

Khurásán: Mullá Sádiq-i-Khurásání

His full name is usually given as Mullá Sádiq-i-Muqaddas-i-Khurásání. Bahá'u'lláh gave him the title of *Ismu'lláhu'l-Asdaq* [The Name of God the Most Truthful].

Briefly, together with Quddús and Mullá 'Alí-Akbar-i-Ardistání, he was among the first to suffer for the Cause of the Báb on Persian soil (*Dawn-Breakers* Chapter 8, p146 and footnote 2). He was the eldest of three brothers. He went with his younger 22-year-old brother, Muhammad Hasan, to the fort of Shaykh Tabarsí. The younger brother was killed by the horsemen of Khusraw on the way to Shaykh Tabarsí (martyr #12). Mullâ Sádiq himself got to the fort of Shaykh Tabarsí and became one of the few survivors of that struggle. He went on to fully recognize the station of Bahá'u'lláh and sacrificially served to his last breath. 'Abdu'l-Bahá in the Memorials of the Faithful [section 2] names him posthumously as one of the Hands of the Cause. His son, known as Ibn-i-Asdaq [means son of Asdaq], followed in his father's footsteps of sacrificial service to the Cause. Ibn-i-Asdaq was also named a Hand of the Cause and given the title of *shahíd ibne-i-shahíd* [means martyr, son of the martyr] by Bahá'u'lláh. Both father and son were given the rank of martyr because of lives so full of service that it was like living martyrdom [Balyuzi *Eminent Bahá'ís in the time of Bahá'u'lláh*, p171]. Ibn-i-Asdaq was also named by Shoghi Effendi as one of the nineteen Apostles of Bahá'u'lláh [*Bahá'í World* vol 3, p80-81].

More detailed accounts of his life can be found in:

- Hasan Balyuzi, *Eminent Bahá'ís in the time of Bahá'u'lláh*, Chapter 1, p7-22. George Ronald 1985
- [Bahaiopedia: Ismu'lláhu'l-Aşdaq](#)
- [Bahai Library online: Mulla Sadiq-i-Khurasani \(Muqaddas\)](#)
- [Bahai Chronicles: Ismu'lláhu'l-Asdaq](#)

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