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Series introduction

Suppose, a person is living in an isolated island and he has tasted only bananas in his whole life. Although he has heard about other fruits like mangoes, apples and grapes but never tasted them. If he claims that banana is the best fruit on this planet, yes, he can claim but his claim is not based on any logic or rational because he has never tasted other fruits in this world. In the same way, well is the whole world for a frog living in it.

Similarly, people follow the religion of their parent and they consider that their religion is right and superior and all other religions are wrong and inferior, without having any knowledge about them. The purpose of this book is to create positive attitude about other religions and their followers.

The verses and sayings of scholars from Sikhism and Christianity are put together in a logical sequence so that readers can understanding both the religions and also pursue righteousness to achieve the ultimate goal of Eternal life. Mostly, people are wasting their precious time in useless, unproductive and worthless issues. We should concentrate in improving our own spiritual life and try to fulfill various obligations and responsibilities which our own religion

demands. Some scholars talk less in the favour of their own religion but talk more against other religion. No person has any right to criticize other faith. Our words and actions should strengthen love not hatred in the society. If a person is hurting others by his words, then he should understand that his words are not from the Almighty God. May God gives us wisdom and power to shed away all types of evil and wickedness in our lives and enable us to pursue holiness, goodness and purity which God demands from every human being.

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Creator

Sikhism

There is one God; He is the maker of all things. Nanak : Japji
Through his will God creates the forms of all things.

Nanak : Japji

You created all beings and all objects, giving each its own
colour and form. Your handiwork is a visible testimony of your
greatness. Nanak : Japji

Hail! Hail to God, the creator. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Gen 1:1

God, the creator of all things. Eph 3:9

Yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all
things came and for whom we live. 1Co 8:6

One

Sikhism

There is one God. Nanak : Japji Proem

Christianity

There is only one God. Rom 3:30

There is one God and Father of all. Eph 3:4

Eternal

Sikhism

God is infinite and eternal. Nanak : Ashtapadi

He is pure eternal and indestructible. He is the same from one age to the next. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

The Lord, the Eternal God. Gen 21:33

Bless the Lord, the God of Israel, who lives forever from eternal ages past. Ps 41:13

Immortal

Sikhism

He is immortal. Nanak : Japji Proem

Christianity

Who alone is immortal. 1Ti 6:16

Perfect

Sikhism

The Lord is perfect and his throne is secure. Nanak : Sri Rag

Christianity

Your heavenly father is perfect. Mt 5:48

Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever. Ps 45:6

Power and Strength

Sikhism

God is the source of all strength. He acts as he pleases, and

causes others to act on behalf. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

God of Israel gives power and strength to his people. Ps 68:35

No one is like you

Sikhism

In God's arm there is strength, let him show me what he can do. In comparison with God no one is strong, because his strength overwhelms all human strength. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

No one is like you, O Lord, you are great and your name is mighty in power. Jer 10:6

King of kings

Sikhism

You do whatever pleases you, no one can control you. You are the King of kings; all are subject to your will. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

God, the blessed and only ruler, the King of kings and Lord of Lords. 1Ti 6:15

He is Lord of Lords and King of kings. Rev 17:14

Throne

Sikhism

His throne is secure. Nanak : Sri Rag

Christianity

God is seated on his holy throne. Ps 47:8

Sovereign**Sikhism**

He looks on all people with favour, and blesses all people. He gives some a high status in the world and some a low status but in his eyes all are equal. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Remember that God rules the world, allocating pleasure and pain according to his will. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

The most high is sovereign over the kingdom of men and gives them to anyone he wishes and sets over them the lowliest of men. Dan 4:17

The Lord sends poverty and wealth, he humbles and he exalts. Isa 2:7

Human Understanding**Sikhism**

God is beyond all human expression. Nanak : Japji

His glory cannot be known by human minds and human words cannot describe it. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

How great is God – beyond our understanding! Job 11:7

Can you fathom (understand) the mysteries of God! Can you probe the limits of the Almighty? Job 11:7

The God of Truth

Sikhism

God is truth. Nanak : Japji

God is the absolute truth; his name is truth. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

Let God be true. Rom 3:4

The God of truth. Isa 65:16

Pure

Sikhism

He is pure. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

He is pure. 1Jn 3:3

Wise

Sikhism

The Lord is wise. Nanak : Sri Rag

Christianity

To God, who alone is wise, be the glory for ever. Rom 16:27

God is Light

Sikhism

He is the source of all light. Nanak : Japji

Fill our minds with your name that we may see light.

