

9B btfaf, 2005

Rbk tj LKtK DfI k" Kti tj Lv GKwU wPw t

mgfqi e'eatb Avcbvi mvt_ Avgvi e'w³MZ GKUv mpm^uK^oMto Dfvto etj B Avgvi gtb nq| Avgv PvB tm m^uK^oKzKD, ev tKvfbv agZ&thb b6 KiZ bv cvfi | Avgv tmBRb" B GB wPwWU AvcbvK AvtM cvVw"Q|

tkl chS-fxLY hšYvi gvS w`tq Avcbvi eBUvi A¶i thvRbv tkl Kij vg| %wK hšYvi PvBZ gvbwmK hšYv Dcj wä KtiwQ Avgv tekx| ^wK hšYv GB KviY th GK cövi mvaviY UvBctmUj KiZ th-mgq j vfm Avcbvi GB eBUvi t¶i AvBtUgvBRW bv^uvi s l tUvej -÷vBj ,tj vi mvgvj w`tZ Avgvq w0 ,Y Kmi Z l mgq w`tZ ntqtQ|

gvbwmK hšYvi KviY eü| tQvUtej v t_ tK Bmj vg ag^mafU Avgvi th aviYv wQj Avcbvi GB eBUU UvBctmU KiZ wMtq Zv m^uY^e t_ tMtQ| Avgv AtbKevi AvcbvK etj wQ th, **Avgvi AvZtq`Rb l eÜevÜet`i gta` eümsL`K gmj gvb** (Avcbvi evsj vq tj Lv eBUtZ t`LtZ cw"Q Avcbv Bsti Rx D"PviY gmvij g e`envi KtiQb)| Avcbvi GB eBtq th Qme Avcbv Ztj atiqb Zvi gva`tg ÖBmj vg ag^oth kwiš+ ag^otm h³ Avcbv wbtRB bmvr Kti w`tqtQb| Lxoxqv ev wü`x ag^o ev ag^eY`K tKv_vl Bmj vg atg^o gvb| RbtK ÖMvj vMvj Ö t`qv nqv| niiv, Kvtdi gpbwK G-me Mj vMvj B th-me Avcbvi eBtq Gtj vcv_wofvte e`envi Kiv ntqtQ| A_P tmB Kvtdi t` i t`tk Gtm Kvtdi t` i t`qv bvbv iYi mthvMvyeav PvKvi evKvi tbevi mgq Bmj vg ag^ej w`t` i GZUKwOav nq bv| Ggb tKvfbv ag^oAvto etj Avgvi Rvbv tbB th atg^oAb" atg^o ÖGUv wK bq, l Uv wK bq0 etj tKvfbv Dtj L Avto ev Kiv nq| Öbtri ag^owtri Kvto GB h³ZB Avgiv bvbv atg^o gvb| Rb GRMtZ evm Kti AvmQ| eü t¶i Avcbv wbtRB `teivax gše" KtiQb| Bmj vg-Gi tPvL me ag^omgv AtbKevi Avcbv Dtj L KtiQb| Avevi Lxoxqv t` ag^o l vekym Abhvqx hxi LxotK µkwcZ ntq gZeiY KiZ ntqtQ ÖGUv mZ" bq0 etj wj wLZfvte Avcbv AvfgZ cKvk Kivi gtZv JxZ" t`wLqtQb| JxZ" kAUv e`envi Kij vg GBRb" th Avcbv thgb GKRb tMuov gmj gvb, Avgv l GKRb tMuov Lxoxqv Zte d'vbwUK Lxoxqv bB| Avgvi gvbwmK hšYv i ayGB Kvi YB bq, atg^o fos Abfe Kti l Avgv AevK ntqv| evBtetj i (l i tU÷vtgE l wD tU÷vtgE) Kvbv wKš' i wZgZ wj wceX BwZnm|

