## A Brief Conversation about the Bahá'í Faith

"The earth is but one country and mankind its citizens."

"It is clear and evident to thee that all the Prophets are the Temples of the Cause of God, Who have appeared clothed in divers attire."

"By its aid [of justice] thou shalt see with thine own eyes and not through the eyes of others, and shalt know of thine own knowledge and not through the knowledge of thy neighbor."

"If religion is opposed to reason and science, faith is impossible."

"The time must come when the imperative necessity for the holding of a vast, an all-embracing assemblage of men will be universally realized."

Just as the rays of the phenomenal sun are infinite, likewise the rays of the sun of reality are infinite. The following summary contains but a few of the rays which may be likened unto great principles shining into the consciousness of man:

- independent investigation of reality
- banishment of all prejudice
- oneness of the world of humanity
- oneness of the foundation of all religions
- unity of science and religion

- universal auxiliary language
- universal education
- equality of the sexes
- parliament of man
- universal peace

## Additional concepts:

- consultation as a means of conflict or problem resolution
- life after death
- spiritual nature of the soul
- spiritual nature of human relationships
- *physical and spiritual aspects of humanity*
- lack of distinction between laity & clergy

## Additional resources:

- http://www.bahai.org
- http://www.bahai.us