



JUSTICE
ON THE PATH
TO UNITY

A prayer to begin with

I beseech Thee, O my God, by all the transcendent glory of Thy Name, to clothe Thy loved ones in the robe of justice and to illumine their beings with the light of trustworthiness. Thou art the One that hath power to do as He pleaseth and Who holdeth within His grasp the reins of all things, visible and invisible.—*Bahá'u'lláh*

T rue peace is not merely the absence of tension: it is the presence of justice.—*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

J ustice will not be served until those who are unaffected are as outraged as those who are.—*Benjamin Franklin*

I f you want peace, work for justice.—*Pope Paul VI*

Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!—*Psalm 106:3*

Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression—*Isaiah 1:17*

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

—*Micah 6:8*

Observe equity in all your judgements, and transgress not the bounds of justice, nor be of them that stray from its path. —*Bahá'u'lláh*

The best beloved of all things in My sight is Justice; turn not away therefrom if thou desirest Me, and neglect it not that I may confide in thee. By its aid thou shalt see with thine own eyes and not through the eyes of others, and shalt know of thine own knowledge and not through the knowledge of thy neighbor. Ponder this in thy heart; how it behooveth thee to be. Verily justice is My gift to thee and the sign of My loving-kindness. Set it then before thine eyes.

–Bahá'u'lláh

That which is the cause of the unity of the world and its peoples hath flowed forth from the Pen of the Most High in diverse Tablets. God grant that all men may be adorned with the ornament of fairness and enabled to observe justice that they may partake of the fruits of what hath been mentioned and bear witness unto that which hath been ordained by the one true God, exalted be His Glory. He is the One Who guideth, the All-Knowing, the All-Seeing.—*Bahá'u'lláh*

Justice, and only justice, you shall follow, that you may live and inherit the land that the Lord your God is giving you.—

Deuteronomy 16:20

The light of men is Justice. Quench it not with the contrary winds of oppression and tyranny. The purpose of justice is the appearance of unity among men....—*Bahá'u'lláh*

There is no force on earth that can equal in its conquering power the force of justice and wisdom... There can be no doubt whatever that if the daystar of justice, which the clouds of tyranny have obscured, were to shed its light upon men, the face of the earth would be completely transformed.—*Bahá'u'lláh*

No radiance can compare with that of justice. The organization of the world and the tranquillity of mankind depend upon it.—*Bahá'u'lláh*

Justice and equity are two guardians for the protection of man.

—*Bahá'u'lláh*

As the rise of justice ensures the appearance of unity in the world, all who take on the formidable challenges of struggling for it have indeed captured the spirit of the age epitomized in the principle of oneness.—*The Universal House of Justice*

The recognition of the oneness of mankind would require the abandonment of all

doctrines of superiority...—*Bahá'í International Community*

Cleanse ye your eyes, so that ye behold no man as different from yourselves. See ye no strangers; rather see all men as friends, for love and unity come hard when ye fix your gaze on otherness... we must be at one with every people; we must see neither harshness nor injustice, neither malevolence, nor hostility, nor hate.—*Abdu'l-Bahá*

Cleave unto that which draweth you together and uniteth you.—*Bahá'u'lláh*

The second attribute of perfection is justice and impartiality... It means to consider the welfare of the community as one's own... and to know of a certainty that if pain or injury afflicts any member of that body, it must inevitably result in suffering for all the rest.—*Abdu'l-Bahá*

...knowing full well that in a world of interdependent peoples and nations the advantage of the part is best to be reached by the advantage of the whole, and that no lasting result can be achieved by any of the component parts if the general interests of the entity itself are neglected.

—*Shoghi Effendi*

Why should man, who is endowed with the sense of justice and sensibilities of conscience, be willing that one of the members of the human family should be rated and considered as subordinate? Such differentiation is neither intelligent nor conscientious...—*Abdu'l-Bahá*

You just need to be a flea
against injustice. Enough
committed fleas biting strategically
can make even the biggest dog
uncomfortable and transform
even the biggest nation.—*Marian*

Wright Edelman

If you think you are
too small to make a
difference, try
sleeping with a
mosquito.—*The Dalai Lama*

For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.—*Nelson Mandela*

Our task is not to liberate the oppressed, but to liberate the oppressors.—*Nelson Mandela*

Only if you perceive honour and nobility in every human being...will you be able to champion the cause of justice.

—*The Universal House of Justice*



When perfect justice reigns in every country of the Eastern and Western World, then will the earth become a place of beauty. The dignity and equality of every servant of God will be acknowledged; the ideal of the solidarity of the human race, the true brotherhood of man, will be realized; and the glorious light of the Sun of Truth will illumine the souls of all men.—*Abdu'l-Bahá*