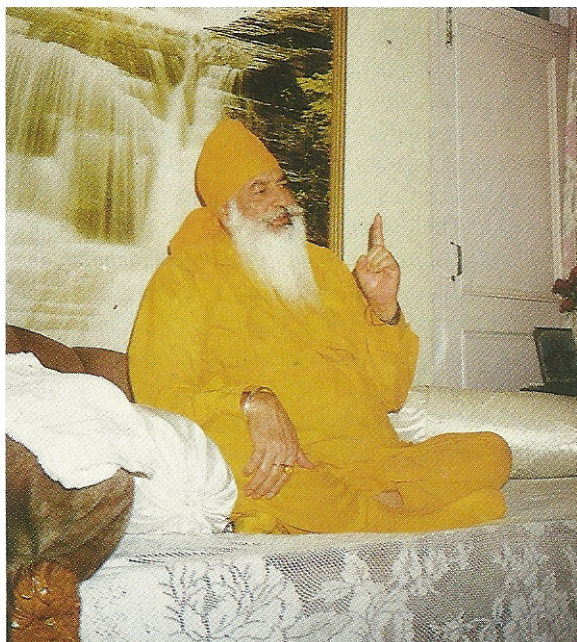


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What is Gobind Sadan's mission?

Baba Virsa Singh remains in secluded prayer and meditation, seeing only a few people who are actively working for God's mission. No hukam (divine command) has come for months for him even to go out of his small cottage. But out of this state of meditation, he is daily dictating profound new statements. On November 30th, he explained the essence of Gobind Sadan's mission:

Understand that there is a Power by which we are speaking and thinking. There is nothing in which this Power does not exist. People have little knowledge of It. But this Power of God which is within us is also in animals, in plants and flowers, in the entire cosmos.

Our programme is to help us all understand that this Power is within us and that it is within the whole Creation. When we have all understood that, we will no longer be able to hurt others' feelings, to commit violence, to deprive others of their rights, or to accept the evils that we see. Why? When we look with the vision of that inner Power, we will understand that to injure others' feelings is to injure the feelings of that Power, to commit violence is to commit violence toward that Power. We will feel, understand and see that Power which is common to all of Creation, which has placed Its power within the whole Creation.

After we have attained that realization, we will look at everything with the inner vision of enlightenment. We will see that which these physical eyes cannot see. We will see that there is nothing to which we are not connected. We will

see that we have a link with the mountains, the trees, the animals, the flowers, the earth, the skies, the wind.

Why? There is one Creator who is keeping all of Creation under control. He also fills everything with His Power. He makes everything move. He does not keep anything in confinement; He has made everything free. Trees grow and flourish, animals increase, rivers swell. But He is overseeing everything, and He is present in everything. If He is separated from anything, it dies.

What is gian (enlightened wisdom)? His Power. What is light? His Power. All things exist because He is within them. Thus trees whisper and animals speak, mountains rise and plants bloom on the mountains. The wind and the trees make music together, for they have become an instrument of God. Flowers give fragrance, for they have become the scent of God. God has created everything and God is moving everything. Where is God? We have to accept that God is within us.

What is the mission of Gobind Sadan? To understand that Power which pervades all of Creation, to see that Power and to attain It. But how can we attain It? By meditation, by inner love, by inner gian, by inner compassion. To meditate is to recognize the Creator who pervades Creation.

The prophets who have said, "Do not commit violence" did not say so after holding meetings, after discussing this decision. They entered into research, so deeply that they became lost in their research. After searching, searching, searching, they saw the Light of God in themselves. Once they saw that light inside, they immediately saw it outside also, for that light pervades the whole cosmos. It was then that they said, "Don't commit violence. Don't cut the trees, don't kill the animals, don't kill the insects".

You must all firmly understand that there is one common thing in the whole Creation. It also exists in those things which we do not see, in the planetary bodies which are beyond our sight, in the stars and planets that lie beyond them, in the skies that lie beyond the beyond. But when will we see that one common Power? When we will see the gian within us. Why? Because that Power of the cosmos is united with our inner power, gian. When gian develops within us, those unseen realms will appear before us automatically, for they are connected to the light of inner wisdom.

The great thing is that when we gain this inner understanding, we will be able to understand dharma (eternal truth, moral order). We will understand love, we will understand service. It is essential to understand that Power first, for It is in everything.

