroken lineage from father to son. Baha'u'llah Himself declared in his proclamation that he sat and ruled upon the throne of David.

Call out to Zion, O Carmel, and announce the joyful tidings: He that was hidden from mortal eyes is come!

The Most Great Law is come, and the Ancient Beauty [Baha'u'llah] ruleth upon THE THRONE OF DAVID. Thus hath My Pen spoken that which the histories of bygone ages have related.

--Baha'u'llah,

³³ Baha'u'llah and the New Era, p. 84.

The Proclamation of Baha'u'llah, pp. 89-90.

Mirza Abu'l-Fadl, an early believer, saw the original scroll of the genealogy of Baha'u'llah which goes back to David and here he recounts his experience:

Our host further enquired whether they had a genealogical table to indicate their descent, or was it only a matter of oral tradition and repetition passed on by the prominent personages of the House? Haji Mirza Rida-Quli [a half brother of Baha'u'llah] replied that such a genealogical table existed, in which the names, the professions and the entitlements of everyone of the forbearers of the House are all recorded [just like that of Murashu and Sons]...One could gather from what he said that there were several copies extant of that genealogical table in the possession of his cousins and the prominent members of his family.³⁴

Later Mirza 'Abdu'l-Fadl saw the scroll and copied parts of it into his notes, which were stolen from him when he was arrested in February of 1883.

On the orders of Kamran Mirza, the Naybibu's-Saltanih, a number of friends and myself were arrested in Tihran, and all my books and writings were looted, the manuscript of that treatise fell into the hands of enemies and was lost to me....³⁵

Another similar scroll has also been seen by a Yale University professor but only briefly. He recounts, the following

I distinctly remember visiting late Mr. K. in his study in Tehran, possibly summer of 1972, when he was working at a new, presumably more complete, version of Baha'u'llah's genealogy which he managed to trace back to pre-Islamic times and beyond...Page after page of an extremely long document was unfolded before my eyes on which he literally drew a tree with branches and leaves symbolizing branches and sub-branches of the Nuri family [of Baha'u'llah] over the centuries....³⁶

And the final part of the mission of Baha'u'llah is found in Isaiah 11.

And there shall come forth a rod [scepter of David] out of the stem [penis] of Jesse [the father of David], and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: (Is.11:1, KJV).

³⁴ Fadl, <u>Sh</u>arh-i-<u>Sh</u>ajarih Namih-i-Mubarakih, p. 14.

³⁵ Fadl, cited in Eminent Baha'is, p. 313.

³⁶ Personal Correspondence.

From the lineage of David will come forth the scepter of the kingship and a Branch, a certain descendant of David will be raised up. What is the Root? This is explained in verse 10:

And in that day [today] there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign for the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and **HIS REST** shall be glorious [Baha'i].

Ah Hah! The root of Jesse is a person! For it says, "his rest," "he" being a man, a real person. This root of Jesse or this Ancient Root going back to David, Abraham and Adam, is the Messiah, Baha'u'llah and the Branch is his son 'Abdu'l-Baha that succeeded Him to the throne of David. Of 'Abdu'l-Baha, whom Baha'u'llah called the Most Great Branch (the word for son and branch is the same in Persian), the rest of Isaiah 11 prophesies about:

And the gift of the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him ['Abdu'l-Baha, the Branch], the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord; and he shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord.... (Is. ch.11:2-3).

In all history there is only one man who is named Baha'u'llah, that was exiled to Mt. Carmel, that started a calendar on March 21st, 1844, that gave the blueprint for the House of the Lord, that was a descendant of David seated upon David's throne, that had a son 'Abdu'l-Baha, the Branch, that makes his descendants after him the chairman and presidency of the House of the Lord seated upon the throne of David which is to last forever.

Now when Baha'u'llah first proclaimed himself, the Jewish communities in the East converted en mass overnight because they saw that Baha'u'llah was that descendant of David seated upon David's throne that they had been eagerly awaiting.