Avgvi GB gvbwmK hšYv wKQbv jvNe Kivi j t¶i hLbB Avcbvi GB eBUvi A¶i thvRbvq nvZ w`tqv ZLbB mjj gvb i`k`xi (hvi Dci GK cv_ex-weL`vZ Bivbx tgvj v gZi dtZvqv Rvix Kti tMtQ) Öm`UvwbK fvtm^o eBUvi e³e`wj Avgvi tPvLi mgtb me¶Y dtU Dfvto !

evsj vt`k mn mviv vekp`vch th mšym Pjt to, gmj gvb t` i mybwmkqvi gta" th Lp-Lvi vxi i³Mzv etq hv"Q, Bmj vg atg^o bvtg tgvj viv gv-tevb-teš-wst` i l ci th AgvbwK dtZvqv Rvix Kti wöi fvte cv_i tgti cÖYvwb KiQ Zvi fvi fvi `övš-t` Lvi ci l Avcbv `vex KiQb Bmj vg ag^okwiš+ ag^o evsj vt`k g³h³x i mgq ivRvKvi Avj e`i gflvkavix th gmj gvb gvb| Rb j ¶i j ¶i gmj gvb/Agmj gvb gv-tevb t` i al¶ KtiQ, Lp KtiQ Gme BwZnm tRtbi Avcbv `vex KiQb ÖBmj vg ag^okwiš+ ag^o Ki"b ZvtZ Avgvi tKvb AvcwE tbB wKš' Ab" ag^oafU tbwZevPK gše" Avgvi mtn`i mxgvK AvZµg Kti hvq| evsj vt`k tto Avcbv AvdMvb`vb l BivKi w`tK GKUz `wö i vLp| l Lvfb Lpvlvb-gvvgvwi -mšym-mjövix Kivi, tKvb&ag^ej af ? Avtgui Kvq 9/11 ntj v, Avevi j Etb wK ntj v ? tKvb&ag^ej af GB mšym ,tj v ? Ckij mó gbj "RwZtK tKvb&ag^ej afi mšymxiv Lp KiQ tetnkZ wMtq mjj l üici t` i tfM-mt^oM Kivi Aj xK Avkvq ?

Avgvi Kvto K`vib Avg^o-š-Gi tj Lv "A History of God – The 4000-year Quest of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam" eB Avto thlv covi mthvM Avcbvi ntqtQ wKbv Rvbv bv| eBUvi Aa`vq ,tj v nt"Q t

1. In the Beginning (36 pages)
2. One God (104 pages)
3. A Light to the Gentiles (55 pages)
4. Trinity: The Christian God (57 pages)
5. Unity: The God of Islam (39 pages)

6. The God of the Philosophers (39 pages)
7. The God of the Mystics (67 pages)
8. A God for Reformers (49 pages)
9. Enlightenment (71 pages)
10. The Death of God? (34 pages)
11. Does God Have a Future? (15 pages)

th-mKj eB-cy #Ki Dci wfwE Kti GB eBUv tj Lv ntqtQ tmLvfb dUtbvtUi mslv AMWZ Ges A_vit i gta AvtQ Lioxqvb, gnyj gvb, whuw – GB wZb atgp agey K t_tKI ti dvti Y t`qv AvtQ| G-eBUv cotj GB wZb atgp gj DrcwE I e`wB m`fU mwVK e`vL`v cvl qv hvq wKs` Avcbvi GB eBUvtZ O`i ayBmj vg agB nt`Q GKgvI ag`Avi Ab` ag`wj i wekO GBaitYi GKUv avi Yv cvl qv hvq c`Z`KwU cvZvq|

