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INSIGHT INTO THE POLYGAMOUS MARRIAGE OF THE MESSIAH,
THE HONORABLE LOUIS FARRAKHAN



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[Holy Quran 33:50]

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In his commentary on this verse, Maulana Muhammad Ali states in his English translation of the Holy Quran:

Being burdened with guidance of the whole world was indeed a weighty word, the weightiest word with which any human being has been charged in the whole history of humanity.

Much of Sura 73 is about the Messiah, whom Allah raises in the Last Days of Satan's world. This "weighty word" is the Mission of bringing humanity from a state of darkness into the Light of Allah. It also includes the reality that His labor stands between Allah's wrath and the people—to whom He is sent to warn, reform, and save. How does the Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrkhan, handle this extensive workload? His monumental responsibilities give rise to the need for adequate help that provides protection, aid and comfort. This is at the root of the Messiah's polygamous marriage—the "Domestic Life."



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Nay, We hurl the Truth against falsehood, so it knocks out its brains,
and lo! it vanishes. And woe to you for what you describe!

As the Giver of all life, all praise, honor, and glory belongs to Allah, the Originator of the Heavens and the Earth. I thank the Supreme Being, in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, for Giving Humanity Divine Guides in the Persons of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan. I also thank each of these Divine Men for what they have done and continue to do for my family and for me, in guiding us to greater service to Allah and Humanity.

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This book is dedicated to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, and Their Families; and to the Original People of the Western Hemisphere; and to Righteous People throughout the Earth.



Honorable Elijah Muhammad



Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan

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- The Defense of the Domestic Life of the Messiah, Volume One
- Unqualified Commentators: Scrutinizing the Opponents of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, the Messiah

Root of the Domestic Life (Polygamous Marriage)

“The Holy Quran affirms that Allah is responsible for the Domestic Life. In Sura 33:50, Allah states:

O Prophet, We have made lawful to thee thy wives whom thou has given their dowries, and those whom thy right hand possess...

The increased labor, which manifested as extraordinary feats and accomplishments, in the lives of Prophet Muhammad, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, occurred during a period when Allah ordered each of Them to go into polygamy.”

45) O Prophet, surely We have sent thee as a witness, and a bearer of good news and a warner, 46) And as an inviter to Allah by His permission, and as a Light-Giving Sun.
[Holy Quran 33:45-46]

The above verses, from the Maulana Muhammad Ali translation, is found in Sura 33 under a section titled, "The Prophets Marriages." Why are these verses contained in a chapter through which Allah provides more details about the marriages or Domestic Life of HIS Messenger than in any other sura in the Holy Quran? Is Allah commissioning HIS Messenger? Of whom or what is the Messenger a witness? How does the Messenger invite people to Allah, not to a religion? Is Allah also revealing to the Messenger the "advanced" state of HIS relationship to HIM—as a Light-Giving Sun?

These verses also apply to the Messiah, as Allah raises and guides Him into the fulfillment of the Biblical and Quranic prophecies. Therefore, in fulfillment of these verses, Allah shows us through both the Bible and the Holy Quran, when properly understood, that HIS Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, is an evolving Reality. He is never stagnant or idle, and the Message that He gives progresses along with His nearness to Allah, to an extent known, yet unbeknown, to us. What do we mean by this?

The Spirituality of Allah's Messiah is significantly beyond what most, if not all of those around Him, can fathom. Unless we constantly reinforce in our minds the reality that "Man" is "God," then it is easy to make critical mistakes in our interaction with the Messiah, which includes our thoughts about Him.

Among such mistakes is to assume that His guidance is inconsequential to us, or that we have a "buddy-buddy" relationship with Him. According to Sura 49:1-2 and Sura 33:40, the Messiah does not engage in such trifle relationships. He represents Allah, and His responsibility is to move our mental condition from the state of darkness into the Light of the Presence of Allah, as indicated in Sura 33:46. This is the true meaning of John 3:16:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

This is the means through which the Kingdom of Allah is, ultimately, formed and established. The Messiah guides humanity into the New Wisdom of Allah. He is humanity's primary Teacher.

With a little observation or reflection, we can bear witness that the Messiah is increasing in Power right before our eyes. Even the enemies of Allah realize this. We have witnessed the Honorable Louis Farrakhan's tremendous labor and success over the last four decades, in particular—again, in fulfillment of Sura 33:45-46.

Let us examine some of the prophesied work of the Messiah, as it relates to these Quranic verses. This will enable us to correlate these aspects with the Messiah's labor, in our effort to understand how "Peace" is ultimately and permanently established on Earth.

As a "Light-Giving Sun," the Messiah's energy and passion to bring the Message and Example of Allah's Presence to humanity illuminates a world that is in darkness and spiritual death. The truth that He delivers and represents removes the lid of darkness; thus, enabling us to rise from the dungeon of this Satanic world—a world that was limited to 6,000 years. It expired in 1914.

The Messiah's initial assignment of the Messianic Mission was relatively confined to establishing Islam among His People, who are Allah's Chosen People—the Black People of the Western Hemisphere. He is making an independent nation of them, as prophesied through Allah's promise to Abraham in Genesis 17:7-8:

7) And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. 8) And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

The Believers continue to serve as a support-base for the Messiah, in His Mission to spread divine warning and guidance throughout the Earth. Allah selected these persons long before they were born. Allah makes some of them very resilient so that they can bear the weight of the Mission, in service to Allah and the Messiah. Others "come and go" delivering service for the period of time they choose to serve the Messiah.

The Messiah is a constant warner to the oppressors of His People whom Allah intends to destroy if they refuse give justice to His People, and “let them go” to establish an independent nation. He also warns His People that a severe chastisement awaits them for refusing to change their self-destructive ways. They are required to accept and conform to the Truth they have received in preparation for their “exodus” from the grip of the Caucasian people.

The Messiah’s divine warning has extended to the satanic leaders whose policies, implemented through the United States and European governments, have ravaged the Earth’s population. The chastisement of these nations and destruction of their power to rule the people have been underway for the last 86-plus years—ever since Allah in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad made HIM-SELF known in 1930.

The Messiah, in keeping with His purpose, continues to provide guidance to solve contemporary social problems facing the United States and the nations throughout the Earth. The Messianic Mission is global, with the aim of saving humanity from Allah’s wrath, as well as civilizing the human population, whom the satanic leaders have made into destructive and self-destructive savages. This divine guidance is the “good news” because, when accepted, it has improved the quality of life of the population; thereby, curtailing the tremendous suffering in the world.

The governments of the Earth must submit to Allah’s Will. Rejection brings about Allah’s wrath, which may culminate in their complete destruction. Again, in His travels throughout the Earth, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan has continuously performed these tasks.

In each aspect of the Messianic Mission (local, national, and global), the Messiah ascends higher in the Presence of Allah because Allah guides and teaches Him along the arduous journey in fulfilling His responsibilities to the Earth’s population. This is indicated in Sura 53:5-7:

5) One Mighty in Power has taught him, 6) The Lord of Strength.
So he attained to perfection, 7) And he is in the highest part of
the horizon.

The Messiah’s reputation and popularity has grown among the human population. Many people have recognized that something

enormously unusual is happening before our eyes. Again, we have witnessed this in the 40-plus year journey of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, in the absence of His Teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. In Sura 61:6, Allah states:

And when Jesus, son of Mary, said: O Children of Israel, surely I am the messenger of Allah to you, verifying that which is before me of the Torah and giving the good news of a Messenger who will come after me, his name being Ahmad. But when he came to them with clear argument, they said: This is clear enchantment.

The “Muhammad” or “Ahmad” is the Messiah that appears in the Last Days because Prophet Muhammad was not sent to the Children of Israel. The Black People of the Western Hemisphere had not yet gone into captivity.

What is the essential point in all of the above? The Messiah has not fallen out of the sky, nor is there a “spooky” process involved in how He has been divinely empowered as the Savior of humanity. Allah has taught and guided Him, and continues to do so. Allah has elevated Him to redeem, reform, and deliver fallen humanity, beginning with His own people.

Lastly, Allah has promptly answered the Messiah’s call for the chastisement of the enemies of His People. Indeed, we have witnessed this in the divine work of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan. Allah’s chastisement continues to occur despite the satanic leaders’ virulent attacks against Him. This is an aspect of how we serve as witness bearers of the Messiah’s Presence and Work.

PROCESS OF DIVINE EXALTATION

The Messiah’s exaltation, in part, is proportionate to the enormous increase in His duties. Most of us can agree that the journey from a local mission to a global mission necessitates greater responsibilities. His obligations are centered on the unification of the human family under the Presence of Allah, and on His demonstration of man’s potential to reflect Allah perfectly. This is an aspect of being “a” Light-Giving Sun.

The ability to meet these ever-increasing obligations and objectives is intrinsic to His Domestic Life. This consideration has been given some credence by Islamic scholars in their defense of Prophet Muhammad’s domestic life against Western religious and political

writers who criticize his polygamous marriages. For example, the consensus among such scholars is that some of Prophet Muhammad's marriages were made to correct social or cultural injustices by setting precedence regarding the respect of women, women's rights, and acceptable marriage ties. His wives and he were responsible for civilizing the people, bringing them out of paganistic practices that subjugated women.