If the progressive and tolerant movement of the Baha'i was favorably received by large sections of the Persian peoples, it was hailed by Persian Jews as their salvation...Persian Jews were seized by a profound enthusiasm and admiration for [Baha'u'llah and] their new faith...³⁷

More than this is the fact that the Jewish populations of Hamadan, Isfahan, Teheran, Kashan and 75% or more of the Jews of Gulpaygan converted into the Baha'i Faith en masse³⁸ having recognized Baha'u'llah's genealogy and the fact that he sat upon the throne of David.

³⁷ <u>Jewish Social Studies Vol XII</u>, p. 154 places a clergy-centric focus on the report.

³⁸ F.C. Spataro, C.M.R. and the Baha'i Faith, p. 21.

Baha'u'llah made a strong Covenant naming two successors to follow him 'Abdu'l-Baha and Shoghi Effendi, and then the House of the Lord to be established with a descendant of David as its president. At the passing of the first guardian Shoghi Effendi, the mainstream Baha'is, led by "the Hands", ³⁹ separated themselves from the Davidic kingship now entitled the guardianship of the Baha'i faith. They lied to the people and told them that God had broken His Covenant, and that the guardianship (the line of David) had ended. This is a lie! For God says:

"I WILL NOT VIOLATE MY COVENANT,

or alter the word that went forth from my lips.

Once for all I have sworn by my holiness;

I WILL NOT LIE TO DAVID,

His line shall endure for ever, his throne as long as the sun before me. Like the moon it shall be established for ever; it shall stand firm [as the presidency of Baha'u'llah's Universal House of Justice for ever] while the skies endure."--Psalms 89:34-37, RSV.

Who are you going to believe, the lying "Hands" or God?

So we cannot go along with what these violators have concocted. Especially as Jews and as descendants of Abraham. The violation of these so-called "Hands" is similar to what the Rabbis did to Judaism circa 817 A.D. when the exilarch moved the throne of David to Mazindaran. Up until that time the Rabbis, which were originally instituted by the exilarchs to assist with the teaching effort, were constantly in and out of rebellion with the one of the lineage of David until finally "the rabbinate" won out. Actually the exilarchs moved to Mazindaran. Jacob Neusner writes:

If in post-Sasanian times, the exilarchate had vanquished the [rebellious] rabbinate in its struggle for the control of Babylonian Jewry, the exilarch and not the rabbis would have shaped the consequent legal and theological literature [of Judaism]. That literature would surely not have consisted of a great commentary on the Mishna⁴⁰,

³⁹ Executive aides to the guardian.

⁴⁰ The Mishna was compiled at the direct command of Exilarch Huna who dispatched Hiyya and his sons to oversee the project making them the Exilarch's representatives in the Holy Land over R. Judah the Prince, as it is written, "[the torah] was forgotten, when Hiyya and his sons came [to Palestine] and restored it" (Rejwan, Jews of Iraq, p. 72). But as the rabbis took over, they removed the high achievements of the exilarchs, and, as Neusner points out, destroyed the records of the exilarchic courts and credited R. Judah the Prince, the clerk that compiled the Mishna at Exilarch Huna's command to an absurd and extraordinary status. For a true account of R. Judah's relationship to the exilarch see Neusner, <u>A History of the Jews in Babylonia</u>, pp.107-ff.

but, one may guess, of a collection of legal rules and precedents as preserved in the exilarchic court archives [of David], and stories about various exilarchs [the descendants of David]... The exilarch would have loomed not only as the dominant figure in earlier times, but more important, as the single most significant source of right doctrine and law in the present age... The great theme of Judaism might not have been 'the Torah'⁴¹ and how to effect its laws in everyday life [as interpreted by rabbis] but rather the Messiah, and how to extend his power through the rule of his earthly surrogate, the heir of David and holder of the scepter of Judah.⁴²

Thus the rabbis eventually were able to completely abort the exilarchate from the minds of the people and have eradicated its importance from the intellects of our people in our day today. Neusner concludes: "In fact, however, **the rabbis won out.**" 43

Now that the Rebbe has passed on, the identity of our Messiah, the King of Glory, Baha'u'llah, has been revealed to you. Beware lest ye hesitate or halt!

Behold! He has appeared in glory with proofs and evidences, the like of which has never before been seen by any people!