K`v`ib Avg`-s-Gi eBwUtz tj wLKv D`j L` H wZbwU ag`Avcbvcb `wof`x wbtq Avtj vPbv Kti`Qb ti dvti Y mnKvti, wBR`^gZvgZ t` bwb, thgb Avcbvi eBUvtZ Avcbw t` evi tPov Kti`Qb| tj wLKv tKvfbv atgp t`t` thgb weifc tKvfbv gse` Ktibwb, tZgw b tKvfbv t`t`B wZwb Zj bvl Z`j atibwb| thgb, Avcbvi eB Abjvqx, gnyj g Qovv RvbtZ (t`M`A`_` tnt`f`b) Avi tKD th`Z cvi te bv, Avevi Zv` i gta`I A`b`K t`vR`Li (bitKi, A`_` t`nj &Gi) Av`_`b c`p`te, KviY, Avcbw t`wL`t`Q`b c`w`ex I Zb`w`-Z gvby R`b`i m`w`K`v`i`x`i (A`_` Avj vni) `wU i`c` t` t`g`v`m`y` i `q`j`y`l` K`v`i`k`w`-`v`Z`v`| niiv, Avgv` i (Lioxqvb` i) atg`c`j`-`vi I kw`-m`f`U` tj Lv AvtQ Aek`B wKs` Avgv` i Ck`j`K` O`f`q`i`o` wK`f` K`v`i` kw`-`v`Z`v` AvL`v` w`_`t`q` t`K`v`_`v`l` D`j`L` K`i`v` n`q`w`b`| Avi GKUv K`_`v` t` O`-M`I` biK`O` etj th tKv`v` RvqMv AvtQ Zv wKs` GLbl gvbt`i KvtQ c`w`w`YZ nqwb| h`w` t`m`a`i`t`Y`i` t`K`v`b`v` RvqMv`_`v`K`Z`v` Zvntj Avcbvi Bmj vg atgp fvl` Abjvqx O`Kv`d`i`O` Avt`g`w`i` K`v` A`b`K` Avt`M`B` H` RvqMv`_`_`U`v` A`w`e`v`i` K`ti` t`d`j` Zv` i` w`b`k`v`b` j`w`M`t`q` A`m`t`Z`v`| m`v`a`i`Y` A`v`b`e`y`x` m`a`u`b`a`e`g`j`g`t`b`i` gvby Rv`b` th`-`M`I` biK` (t`e`n`k`Z`&I` t`-`v`R`L) GB c`w`_`e`x`t`Z`B` w`e`-`g`v`b`| G-RM`Z` gvby Zvi Avq`v`t`j` B`-`M`I` biK` GB`-`_`U` c`w`i`t`e`o`t`b`i` g`a`-`w`_`t`q` e`i`m` K`ti` hvq| wKs` G w`e`Z`t`K`A`w`g` h`v`e`v` b`v` K`v`i`Y` Avgv`i` ag`e`y` #K` w`j`w`L`Z` th` Z`-` I` D`c`i` k` m`g`M`O`AvtQ` Zvi Dci Avgvi gb I c`O`Y` w`_`t`q` A`w`g` w`e`k`l`m` K`w`i` I` A`v`-`v` i`w`L`|

