BABA WAS SO NATURAL

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MANI: Just like He had that message brought into His room. Hafiz's verse, couplets. He had told Aloba to bring this board. It was here without a frame or a glass, right on the wall. Whatever the Master does, never question. Read it out somebody, first line.

PILGRIM 1: "About what you hear from the Master, never say it is wrong, because my dear, the fault lies in your own incapacity to understand Him."

MANI: Yeah, and that was the very last day, Baba's physical presence, on earth. He had it brought to His room, which is where he was, always. Months and days. So, it was brought and it seemed like Baba wanted to look at it, you know, that He had it brought for a purpose. But the only purpose was, you know, silently to be kept there. That, that was His message to us. Because you know, Eruch said to Aloba, "What a time, leave it." He said, "But Baba told me to bring it, keep it."

When Baba's well He would see, you know, wish we would've thought. In the afternoon but there would be little changes. One day, but in the morning, Baba would be better, then He might be worse. Morning's not so good or, one day not so good. Next day very, very nice. Which is what we were hoping, that it would not—the nice days would continue longer and soon He'd be well. So, this board, that is why it is still there in Baba's room, exactly where it is was placed. And when Mehera said, "But, but Baba didn't even tell us anything about what He was going to do." This, it was so totally unexpected. At least for us women, absolutely. So I said, "But Mehera He did give a message." "What?," He made it very plain. I know what I'm doing.

So even in His silence, He was not speaking. It was not a straight speaking, you know. It had to be gently, like parables as Christ did or some other way, but never, never unnaturally. Sometimes He— "Did Baba say that?" It makes me think, did Baba get up and say, "And this, so this is going to"—I said, "Never, never, never." That's why we can know when somebody says, "Did Baba say that?" No, He couldn't have. Because He would say so naturally, so easily, so casually.

There were so many little stories which I caught, His simple sermons. Which were given not even at a time when He was giving a discourse. Which He would to somebody who would ask to see Him. Somebody interested in other things. In just

sitting beside His feet and being with Him or serving Him, you know. More intellectual, you know. That, even that wouldn't be like that. But these little simple sermons, they have such depth in it. Such breadth in it, such height in it. And yet, the shape of it, the size, the— it contained of something so simple, so little, so natural. So, the same——