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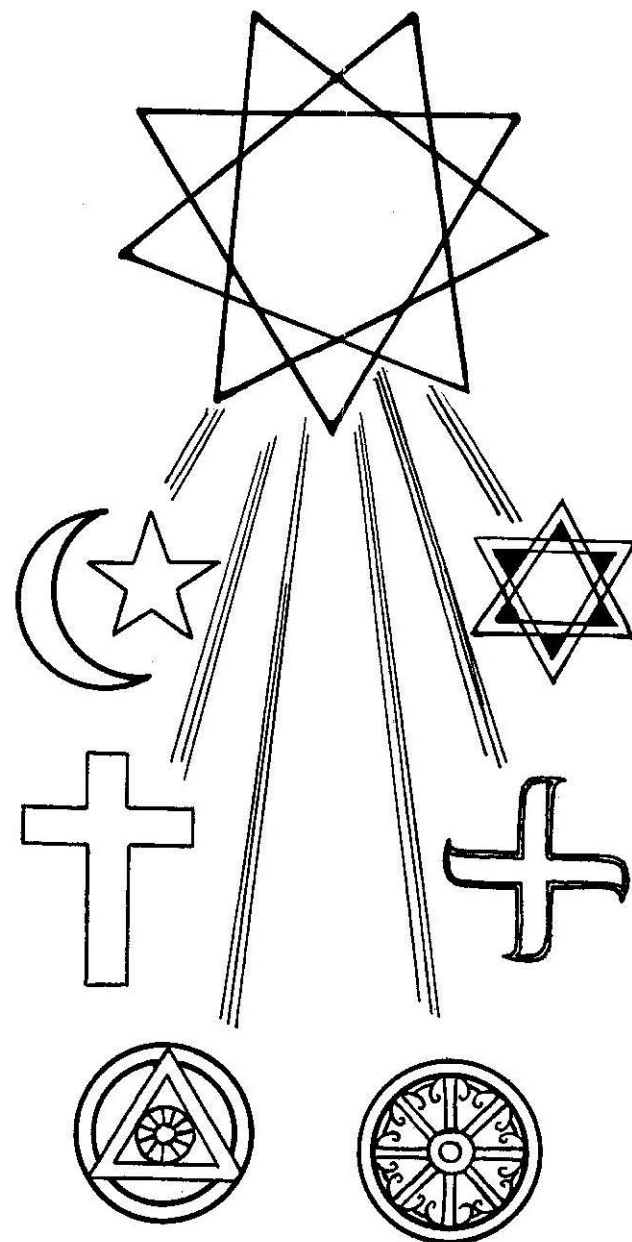
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THE SEVEN NOBLE TRUTHS
FOR
THE ULTIMATE DEVELOPMENT OF MAN

1. The ultimate perfection of man on this Planet is spiritual.
2. Spirituality consists of drawing the Universal into one's individual life. Anything not based on this experience is not spiritual.
3. ⁶³ "Spiritual development is attained by desire, study of the word, prayer and meditation." *Abdul Baha*
4. Meditation is a lessening of the awareness of the self, and an increasing of the awareness of the Universal.
5. Spiritual development - harmony with the Universe brings serenity, guidance, joy, Cosmic love, harmony with one's fellow man, and power for achievement without strain.
6. All movements that are awakening and raising the spiritual development of man the world over, are helping to bring about the universal spiritualization of mankind envisioned as the kingdom of God on earth.
7. The Bahai faith is a world effort and a world force in this direction. It is at present the most widely spread and universally appealing of all such movements on this Planet.

EIGHT POSTULATES OF THE SPIRIT

1. Spirit is the causal Reality of the Cosmos.
2. Matter is Spirit in disguise.
3. Matter is subject to Spirit in all things.
4. Spirit can manipulate matter.
5. Spirit operates only under the law of love, service and self-sacrifice.
6. Man has worked seeming miracles functioning as intelligence; he can work still greater miracles in the coming age functioning as Spirit.
7. We are at the dawn of a new World Order - world peace, world federation, world brotherhood - based on and activated by the universal spiritualization of mankind.
8. This ultimate evolution of man - the splendid City of God on earth - fulfills the aims and prophecies of all the world religions.

The Baha'i Faith appeals to spiritually striving people the world over, of whatever present religious faith.