Awng AvcbvK OK_w0 w`_`t`q`Q`j` vg` etj` B` Awng` m`a`u`y`e`BUv` UvBctmU` KtiwQ| Zte GtZ A`_`i`thvRbv` tK` ev` tKv`b`&` A`w`d`m` Kti`Q` Zvi` tKv`fbv` D`j`L` Awng` i`v`L`t`e`v` b`v` e`v` Q`v`c`v`i` A`_`i`t`i` c`k`v`k` K`i`v`i` I` A`b`g`w`Z` t`-`e` b`v`| Avgvi th-mKj gnyj gvb AvZ`q`-`R`b` e`U`e`v`U`e` AvtQ` Zv` i` K`v`i` I` t`g`v`j`v` i` O`v`i`v` t`e`b`-`l`q`v`k` n`t`q`t`Q` etj` Awng` tKvfbv` w`P`y` c`v`B`w`b`| Zv` i` m`e`v`i`B` G`K` m`j` – h`v`i` h`v`i` ag`Z`v`i` Zvi` KvtQ| Avcbvi GB eBtq tKv`_`v`l` tKv`_`v`l` t`m` m`j` I` AvtQ` {thgb` m`j`v` Kvt`d`i`-`b` (109) Avq`v`Z` 6` :` e`j` ,` t`Z`v`g`v`-`i` R`b`-` t`Z`v`g`v`-`i` ag` ,` Avgv`-`i` R`b`-` Avgv`-`i` ag` } Zvi` c`i` I` Ab` ag` m`a`f`U` w`b`-`v`n`B`w`Z`I` AvtQ| Lioxqvb` w`n`t`m`te` G`w`U` Avgvi` KvtQ` M`h`Y`thvM` b`q`| Avcbvi eWZ` Bmj vg atgp tPv`L` Kvt`d`i`-`i` g`ta`-` t`Z`v` A`w`g`l` c`w`o` ,` wKs` Awng` Avgvi` K`_`v` i`w`L`| Avgvi` t`m`B` c`O`Z`k`O`Z`i` m`a`j`b` i`_`t`v`-`A`v`c`w`b` eBUvtZ` h`v`B`-`B` w`j`_`t`L`Q`b` m`e`B` U`v`B`t`c`t`m`U` KtiwQ| e`-`j`v`e`v`i` g`ta`-` i`a`y` f`j` e`v`b`v`b`_`t`j`v` i`x` KtiwQ` Avi` A`_`i`thvRbv`i` g`v`b` h`_`v`m`v`a`-`D`b`Z` i`v`L`v`i` t`P`o`v` KtiwQ|

Awng GKUv w`c`E`-`A`v`D`U` c`O`Z` t`i`t`L`w`Q` i`a`y`c`O`d`i`x`w` K`i`v`i` R`b`-`| A`b`f`i`v`a` K`i`t`e`v` U`v`B`t`c`v`_`t`j`v` w`K` K`ti` t`-`t`e`b` ,` w`K`Q`y` w`W`v`j` U` K`i`Z` P`v`B`t`j` K`i`t`e`b` w`Ks` b`Z`b` t`Kv`fbv` w`K`Q`y`m`st`h`v`R`b` b`q`| eBUv Awng t`c`R`-`t`g`K`A`v`c` K`ti`B` t`m`U` K`ti` w`_`t`q`w`Q`| tKvfbv`w`K`Q`y`thvM` w`_`t`Z` t`M`t`j` c`f`i`v` eBUvi` t`c`R`-`t`g`K`A`v`c` t`P`A` n`l` q`v`i` m`a`f`e`b`v` AvtQ` ,` Ges` t`m` K`v`i`t`Y` Avgv`t`K` Avevi` A`-`t`b`-`K` m`g`q` w`_`t`Z` n`t`e`| G`g`w`b`t`Z`B` h`t`_`o` m`g`q` Awng` w`_`t`q`w`Q` ,` t`m`B`m`v`t`_` h`t`_`o` O`w`e`j` O` h`S`y`v` m`n`-` KtiwQ` Avgvi` c`O`Z`k`O`Z` i`_`t`v` K`i`v`i` R`b`-`| Avcbvi` c`O`d`i`x`w` n`t`q` h`v`l` q`v`i` c`i` G`w`-`K`-`l`w`-`K` g`v`B`b`i` h`v` t`P`A` K`i`Z` n`t`e` Zv` w`K` K`ti` t`-`t`e`v`| Zte` e`v`i`e`v`i` e`j`w`Q` ,` G`i` Avt`M`I` e`t`j`w`Q` ,` b`Z`b` w`K`Q`y`thvM` K`i`t`e`b` b`v` ,` g`v`B`b`i` A`-`e`v` t`g`R`i`| Awng` G`U`v`i` I`c`i` G`c`-`w`m`m` w`-`w`Q` G`B`R`b`-` th` G`-`c`h`S`-`A`v`c`b`v`i` R`b`-` th`-`m`K`j` A`_`i`thvRbv` KtiwQ` – eB` t`n`v`K` e`v` w`P`w`c`I` – m`e`t`_`t`t`B` c`O`d`i`x`w` K`i`v`i` m`g`q` G`L`v`t`b`-`t`m`L`v`t`b` U`K`i`v` K`v`M`t`R` e`v` t`P`v`Z`v` t`m`U` w`_`t`q` A`v`c`w`b` A`b`K` w`K`Q`y`thvM` K`ti`t`Q`b`|

