

Bhagat Ravidas – Sabad 3
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Summary: Benevolence enhances our understanding of humanity as a whole. Each element of creation, from the smallest organism to the grandest landscapes, embodies the universal energy that connects us all. By extending a helping hand to others, we not only elevate their circumstances but also actively cultivate our own sense of well-being and fulfilment. This interaction reveals a profound truth that our efforts to support and sustain one another foster a community of peace and happiness, creating a cycle of compassion and interconnectedness that benefits us all.

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Begampura is the name of a city; this city metaphorically represents a peaceful state of mind.

dookh a(n)doh nahee teh Thaau ||

In this city, there is no place for pain or worry. This represents a peaceful mind that has embraced nature's will.

naa(n) tasvees khiraaj na maal ||

This city does not impose taxes on commodities; this declaration reflects a commitment to upholding freedom of thought.

khauf na khataa na taras javaal ||1||

This city is unburdened by fear of failure and shows no sympathy for character decline; these qualities represent a mind that lets go of negativity and embraces positivity. (1)

ab moh khoob vatan geh paiee ||

I have been granted this excellent city in my homeland; this symbolizes wisdom gained through self-reflection.

uoojaa(n) khair sadaa mere bhaiee ||1|| rahaau ||

In this city, there is eternal well-being; this represents the virtue of embodying benevolence. (1)(Pause)

kaim daim sadaa paatisaahee ||

Stable and balanced, this city is sovereign; this symbolises a mind in perfect equilibrium.

dom na sem ek so aahee ||

In this city, there is no hierarchy of social status; every individual is regarded as equal, reflecting a mindset that promotes egalitarianism.

aabaadaan sadaa mashoor ||

This city always thrives; hence, it is popular, symbolising the idea that positive thoughts flourish, bringing abundance and contentment.

uoojaa(n) ganee baseh maamoor ||2||

The inhabitants of this city exude wealth and prosperity; this represents a mind that holds a repository of spiritual wisdom and also practices it. (2)

tiau tiau sail kareh jiau bhaavai ||

In this city, inhabitants move around freely as they please, reflecting an openness of thought, free of doubt or judgment.

maharam mahal na ko aTakaavai ||

This city is home to a community where everyone knows each other, fostering an environment free of barriers. This represents understanding the interconnectedness of creation, where duality does not impede enlightenment.

keh ravidas khalaas chamaaraa ||

The leatherworker Ravidas says he has been purified; this means that when unity is comprehended, it is the pristine state of awareness.

jo ham saharee su meet hamaaraa ||3||2||

Anyone who lives in this city is a friend of mine, symbolising an intent to embrace unity in diversity. (3)(2)

Essence: Bhagat Ravidas envisioned *Begampura* as a transformative society where sorrow has no place, and harmony, equality, and humanity thrive. This concept represents a life of peace, embracing a mindset free of suffering, fear, discrimination, worry, and humiliation. He highlights that through understanding the profound interconnectedness of all creation, he has found clarity. Those who appreciate and celebrate unity in diversity stand as his faithful allies, demonstrating that no form of duality can hinder the journey to enlightenment.

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