

**GLORY OF GURU**

**कबीर के दोहे**

**COUPLETS OF KABIR**

**GURU POORNIMA  
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गुरुर्ब्रह्मा गुरुर्विष्णुः  
गुरुर्देवो महेश्वरः ।  
गुरुः साक्षात् परब्रह्म  
तस्मै श्री गुरवे नमः ॥

gururbrahmā gururviṣṇuḥ  
gururdevo maheśvaraḥ  
guruḥ sākṣāt-parabrahma  
tasmai śrī gurave namaḥ

## Vande Guru Paramparaam...

On the occasion of sacred Guru Pournima, we pay homage to the galaxy of sages and saints of Bharatavarsha who have maintained the pristine knowledge of Vedanta from time immemorial through an unbroken chain of Guru-Shishya Parampara (preceptor-disciple lineage) We devotedly gather on this sacred occasion to express our gratitude and pledge to follow their footsteps.

गुरु गोविन्द दोऊ खड़े  
काके लागू पाय ।  
बलिहारी गुरु आपणै  
गोविन्द दियो बताय ॥

guru govind doū khade  
kāke lāgū pāy  
balihārī guru āpaṇai  
govind diyo batāy

If both Guru and God were to stand before me, whose feet should I touch (first)? Salutations to the Guru, for you pointed the God to me.

सब धरती कागज करूँ  
लेखनी सब बनराय ।  
सात समुद्र की मसि करूँ  
गुरु गुण लिखा न जाय ॥

sab dhartī kāgaj karū(n)  
lekhanī sab banarāy  
sāt samudra kī masi karū(n)  
guru guṇ likhā na jāy

Even if I were to convert the entire surface of the earth into paper, all forests into pen, and all the seven seas into ink, the greatness of the Guru still cannot be written.

गुरु को सिर राखिये  
चलिये आज्ञा माहिं ।  
कहै कबीर ता दास को  
तीन लोक भय नाहिं ॥

guru ko sir rākhiye  
caliye ājñā māhi(n)  
kahai(n) kabīr tā dās ko  
tīn lok bhay nāhi(n)

Place the Guru on your head (revere him) and follow his commands; then, there is no fear for that devotee in all the three worlds, says Kabir.

कबीरा ते नर अंध है  
गुरु को कहते और ।  
हरि रूठे गुरु ठौर है  
गुरु रूठे नहीं ठौर ॥

kabīrā te nar andh hai  
guru ko kahate aur  
hari rūṭhe guru ṭhaur hai  
guru rūṭhe nahī(n) ṭhaur

O Kabir! Those who see the Guru as someone else (other than themselves) are blind. If God is displeased, the Guru is your refuge; but if the Guru is displeased, there is no refuge.

तीरथ गए से एक फल  
संत मिले फल चार ।  
सतगुरु मिले अनेक फल  
कहे कबीर विचार ॥

tīrath gae se ek phal  
sant mile phal cār  
satguru mile anek phal  
kahe kabīr vicār

Kabir says: By going on pilgrimage, you get one unit of fruit; association of saints gets you four such fruits. However, the acquaintance of a genuine Guru gets you countless fruits. Think it over.

बलिहारि गुरु आपणै  
घडी घडी सौ सौ बार ।  
मानुष से देवत किया  
करत न लागी बार ॥

balihāri guru āpne  
ghadī ghadī sau sau bār  
mānuṣ se devat kiyā  
karat na lāgī bār

Salutations to you, Guru, again and again, a hundred times. You converted a human into a God in no time.

जब मैं था तब गुरु नहीं  
अब गुरु है मैं नाही ।  
प्रेम गली अति साँकरी  
तामे दो ना समाहि ॥

jab mai(n) thā tab guru nahi(n)  
ab guru hai mai(n) nāhī  
prem galī ati sā(n)karī  
tāme do nā samāhi

When I was there, Guru wasn't. Now  
Guru is; I am not. The lane of love is  
too narrow to contain both (at the  
same time).