Ramdas : Gauri

Stubborn heart, look for the light of God within your innermost depths. Look for God's treasures in your darkest places.

Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

There is one light, which you shine on all things.

Ramdas : Majh

Christianity

God is light. 1Jn 1:5

The Lord is my light. Ps 27:1

Let the light of your face shine upon us. Ps 4:6

Let us walk in the light of the Lord. Isa 2:5

For you are the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

Ps 36:9

Perfect Teacher

Sikhism

The perfect teacher is God and you should only follow a spiritual teacher who is in union with God. Under the instruction of such teacher God's light will start to shine within you. Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

He has implanted in every mind the need for a spiritual teacher.

Ramdas : Gauri Ki War

Christianity

God is exalted in his power. Who is a teacher like him?

Job 36:22

Lord Almighty is a wonderful Teacher. Isa 28:29

My Life

Sikhism

You (God) are my life and my soul; you are my only desire.

Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

The Lord is the stronghold of my life. Ps 27:1

Lord gives and He takes away

Sikhism

The Lord gives and the Lord takes away, as he chooses.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised. Job 1:21

Confession

Sikhism

I am sinner, and have taken refuge at your gate.

Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

David said, "O Lord, have mercy on me; heal me, for I have sinned against you." Ps 41:4

The Israelites gathered together and confessed their sins and the sins of their ancestors. Ne 9:1, 2

Astray

Sikhism

I have gone astray. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

We all, like sheep, have gone astray; each of us has turned to our own way. Isa 53:6

Sin

Sikhism

Stubborn heart, break free from the net of sin in which you are trapped. Cut through the net by repeating God's name.

Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Christianity

Do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. Ro 6:12

Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth everyone who sins is a slave to sin." Jn 8:34

Deceit

Sikhism

Those whose hearts are full of deceit, cannot sleep in peace.

Amardas : Sri Rag Ki War

Christianity

He whose tongue is deceitful falls into trouble. Pr 17:20

Pride

Sikhism

Those who are aware of the supremacy of God's will are never guilty of pride. Nanak : Japji

Servants of God clasp God to their hearts; they entrust themselves entirely to God's care, they root out from their hearts all pride. Amardas : Sir Rag

Christianity

A man's pride brings him low, but a man of lowly spirit gains honour. Pr 29:23

When pride comes, then comes disgrace but with humility comes wisdom. Pr 11:2

Human pride has no place in the presence of God. 1Cor 1:18

Greed

Sikhism

Abandon every kind of hypocrisy and greed.

Ramdass: Gauri Kar Hale

God is not served by hypocrisy; he hates every kind of lie and pretence. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

Then Christ said to them, Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed. Lk 12:15

Do not lie. "Do not deceive one another." Lev 19:11

You love righteousness and hate wickedness. Ps 45:7

Love of Money

Sikhism

Those who are attached to money are haunted by despair (misery). Amardas : Sri Rag Ki War

Love of wealth is snare, which prevents people from moving towards you, O Lord. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said "Never, will I leave you; never will I forsake you". Heb 13:5

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. 1Ti 6:10

Superstition and Falsehood

Sikhism

Rid yourself of all falsehood and superstition.

Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Christianity

You have abandoned your people the house of Jacob. They are full of superstitions. Isa 2:6

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood. Eph 4:25

False Teachers

Sikhism

They wear fine clothes to signify their professions, but their efforts are useless. Amardas : Sir Rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are Ferocious wolves. Mt 7:15

Beware of the teacher's of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and love to have most important seats in the synagogues (Jewish place of worship). They, for a show make lengthy prayers. Such men will be punished most severely.

Mt 20 46:47

Rituals

Sikhism

Religious ceremonies are not true worship. On the contrary, they often induce worldly pride, and so become an obstacle to worship. Ramdas : Gauri Ki War

Elaborate rituals are like the dust which the elephant throws on its head after bathing. Ramdas : Gauri Ki War

Christianity

And Christ said to them: You have a fine way of setting aside the commands of God in order to observe your own traditions.