hZ ZvovZwio AvcbvK dvBbvj GK Kwc w`c`E`-`A`v`D`U` Ges` w`w`t`-`U` K`w`c` w`_`t`Z` c`w`i`i` Z`Z`B` Avgvi` c`t`_`t`j` g`j`j` ,` Avgv`t`K` Avi` h`S`y`v`q` f`j`M`t`Z` n`t`e` b`v`|

GLvfb Avtiv Dtv L Kiv Avek"K gtb Kwi th, Kfvi wWRvBb l wC0EsGi e'e`vi `wqZj m=uy©Avcbvfk wbtZ nte, Avcbvi G eBtqi mvf_ dvBbvj c0diwW Kivi ci Awmg Avi tKvfbv m=uk©ivLtz PvB bv| Avgvi KvqQ th_ tv v Ac0mZKi A_ev A`fveK, AtnZK tv tMtQ tm_ tv v Awmg j vj A¶iti wC0E KtiwQ| Avcbvi GB eBUvi Rb", Avgvi gtvZ, l_ tv v Aevst, Zeyl tkb th Avcbv Dtv L KtiqQb Awmg eStZ cwii bv| Avcbv`i tKvvtb l nv`xtm th iwk iwk `teivax Aevst, Aev`e, AvcmEKi l i"wpiei"× Dw³ AvtQ, agfU bq wK=ftg v bq Ggb Avbx_ Yx gmj gvb e"³tzj mvf_ K_v etj Awmg RvbtZ tctiwQ| Zuiv agfU bb, Zuiv awmgK l c0KZ gmj gvb etj wbtRt`i `vex Ktib m½ZKvi tYB, Ges Awmg l Zvt`i kxv Kwi | Zuiv agfU RvgvZx Bmj vgx Xstq RvgvZx wCQj vgx Ktib bv|

tek KthK RvqMvq Awmg j vj A¶i w`tq c0Kvk Kivi tPov KtiwQ tKvb& tv tvZ Avgvi Amtsh mw0 ntqtQ| Ab` atgP Dci weifc gse"/Avtv vPbv l Ab`vb`agP tv vKRbtK h" Kvtdi BZ`w` m=0Y_ tv v Avcbv ev` t`b Zvntj nqtZv A¶i thvRbvi RvqMvq Avgvi Awdmi bvg ivLtz cwii, Ab`_vq bq| A`f Avcbvi eBU h" i ayBmj vg ag© wfwEK nq, Ab`vb` agm=ftU weZK0j K ev gvbmK cxov`vqK ti dvti Y_ tv v ev` t`qv nq Zvntj Avgvi ct¶ hZUKz m=0 Awmg mrvh" Kitz c0Z| c0g evi hLb AtbK cvZv UvBctmU Kivi ci Awmg gvbmK hšyvi Rb` tkl bv Ktib Avcbvfk tdir w`tqvQj vg Zvi KviY Avcbvfk Awmg etj wQj vg| Gevti hLb Avcbv AvgtK wtkl fite Abtiva Kiti b, Awmg tftv wbtqvQj vg th HmKj ti dvti Y_ tv v Avcbv ev` w`tqtQb| cvZv Dtecvte Awmg t`wLvb tmBRb", Ges bv t`tLB Awmg Avcbvfk K_v w`tqvQj vg KvRUv K0ti t`qvi, K0Uv cqmv th Avgvi Awdm cvte tm wmvve ev wPst`bv Ktib| Avgvi tgrvtRi Rb" Awmg Rbwcb bv ntZ cwii wKs`evsj vt`tki gmj gvb FYtLj vct`i gtvZ Avgvi K_v Awmg tLj vc Kwi bv|

I hope you will have a proper understanding of the sentiments I have expressed in this letter.

Thank you.