

Guru Nanak - Sabad 21
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jiv furmaae tiv tiv paeh ||
jetaa keetaa tetaa naau ||
vin naavai naahee ko thaau ||
kudarat kavan kahaa veechaar ||
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Summary: Reflecting on spiritual words can unlock profound wisdom deserving of reverence. True wisdom entails synthesizing textual knowledge, experiential learning, critical thinking, and patience. It reveals that describing the vastness of nature as innumerable is an understatement; it encompasses an awareness that fosters unity amidst diversity.

asa(n)kh naav asa(n)kh thaav ||
There are innumerable identities residing in innumerable realms.

aga(n)m aga(n)m asa(n)kh loa ||
The effort to understand the incomprehensible vastness of the infinite.

asa(n)kh kaheh sir bhaar hoi ||
Gives a disclosure that innumerable is an understatement of the vastness of nature.

akharee naam akharee saalaeh ||
Contemplation on spiritual words can bring about profound wisdom that is worthy of reverence.

akharee giaan geet gun gaeh ||
Based on cognition gained through wisdom, one expresses and cultivates virtuous thoughts.

akharee likhan bolan baan ||

Words of wisdom, when spoken and written, are panaceas.

akharaa sir sa(n)jog vakhaan ||

Wisdom plays a significant role in determining one's association with unity.

jin eh likhe tis sir naeh ||

Those who imbibe this association gain wisdom through contemplation.

jiv furmaae tiv tiv paeh ||

One ordains and receives this association according to one's acceptance of the universal laws.

jetaa keetaa tetaa naau ||

The all-pervading consciousness is the creator of the entire creation; its omnipresence is worthy of contemplation.

vin naavai naahee ko thaau ||

Without contemplation on unity, there is no place to stand.

kudarat kavan kahaa veechaar ||

How can the power of diversity in nature be comprehended?

vaariaa na jaavaa ek vaar ||

Its magnitude cannot be encompassed even for a moment.

jo tudh bhaavai saiee bhalee kaar ||

Whatever is agreeable to the laws of nature is a sublime act for universal well-being.

too sadaa salaamat nira(n)kaar ||19||

The all-pervading consciousness is eternal and formless. (19)

Essence: Guru Nanak says the power of comprehending, imbibing and accepting the universal law of Oneness in Diversity can't be encompassed.

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