Behold! The hour has struck!

When Judaism was overrun by ridiculous observances, creeds and dogmas, all of which stifled its true spirit and threatened to eradicate it off the face of the earth, the Baal Shem Tov freed the people from the garbledegook of the rabbinate, cleared the pathway to the love of God and adorned the modern age with one of the last refuges of hope for the fulfillment of God's Covenant to Abraham and of Sinai in the appearance of the person of the Messiah ben David seated upon David's throne which is to last forever (Psalm 89). And from that blessed and sacred time we know of the beloved dynasty of seven who would hold the sacred flame, speak with the people at the hour of the afterglow and cajole the true seekers into patiently waiting until the day would be fulfilled, which is today, when the seventh of that blessed line would pass away and when the descendant of King David seated upon David's throne would be unveiled to the people he prepared. May the Lord shine mercy upon him, and the people that he raised up to see the truth. May the bounties of God carry his soul to Abraham's bosom, and that his people would not fail him, but rather they would recognize their Messiah ben David descended from David THAT MUST BE SEATED UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID, which is to last forever (Psalm 89). AND HIS NAME IS

⁴¹ By 'Torah' Neusner means the "Torah-myth" (Neusner, <u>TJSP</u>, p. 135) that is, the mythological theology and interpretation of the rabbis who did away with the exilarchs. Therefore it is spurious.

⁴² Neusner, <u>Talmudic Judaism in Sasanian Babylonia</u> (TJSP), pp. 49-50.

⁴³ Neusner, TJSP, p. 51.

BAHA'U'LLAH, AND WE NEED NOT LOOK FOR ANOTHER.

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Once upon a time there was a king who loved God and he wanted to be with his loyal subjects that shared his same love of the Almighty and the invisible Creator. But he couldn't tell the pure-in-heart from them that paid lip service and wanted to be near him just because he was rich and because he was a powerful king. So one day he devised a plan.

He would build a great palace, even like a fortress with turrets and minarets and such. He would surround it by the most beautiful and delicious of all gardens where the most fragrant of flowers would grow and the most tasty and exotic of all fruits would flourish in abundance. Then inside his palace he made great antechambers and hallways. One he filled with the rarest of diamonds and jewels and rubies and sapphires and also gold coins and silver---a veritable treasure trove of riches beyond belief! Another hall he filled with the finest silks and linens and the finest of all garments that could ever be imagined. Then in yet another hall he placed giant tables of the most delicious and expensive and rarest of all foods of almost every cuisine and delicacy imaginable.

Then outside his garden, all around the palace he had a wall of solid bramble thorns and thistles placed maybe 30 or 40 feet high. Then he had a giant stone wall constructed going all round about the palace thirty feet high and just as thick. Then he made a raging inferno of a wall of fire surrounding that. Then he had a mote dug all around the outside and filled it with sharks and piranha and alligators and crocodiles and all sorts of deadly and pernicious creatures of the water known to man. Then he hired 100,000 of the meanest, biggest and strongest guards to surround the entire Palace and they were instructed with a strong command: "Let no one in alive!"

Yet in the center of the palace, in the very heart of all this He built the most wonderful, the most beautiful throne room, where he would be waiting, and he built thrones for every one of the lovers of God to come and join him and be with him there, to be with him their king. And he even made a few seats extra just in case.

When all this was ready, the king then sent out his word throughout all the land! He called to the people, that now was the time to come and join with him and partake of the sealed wine of astonishment, the choice wine of the reunion and blessings of God. He called out to everyone, one and all, so that all the pure-in-heart and the wise should hear his call and everyone, regardless of race creed, color or religion could come!

Well finally the day came and the first group of a great multitude arrived. And they took one look at the palace and the wall and the moat and the guards and the fire and the thorns and they said, 'This is impossible,' and they gave up and went home each going his separate way.

Finally another contingent arrived and these people were different than the first group. Well some of them rushed the guards and beat through their lines and they were able to hop the moat, run through the fire too and scale the wall and fight their way through the brambles of thorns---at last they

entered the beautiful gardens. Now some of them were a little tore up and burnt and some of them were tired. The aroma of the sweet flowers was intoxicating so they laid down to sleep and never woke up. Others tasted the delicious fruits on the trees and became so entranced that they are still there to this day.