The examples established through Prophet Muhammad's marriages improved society by eradicating harmful cultural traditions that marginalized women and children—economically and politically—from society. These cultural and social changes were also aimed at preventing women and children from being exploited because of their vulnerability in a male-dominated society.

Prophet Muhammad's example, combined with the divine guidance given in the Holy Quran about marriage, improved societies in Arabia, as well as other societies that accepted the moral teachings he propagated. Unfortunately, nearly all of these societies (nations) have deviated from Allah's mandates, so that today, millions of women and children are abused in the name of Islam. This deviation started before Prophet Muhammad's death, and is now fully manifested as gross darkness throughout the so-called Islamic world, wherein "Muslims" are killing and exploiting each other in an animalistic feeding frenzy.

Islamic scholars also posit that Prophet Muhammad's marriages established ties of relationships with other groups and tribes, in an effort to abolish tribalism. He demonstrated the universality of the divine moral teachings he advocated. Through his marriages, unity among various tribes was realized.

Although Prophet Muhammad's marriages achieved social and cultural objectives that benefited the larger society, his marriages were not devoid of the natural aspects associated with marriage, such as devotion, love, affection, and intimacy; as well as disappointment, anger, and strife. The "love" expressed between his wives and he, and their collective commitment to serve Allah were at the foundation of his domestic life.

Despite the truth revealed in the Holy Quran regarding Prophet Muhammad's marriages, Western Orientalists continue to slander and vilify him. His extraordinary accomplishments, the world

over, substantiate his righteousness and morality. Yet, Allah's enemies are always re-writing history to influence each new generation to reject Prophet Muhammad.

Another rebuttal by Islamic scholars against those who criticize Prophet Muhammad's domestic life is the mention of the awesome workload that he had to endure in the divine mission to uplift his people from ignorance and savagery. They point to the reality that his enormous responsibilities in managing the affairs associated with his mission not only consumed much of his time, but also did not reflect the lowly character of a man who was enslaved to his sexual passions. He was well beyond the pull of biological-driven passions.

CONSIDERING THE "WEIGHTY WORD"

Let us consider the "enormous" weight of labor, as best we can, of Allah's Servants—Prophet Muhammad, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan. A sincere attempt to empathize with these Men, even if it falls short—as is certain—will bring us closer to understanding the enormous pressure associated with Their Mission. This effort is most important because it helps us mature in the knowledge of the Messiah. This enables us to fulfill our part of the divine work in the Messianic Mission.

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¹ Ali, Maulana Muhammad. *The Holy Quran : Arabic Text, English Translation and Commentary*. New 2002 Edition, Columbus, OH: Ahmadiyyah Anjuman Isha'at Islam Lahore, Inc. U.S.A., 2002.

monumental responsibilities give rise to the need for adequate help that provides protection, aid and comfort. This is at the root of the Domestic Life.

There are a few key facets about the nature of this “weighty word”. Among these is that the Messiah is nursed on Allah’s love for Creation. Allah continuously grows and perfects the Messiah’s love for the people. The force of love compels and propels the Messiah to work exceedingly hard to fulfill His commitment and duty on a daily basis. At times, He works to the point of extreme exhaustion and near death. He has to be constantly encouraged by His family members to take time to properly rest, and to be mindful of His health.

Notwithstanding, the Messiah is not imbalanced. Everything He does aids His growth. The Prophet David, who prefigures the Messiah, is an example of how music developed aspects of his being. The Honorable Louis Farrakhan publicly expressed how music helped Him become a better servant of Allah.

The same love that drives the Messiah to labor is the same force that takes Him into regions of physical and mental endurance and excellence that we cannot fully grasp. This quality of love, intrinsically, places a duty on us that forces us to leave our comfort zones, enter uncharted waters, and go beyond the call of duty. Love takes us beyond courage.

Because the Messiah is among us, we get the opportunity to consider “what it took” (and takes) to advance Allah’s Will through His Mission. Again, this starts us on the road of empathy, which is essential if we are to understand the workings of Allah; and become better helpers of HIS Messiah.

We also must take into account the level or nature of the darkness that exists in the minds of the people, as well as the time constraints placed on the Messiah to accomplish aspects of His work. There is time-value to each phase of His overall Mission; yet, the Mission, itself, is dynamic—in that, Allah continuously reveals the next moves or steps that must be taken. Allah has the Plan, and HE guides HIS Messiah in the Execution of that Plan. This is a challenge for those who attempt to follow and help Him. The people are not always cognizant of the fact that Allah is directly guiding Him, as stated in Sura 33:1-3:

1) O Prophet, keep thy duty to Allah and obey not the disbelievers and the hypocrites. Surely Allah is ever Knowing, Wise; 2) And follow that which is revealed to thee from thy Lord. Surely Allah is ever Aware of what you do; 3) And trust in Allah. And Allah is enough as having charge (of affairs).

The Messiah is not oblivious to the “time at hand.” He is fully aware that He must get the people to certain levels of awareness and submission to Allah’s Will.

If we consider the darkness in the minds of the enslaved Black People of America, as well as the Indigenous People of the Western Hemisphere, then we can understand why Allah, in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, told the Honorable Elijah Muhammad that He had the hardest job than any man who ever lived. What makes this statement true?

Not only is the Messiah charged with restoring a totally mentally and spiritually destroyed people back to themselves, which is to a God-conscious state; but He also is charged with making this “very people” fit to save the entire world from self-destructive ideals and behaviors forced upon them by the satanic leaders of this divinely-condemned world. This means that the Black People of the Western Hemisphere, in particular, must be awakened, resurrected, and trained as saviors. There is much involved in each phase, including varying degrees of difficulty.

Most people would agree that this seems to be a very wonderful, exciting and lofty blessing for the Black People of America, in particular. However, because most of them are under the satanic influence of the rulers of this evil world, they do not believe that Allah has chosen them for this great purpose. This is to say, that this “Chosen People” are unwilling participants in Allah’s Plan.

This attitude raises the level of difficulty; thereby, making it the “hardest” job ever—as Master Fard Muhammad stated. Nonetheless, Allah factored the Black People of America’s rejection of HIS Mercy into the “resurrection equation.” HE is advancing the Original People towards HIMSELF in a manner unknown and unfathomable to them, as well as to HIS enemies. HIS enemies are deceived into thinking that they are winning because of the seemingly continuous regression of HIS Chosen People, but these demons

have already lost the fight. Their world was designated for divine destruction before they produced it.

We must remain mindful that this rebellious and diffident “mind-set” was formed in the Black People of the Western Hemisphere through centuries of slavery, even to this day. The mental darkness that covers and clouds this “mind” is cemented by self-hatred, self-abnegation, and low self-esteem. Because of this ingrained self-hatred, many Black People incline to discredit, and even malign, the Messiah—the very Person bringing them the good news; and who has been divinely empowered to destroy their mortal enemies.

Another factor of this “weight” the Messiah is bearing is the constant mischief of Allah’s enemies to disrupt and negate His efforts. These satanic leaders spew lies, deceit and trickery non-stop. There is no letup in their quest to destroy the Messiah and the Believing Community divinely formed to support Him. Why should there be a recess on their part, especially when their evil world is being destroyed? Allah expects them to respond as they have responded.

Because of the Synagogue of Satan’s all-out efforts to destroy the Messiah, the Believers must constantly propagate and defend the Truth. This takes considerable strength and focus, primarily, because the gross self-hatred of the Black People of the Western Hemisphere makes them prone to believe their open enemies rather than the truth. They accept the enemies’ lies without question. They readily dismiss or ignore everything that the Messiah has thus far demonstrated that proves He is Allah’s Divine Servant, raised to intervene in their affairs. He is their Savior.

Much more can be stated about this “weighty word” that Allah has placed on the Messiah. The histories of prophets and messengers are recorded in the Scriptures of the Bible and the Holy Quran for our benefit. These histories provide us with insight into what we should expect today; and are indeed realizing, as we see Allah’s Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, labor among us. He and His Teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, are at the Foundation of the Eternal Kingdom of Allah described in both the Bible and the Holy Quran.

Let us revisit Sura 33:45-46 stated at the beginning of this writing.

45) O Prophet, surely We have sent thee as a Witness, and a Bearer of good news and a Warner, 46) And as an Inviter to Allah by His permission, and as a Light-Giving Sun.

This verse delineates five aspects or responsibilities of the Messiah's work:

1. A Witness—of Allah's Presence.
2. A Bearer of good news—He represents Allah's Mercy to save and guide humanity to Allah's favor. He also provides solutions that improve the horrendous social conditions facing humanity.
3. A Warner—to the Synagogue of Satan (satanic leaders), and to humanity, of Allah's impending chastisement if they refuse to submit to HIS Will.
4. An Inviter to Allah— He is the "door" into Allah's Kingdom. We accept this invitation by obeying and following Him. He teaches and demonstrates the character and behavior that makes us acceptable, even desirable, to Allah.
5. A Light-Giving Sun—He possesses the Indwelling Spirit of Allah; and as such, embodies the truth and wisdom of all things that enliven us, making our lives pleasing to Allah and worth living.