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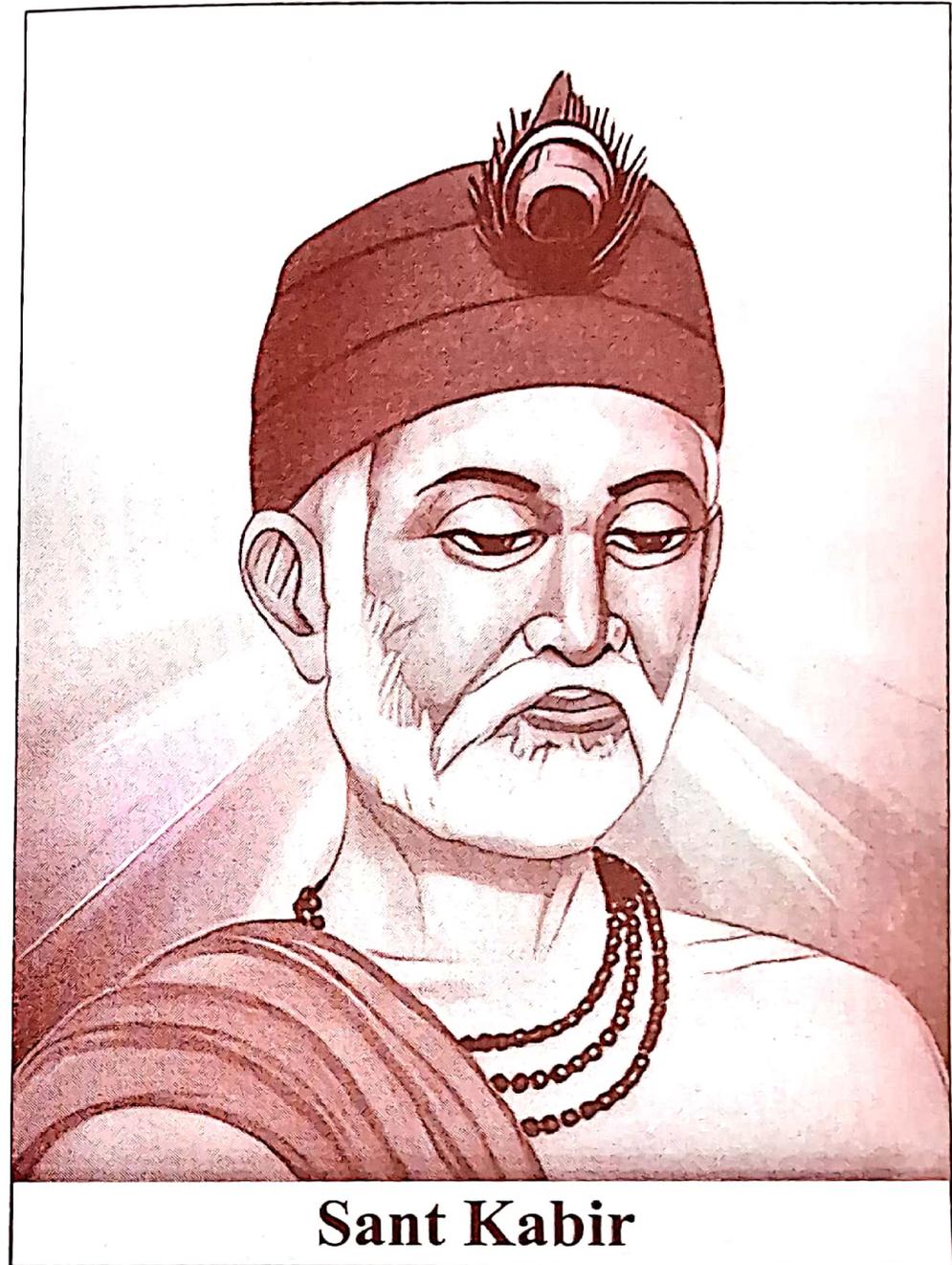
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