Mk 7:9

There is nothing to be gained from dressing in religious robes, living in religious places, undertaking religious activities, fasting for religious purpose and so on. All these relate to the body and hence are wasted besides; they encourage hypocrisy, since they can be done without any devotion to God.

Martin Luther

Lips and Hearts

Sikhism

If I merely utter God's name with my mouth, it will give me no help. But if I receive God's name in my heart, I shall be saved.

Nanak : Astapadi

People may worship God; they may practice various austerities but unless the name of God is not in their hearts, their efforts are worthless. Learn the name of God, and be filled by it.

Amardas : Sri Rag Ki War

Christianity

These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Mt 15:8

The Lord says: These people come near to me with their mouth and honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up of only of rules taught by men.

Isa 29:13

Wealth and Death

Sikhism

Remember, my brother and sisters, you can take neither your wealth nor your body when you die. God's name is the wealth that will last. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Every stretch of land and every object in the world are owned by someone; and at the moment of death we shall all lose our wealth. Amardas : Sri Rag Ki War

Christianity

Naked a man comes from his mother's womb and as he comes, so he departs. He takes nothing from his labour that he can carry in his hand. Ecc 5:15

For, we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 1Ti 6:7

Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. Job 1:21

Wealth and Soul

Sikhism

A man may possess great storehouses filled with silver and gold. But he cannot stop his body decaying. Without the name of God, what use is his wealth and power? Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? Mt 16:26

Your name, O Lord, endures forever; your fame, O Lord knows to every generations. Ps 135:13

Forgiveness

Sikhism

Let God be your friend then he will forgive all your sins.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Forgive my sins for you are the fount of forgiveness.

Ramdass : Gauri

If, God pardons your sins, then those sins have been wiped away for ever. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

If you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your father in heaven may forgive you your sins. Mk 11:26

For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins your father will not forgive your sins. Mt 6:14,15

Freedom

Sikhism

Let us be your slaves, O Lord. Bind us to you that we may be free. Ramdas : Gauri

If God liberates you from the bondage of sin then you will be liberated for ever. Nanak : Ashtapadi

If you are set free by God, then you are free for ever.

Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Christianity

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery (of sin). Gal 5:1

But now that you have been set free from sin. Rom 6:22

Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth everyone who sins is a slave to sin so if the Son set you free you will be free indeed."

Jn 8:34.36

God's Love

Sikhism

God loves and honours all living beings, because all are made by his arm. Nanak : Japji

God loves every man, women and child with purest affection.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

God looks upon his entire creation with love. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

In the same way your father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should be lost. Mt 18:14

He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. Mt 5:45

The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

Ps 145:9

Fount of Compassion

Sikhism

Show compassion towards me, for you are the fount of compassion. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy. Jas 5:11

The Lord Guides

Sikhism

The Lord guides my actions, as it pleases him, his name is my will. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

The Lord will guide you always. Isa 58:11

Truth of God**Sikhism**

How many opinions and theories there are about God! How many interpretations there are of his sacred texts! Truth alone is all that matters – the truth of God. Every thing is inferior to the truth, and learning the truth is the highest of all activities.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

In the beginning he was the truth, and he has been the truth throughout all ages. Nanak : Japji

You come, you strive, and you depart, passing on to your descendants only a name. Life is nothing; less in the course of it you learn the truth of God. Nanak : Majh Ki War

Without the peace of God, the world is dark; but with God's peace the world is radiant with truth.

Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.

Jn 8:32

Now, that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth.

1Pe 1:22

But now I find that I must write about something else, urging you to defend the truth of the good news. God gave his unchanging truth once for all time to his holy people.

Jude 1:3

Knowledge of Truth

Sikhism

Make divine knowledge your food, compassion your leader and the prompting of conscience the pipe with which you call people to eat. Nanak : Japji

My knowledge is useless, because it does not lead to knowledge of God. Transform my mind that I may know.

Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

God wants all men to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. 1Ti 2:4

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. Pr 1:7

To the man who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness. Ecc 2:26

Pure Heart

Sikhism

The spiritual teacher shows the disciple how every evil feeling and attitude may be rooted out from the heart so the heart is made pure. Ramdas : Gauri Ki War

Christianity

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Mt 5:8

Create in me a pure heart, O God. Ps 51:17

Wash the evil from your heart and be saved. How long will you harbour wicked thoughts? Jer 4:14

Path of Righteousness

Sikhism

Lead me to the path of righteousness. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

He guides me in the path of righteousness. Ps 23:3

Smooth Path

Sikhism

God's house is at the summit of a high mountain, the sides of the mountain are steep and rugged. But I have been shown the secret path which is smooth and easy. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

For those who are righteous, the path is not steep and rough. You are a God of justice, and you smooth out the road ahead of them. Isa 26:7

The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. Lk 3:5

Study

Sikhism

Be a hermit (monk) within your own home. Study the writings of great spiritual teachers. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy and

blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it. Rev 1:3

Devotion

Sikhism

Through spiritual devotion we propagate God's wine; and through spiritual devotion we learn to enjoy its fruits.

Ramdas : Gauri Ki War

The farmer ploughs the earth and sows the seeds; hoping that his family will eat the fruits of his labour. I pray to you, O, Lord and repeat you name, in the hope that you will reward me and my family for my devotion. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

Until I come devote yourself to the public reading of scripture to preaching and to teaching. 1Ti 4:13

And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for every one. Tit 3:8

Meditation

Sikhism

When I meditate upon God's name, I am happy; his name fills me with his perfect bliss. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Never tire of contemplating him. Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

I will meditate on your wonderful works. Ps 145:5

Do not let this Book of the law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night so that you may be careful to do every thing written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Jos 1:8

Instructions

Sikhism

Listen to the wise teachers who have heard God's word; there are many such teacher. By their instruction, knowledge is acquired and then you will know that God is everywhere.

Nanak : Japji

Seek out a spiritual teacher, whose words are like nectar. Listen to your teachers instructions, and follow them.

Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Christianity

Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge. Pr 23:12

Pay attention and listen to the sayings of the wise; apply your heart to what I teach. Pr 22:17

Listen to advice and accept instruction and in the end you will be wise. Pr 19:20

Obedience

Sikhism

There is no paper and no pen which can be used to express the effects of obedience when you obey God, his wisdom and

understanding enters your mind, you are saved from all punishment.

You are saved from death,

Your path through life is cleared of obstacles.

He guides you to the gate of salvation.

Those who obey God know the pleasure of God within their hearts. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous. Rom 2:13

Keep his decrees and commands which I am giving you today so that it may go well with you and your children after you and that you may live long. Dt 4:40

I (Jesus) tell to you the truth, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death. Jn 8:51

Humble

Sikhism

Take pride only in winning God's approval and God approves a heart that is humble and true. Ramdas : Gauri ki War

Christianity

God crowns the humble with salvation. Ps 149:4

God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. Jas 4:6

Self - Control

Sikhism

Make self-control your coat, faith your staff and wisdom the path on which you walk. Nanak : Japji
Learn to control yourself. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

It teaches us to say no to ungodliness and worldly passions and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age. Tit 2:12

But since we belong to the day let us be self-controlled putting on faith and love as a breastplate and hope of salvation as a helmet. Tit 5:8

Contentment and Modesty

Sikhism

Make contentment and modesty your earrings, self-respect your purse and meditation the ashes with which you smear, (rub) your body. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

I (Paul) have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. Php 4:12

I urge each one of you not to think too highly of yourself but be modest. Rom 12.5:13

Truth

Sikhism

Think the truth and speak the truth. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

So put away all falsehood and tell your neighbour the truth.

Eph 4:25

Speak the truth to each other.

Zech 8:16

Love one another

Sikhism

Until you learn to love God, love for other people is no more than sentiment. Without knowing God you cannot know other people as they truly are, so you cannot truly love them.

Amardas : Sri Rag ki War

Christianity

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength, and love your neighbour as yourself.

Mk 12:30-31

Sons and daughters

Sikhism

If you regard your sons and daughters as your possessions they will be a source of sorrow, but if you entrust them to God they will bring you joy. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

How we can entrust them (children) to the Lord?

You must obey these laws and regulation. Do not let these things escape from your mind as long as you live! And be sure to pass them on to your children and grand children.

Repeat them again and again to your children. Dt 4:5,9,6:7
 Discipline your son, and he will give you peace, he will bring
 delight to your soul. Pr 29:17

Doing Good

Sikhism

As opportunity arises do good to other. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people.
 Gal 6:10

Company

Sikhism

The company of a saint will purify you.

Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

I meditate upon your name, O Lord. I keep the company of
 saints and sages (wise) in whose hearts your name resides and
 they have taught me how to keep your name in my own heart

Ramdas : Majh

When you go out, seek the company of those who are good and
 wise. God is their wealth, they trade in God's truth, his name is
 their merchandise (commodities). In each of their hearts, God
 has built a vast storehouse of blessings. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the
 wicked or stand in the way of sinners. Ps 1:1

Do not be misled: "Bad Company corrupts good character."

1Co 15:33

Do not envy wicked men, do not desire their company.

Pr 24:1

He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm. Pr 13:20

Perfect

Sikhism

The perfect human being is like a wife of the Lord. She strips herself of all false hood and hypocrisy, and adorns herself with honesty. She decorates herself with the words of a spiritual teacher. With her hands clasped in prayer. She is besotted with love for him and she honour him above all men. She dyes her hair with the colour of infatuation. Her heart is saturated with her word and her body is a living sacrifice offered to him. She combs her hair with truth. She wears robes of love. She wears the sandals of self-control. In her room, she has the lamp of holiness constantly alight, and she wears God's name as her necklace. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

Brothers, aim for perfection. 2Co 13:11

Let us be alert and self-controlled. 1Ti 5:6

Therefore, I urge brothers, in view of God's mercy to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God, this is your spiritual act of worship. Rom 12:1

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander (defame falsely) of every kind. 1Pe 2:1
 You must be perfect as your father in heaven is perfect.

Mt 5:48

Holy

Sikhism

Those who become holy, enter the palace of the Lord.

Nanak : Sri Rag

Christianity

Seek to live a clean and holy life for those who are not holy will not see the Lord. Heb 12:14

Nothing impure will enter it (Paradise). Rev 2 1:27

Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God. Mt 5:8

You ought to live holy and godly living. 2Pe 3:1

Seek the Lord

Sikhism

Only by leading a life of virtue (righteousness), you can find God. Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Do not try to be clever or devious in your search but be simple and innocent. You will find a gem whose sparkle can never be dulled. Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Stubborn heart, search for God within you. He cannot be found by clever tricks and devices, but only through fixing your

attention constantly on his name. Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Christianity

The lions may grow weak and hungry but those who seek the Lord lack on good thing. Ps 34:10

Seek the Lord while he may be found. Call on him while he is near. Isa 55:6

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways then, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin. 2Chr 7:14

Ways of the Lord

Sikhism

Beggars are happy when householders give them alms. Disciples are happy when they see their teacher, who will show them the path to God. Ramdas : Gauri

How can you enter the Lord's fields, and share his harvest of joy? Only a spiritual teacher can show you the path which leads to those fields. Nanak : Sri Rag

Calves are happy when they are suckling milk. Disciples are happy when they see their teacher, who will show them the path to God. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

Teach me your ways so I may know you. Ex 33:13

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go.

Ps 33:8

Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me. Ps 25:4

Come let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his path. Isa 2:3

Know the Lord

Sikhism

I know you within me, and that knowledge brings me joy. All who know you within their hearts are blessed. Ramdas : Majh
At present your name is my companion and my brother; but I want to know the truth behind the name. I want to know you.

Ramdas : Gauri

Those who come to know God also know themselves.

Amardas : Sri Rag ki War

Christianity

Let them boast in this alone: that they truly know me and understand that I am the Lord who is just and righteous, whose love is unfailing, and I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken! Jer 9:24

He did what was right and just so all went well with him. He defended the causes of the poor and needy, and so all went well. Is that not what it means to know me? Declares the Lord.

Jer 22:15,16

Love the Lord

Sikhism

As thirst is quenched by water, so the love of God alone can satisfy and sustain you. Nanak : Ashtapadi

All other affections are transient, only affection for you,

O Lord, is permanent. Ramdas : Gauri

All other affections are delusion, only affections for you,

O Lord, is real. Ramdas : Gauri

All other affections brings misery, only affection for you,

O Lord, brings joy. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

This is love that we walk in obedience. 2Jn 5:6

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him. Rom 8:28

So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today.

To love the Lord your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and oil. Dt 11:13-14

Glorious Name

Sikhism

Wealth and power, luxury and honours, are the waves on the ocean of the world. God's name alone can carry you to the other side and show you the path up the mountain.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

A man may wash his body in the finest oils and wear the robes of silk. He may be treated with respect wherever he goes. But without the name of God, what use are luxury and honour?