Anyone with reasonable intelligence, after examining the Message, Labor and Example of Prophet Muhammad, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, will conclude that these Men are the means through which humanity is being saved and brought into Allah's favor. Given this, how did/does this "weighty word" manifest in Their lives?

The answer to this question, in part, is found by examining aspects of Their labor in the Cause of Allah. Let us start with Prophet Muhammad. Aisha bint Abu Bakr, one of Prophet Muhammad's wives, described her husband's workload, as only a wife could do:

His work was continuous. Whoever amongst you could bear what Allah's Messenger—may Allah's prayers and peace be on him could bear?

Nobody can deny that the heavy responsibilities of the Message consumed the efforts of the Prophet, occupied his time

and possessed his heart, his brain, and demanded his strength. He used to receive Allah's scripture, memorize it and dictate it, and when readers differed they would refer to him. He had to legislate for the Muslims, act as a ruler and judge for them. He also had to lead them in the five daily prayers and listen to their problems.

HE was devoted to Allah often fasting and watching at length during the night avoiding sleep so indulged in his prayers to the extent that his feet used to swell. His prostration during prayers was so lengthy, that he who saw him would think he was dead.

He indulged in continuous wars against the polytheists and the Jews.

As soon as one war was over, he prepared for another, in defense of his religion and his country. He—may Allah's prayers and peace be on him—was the bearer of a heavenly message, the head of a growing and new state, and the leader of a people who were ready to sacrifice their lives for the sake of Allah.²

In the book, Why the Prophet Muhammad Married More Than One, several key questions are raised in relation to Prophet Muhammad's divine mission:

Could he spare the time and have the peace of mind and soul to marry several wives as a lustful man would do? Why did he not do that before The Message, when he did not carry the burden and the responsibilities of Al-Jihad; when he was not involved in the problems of thousands of followers...?³

These are extremely relevant questions. We cannot expect the opponents of Allah to present our arguments in the full and complete context of reality. They lie, hide the truth, and mix truth with falsehood to deceive us into supporting their lies. If they did not do this, then they would not be opponents of Truth.

Regardless of what is said in favor of or against a person by others, if a "tree is judged by the fruit it bears," it is our duty to explore and examine as much of the "labor" of that person as possible before

2 Ahmad Muhammad El Howfy, P.D. The Prophet's Life Why the Prophet Muhammad Married More Than One. Cairo, Egypt

3 Hawfy, Ahmad Mohammad El. Why the Prophet Muhammad Married More Than One: Cairo : Supreme Council For Islamic Affairs, 1976.

casting judgment in either direction—for or against the person. Moreover, it is best to exercise great patience before making judgments, because we usually need more facts and knowledge of the context from which that person works.

This is the sensible, mature and prudent thing to do, especially in the face of the satanic leaders who control the mass media, and use it to portray those who oppose their evil governance as demagogues.

Let us now consider the labor of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. In his book, This Is The One: Need Not Look For Another, Jabril Muhammad provides a glimpse of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's extraordinary workload:

What kind of man is Messenger Muhammad? Consider what Sister Anne Ali wrote in Muhammad Speaks newspaper, November 7, 1969:

Rising in the morning after a couple of hours sleep, he is at his desk when the secretaries and laborers report in. He is there already working on the problems of the 30 million Black People.

The phone rings and it continues at the rate of from 30 calls a day. Perhaps it is a business executive requesting an appointment with Messenger Muhammad, the secretary's voice answers, "One moment, sir, perhaps tomorrow we can schedule your appointment with Mr. Muhammad, but I am not sure as we are already over-taxed with appointments."

The doorbell rings, perhaps it is a banker, or lawyer, or Laborer, or perhaps it is a follower with some personal problem — big or small, in the Messenger's tremendously busy schedule, he has to solve them all. The appointments continue throughout the day, at the rate of approximately ten cleared by noon.

By now it is mid-day and the secretaries look at the Messenger, so busy, so thoroughly involved in putting us on top overnight, and we all marvel and say, what manner a man is Muhammad; surely one from God. All praises due to Allah for the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

Through all of Messenger Muhammad's busy schedule, he never forgets his prayers. And, he will excuse himself to say

his prayers. And, we do likewise, praying that Almighty Allah (God) blesses us to please the Messenger in our work; knowing that if we please His Last and Greatest Messenger, we do please Him.

The mailman has now delivered the mail, at the rate of 800 pieces a week. All of which Messenger Muhammad looks into daily and gives answers to as many as he possibly can before the next appointment or call interrupts him.

By this time, Messenger Muhammad has signed several salary contracts; ordered several hundred head of cattle to be fattened for the market; instructed 10 varieties of pies to be baked by our bakeries; advertised for several sales at YOUR SUPERMARKET and special dinners at SALAAM RESTAURANT; made both spiritual and business National broadcasts; dictated both spiritual and business articles; answered all mail possible; cleared ten business appointments; answered at least thirty business calls, ranging from truck drivers and editors, to cattle raisers and architects. Besides this he has dispatched work to his more than fifteen secretaries, not to mention guiding and instructing countless Laborers.

You could not imagine any man doing all that Messenger Muhammad is doing unless God was with him. And, I bear witness that he is definitely a man from God. This happens everyday; Sunday or Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, or Saturday.

Messenger Muhammad is putting us on top overnight. And, he has said, 'You are on top. So stay up there. If I see you come slipping down, I will push you back up, and kick the ladder away so that you stay up there.' Surely we should all follow Muhammad.

You would think by now, Messenger Muhammad's work day is over, but there he stands, just as eager, quick moving, sharp and ever-quick thinking as when we greeted him this morning at the beginning of our day's work.

Messenger Muhammad is indeed an excellent example for us, and continuously teaches us that "Nothing is more important than the labor of Islam." And he has, through his shrewd business leadership, led the Muslims into million-dollar enterprises.

All of which are first-class, ultra-modern places, providing hundreds of jobs for our people. We have only to qualify for any number of jobs the Messenger has provided for us in bakeries, supermarkets, restaurants, farms, cattle raising, printing press, and clothing factories; and soon, department stores, shoe stores, banks, and hospitals.”⁴

Everyone can agree that all of the above is an awesome and extraordinary workload. Do those who criticize the Honorable Elijah Muhammad mention any of these things? Would they be able to walk in His shoes? Most of them do not even desire to see Black People in a better condition. This is why they eagerly revile Him.

On a personal note, I was with Brother Jabril Muhammad one day at his home, when we took a moment from our work to discuss boxing. I asked him whether the Honorable Elijah Muhammad ever sat to watch a boxing match—I assumed that He might have, given that Muhammad Ali was a boxing champion.

Brother Jabril Muhammad, sternly replied—“that man labored day and night for Black people!” He made a few more comments, but the essential point was that those who speak evil of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad are ignorant and unaware of His nonstop labor to resurrect the Original People of the Western Hemisphere, and to warn America and the nations of the Earth about Allah’s imminent chastisement.

Those who malign the Honorable Elijah Muhammad do not realize that they are rejecting the very person laboring on behalf of their salvation. Prophets of God have always been ill-treated. In Sura 35:4, Allah states:

And if they reject thee—truly messengers before thee were rejected. And to Allah are all affairs returned.

Given the horrendous condition of the world, with most people claiming some religious belief, if either Prophet Muhammad or Jesus were present today, they would have very few followers. Most people would not accept the truth that condemns their unrighteous behaviors.

⁴ Jabril, Muhammad. *This Is the One: Need Not Look for Another*. 3 ed. Phoenix, AZ: Book Company, 1996.

A *modus operandi* of a self-centered, selfish, and self-righteous population is the inclination to make judgments about other people without knowing them or fully understanding what drives them to do what they do. They do not know the context out of which that person lives and labors. Of course, it is not within their right to know this.

However, if they raise an issue about a person's life, they should, at the very least, find the answers to these essential questions before casting judgment. This demonstrates maturity. This requires a sufficient level of sincerity; and is the most civil and respectful thing to do. Yet, there is little expectation that Americans, in particular, are "grown up" enough to display this kind of dignity and civility, especially today. It is easier, though asinine, to make presumptions and judgments, and then broadcast this through the mass media, as though it is truth. This is simply slander, no matter what source it comes from—U.S. government, academic institutions, so-called experts, NBC, CNN, etc.

Moreover, the people being judged are not usually afforded the opportunity to explain their positions in the same public forum that was used to misjudge and vilify them. In the case of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, the evildoers continuously try to besmear His character, and portray Him as the worst kind of human being, although it is apparent that He is not any of these things. Their aim is to keep the public from hearing the truth that He speaks and from recognizing His true character and spirit.

The satanic leaders will never meet one-on-one with the Honorable Louis Farrakhan to debate the real issues surrounding their evil. If they did this, they would be incriminating themselves; and consequently, accelerating their doom. Nevertheless, they control neither the Message nor how it is spread. Allah is in full control. In Sura 42:24, Allah states:

Or say they: He has forged a lie against Allah? So, if Allah please, He would seal thy heart (against) them. And Allah blots out the falsehood and confirms the Truth with His words. Surely He is the Knower of what is in the breasts.

