

EACH MESSENGER OF GOD PROMISES THAT ANOTHER MESSENGER WILL FOLLOW HIM. HE TELLS HIS FOLLOWERS TO ACCEPT THE NEW MESSENGER.



THAT'S CALLED THE **GREATER COVENANT**. A NEW MESSENGER COMES ABOUT EVERY 1000 YEARS.



## A New Moon for Every Age

"The measure of the revelation of the Prophets of God in this world, however, must differ. . . . Their Revelation may be likened unto the light of the moon that sheddeth its radiance upon the earth." —Bahá'u'lláh

**G**od has always sent His Messengers to earth. These Messengers reflect all the qualities of God — such as love, kindness, and justice — just like the moon reflects the light of the sun.

The Teachings that each Messenger brings form a new religion. Some of these Teachings stay the same throughout history, and others change with time.

Every Messenger of God tells His followers that another Messenger will follow Him someday.

He instructs them to accept and obey Him. This is called the **Greater Covenant**.

All the Messengers of God also told of a Promised One Who would come to unify all humanity. This Promised One of All Ages is Bahá'u'lláh.

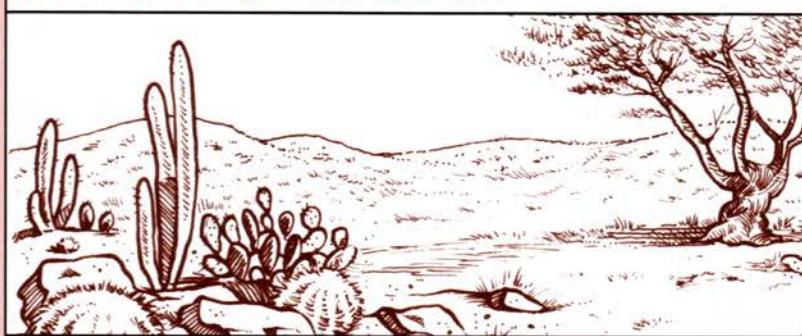
Because so much time has passed since They came to earth, we do not know everything about the early Messengers of God. These illustrations show places that are important to each religion.

Krishna's Birthplace • Mathura, India



**Krishna**, the Prophet of Hinduism, lived in India around 3000 BCE. 'Abdu'l-Bahá says, "The Message of Krishna is the message of love. All God's prophets have brought the message of love."

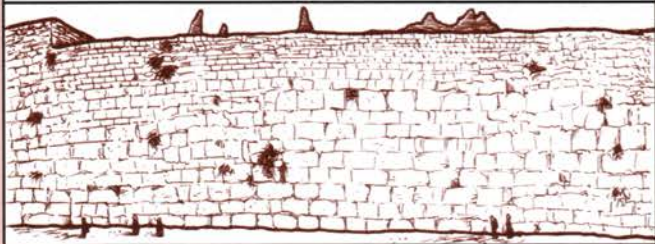
Abraham's Wanderings • Wilderness of Israel



**Abraham** lived around 2000 BCE. He left His home in Mesopotamia (between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers) for the land of Canaan, east of the Mediterranean Sea. 'Abdu'l-Bahá says that Abraham "... established the Unity of God ..."



Western Wall • Jerusalem, Israel



**Moses**, the Prophet of Judaism, lived around 1200 BCE. He led His followers from Egypt to Mount Sinai, where He received laws from God. 'Abdu'l-Bahá says He "... led them to the highest possible degree of civilization at that period."

Zoroastrian Temple • Near Yazd, Iran



**Zoroaster**, Who brought Zoroastrianism, lived in Persia around 1000 BCE. A Zoroastrian prophecy tells of Muhammad, the Báb, and Bahá'u'lláh. The Bahá'í Writings say, "As regards ... morality and the development of human virtues, there is no difference whatsoever between the teachings of Zoroaster, Jesus and Bahá'u'lláh."

Bodhi Tree • Bodh Gaya, India



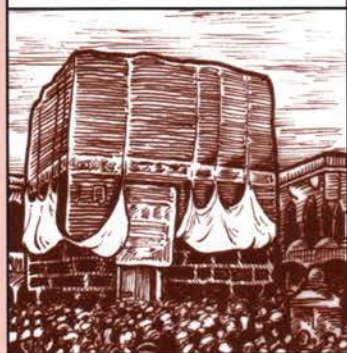
**Buddha**, Founder of Buddhism, lived in India from 563 to 483 BCE. 'Abdu'l-Bahá says, "The real teaching of Buddha is the same as the teaching of Jesus Christ. The teachings of all the Prophets are the same in character."

Chapel of the Nativity • Bethlehem, Israel



**Jesus** brought Christianity. He lived from 4 BCE to 30 CE, mostly in Galilee (now part of Israel). He foretold of the coming of Muhammad when He said, "I go away, and come again unto you."

Kaaba Shrine  
Mecca, Saudi Arabia



**Muhammad** founded Islam. He lived in Saudi Arabia from 570–632 CE. Muhammad referred to the return of Jesus' Spirit when He said, "I am Jesus." He also spoke of a Messenger called the "Qá'im," or "He who shall arise."

The Báb's Home • Shíráz, Iran



**The Báb**, Who brought the Bábí Faith, lived in Persia from 1819 to 1850. He identified Himself as the "Qá'im" promised by Muhammad. The Báb told His followers to seek Bahá'u'lláh, "Him Whom God shall make manifest."

Ridván Garden • Baghdád, Iraq



**Bahá'u'lláh** brought the Bahá'í Faith. He lived from 1817 to 1892. He was exiled from Persia to Iraq, Turkey, and the area that is now Israel. Bahá'u'lláh promised that a new Messenger will appear after at least 1000 years have passed. ✨