Now others made it through the garden into the palace halls. And upon entering the first hall they couldn't believe their eyes their was so much money and jewels and silver and gold that they just filled up all their pockets and left the Palace never to return. So they got their reward.

Another group got past the first hall and found the fine linens and silks and put them on, oooh, they were so soft they had never felt anything like that upon their skin. Well now that they were dressed up like royalty they just went into the other room and sat down and had a big sumptuous feast like they had never eaten before in all their lives. Well the more they ate, the hungrier they seemed to get until in the end they had gorged themselves to death. And their bodies are rotting there still.

Finally the pure-in-heart arrived upon the seen. They too, had heard the call of the king. But looking up at the palace and seeing the guards, and the moat with sharks and such, and the wall of fire and the stone wall and the brambles and the palace looked more like a fortress they knew that no matter what they did on their own they could never surmount or pass over such great obstacles and a seemingly endless array of odds. But they were not just pure in heart, they were wise to, they knew how to use their intellects. Well their intellects couldn't change the facts of reality, but they could turn to God. And so they all turned to God and prayed, "O Lord," they cried, "we are weak, Thou art strong! Without You we can never reach our goal!" And in a flash of an instant they were whisked away into the throne room where they rejoined their beloved king and reunited with God---and the way I heard the story, they are still drinking the wine of reunion to this very day!

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Now that the Rebbe is dead, you have been informed of who our Messiah is: descended from David and seated upon David's throne. Enclosed you will find a copy of his genealogy (available online **www.UHJ.net**). Don't be like those who failed. But be like those who attained His Holy Presence and drank of the wine of the reunion which is based on proofs!

Because of the racism and the bigotry and the double-standard that the United States and the UN has imposed against third world peoples around the world, and for what it has done to Iraq and the Muslim peoples in many countries such as Somalia, Bosnia, etc..., these peoples are angry and armed. The Trade Tower bombing, was just an omen of what is to come which is the full scale thermonuclear destruction of the UN building and all New York City along with it.

Warn our people as I have warned you and educate our people as I have educated you. Our people are of the tribes of Judah, Benjamin and half the tribe of Levi. All this blood mixed together. Levi, literally means "to adhere." Be the adherents to the Messiah, the adherents of Baha'u'llah, our

Messiah. Adhere to the Covenant that God gave to David that Ezekiel sees surrounding the throne of David in chapter one. Embrace the Cause of God. Adhere to the Covenant of Baha'u'llah for this day today! Do not be like the violators and the lucifer fallen from heaven. Be the shining stars of Daniel 12:3 that shall shine like the brightness of the firmament and turn many to righteousness. And warn our people to leave New York City for within a 200 mile radius it is the target!

We accurately predicted the Trade Tower Bombing, the FBI foiling of the bomb plot to destroy the UN, the Hebron Massacre, the Edison Gas explosion of March 23, and the terrorist explosion in the Lincoln Tunnel on May 2. Now the City and the UN can go at any time. Baha'u'llah warns:

The world is in travail, and its agitation waxeth day by day. Its face is turned towards waywardness and unbelief. Such shall be its plight, that to disclose it now would not be meet and seemly. Its perversity will long continue. And when the appointed hour is come **THERE SHALL SUDDENLY APPEAR THAT WHICH WILL CAUSE THE LIMBS OF MANKIND TO QUAKE.** Then, and only then, will the Divine Standard be unfurled and the Nightingale of Paradise warble its melody.

--Baha'u'llah, Gleanings #LXI., p. 118-119.

Hear, O Israel:

He that was hidden from mortal eyes is come!

The Most Great Law is come, and the Ancient Beauty [Baha'u'llah] ruleth upon THE THRONE OF DAVID.

May the Blessings of God shower down upon you and your loved ones, vivifying all the pure souls with verdant and rejuvenating abundancy of the knowledge, love and power of God!

Hear these words! You have been informed. And now you have been forewarned!

The Messiah has been revealed. He is Baha'u'llah!

your servant,

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