Actions speak louder than words, and Allah has the ultimate power over all affairs. Therefore, despite the efforts of the satanic leaders, the Messiah's character shines brightly—as a Light-Giving Sun.

This, alone, contains the power to transform the lives of the millions of people who have been blessed to hear the Honorable Louis Farrakhan; and millions of others, far into the future, who will hear and/or read His words.

Now, let us assess some of the labor of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, the Messiah. Although He has been working feverishly since 1977, let us consider the words of Jabril Muhammad in his column, Farrakhan The Traveler, which appeared in The Final Call Newspaper in 1981:

By the time this article appears, the 40-plus-city tour of Minister Louis Farrakhan will have been completed. Its spiritual significance is the purpose of this series of articles, of which this is the first...

Where ought we to begin? Let us begin with the facts of the tour. What happened? Let us begin in a general way.

Minister Louis Farrakhan's national tour began, in a sense, in June of this year (1981). It ends, in a sense, in November of this same year. He will have covered well over a quarter of a million miles; most of it by air. Many thousands of Black people have and will have heard him in person. A much greater number will have gained a better understanding of him, his message and of him whom he represents, through those who heard him these five months.

In most weeks he taught six nights (or days) per week—his talks lasting two or more hours. There was no time for him to prepare for each event in the usual way speakers prepare for audiences, especially in situations of great importance.

I was among those with him on several of these trips. His pattern was: get up early in the morning, make preparations and get to the airport, get to a city, get a few hours sleep, get up and eat dinner with others in that city, while to one degree or another enlighten them on this or that; teach hundreds or thousands, as the case may be; get back to his room and teach and/or consult/advise others late into the night. Get up early the next morning and on to the next city, if he wasn't going back to his home in Chicago, where he would work, work, work....

There were problems of many different kinds that added needless, and at times, sorely depressing weight to his already very difficult mission. He would speak of these difficulties as that which went with the job. And yes, there was and is the ever present threat of death.

Again, this occurred in 1981. Since that time, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan has completed many such tours, including the renowned “Power At Last & Forever,” and “Stop The Killing” tours in the 1980s and 1990’s, respectively. He crisscrossed the country teaching and encouraging millions of Black people to create their own economic reality and to stop killing one another, especially through gang warfare.

In the 1990s, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan embarked on the national “Men Only Meetings” tour, which culminated into the historic “Million Man March” in October 1995. He then went on several national tours to build up the “Million Family March” and the “Millions More Movement” gatherings in 2000 and 2005, respectively, in Washington, D.C. Each of these gatherings drew more than a million participants. Most recently, He completed a national tour to generate support for the 2015 commemoration of the Million Man March, which also drew more than a million participants.

In addition, within these three decades, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan completed three world tours, visiting every continent on the Earth, where He taught millions of people. He has also made numerous and frequent journeys to various countries—again, to teach and instruct millions of people on how to better themselves and their nations. He has also advised the leaders of governments on important matters.

All the while, He continued to speak at scores of venues throughout the United States, which included many college campuses. To this day, He continues to do this, while governing the business and spiritual affairs of the Lost-Found Nation of Islam—the Original People of the Western Hemisphere.

We also cannot overlook the fact that the Honorable Louis Farrakhan is a family man—husband, father, grandfather, great-grand father and so on. This comes with its own set of responsibilities and challenges.

Many people know too little about the Honorable Louis Farrakhan's extraordinary work ethic, yet every human being on Earth has benefited from it. How so? Part of His history, as just described, answers this question—which is rooted in the reality that He is raised by Allah to continue the Messianic Mission of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad; thereby, functioning as the Messiah. Through His Presence, the human family is receiving the “ultimate” mercy, grace, and blessing from Allah.

Those who desire the position of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan would crumble at the thought—not to mention the attempted effort—of the vast responsibilities that come with this Exalted position of labor, not of fanfare. For a person not to crumble under this weight means that he/she is anointed by Allah to perform this extraordinary work, as a vital function of the Messianic Mission.

Now, what was/is the motive behind the Honorable Louis Farrakhan's tremendous labor? Let us consider the words of Jabril Muhammad, as he continues in the article previously cited:

None of us do what we do without a motive. Motive grows out of purpose and is directed or aimed at some goal. He demonstrated time and again, both in words and in deeds, that his motive was the love of Allah, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the truth from and about him (the Messenger) and Black people, with an extraordinary degree of compassion for humanity at large. There can be no sane denial that in terms of effect, his purpose, aim and goal was and is to plant deeper the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, his message and program in the minds and hearts of his hearers. The effect or results can be seen in the improved condition of those who accepted his preaching. It is, in fact, the same as that of his teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

The Minister gave himself no credit for these results that are ongoing. He claimed to do no more than to deliver the truth of and about the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. He stated time and time again that the God of this truth backed it and that these were the underlying factors of his success.

At the core of his message was the identification of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad as the Christ, who was written about in the Old Testament and presented in the New Testament.

By considering these words, we can reaffirm that the nature of the Message of Allah is not simply to give a speech here and there, demonstrating eloquence. To the contrary, the Message contains the Love, Spirit and Will of Allah embodied and personified through His Divine Servants. This creates a terrific force of great magnetism. This labor inspires hope in those who are searching for the truth and a better way of life, in a world of falsehood and oppression. Hope is an offspring of Allah's mercy, as indicated in Sura 33:21:

Certainly you have in the Messenger of Allah an excellent exemplar for him who hopes in Allah and the Latter day, and remembers Allah much.

The comprehensive example of human conduct demonstrated by Allah's Messiah affects every aspect of our lives. In his commentary on this verse, Maulana Muhammad Ali states:

This verse points to a most significant truth and a distinguishing characteristic of the Holy Prophet, viz., that he is the best exemplar and the highest model of virtue for the faithful under all circumstances.

If we accept that the Holy Quran reveals the character of Prophet Muhammad, then it is easy to agree with Mr. Ali. Notwithstanding, divine prophets, ideally, represent the highest model of virtue and morality; otherwise, they would be in no position to guide the people. The Honorable Elijah Muhammad stated that Jesus of 2,000 years ago was in perfect submission to the Law of Moses.

Allah would be unjust to declare that HE "makes all things new," as stated in Revelation 21:5, while encouraging us to look back thousands of years to find an example of righteous living. This is not HIS way. The Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, is our example today.

When properly examined with an open mind and heart, the Messiah's life gives hope, showing us that good prevails over evil, and that the "high" road is far greater than the low road that leads to misfortune and Allah's disfavor. Hope is instilled by the fulfillment of His word concerning Allah's desire and promise to those who accept His Message. Believers are transformed into a new creation—a new heart and mind; and renewed inspiration to discover their potential to serve Allah perfectly.

These great responsibilities and achievements of the Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, involve “unseen realities,” which are the true power behind what is manifested. This force is generated through His belief, faith and trust in Allah, combined with a tireless work ethic. These things clothe and uphold the “Divine Message.”

In essence, the Message consists of “words.” These words express or verbalize Allah’s vision for HIS Creation—a vision that must be and will be realized because HIS Integrity is wrapped in the fulfillment of HIS vision. How important should these realities be to those who come to aid the Messiah?

In this satanic world, people fail to keep their word because they fail to do the work or labor required to manifest the truth of their words and oaths—that is, if there was any truth in their words from the outset. Today, people lie just to have something to say.

The Messiah is predestined to fulfill His Duties and Assignments. Allah has prepared Him to bear this “weighty word,” which is equal to the weight of the Heavens and the Earth combined. Why is this? Because the ultimate aim of Allah’s Plan is the establishment of HIS Eternal Kingdom on Earth, with the Original People of the Western Hemisphere serving as the Cornerstone of this Kingdom.

The fulfillment of this Vision, in part, is facilitated through the Messianic Mission. As such, the Messiah’s labor produces continuous streams of contacts and generates relationships throughout the Earth. This extraordinary effort must be sustained, managed and supported. Allah is the Sustainer, and how HE does this also involves the assistance of other people, especially Believers. HE brings them forth to assist HIS Messiah.

MAKING THE WORD BOND

The Will of Allah expressed in and through HIS “Word” is the most important substance in the Universe because it is at the Origin of Creation. The Will of Allah is why everything exists. It is Truth. This fact is established in John 1:1-3:

- 1) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- 2) The same was in the beginning with God.
- 3) All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

As previously discussed, the “Word” is upheld by labor, and not by vain talk and wasteful actions. This is how in Matthew 24:35, the Messiah is prophesied to say:

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

Let us reflect upon the enormous labor of Prophet Muhammad, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan previously described. We can begin with this question: By what means did/does Allah provide His Servants with the ability and capacity to produce and sustain this extraordinary labor?

The Messiah’s ever-expanding labor manifested outwardly is a reflection of what is inward or internal—His heart and mind is ever-expanding. In Sura 94:1-8, Allah describes this phenomenon:

1) Have We not expanded for thee thy breast, 2) And removed from thee thy burden, 3) Which weighed down thy back, 4) And exalted for thee thy mention? 5) Surely with difficulty is ease, 6) With difficulty is surely ease. 7) So when thou art free (from anxiety), work hard. 8) And make thy Lord thy exclusive object.

