

Bhagat Kabir – Sabad 6
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Summary: Seekers are individuals striving for wisdom, knowledge, and truth. Their journey often starts with a simple curiosity about the world but gradually leads them to a deeper appreciation and understanding of existence. Central to this quest is the realization of the absolute, which is the essence of life. Through this pursuit, seekers find solutions to worldly suffering, demonstrating that true enlightenment requires self-discovery.

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Beloved omnipresent source, the thirst for water remains unquenched, symbolically representing longing to understand the essence of life.

jal meh agan uThee adhikai ||1|| rahaau ||

Amid water, intense fire has arisen, implying that wisdom ignites the quest to seek universal truth. (1)(Pause)

too(n) jalanidh hau jal kaa meen ||

Omnipresent energy, you are the Ocean, and I am but a fish in your waters, representing the expanse of cosmic life and our interconnected existence within it.

jal meh rahau jaleh bin kheen ||1||

I live in the water; without water, I would perish. Similarly, our very existence hinges on the presence of universal consciousness. (1)

too(n) pi(n)jar hau sooaTaa tor ||

Omnipresent force, you are my haven, and I am your gentle parrot, representing surrendering to the will of nature as a shield against vulnerability.

jam ma(n)jaar kaha karai mor ||2||

How can a cat be a threat to me? This scenario means that one can be protected from distractions with insight and awareness. (2)

too(n) tarvar hau pa(n)khee aaeh ||

Omnipresent awareness you are the tree, and I am the bird; the bird symbolizes the seeker taking shelter in universal insights.

ma(n)dhbhaagee tero dharasan naeh ||3||

It is a misfortune not to experience your blessed presence; this lament reflects the inability to recognize the inherent wisdom. (3)

too(n) satigur hau nautan chelaa ||

Omnipresent consciousness, you are my true guide, leading me from darkness to light as I embrace my role as a new disciple.

keh kabeer mil a(n)t kee belaa ||4||2||

Kabir says to come together time draws close. This call to unity presents a plea to embrace oneness and elevate our shared existence. (4)(2)

Essence: Bhagat Kabir believes that life is a remarkable journey from birth to death, filled with learning opportunities. If we tap into these learnings, they can guide us in accessing our inner wisdom and reveal the connections that unite us all. Recognizing our interconnectedness is the core of our existence and being alive.

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