

"Divine Light Mission"

Guru Maharaj Ji's exterior life has been pretty eventful for a fifteen-year-old — but no more wonderful than his inner life. For it is his inner, spiritual experience which allows him the clarity, the compassion and the determination to cut through to the heart of this world's problems, and provide the solution for which this whole world is thirsting. Maharaj Ji is not his body, any more than the driver of a car is the chassis. For just as the driver sits inside a car and controls the accelerator, the horn, the brakes, so the soul sits inside the body and controls the breath, words, and actions of a man.

We all have a soul — this is true — and we all have some theoretical grasp of the fact that soul — or aliveness — is within us. But Maharaj Ji has more than this. As the driver of a car can see himself in the rear view mirror, so Maharaj Ji has seen himself by inner illumination. He completely knows that soul which is the life in all beings, for he is completely at one with it. And thus he is the Master of enlightenment, able to show to those who ask *where they have to look* to find their own rear view mirrors, right above their windshields, inside their own chassis. He can show us (and he has already shown six million of us) how to find the pure eye Jesus spoke of, so that our whole body is filled with light. He can show us (and he does) the light of Allah which is to be found in these human temples. He is the revealer of sight to the blind.

In essence, the Knowledge which Guru Maharaj Ji reveals to his disciples is an experience of light. He shows us the energy pack which is sustaining our lives. It is this pure light energy which provides the heart with warmth and the mind with understanding. He teaches us to turn our concentration inwards, to see our energy source as white light, to hear it as white sound, to taste ourselves as white taste, and to feel ourselves as pure vibration — white touch.

Thus, there are four techniques given us in a Knowledge Session, four ways to tap into the energy source which gives sleep its restfulness, and waking life its alertness. The light technique enables us to see within ourselves. It is purifying to the brain. The sound technique — by which we tune ourselves to celestial harmonies within us — purifies the emotions. The technique for tasting the self — known as the nectar technique — teaches us to drink a refreshing liquid which is ever present within us, and strengthens will power. And the technique known as the Word — corresponding to the sense of touch — puts

us in contact with the primary energy of the universe, as it leads our breath up and down inside our bodies. It is our very life.

There is no higher secret, no more lovingly hidden treasure in the universe than this Knowledge.

Krishna said of it that it was "a sovereign science, a sovereign secret, supremely holy, most excellent, directly enjoyable, attended with virtue, very easy to practice, and imperishable." Small wonder that Guru Maharaj Ji's disciples are grateful to him — he has given them imperishable treasure in an otherwise motheaten and corruptible world.

This Knowledge is the same experience of which the Psalmist declares "such Knowledge is too wonderful for me." Paul writes in his letter to Timothy that God our Savior desires "all men to be saved and to come to the Knowledge of the Truth." Lao Tsu tells us that to know one's ignorance is strength, and to ignore one's Knowledge is weakness. And the Koran says that those who receive Knowledge "see that what is revealed unto thee from the Lord is Truth."

How can we receive this amazing grace, this gift of self Knowledge? Christ told us, "ask, and it will be given you." Mohammed suggested that we "seek Knowledge from the cradle to the grave." And Krishna recommended us to "attain this Knowledge by all means, prostrating yourself at the feet of the wise, rendering them all forms of service and questioning them with a guileless heart again and again: then those wise seers of Truth will unfold this Knowledge to you."

Guru Maharaj Ji's Knowledge teaches us how to meditate on the source of peace and love inside us. It is not the sort of knowledge we can find in libraries, for it is a direct experience of something within us, not a theory. That is why Guru Maharaj Ji's brother, Shri Bal Bhagwan Ji, said "this is the Knowledge you can't get in college." Guru Maharaj Ji literally shows us how to see the soul, how to bathe in its purifying and health-giving light. The Knowledge is shown to people by close disciples of Guru Maharaj Ji known as Mahatmas. It is revealed free of charge to those who come with an open heart. For further information, call your local Divine Light Mission chapter, or write:

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This, in the Oct '73 issue of his mag, AND IT IS DIVINE, is the whole poop and pitch of the Maharaj Ji, Rennie Davis' (and other ex-leftists') god (on which see also the Dec '73 INTELLECTUAL DIGEST, articles of Harvey Cox and Carl Oglesby on Rennie et al).

Note that this one-page evangelistic tract explicitly uses all the world's great religions.

Christianity's first generations had to survive threats from Judaism (the parent faith), Mithraism (the dominant religion of the Roman soldier), Stoicism (the dominant worldview of the culture class), and gnosticism (the collecting basin for antique and contemporary mystery-religions streams).

Current Hindu and Hinduish cults in America (this one and Transcendental Meditation being at the moment the most tooted) are serving this gathering-basin function for the whole schmier of historic and contemporary religious impulses, and are doing so on a Brahmanic light/energy base. Compare, in the gnostic gospels of the early Christian centuries, Jesus' references to "My Power" (replacing, in the canonical gospels, "My Father").

Feuerbach (leading to Marx) denied the Creator/creation biblical doctrine in a Western way (as a projection of human creativity); these Hindu and Hinduish cults, in an Eastern way.

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Guru Maharaj Ji