Regarding verse 3, Maulana Muhammad Ali states:

The burden which weighed down his back signifies anxiety for raising humanity from ignorance and superstition in which it was involved. Compare 26:3 “Perhaps thou wilt kill thyself with grief because they believe not.” The removal of the burden signifies giving relief from anxiety.

Maulana Muhammad Ali’s commentary could be placed in the context of the process involved in the maturation of Allah’s Messiah. As with all messengers of Allah, the Messiah is raised from among the people; therefore, He is more than interested in the salvation of humanity. The survival of His parents, siblings, relatives, children, grandchildren, associates, neighbors, and future generations are at stake. Again, His mission involves quailing or alleviating Allah’s wrath by helping to reform and transform the people’s hearts and behaviors into what pleases Allah.

Unlike many self-righteous people who arrogate to themselves the decision as to what races or groups Allah will or should destroy, the Messiah knows that all of humanity faces Allah’s chastisement. In addition, the Messiah is aware of the destructive nature of Allah’s

wrath, in that HE can obliterate all human life. The Messiah does not want to see this happen, while knowing that the prophecies indicate that, potentially, billions of people will be destroyed.

Why would Allah select a person that has little concern for the people to be HIS Messenger or Messiah? How hard would that person work to save humanity? Therefore, in executing His duties, the Messiah experiences sadness, grief, anxiety, frustration and other emotions—just as any human being does. However, He is forbidden to let those emotions exist for any duration of time. He cannot allow disappointment or grief to become disruptive to the Messianic Mission, not to mention, lethal to Himself.

In Sura 94:1, what is meant by “breast?” Of course, this term does not refer to that part of the human anatomy because this would be outside the context of the other verses. In one definition, the breast is “conceived as the center of feelings and emotions.” In its truest sense, the breast is the heart of the mind, or one’s mental capacity. Therefore, “breast” represents the expansion of the Messiah’s heart and mind, as it moves closer to the quality of Allah’s Love and Determination.

The process of how the Messiah’s mind is expanded is similar to the physical expansion of the breast or lungs. The expansion of the lungs enables oxygen to be taken into the body. The lungs oxygenate the blood that the heart pumps throughout the body. Oxygen is the essential fuel required to nourish the cells and tissues of the body. When we lose the ability to consume oxygen, we die.

The lungs must increase its expansion when the body requires more oxygen. The body must be active enough to require the need for increased oxygen. The increased activity put on the body, such as through running, swimming, singing or other physical work, increases the need for more oxygen. Ideally, this demand results in the expansion of the lungs or breast.

This expansion is not necessarily manifested by physically enlarging the lungs. It has more to do with the ability of the lungs to handle the body’s increased demand for oxygen.

Contrarily, the less physical work we do, the less oxygen our lungs need. Over time, the ability of the lungs to handle greater amounts of oxygen actually decreases. Consequently, simple chores, such as mopping a floor or climbing stairs become exhausting tasks. Today,

many people are tired out by walking around in their homes. By not using our lungs adequately, the lungs begin atrophying or degenerating. This eventually leads to respiratory and heart problems. This circumstance is aligned with the old cliché: “if you don’t use it, you lose it.”

The physical inflation of the lungs corresponds with the spiritual expansion of the heart or mind. The expansion of the Messiah’s mind is not haphazard, because Allah orchestrates this process. HE is the Supreme, The Best Knower, and the Master of Everything.

Allah increases the Messiah in a premeditated and calculated manner, which none of us can fully comprehend. Notwithstanding, we are afforded the blessing of realizing the obvious—that is, the Messiah is advancing the Divine Message with ever-increasing influence over the people of the Earth. Some people are unable to see this. The satanic leaders see it, and this is why they ultimately move against Him to destroy His influence throughout the Earth.

Let us continue with the spiritual and physical correlation of the expansion of the “breast.” I have coached many athletes in track and field, at all levels, including the professional level. There is consensus among coaches regarding some of the things required of an athlete if he/she aspires to compete at the top levels of competition. Let us consider the overall process involved.

The track “preseason” is the time when training begins. Athletes are usually not in the best physical or mental condition to compete effectively when this season begins. The preseason is about three to four months before the competition season begins.

Because nothing happens overnight, and because we are dealing with human beings that can be injured while preparing for competition, the training regimen given to athletes must be planned to bring them to the point where they are in top condition to compete effectively. The training cannot be rushed and great care must be taken to avoid injuries. In other words, coaches put much thought into developing their training programs.

Athletes must do their part if they want to be successful. They must show up on time and be mentally and physically prepared to train. They must be prepared to face challenges and obstacles. They must be assertive and disciplined.

Being in “competition-ready” condition means that the athletes must be stronger, more flexible, and more efficient in their movements than they were when training began; and they must be mentally prepared to begin competing.

Regarding mental preparation, their training regimen must include milestones that push them to surpass thresholds of physical pain and fear. They must acquire a certain level of focus so that the pain will not distract them. They must avoid outside influences that weaken their resolve to be the best they can be. This extraordinary level of focus will carry them through these mental challenges. There is more to this.

As each threshold is surpassed, the athlete’s “will” increases; and his/her confidence gets stronger. This enables the athlete to have greater access to the innate power within, both physical and mental. At times, especially during competition, the athlete may enter a “zone” where he/she becomes aware that no boundaries exist. This is a type of euphoric state. This happens for people involved in many occupations, especially those that are physically and mentally challenging.

Of course, not all athletes achieve this “high” mental state. The ones that do are able to undergo and withstand the extraordinary pain, stress and other demands made on their bodies and minds. Such demands are necessary to reach the highest levels of performance at their competitive levels.

The prospect of an athlete achieving the highest performance level in any sport has much to do with the experience of his/her coach and the training regimen designed to guide the athlete into the technical mastery of the event, as well as across thresholds of pain and fear. The coach must be exceptional in all aspects of the event, have extraordinary vision and focus, and be a master psychologist.

All the above holds true in how Allah perfects HIS Messiah. The spiritual labor and expansion involves much, and only Allah knows the full scope because much of the “increase” is achieved in the Spiritual Realm, which takes place in the Reality of the Unseen. Sura 70 is titled The Ways of Ascent (or Ascension), meaning that Allah governs the process of how each of us rise to our potential according to HIS Will. The foundation for our rise is delineated in verses 19-34. In Sura 87:1-3, Allah states:

1) Glorify the name of thy Lord, the Most High! 2) Who creates, then makes complete, 3) And Who measures, then guides...

In Sura 13:8-9, Allah states:

8) Allah knows what every female bears, and that of which the wombs fall short of completion and that which they grow. And everything with Him has a measure. 9) The Knower of the unseen and the seen, the Great, the Most High.

This makes Allah the ultimate and quintessential “coach.” HE presides over the development of each of us, if we are in submission to HIS Will. We manifest the Originator’s LIFE. This is why and how Allah is able to “measure” everything. Therefore, Allah is the best judge of each of us.

We know that the growth of the Messiah into spiritual power is for the attainment of His life’s purpose—the Messianic Mission. On a superficial level, we can map this growth by observing the continuous progression of the Honorable Louis Farrakhan’s awe-inspiring work. He affects all of humanity. This is enough to sustain our faith in Him and in Allah, which should be our primary concern. Why is this?

The Holy Quran describes those who tout the greatness of Allah’s messengers, while deviating from the path they established for the people to gain submission to Allah’s Will. Such persons are characterized as lip-professors. They are usually vulnerable to having their faith uprooted by the satanic leaders who vehemently oppose Allah’s messenger, and now they seek the Messiah’s death.

Our recognition of Allah’s Presence through HIS Messiah should not be relegated to a conversation piece. It must be internalized to develop and sustain our belief and faith. Let us continue discussing the expansion of the Messiah’s “breast.”

Greater reliance on Allah is a hallmark of the Messiah’s physical, mental and spiritual expansion. This reliance is driven by His need to fulfill His Mission, which necessitates the ability to overcome a broad range of difficulties in every facet of life.

Allah guides the Messiah towards the high goals and milestones, and through this guidance, He is made to depend entirely on Allah to achieve success. This is something that should be carefully considered, even studied. To become one with the Supreme Being is

not easy, especially while living in Satan's world. To have complete faith and trust in Allah is also not easy because of the way our minds have been shaped by false concepts. We have to grow into this; and to do so requires nothing less than everything we can muster—and then some. That “then some” is extraordinary focus; and an unfettered commitment to living 100 percent according to the way of life Allah instructs us to live.

Intrinsic in the expansion of the Messiah's mind/heart is His ability to overcome pain, misfortune, disappointment, betrayal and frustration. This is tied to His success. This makes prayerfulness a foundational aspect of the spiritual labor that increases divine inspiration, leading to greater expansion—the ability to spread the Truth that gives Light and Life to humanity.

Therefore, the means by which Allah expands the Messiah's ability and capacity to increase His labor has difficulty factors associated with it. Again, difficulty indicates pain. It involves the crossing of numerous thresholds into higher regions of spiritual power.

