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Seminar

**Baha'i and the Evolution of
Religious Thoughts and Movements**

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Abstract

In the evolution of religious thoughts and movements, especially after the separation of the state and religion had become more pronounced as a social doctrine, religion has retreated into the private space of human life and it is thought to be only relevant in that space alone. But, religion, in its original spirit and forms, has always concerned itself with both individual and social transformation, though some religious movements have made that feature more explicit than others. Some observers even claimed that no account of civilization building is complete without the contribution of religion. This brief presentation will attempt to show that many religious teachings need the social space to demonstrate their efficacy. It would also look at the social dimension of religious teachings and religious teachings expressed at the social level, using the example of the Baha'i Faith.

Speaker

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