

# Songs of Seven Valleys

featuring text from

*The Seven Valleys and the Four Valleys*

by

Bahá'u'lláh

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And my mother, Barbara Higgins, for the gift of life and music;

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I was withered, Thou didst revive me with the heavenly stream  
of Thine utterance which hath flowed forth from the Pen of the  
All-Merciful”*

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## “In the name of God, the Clement, the Merciful”

Thus starts the journey of one who searches for God in  
“The Seven Valleys”.

This short book describes a journey of perception. In various stages, the one who seeks after God gains the ability to perceive the Manifestation of God. In the process, the seeker is transformed and emptied of self.

On the surface, *The Seven Valleys* and *the Four Valleys* by Bahá'u'lláh are letters written by Him to Súfí scholars in the 1850's. These letters are written in a classical Persian style and quote extensively from the great Persian poets and mystics, and from the Qu'rán. Yet behind all of the text is the burgeoning brilliance of Bahá'u'lláh's own revelation.

In placing these words in song, I hope that the singer will gain an intimate connection with Him and His Words. We can soar in wonder and weep for His sorrows.

These songs are not a substitute for reading the book - many concepts and mysteries remain that are not represented here. But we can use the songs to feel the Mystery.

## “His beauty hath no veiling save Light”

Bahá'u'lláh, *The Seven Valleys*

John Thomas Higgins  
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# In the Name of God, the Clement, the Merciful

Bahá'u'lláh

Songs of Seven Valleys

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*mf*  $\text{♩} = 120$

Soprano

In the name of God\_\_\_\_\_

Piano

*mp*

6

S.

the Clem - ent\_\_\_\_\_ the Mer - ci - ful.

Pno.

11

S.

Praise\_\_\_\_\_ be to God\_\_\_\_\_

A.

Praise\_\_\_\_\_ be to God\_\_\_\_\_

Pno.

In the Name of God, the Clement, the Merciful

16

S. Who hath made \_\_\_\_\_ be - ing come

A. Who hath made \_\_\_\_\_ be - ing come

Pno.

21

S. forth \_\_\_\_\_ from no - thing -

A. forth \_\_\_\_\_ from no - thing -

Pno.

26

S. ness; \_\_\_\_\_ gra - ven u -

A. ness; \_\_\_\_\_ gra - ven u -

Pno.

31

S. pon the tab - let of man the mys - ter -

A. pon the tab - let of man the mys - ter -

Pno.

36

S. ies of pre - - - ex -

A. ies of pre - - - ex -

Pno.

40

S. i - stence

A. i - stence

Pno.

44

S.  
taught him from the Ba - yán that which he knew not,

A.  
taught him from the Ba - yán that which he knew not,

T.  
taught him from the Ba - yán that which he knew not,

B.  
taught him from the Ba - yán that which he knew not,

Pno.

48

A.  
made him a Lu - mi - nous Book un - to

T.  
made him a Lu - mi - nous Book un - to

Pno.



51

S. who be - lieved and sur -

A. those who be - lieved, who be - lieved

T. those who be - lieved, who be - lieved

B. who be - lieved

Pno.

54

S. ren - dered them - selves caused him to wit - ness the cre -

A. caused him to wit - ness the cre -

Pno.

## In the Name of God, the Clement, the Merciful

58

S. a - tion of all things... and to speak forth from the a - pex of e -

A. a - tion of all things... and to speak forth from the a - pex of e -

Pno.

62

S. ter-ni - ty, of e - ter-ni - ty with a won - drous Voice, won-drous

A. ter-ni - ty, of e - ter-ni - ty with a won - drous Voice, won-drous

Pno.

66

S. Voice \_\_\_\_\_ won-drous Voice in the

A. Voice \_\_\_\_\_ won-drous Voice

Pno.

69

S. Ex-cel-lent\_ Tem-ple to the end that ev'-ry man may tes-ti - fy, in him-self, by him-

Pno.

73

S. self, in the sta - tion of the Man - i - fes - ta - tion of his

A. in the sta - tion of the Man - i - fes - ta - tion of his

Pno.

77

S. Lord, that ve-ri - ly\_\_ there is no\_ God\_ save\_ Him, no God save

A. Lord, that ve-ri - ly\_\_ there is no\_ God\_ save\_ Him, no God save

Pno.

## In the Name of God, the Clement, the Merciful

82

S. *p*  
Him, no God save Him, Him,

A. *p*  
Him, no God save Him, Him,

T. *f*  
that ev' - ry man may there - by win his way\_\_ to the

B. *f*  
that ev' - ry man may there - by win his way\_\_ to the

Pno.

87

S.

A. *f*  
of re - al - i -

T. *f*  
sum - - it of re - al - i -

B. *f*  
sum - - it of re - al - i - ties

Pno.

90 rit. *f* *ff*

S. of re - a - li - ties. ..See God there - in.

A. ties, of re - a - li - ties. *ff* ..See God there - in.

T. ties, of re - a - li - ties. *ff* ..See God there - in.

B. of re - a - li - ties. *ff* ..See God there - in.

Pno. rit.

The full text between measure 91 and 92 is  
 "until none shall contemplate anything  
 whatsoever but that he shall see God therein."