Ease is also intrinsic in this pain; and is borne of this pain. This ease comes from the Messiah's realization that He is in harmony with Allah, and moving closer towards Oneness with HIM. As such, the Messiah actually becomes the “Lord” over the people. This is why He is more than a messenger. He guides the people into greater and greater realization of Allah's Presence—both within themselves and throughout the Universe.

In addition, ease also comes from the unequivocal success of His Mission. The “abilities” acquired by the Messiah ultimately enables Him to gain mastery of His Divine Mission.

EXPANSION THROUGH THE DOMESTIC LIFE

The Holy Quran affirms that Allah is responsible for the Domestic Life. In Sura 33:50, Allah states:

O Prophet, We have made lawful to thee thy wives whom thou has given their dowries, and those whom thy right hand possess...

The increased labor, which manifested as extraordinary feats and accomplishments, in the lives of Prophet Muhammad, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, occurred during a period when Allah ordered each of Them to go into polygamy.

Returning to Sura 94:1-8, let us briefly dissect each of Allah's blessings on the Messiah; that is, 1) expanding His breast, 2) removing His burden, and 3) bringing ease to Him—within the context of the Domestic Life.

EXPANDING THE BREAST

In the basic sense, the Domestic Life involves polygamy. Whether a man is married to one or several women, marriage is a divinely-mandated institution. The unity of a man and woman in matrimony is designed to enable each person to meet specific obligations that support shared goals and objectives in service to Allah.

There is no doubt that when the "divine" purpose of marriage is not considered nor the divine obligation that each spouse has toward living the life ordered by Allah, the marriage is bound to fail. The success of marriage depends on a sound understanding of marriage as a divine institution, and upon our commitment to make the marriage serve Allah's purpose. When either factor is not examined and accepted, there is no real basis for marriage. Such a marriage does not take root because it is not seeded deep enough in Allah's purpose.

In Sura 4:34, Allah states:

Men are the maintainers of women...

Many people, especially women, may believe that the success of marriage is rooted in the man's ability to comply with this verse. "Maintenance," however, is relative to the situation. In Sura 2:155, Allah emphatically states that we will experience fear, hunger, loss of property and lives, and the diminution of fruits. Allah tests and examines our faith in Him through crises of life. HE wants to see if we will keep our duty to HIM and remain true to our oaths regardless of the positives and negatives that occur in our lives.

As it relates to the Messiah, this fact is established in Sura 9:118:

And (He turned in mercy) to the three who were left behind; until the earth, vast as it is, became strait to them and their souls were also straitened to them; and they knew that there was no refuge from Allah but in Him. Then He turned to them in mercy that they might turn (to Him). Surely Allah—He is the Oft-returning to mercy, the Merciful.

In this world, the usual journey toward marriage is filled with indecencies and the disrespect of Allah. The motivation behind some marriages is far from the divine purpose for marriage. For example, merely wanting to get married because the years are passing quickly, without seriously examining the person one intends to marry, puts the marriage in jeopardy from the outset. “Fleeting” marriages are prevalent today. The high divorce rate in America proves that marriage is misunderstood.

Because marriage is a divinely-mandated institution, Allah’s Will is at the center of it—that is, if it is done according to HIS Will. Our intentions must be sincere. Despite all the pageantry or lack thereof involved in the marriage ceremony, it comes down to the few moments when the vows are exchanged—that is, do we truly mean what we say, “till death do us part”?

When it comes to the Messiah, Allah’s Direct Will is involved in His marital unions. This, combined with the Messiah’s profound understanding of marriage, enables Him to introduce wisdom that is “supreme” to any other teaching about marriage. Today, marriage is on its deathbed despite the thousands of books written about it. Nearly everyone today is a self-proclaimed expert on marriage, including those that have experienced numerous failed marriages. People even have “certificates” in marriage counseling. This amounts to mockery of the institution of marriage.

Many of our great grandparents knew very little about all that is being published today about marriage, yet they held their marriages together for 40, 50 and 60 years. They had a simple and honest way of life, using few words to get their point across. Simplicity aids honesty by preventing “fancy” and highfalutin words from confusing communication. Our grandparents did not judge each other, regarding each other’s proficiency in performing “gender-based” duties. They were real partners.

Let us now consider a few stark points about the marriage-tie. Those who are married or have been married know the weight of marriage. Marriage is a process that completely changes us. Marriage brings about increased responsibilities across the spectrum of life. A married person must consider many more things than he/she did when single. These considerations involve the present and the future, especially when children are born.

In considering the realities of marriage as husbands, some of us can attest to the difficulty of making “ends meet.” This is a challenge for one household, not to mention several households. We are inundated with responsibilities; and each decision we make must be carefully considered, because our families are affected by our decisions.

As we consider this, let us ponder several questions. With polygamy, would not the responsibilities and challenges increase, exponentially? How difficult would it be to manage two households? How about the challenges involved in maintaining three or four households? Indeed, however, by living according to the “divine” purposes for the marriages, these challenges can be managed and overcome. The bliss that rests in the marital unions can then be realized.

Marriage is an uphill road, and many people—for reasons previously named, as well as other reasons—abort the journey. Today, the divorce process is insidious. It is one of the clearest indications that the human psyche continues to degenerate.

For example, various types of abuse, complete or partial desertion, abandonment, betrayal, and treachery have become associated with the divorce process. “Once-lovers” become mortal enemies, with some people becoming so consumed with anger that murder puts an end to their marriages. Mental cruelty is now established as a legal justification for divorce. Spouses experience mental and emotional trauma and psychological collapses. And, we are describing monogamy, not to think of polygamy.

Such strife is unnatural to Allah’s concept of marriage. The proper dissolution of marriage is described in the Holy Quran. Many unnecessary negative situations occur because of ignorance, misunderstanding, miscommunication, and selfish acts that corrode and corrupt the marriage, such as violating divine laws (lying and adultery).

The Messiah, by having been raised into a supreme understanding of the divinity of marriage, is the leader of and guide for the Believing Community and humanity, as it relates to domestic and social relationships. Because of this, Allah empowers Him to arrange marriages.

Despite the additional responsibilities and challenges involved in the Domestic Life, the Messiah is still required to stay on His Mission. Again, all of this is about the Messianic Mission. He continues to advance Islam. He continues to guide those who desire to organize themselves under Allah's Presence and Truth. There is no break in His Mission. His wives are given to Him as part of the Mission, and not outside of it. This brings us to the next aspect or blessing mentioned in 94:1-8.

REMOVING THE BURDEN

Allah removes the Messiah's burden in various ways. Among these is that HE sends Him adequate help. In Sura 48:1-3, Allah states:

- 1) Surely We have granted thee a clear victory, 2) That Allah may cover for thee thy (alleged) shortcomings in the past and those to come, and complete His favour to thee and guide thee on a right path, 3) And that Allah might help thee with a mighty help.

There is no doubt that the extraordinary weight of the Messiah's Mission requires proper help. As we know, Allah provides help by controlling people and circumstances. Let us consider the following questions. What kind of help does the Messiah need as His capacity to labor increases due to the expansion of His breast? What levels of commitment are to be expected from those whom Allah inspires to assist the Messiah, particularly in very personal ways?

The increasing success of the Messiah is, to some extent, commensurable with the help that Allah gives Him through those who have come to follow Him. This is very understandable because with proper help, any person can pursue and handle greater responsibilities, and be assured of success in fulfilling those objectives and goals.

The key word is "proper," and it must be taken to its fullest extent, because we are not dealing with a common person. In some instances, this "proper" help is event- or activity-specific, requiring skilled or knowledgeable persons in the areas necessary to make the event or activity successful. Allah sends this help at the appropriate time. This does not necessarily mean that Allah sends new people. Some of those who have been with the Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, for a period of time may have evolved to handle greater responsibilities.

The Messiah, however, requires help from those who can endure through the Mission because the labor that upholds the Mission is continuous. Therefore, the proper help that serves the Messiah is the “Believer” in Allah. The quality of the Believers’ hearts, which is expressed through their labor in the Mission, have degrees and grades, according to their purpose, faith, and physical and mental constitutions. In Sura 3:163, Allah states:

There are grades with Allah. And Allah is Seer of what they do.

This goes much deeper because when those who believe in the Mission of Allah’s Messiah decide to make a pact or covenant with Him, this covenant becomes their very lifeline. And, because the Messiah is the Agent through which Allah expresses HIS Will, this covenant is actually with Allah. In Sura 48:10, Allah states:

Those who swear allegiance to thee do but swear allegiance to Allah. The hand of Allah is above their hands. So whoever breaks (his faith), he breaks it only to his soul’s injury. And whoever fulfills his covenant with Allah, He will grant him a mighty reward.

As simple and inspiring as this is, some people lose focus of this truth. They forget that they are attempting to serve Allah’s Will. As a result, some of them become uncongenial. They begin judging the Messiah when they disagree with His decisions or actions.