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

If you do not carefully follow all the words of this law, which are written in this book, and do not revere this glorious and awesome-name. The Lord your God, will send fearful plagues on you and your descendants. Harsh, prolonged disasters and severe lingering illness. Dt 28:58,59

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Rom 10:13

God is near

Sikhism

Sing of the infinity of God. Sing of how he is both far away and near. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. Ps 145:18

Be exalted, O Lord in your strength, we sing and praise your might. Ps 21:13

Lord is with us

Sikhism

You are with me at all times and in every place.

Ramdas : Majh

Christianity

I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Mt 28:20

I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go.

Gen 28:15

Prayers

Sikhism

People pray for long life; no one wants to die. But pray instead for a happy life; pray for God to dwell in your heart, that he may fill you with joy. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Pray to God, begging him to look upon you with favour, and save you. Ramdas : Gauri Karhale

Save us, Lord, foolish and weak as we are. Make us do whatever is necessary to win your approval. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

If any one turns a deaf ear to the law, even his prayers are detestable (hateful). Pr 28:9

Turn, O Lord, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love. Ps 6:4

So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in Love. Eph 3:1

The Lord answers

Sikhism

People constantly pray to him, asking him for more and more,

and with unflagging love he answers their prayers.

Nanak : Japji

Christianity

Before they call I will answer, while they are still speaking I will hear. Isa 65:24

Praise the Lord

Sikhism

Transform your heart, so that you sing God's praises with every breath you draw. Nanak : Ashtapadi

When you are at peace, you constantly praise God.

Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

Sing his praises. Nanak : Japji

All those who know the Lord, love him, and all who love the Lord praise him. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

Is any one happy? Let him sing songs of praise. Jas 5:13

His praise will always be on my lips. Ps 34:1

Offer to God a sacrifice of praise. Heb 13:15

Praise him for his surpassing greatness. Ps 150:2

Worship

Sikhism

God has implanted in every heart the desire to worship him.

Ramdass : Gauri ki War

Those who worship God are honoured by him. Sing his praises and let his love flow into your heart. Thus your sorrows will be swept away, and you will be carried to the place of bliss (Paradise). Nanak : Japji

Christianity

Come, let us bow down in worship and let us kneel before the Lord our maker. Ps 95:6

Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness. Ps 96:9

Sing

Sikhism

If you believe in God's power, sing of that power.

Nanak : Japji

Sing of his many gifts and the many sings of his love. Sing of his greatness and his acts of kindness. Nanak : Japji

Sing of his wisdom, which is hard to comprehend. Sing of the beauty of what he has made. Nanak : Jpaji

Christianity

Sing the Lord a new song for he has done marvelous things.

Ps 98:1

I (Moses) will sing to the Lord, the Lord is my strength and song; your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in power. In the greatness of your majesty, you overthrow those who rose against you. Because of your great power they will be silent like a stone. Ex 15:1,2,6,7,16

Pleasing God

Sikhism

Human beings lack the power to describe you, but can strive to please you. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

Finally brothers we instructed you how to live, in order to please God. 1Ti 4:1

How great is God, beyond our understanding. Job 36:26

Delights in the Lord

Sikhism

There are countless delights in uttering the name of God.

Ramdas : Gauri ki War

Christianity

Praise the Lord. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands. Ps 112:1

O, Lord, please hear my prayer! Listen to the prayers of those of us who delight in honoring you. Neh 1:11

Belongs to God

Sikhism

Those who regard all things as belonging to God, even their own bodies, are heard by God and he answers their prayers.

Amardas : Sri Rag ki War

Christianity

He who belongs to God hears what God says. Jn 8:47

Rich and Poor

Sikhism

Through his will some people have high places in society and some have low. Nothing is outside his will, all are subject to it.

Nanak : Japji

Christianity

Rich and poor have this in common. The Lord is the maker of them all. Pr 22:2

The Lord makes one poor and another rich, he brings one down and lifts another up. 1Sa 2:7

Lord will be revealed

Sikhism

Mothers nourish their children, in the hope, that they will grow up strong and healthy. I pray to you, O Lord, in the hope that you will reveal yourself to me. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord, has spoken.

