

The Kindness and Generosity of Bahá'u'lláh

In the time of Bahá'u'lláh there were many poor people who had little to eat and even less to spend on warm clothes. Bahá'u'lláh would meet them when He walked through the city. Although He was always extremely kind to everyone, He gave these poor ones His special attention.

There was one old lady in particular. She was eighty years old, and lived in a very poor area of Baghdad. She was frail and quite weak, but she had seen Bahá'u'lláh as He walked by on His way to the coffee house, and every day she waited for Him in the road, hoping to see Him again.

Bahá'u'lláh often passed that way and He was always exceedingly kind to her. She longed to kiss His hand – it was all she could do to show her great love for Him.

Bahá'u'lláh would not allow this, but He would bend down very low, so that even though she was not very tall, and bent with age,

she could reach to kiss His cheek. While He lived in Baghdad He showered kindness and love upon her, and when He had to leave to go to Constantinople, He arranged that money would be given to her until the end of her life.