What do we mean by “judging?” Such persons tend to assume that the Messiah’s level of intelligence is not equal to theirs because He is not “lettered” by the so-called higher educational institutions of this divinely-condemned world. Some people, who serve Him more closely, upon perceiving some of His actions as faults, tend to question His understanding of the issues at hand. Consequently, they begin to “follow” Him in doubt and suspicion. In Sura 2:108, Allah states:

Rather you wish to put questions to your Messenger, as Moses was questioned before. And whoever adopts disbelief instead of faith he indeed has lost the right direction of the way.

This is very clear. These persons, once Believers, lose faith. They are not continually cognizant that Allah is the Best Knower of All Things, and that HIS Messiah is the Embodiment and Extension of HIS Will. Such persons become hypocrites, if Allah does not intervene on their behalf. If they are treacherous, they return to disbelief

altogether, abandoning the Messiah to pursue the treasures of this satanic world. Allah mentions this in Sura 47:25:

Surely those who turn back after guidance is manifested to them, the devil embellishes it for them; and lengthens false hopes for them.

Allah requires Believers to uphold their “word” regardless to whom or what, including their own conniptions, misjudgments and doubts. A Believer can no more turn back on his/her word than the Messiah can turn His back on Allah—without severe consequences ensuing. Allah is not to be played with and neither is HIS Messiah. This is also confirmed in Sura 33:15:

And they had indeed made a covenant with Allah before (that) they would not turn (their) backs. And a covenant with Allah must be answered for.

Those who turn their backs become disbelievers and hypocrites. The Believers, however, stay the course and remain in Allah’s favor. The Believers are ratified by Allah, according to their desire to fulfill their covenants. In Sura 33:22, Allah states:

Of the believers are men who are true to the covenant they made with Allah; so of them is he who has accomplished his vow, and of them is he who yet waits, and they have not changed in the least—

This shows why mere belief accounts for nothing. One’s belief must be carried into practice through service in order to be credit worthy with Allah, the Messiah, and the Believing Community. Allah is the judge of one’s work. We must be mindful of this. There is always a tendency to assess the extent and value of another person’s work because they are not doing the same work that the one making the assessment is doing.

People tend to make comparisons. In most cases, this is not only immature, but often leads to misjudgments that devalue the work of others. Only Allah knows each of us, as well as the things we do. Again, HE is the Lord of the Ways of Ascent.

As previously mentioned, there are grades or levels of commitment with Allah (Sura 3:163). Devotion is the highest form of commitment, for it encompasses submission, love, dedication, and

sacrifice. Devotion is defined as profound dedication, consecration or esteemed loyalty.

Reasonably, not everyone can or is desirous of offering that degree of commitment to aid the Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan. This does not disqualify their belief in Allah and HIS Messiah. We can only work according to our desires and potential, and we are rewarded for the work that we do.

Allah prepares the persons destined to deliver an esteemed level of service to HIS Messiah. They are not responsible for the way they were made, but they are responsible for doing their part to sustain their belief and faith. This is done through various means. Having a prayerful life and extraordinary focus are at the foundation.

Let us revisit the point concerning the importance of the “Word” of Allah. In Sura 3:8, Allah declares that His Word cannot fail. HIS Word upholds the Heavens and the Earth. Allah does not lie. HIS Word is true at all times. In fact, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad teaches that it is impossible for Allah to lie. Why should Allah lie when HE created all things and has power over everything?

The same must be true with Allah’s Messiah—that is, His word must be true at all times. However, we must keep in mind that we are referring to a Man who is growing in the Power of Allah, while He is among us. He is not the Originator; therefore, without the help of the Originator through those HE sends to aid Him, His word cannot be effectively carried out, particularly as it relates to the obligations involving His labor.

In the Messianic Labor, commitments and deadlines must be met. This represents a burden that requires ease—proper help. As previously described, given the enormous responsibilities of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, it should be easy to see that upholding Their “Word” requires extreme commitment and focus. Many of us fail to uphold our word with far less responsibilities. Some people intentionally break their commitments, oaths and promises. This is not so with Allah’s messengers and prophets.

The integrity and credibility of the Messiah’s Word is tied to His success. Hypocrites and disbelievers would love for His Word to fail. They would call Him a liar, impostor, and deceiver. However, hypocrites and disbelievers are the least important when it comes

to this. They have already heaped lies on the Messiah in an effort to destroy Him and His work. This is what they do; and because of this, hell has been prepared to receive them. In fact, they are already in it.

The Messiah's "Word" inspires and gives life to those who want to improve their lives and see conditions around them change for the better. In the world of Satan, where our lives are managed in a degenerate and morbid way by the satanic systems of government, the Messiah's presence and explanations of the events and realities we confront daily, are what people come to depend on to help them improve their lives.

This, no doubt, has been the case with the Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan. In a world filled with deceit, lies, and trickery, we look forward to hearing from Him in order to learn the truth concerning the conditions we face, and what is required of us to move beyond this satanic system. We learn from Him how to be "in the world but truly not of it."

In aiding the Messiah, we are operating in the Unseen, as well. This also must be kept in mind. Why is this? Allah is guiding Him by way of Divine Revelation. This means that faith is a prerequisite to effectively assist the Messiah. Faith is intrinsic in true devotion.

Within the scope of assistance that comes from the Believing Community, who should be more devoted to a man than his wife, and vice versa? In Genesis 2:18, Eve is described as Adam's "help-meet." She was created to help Adam perform and fulfill his mission to Allah, which was also her mission. He could not achieve success without her. Both of them were joined as one for this lofty purpose of service to their Creator.

And, just as it takes both the husband and wife to bring forth children and nurture them into adulthood, it takes both of them to bring forth and nurture ideas, turning those ideas into realities through their unified labor, based on devotion to Allah and to each other.

Ideally, in the Messiah's Domestic Life, He depends on His wives to provide devoted service that eases His burden—by protecting His word, among other objectives. The term "ideally" takes into account the difficulties intrinsic in polygamy. Allah addresses these

difficulties in the Holy Quran, particularly in Suras 2, 3, 4, 33, 65 and 66. Again, these difficulties are also mentioned in Sura 94:5-6.

Despite the difficulties associated with marriage, when devotion is present, a wife who truly loves her husband will support him, protect him and defend him to the very end. She will also carry out his will. Therefore, the Messiah's wives are best positioned among the Believing Community to assist Him in the Messianic Mission.

Again, this is not to suggest that no other Believer can provide devoted service to the Messiah. In the Holy Quran, Allah mentions "those whom thy right hand possess," to indicate that such persons, men and women, are closely tied to the service of the Messiah. These persons are required to go beyond the call of duty to assist Him.

They do not simply hold paid positions, such as secretaries or assistants, although they may offer some service in these capacities. These "Helpers" are confined "in the way of Allah," and may be supported by the Messiah through the charity He receives, and through other avenues within the parameters of their service. This is how Allah suffices their needs. They are not to be preoccupied with the pursuit of money. This hinders the quality of their service to Allah and the Messiah.

Let us consider the words that some of Allah's enemies used to describe the wives of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Malcolm X referred to His wives as "teenage secretaries," and other opponents joined his chorus. They falsely charged the Honorable Elijah Muhammad with taking advantage of the women who worked closely with Him. The opponents failed to mention the deplorable state of the Black People of America—lacking the knowledge of self and kind—before the Honorable Elijah Muhammad began teaching us the truth about the origin of Original and Caucasian people; and the Reality of God.

How is it possible that the same man who gave people spiritual life, hope and purpose would take advantage of them? This is ridiculous in every sense of the word. Despite Malcolm X's attack against the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, only a few Registered Members of the Nation of Islam joined Malcolm X when he left the Honorable Elijah Muhammad to do his own thing. Why was this?

Those who followed the Honorable Elijah Muhammad witnessed His continuous work to “set the Black People of America on top of civilization.” He continued to, exponentially, advance the Divine Program that Allah gave Him. His social and economic programs demonstrated this. World leaders, including President Richard Nixon, recognized the extraordinary work the Honorable Elijah Muhammad was doing in America and offered to help Him. This occurred after Malcolm X was assassinated.

In response to Malcolm X’s false condemnation, let us carefully consider the utility of the term “secretary,” as it relates to the Domestic Life. The word comes from the Latin word *secretarius*, which means “confidential officer.” Most dictionaries offer definitions, such as:

- 1) A person employed to handle correspondence and do routine work in a business office, usually involving taking dictation, typing, filing, and the like; and
- 2) An officer of state charged with the superintendence and management of a particular department of government, as a member of the president’s cabinet, (e.g. Secretary of the Treasury).

In the term “secretary” is the complete word “secret.” By melding these definitions, we can see that a secretary is involved in administering, superintending and managing confidential matters—in this case, of the Messiah’s labor. Would it not be in the best interest of a man to have his wife serve as one of his secretaries? How many family businesses operate this way—wherein the wife handles the financial and administrative affairs of the business? In fact, how many homes are managed this way?

The wives of the Messiah, to varying degrees, are executors and superintendents of His will and protectors of His Word. This is an aspect of marriage. In Sura 2:187, in part, Allah states concerning the function of a spouse:

...They are an apparel for you and you are an apparel for them.

