

THE LIGHT OF THE NAAD OF THE SHABAD GURU

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Introduction

Sat Nam! I am so happy to greet you during our Winter Solstice gathering online. Even if we are not together in person, our spirit traverses the globe and we are together in heart and mind.

It is the recitation and singing of the divine Naad of the Shabad Guru that cause their melodious hymns to drench the very air with a profound spiritual fragrance.

Everyone, belonging to any gender, religion, caste, country or creed—without regard to any earthly distinction—may obtain divine nourishment, spiritual peace, and physical healing when listening to the powerful Naad of the Shabad Guru.

Today I am going to share some of the profound the technology of the Shabad Guru and how it can allow humanity to be united as one.

Merging the Naad of the Shabad Guru with Human Consciousness

The Naad of the Shabad Guru offers every individual the most profound experience of clarity of mind, solace, and peace. Distinct aesthetic pleasures are generated by the integration of the Naad and human consciousness. This is made possible when the divine Naad is sung to musical raags that project a powerful sound current that penetrates the depth of human consciousness.

When listening, reciting, or singing, an amalgamation of the human consciousness with the Naad of the Shabad Guru is formed and the individual becomes one with the Divine. Such a one acquires uniformity and harmony with the Creator, merging their individual consciousness with the vibrational frequency of the Shabad Guru. This powerful spiritual force extends not only to the individual but projects out to the world at large.

Awakening Unity of Consciousness

Very soon, we will be celebrating the birthday of our 10th Master, Guru Gobind Singh Sahib Ji.

Our Great Guru Gobind Singh Sahib Ji Was An Unparalleled Leader

- He sacrificed his entire family, for the dignity of humanity.
- He fought to protect the weak
- He brought equality to all people
- He saved India and the Hindu religion.
- He took away the class system and hierarchy
- He said everybody deserves dignity and respect.

The Siri Guru Granth Sahib is the Shabad Guru

When he left his earthly abode, **Guru Gobind Singh Ji gave the Guruship over to the Siri Guru Granth Sahib, the Shabad Guru**, so that we would always retain a direct line to speak to him.

When giving his last sermon, Guru Gobind Singh ji spoke these words to his Sikhs:

A Sikh who wants to see me, should have a look at the Granth. One who wishes to talk to me, should read the Granth and think over it. One who is anxious to listen to my talk, he should read the Granth and listen to its recitation with attention. Consider the Granth as my own self. Have not the least doubt about it."

Throughout his life, Guru Gobind Singh sought to fuse the gaps in consciousness and understanding that blocked spiritual evolution and led to misplaced judgments, which people of vying religions had for one another. He sought to awaken our unity in spirit as one humanity created by the One Lord. Each religion claimed to have the only true teaching and the only true language of its god or gods.

The language of the Hindus is Sanskrit; the language of Muslims is Arabic. Guru Gobind Singh, through his masterfully constructed verses in Jaap Sahib, spoke straight to the hearts of the people. By yoking together the words in their various languages and dialects to form composite words, he not only adds new dimension and depth to their meanings, but also produced new vibratory frequencies in the sounds, previously unheard of in any language.

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Fusing their languages in the praise of the One Lord Eternal, the Guru broke the human-made, artificial barriers that divide people, producing hatred and animosity. Through its recitation, Jaap Sahib thus cuts asunder the boundaries of division, discrimination, and hatred among people.

May this message of love and light of the holy Siri Guru Granth Sahib fill our hearts of all humanity with adoration of the Divine.

May unity, co-operation, equality, and worship of the Divine One be performed in holy gatherings, filling the darkness of ignorance wherever it lingers with the illuminating radiance of the ***Light of the Naad of the Shabad Guru***.

Amongst all, the One Lord is pervading: see and behold the Divine.

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