Isa 40:5

Immortality

Sikhism

If I merely acknowledge that I shall eventually die, then I shall die. But if I entrust myself wholly to God, then I am immortal.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

I (Jesus) assure you, any one who obeys my teaching will never die! Jn 8:51

To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honour and immortality, he will give eternal life. Rom 2:7

Tree of Life**Sikhism**

How beautiful is the bird on the tree, who pecks at God's truth. It consumes the essence of God's name, and is happy. It should remain on the tree where the fruit is divine. That tree never sheds its leaves, and its branches are always heavy with fresh fruit. Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life. Pr 11:30

Blessed is the man, who does not stand in the way of sinners, but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by a streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever, he does prosper. Ps 1:1-3

Enduring Wealth**Sikhism**

I pray to you, Lord, and repeat your name, in the hope that you will increase my spiritual wealth. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

With me are riches and honour enduring wealth and prosperity.

Pr 8:18

Fire and Water

Sikhism

The ocean of the world is rough and stormy; it is easy to sink beneath its waves. But I have been shown how to swim and remain afloat. I have received God's name.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. Isa 43:2

We went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance. Ps 65:12

Blessings

Sikhism

You will praise God without limit; and you will possess wealth beyond limit the wealth of his blessings.

Amardas : Sri rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

Lord, out of justice you bless the righteous; and out of kindness you bless the wicked. Anselm : Proslogion

The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, and he adds no trouble to it. Pr 10:22

Wisdom

Sikhism

I am a silly child; give me wisdom. Ramdas : Gauri

If you conquer your heart with wisdom, your home will become God's palace. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

The fear of the Lord is the beginnings of wisdom, all who follow his precepts have good understanding. Ps 111:10

If anyone destroys God's temple God will destroy him; for God's temple is sacred and you are that temple. 1Cor 3:17

If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault and it will be given to him. Jas 1:5

Peace

Sikhism

Those who speak and act with honesty are filled with God's peace. Amardas : Sri Rag ki War

When you are at peace, music and song give pleasure, but when you are not at peace, music and song only worsen your condition. Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

When you are at peace, prayer naturally springs up in your heart. Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

The meek (humble) will inherit the land and enjoy great peace. Ps 37:11

Turn from evil and do good seek peace and pursue it.

Ps 34:14

Great peace has they, who love your law and nothing can make them stumble. Ps 119:165

Happiness

Sikhism

Open your heart to God and day and night you will be happy.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

But may the righteous, be glad and rejoice before God, may they be happy and joyful. Ps 68:3

Rejoice in the Lord you, who are righteous and praise his holy name. Ps 97:12

Joy

Sikhism

The Lord is wise and his fields are fertile. He prepares the ground with his love, and then sows the seeds of his truth. The seeds brings forth and abundant harvest of joy.

Nanak : Sri Rag

Christianity

But let all who take refuge in you be glad, let them ever sing for joy. Ps 5:11

You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me

with joy in your presence with eternal pleasures at your right hand. Ps 16:11

You have filled my heart with greater joy than when their grain and new wine abound. Ps 4:7

Health

Sikhism

The Lord preserves my health, as it pleases him, his name alone sustains me. Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

Fear the Lord and turn your back on evil. Then you will gain renewed health and vitality. Pr 3:8

My son pay attention to what I say, listen closely to my words. Do not let them out of your sight; Keep them with in your heart, for they are life to those who find them and health to a man's whole body. Pr 4:20-22

Peace and Rest

Sikhism

Every one longs (desires) for peace and rest, but it cannot be obtained without spiritual teachers. God is merciful, he will give you a spiritual teacher who will show you the way to true knowledge, and from true knowledge comes peace and rest.

Amardas : Sri Rag Ashtapadi

Christianity

I am the Lord your God, who teaches you, what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go. If only you had paid

attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river, your righteousness like the waves of the sea.

Isa 48:17,18

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I (Christ) will give you rest. Mt 11:28

Food and Clothing

Sikhism

When you obey God you cease to be anxious about food and clothing. Nanak : Japji

Christianity

So do not worry, saying what shall we eat? Or what we drink? Or what shall we wear? For the pagans (unbeliever) run after all these things and your heavenly father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well. Mt 6:31-33

If you will only obey me and let me help you then you will have plenty to eat. Isa 1:19

Serve the Lord

Sikhism

To serve God is to love him. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

What does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Dt 10:12

Your only concern should be to teach the wrong doer the ways of God. Basil of Caesarea.