Apparel is outer clothing that covers and/or decorates the body. Why would a wife serve as a “covering” for her husband and vice versa? This indicates that the husband and wife, through the bonds of matrimony, relinquish a considerable degree of privacy. They reveal themselves to each other, sometimes sharing their

deepest concerns and secrets, which includes past experiences and plans for the future.

Therefore, it should come as no surprise that Satan's most sinister attack against the Messiah is through His Domestic Life, primarily in trying to negatively affect His wives. Maligning a man's family undermines the fortress that protects His intimate and personal affairs.

The story of Samson, in the Book of Judges, best illustrates the disaster that ensues once a spouse's secret is revealed to his/her enemies. Samson's wife, on several occasions, revealed his secrets to his enemies. In Judges 14:18, it states:

And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, What is sweeter than honey? And what is stronger than a lion? and he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

Later, Samson reveals the source of his power to his wife, and she shares it with his enemies, in exchange for money. In Judges 16:18, it states:

And when Delilah saw that he (Samson) had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.

The satanic leaders' chance of success, as they see it, is to invent scandal regarding the Messiah's personal life. They want to "liquidate" Him of His family, followers, public support, assets; and ultimately His life.

We must remember that the Messiah's enemies are not merely ignorant so-called Negroes or misguided so-called white supremacist groups. His enemies are the satanic leaders that control world governments, and national and international criminal organizations masquerading as governmental and nongovernmental agencies. These evil entities are highly sophisticated in their ability to disrupt and destroy people and organizations. Their "sophistication," however, is child's play to Allah.

Notwithstanding, the Messiah is not careless in His actions. He calculates the moves of the satanic leaders from whence they

know not. The salvation of His people is at stake. In light of this, it makes sense that some of the Messiah's wives would function as secretaries.

Completing this point—in our daily ventures in the workforce, we see co-workers marry each other; we see attorneys marry their clients; and we see doctors marry their patients. Relationships are formed from human endeavors that bring people together. This is the natural course of life.

People of the same faith also marry each other. This is referred to as being “evenly yoked.” Both men and women of faith want to share their lives with men and women of the same faith. Faith is at the center of their unions. This is what binds them.

On the other hand, those who meet their mates in bars, dance clubs and “speakeasies,” usually have fleeting relationships, because the social environments in which they met supported and encouraged those kinds of encounters. The quest to have sexual intercourse is usually the only objective of their “wanting to get together” in the first place. This is the rule, but there are exceptions.

Regardless of the ages of the Messiah's wives, their value and importance are rooted in their devotion to the Cause of Allah. Again, in any society, we find older women marrying younger men, and older men marrying younger women. What is wrong with a woman marrying a man who is 20 or 30 years older than she is? What is the divorce rate of women in their 30s who marry men in their 30s?

When answered, the last question proves that “age” differences do not determine the success of a marriage. Qualities, such as maturity, commitment, and loyalty sustain marriages. The women predestined as the Messiah's wives are such because of the quality of their hearts.

BRINGING ABOUT EASE

There is no doubt that each of the Messiah's wives brings extraordinary value to the advancement of the Messianic Mission. His responsibilities include helping them realize and express their God-given potential. As such, He serves them. Each relationship is reciprocal; and, therefore, essential to everyone's growth and

development. This aspect of the Domestic Life is often overlooked, yet it is vitally important. Let us go deeper.

Given that “a nation can rise no higher than its woman,” the Kingdom of Allah is built to ensure the growth and exaltation of women; and women have a major role in developing the Kingdom. Among the Messiah’s most profound responsibilities is to assist Allah in bringing forth the leadership qualities within women.

As such, women are invaluable in the Eyes of Allah. The Messiah exists, in part, to ensure the protection, reformation and elevation of women. This is a very delicate viewpoint, which is missing from the Christian and Jewish religious eschatological writings. Women are not factored into their religious dogma.

The prophecies concerning the Messianic Era inform us that the Messiah gathers Allah’s Chosen People; helps destroy Allah’s enemies; reconciles humanity back to Allah; and initiates the establishment of Allah’s Eternal Kingdom of Peace. None of the religious writers who formed the Messianic traditions, such as the Midrash, knew the specific details regarding how these objectives involving the Messiah would be initiated and realized. Why not? At that time, they could not identify Allah’s Chosen People nor the place where they would be held captive when these prophecies unfolded.

Moreover, the religious writers of the Messianic traditions could not “see into” the Coming of Allah in Person, Master Fard Muhammad, who would initiate the Messianic Era. They could not see into HIS Mind. Consequently, they cannot explain the prophecies with sufficient granularity.

Realizing that the Messiah fulfills aspects of the lives of all the prophets of Allah, especially that of Prophet Muhammad, lends to the value of the Domestic Life, as it relates to the elevation of women. The following is from the book, The Life of Muhammad, in a section called Marriages of the Holy Prophet:

...Muhammad (peace be upon him) was the bearer of God’s message not only for men, but also for women. The women-folk needed the prophetic guidance, training, and instruction in the same way as the males. The Holy Prophet was fully alive to this need of Muslim society. He had, therefore, in the best interest of the ummah, endeavoured to create a new leadership amongst women, which, like its counterpart amongst men, could

by precept and example, help the formation of a new type of womanhood representing the teachings of Islam. How could this objective be achieved without first preparing the most perfect specimens of Muslim womanhood?

...The Holy Prophet allowed some women, belonging to different social groups, having different tastes and tendencies and different intellectual standards to enter his household as his wives and then by his close personal contact, nurtured and trained their God-given faculties so perfectly in accordance with the teachings of Islam that they could serve as pillars of light not only for the womenfolk of the Islamic commonwealth, but for the whole of womankind...

This is very near precise. A few critical realities are missing in the above excerpt. The first is that Allah ordered and orchestrated the Domestic Life, and not Prophet Muhammad. The fact that Allah chose his wives makes a big difference.

Second, leadership based on the Wisdom of Allah is not gender-specific; therefore, the wives of Prophet Muhammad provided leadership to everyone—not just for “womanfolk” and “womankind.” Prophet Muhammad’s wives are called “Mothers of the Faithful.” This means that they are “Mothers” of the Believing men and women, and not just women.

Notwithstanding, women needed examples of how to build and maintain a righteous environment, and his wives were selected to provide that guidance. This holds true for the wives of the Messiah.

We cannot go deep into what each of the Messiah’s wives contribute to His growth, as well as the advancement of the Believing Community and Islam. Although, some of this unfolds as the Eternal Kingdom of Allah advances, only Allah knows the depth of their potential and service. We do know, however, that we have benefited and will continue to benefit from their devotion to the Cause of Allah.

DOMESTIC LIFE AND THE GROWTH OF THE MESSIAH

Aspects of the Messiah’s growth is realized through His marital experiences. His wives possess different skills, talents, and other qualities that are brought forth through the marital experience. Considering the uniqueness of each person, the world over, means

that our contributions are different, even though we may support the same objective or goal. Managing these differences to produce positive outcomes naturally advances us mentally and spiritually, especially if we are pursuing nearness to Allah.

We can never know the full scope of the difficulty or ease that the Messiah or His wives experience in the Domestic Life. However, knowing that His ultimate objective is to always please Allah, and that this pleasure is achieved through the progress of His Mission, we can reasonably affirm that ease comes to Him when progress is made.

Allah is pleased with HIS Messiah's growth, despite the means by which this growth is achieved. For example, what most people may perceive as a burden to Him, glorifies Allah. His ultimate goal is obedience to Allah regardless of any hardship, misfortune or discomfort. Only Allah knows the results of the Messiah's actions.

As with any person who has a significant responsibility and requires proper help, ease comes when that "help" comes. Again, the Messiah is eased by seeing the Mission advance in distinct and notable ways, although the greater progress is immeasurable because it takes place in the Unseen Realms.

Therefore, attempting to measure or judge the Messiah's progress by numeric indicators, such as the estimated number of "followers," or financial wealth is futile. Who can assess the success of the positive changes taking place in the hearts of the human population? Only Allah does this.

Also, the work of the Messiah's family brings ease to Him because He sees that the Mission entrusted to Him will continue through those committed to serve the Cause of Allah in the Messianic Mission. This ease is characterized in Sura 2:133:

Nay, but you bear witness that when death was approaching Jacob, he said unto his sons: "Whom will you worship after I am gone?" They answered: "We will worship thy God, the God of thy forefathers Abraham and Ishmael and Isaac, the One God; and unto Him will we surrender ourselves."

We can agree that the Messiah's wives represent a ring of support, protection and comfort rooted in faith and devotion. They have enabled Him to expand and advance His Mission. A greater

understanding of the Domestic Life comes through our study of the exquisite guidance and instructions given by Allah's Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan.

For the Believer, the Messiah's advancement in nearness to Allah should be reflected in his/her growth in nearness to Allah. The Believer is a jewel and product of what Allah has brought through His Messiah.

Overall, when looking at the Messiah, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, we continue to witness His ascendancy in the Spirit and Power of Allah. Through His example, we are witnessing a supreme administrator, a supreme manager, and a supreme ruler. He continues to bring billions of people from darkness into the Light of Truth.