One of the first times a person saw Earth from outer space was in 1968. Until then, many people imagined countries with solid borders, like walls.

But when images of sections of Earth from the Apollo 8 spacecraft appeared on TV, everyone saw a new perspective. The view of our planet as one home for all of us grew clearer.

In 1972, the Apollo 17 crew took the famous “Blue Marble” photo of the planet, and it was printed on the front page of nearly every newspaper. As Bahá’u’lláh had said, “The earth is but one country, and mankind its citizens.”

We’re living in a special time. Bahá’u’lláh says that peace on Earth will come. Prayer can help. Envision our diverse planet at peace as you say this prayer. Writing it out a few times can help you memorize it.

**READ THIS PRAYER, THEN CHECK OUT THE HIGHLIGHTED WORDS BELOW.**

1. Harmony  
2. Aloft  
3. Establish  
4. Cement  
5. Delight  
6. Stronghold  
7. Providence  
8. Overlooketh  
9. Shortcomings

A. Set up on a firm basis  
B. Agreeableness or unity  
C. Bond or link  
D. In the air or high above  
E. Fortress or safe place  
F. Weaknesses or flaws  
G. Cheer, appeal to  
H. Divine care or protection  
I. Disregards, pays no attention to

**THOU kind Lord! Unite all. Let the religions agree and make the nations one, so that they may see each other as one family and the whole earth as one home. May they all live together in perfect **harmony**. O God! Raise **aloft** the banner of the oneness of mankind. O God! **Establish** the Most Great Peace. **Cement** Thou, O God, the hearts together. O Thou kind Father, God! **Gladden** our hearts through the fragrance of Thy love. **Brighten** our eyes through the Light of Thy Guidance. **Delight** our ears with the melody of Thy Word, and **shelter** us all in the **Stronghold** of Thy **Providence**. Thou art the Mighty and Powerful, Thou art the Forgiving and Thou art the One Who **overlooketh** the **shortcomings** of all mankind. —’Abdu’l-Bahá

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