Every Christian believer is worthy to be a priest.

Martin Luther

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life and he who wins souls is wise. Pr 11:30

Many of those whose bodies lie dead and buried will rise up some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine as bright as the sky and those who turn many to righteousness will shine like stars forever. Da 12:2-3

Proclaim the power of God

Sikhism

Proclaim his greatness with every word you utter.

Nanak : Ashtapadi

Christianity

I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ. Rom 15:19

Proclaim his salvation day after day. 1Ch 16:23

Proclaim the power of God. Ps 68:34

Salvation

Sikhism

When you obey God, he guides you to the gate of salvation and your family also is saved. When you obey God, all who follow your example are also saved. Nanak : Japji

In the fragrance of dawn meditate upon him, glorifying his name and reflecting on his greatness. He will put a robe of honor upon you and guide you to the gate of salvation.

Nanak : Japji

Christianity

Rid yourselves of all spite (hatred), deceit, hypocrisy, envy (jealousy) and malicious talk. Like new born babies, you should thirst for pure spiritual milk, so that you will grow up to salvation. 1Pe 2:1,2

This is what the Lord says, maintain justice and do what is right for my salvation is close at hand. Isa 56:1

See the Lord

Sikhism

Grant me, Lord a glimpse of you. Lord, you are the hope of my heart; you are my deepest desire. Have mercy upon me and allow me to see you. Ramdas : Gauri

Desire for you, O God, is always on my heart. When shall I see you? Ramdas : Gauri

When I see you, I shall live while I do not see you, I suffer a living death. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

God blesses those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God.

Mt 5:8

Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy, without holiness no one will see the Lord. Heb 12:14

Face to Face

Sikhism

Those who love God will meet him face to face. Those who love God, simply do his will knowing that God alone determines profit and Loss. Nanak : Ashtapadi

May, I meet you, Lord face to face and by this means I shall be happy. Ramdas : Gauri

Christianity

So Jacob called the place Peniel saying, "It is because I saw God face to face and yet my life was spared". Gen 32:30

Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror, then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part, then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. 1Cor 13:12

The Holy City

Sikhism

The Lord's palace is beautiful beyond imagination; every wall is studded with rubies, pearls and diamonds. The palace is protected by a golden fortress and around the fortress is a deep lake. Within the palace there is unending joy. With what boat can you cross this lake, and with what ladder can you scale this fortress? The boat and the only ladder is the guidance of a spiritual teacher. This guidance expels every kind of falsehood from the heart and the mind, and fills the heart and mind with truth. Nanak : Sri Rag

There are many people dressed in fine clothes and possessing

great wealth, but they have gained their wealth through deception, which has twisted their hearts and minds. But they never find the palace of God and as death approaches, they will be overwhelmed with despair. Amardas : Sri Rag

Christianity

The first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald, the fifth sardonyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth and the twelfth amethyst. The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of single pearl. The great street of the city was of pure gold, like transparent glass. The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb (Christ) is its lamp. Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the lamb's book of life. Rev 21:19-21,13,27

Let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you. Such sins have no place among God's people. Obscene stories, foolish talk and coarse jokes – these are not for you instead let there be thankfulness to God. You can be sure that no immoral, impure, or greedy person will inherit the kingdom of Christ and of God. For a greedy person, is really and idolater who worship the things of this world. Don't be fooled by those who try to excuse these sins, for the terrible anger of God come upon all those who disobey him. Don't participate in the things

people do. For though you hearts were once full of darkness now you are full of light from the Lord and your behaviour show it! Eph 5:3-8

The behaviour that results from self indulgence is plain: sexual vice (immorality), indecency and debaucher; the worship of idols and witchcraft; conflict and rivalry; jealousy, anger and selfish ambition; division in to parties and factions; mutual envy; drunken orgies (indulgence) and like. I warn you that those who behave in this way will never inherit the kingdom of God. Gal 5:19-22

At the end of the world, I (Jesus) will send my angels, and they will remove from kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil, and they will throw them in to the furnace and burn them. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the godly will shine like the sun in their Father's kingdom.

Mt 13:40-43

Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? He, who has clean hands and a pure heart.

Ps 24:3,4

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