Every prophet has affirmed this. Jesus said, "Why don't you see the love of my Father everywhere? It is in flowers, in trees, in animals." Similarly, when Guru Gobind Singh

looked with enlightened vision, he said, "God is in water, God is in the earth, God is in caves, God is in mountains, God is here, God is there." Likewise, Prophet Muhammad said, "Allah is Master of the skies, Master of the earth, Master of the whole Creation." All the prophets said the same thing, after seeing Him.

When all the students, Masters, and gurus of that University of Gian came to us and said the same thing, we should pay attention to their messages. We should practice their teachings. We should act upon their teachings.

There is nothing new which you need to bring to this world. Love has already come, gian has already come, compassion and desire to serve have already come. Scriptures have already been written. Light has come, revelation has come, truth has come, love has come. Dharma never ends. It merely needs to be remembered. When the prophet comes, by his power, his merciful gaze, his speaking and his explaining, that gian which was hidden within a person becomes manifest. Then in what Kabir called the "storm of gian," the person is healed, for his evils are eliminated and good comes forth.

Who is an "old follower"?

Even though Babaji is in seclusion, recently someone demanded to see him, saying he was an old follower. On hearing of this, Babaji commented:

It is a mistake to say someone is an old follower and someone else is new on the basis of years — "She came here only 2 years ago, but he came here 26 years ago." Oh Baba, is this a degree? How much change has occurred in him? How much change has occurred in her? Measure that, and do not measure it by mere talk. How much work has he done? How much work has she done? Measure that.

Measuring by years is false thinking. One person is not doing any scriptural recitation. He does not sit in the havan. He does not listen to the evening prayer. He never takes any spiritual duties. And yet that person says, "Sir, that person came only yesterday but I am so-and-so and I have been coming here for 26 years." Tell me, what kind of degree is this? You are disobeying the orders. Neither do you read scriptures nor do you sit in meditation; you do not speak truth, nor do you have good moral character. Then what kind of training have you taken during the past 26 years? You have been disobeying the orders for 26 years.

The teacher says, "Chant the Name of God." The person says, "I will not do that." The teacher says, "Speak truth." The person says, "I will not speak truth." Are you thus becoming a disciple? You are characterless, you have no dharma, you have no intelligence. You have learned disrespect. It is not a matter of 25 years or 26 years. It is a matter of obeying the orders.

For a person to obey the orders is a big thing. One life, two lives mean nothing for attaining enlightenment. People

come from numerous lifetimes. When the teacher comes, other people with enlightenment also take birth with him. He comes with all his companions, his old team. This lifetime's label of old or new is then of no significance. Members of his team are called at the proper times. When the time has not yet come, they are sitting elsewhere. But they are his devotees. He gathers his people, taking them by the arm. When the time comes, he will say, "Come, my child; time to work." Why? He recognizes them at that time. And they answer, "Yes, sir (Sat bachan)," for they had been separated from him in the past.

Somebody else has been sitting around for 30 years. People say, "Sir, he is a very old devotee." What kind of old devotee is he? He does not obey any orders. Whoever obeys the orders is an old disciple. Whoever does not obey the orders is neither a new disciple nor an old disciple.

The question is, "What have you done during the past 30 years? Have you connected anyone to God's mission during this period? Or have you disconnected people from the mission? You have come to work for the mission. What work have you done for the mission? Have you gone anywhere and enlarged the mission? Has anybody believed any of your points? Have you spoken at all of the mission? Have you done anything? And even then you say, 'I have come here for the last 30 years.' What have you done for the last 30 years? All are claiming such degrees, but they have not served for a single day. All are ready to slip away.

People do not know who has been with him before. When Lord Buddha chose his bride and garlanded her, he revealed, "I have married her for the past 555 lives." People could not see that; they saw her as someone new. But it was an old union.

God's system for social change

Gobind Sadan is included in an effort to look at transformation of all social systems as a whole. This work has been initiated in Moscow by Vasilii Leschenko of the Russian Academy for Public Service, which is organizing a February conference of top-level Russian scientists, government servants, religious leaders, economists, environmentalists, lawyers, defense specialists, and information specialists. Baba Virsa Singh's book "Loving God" (now titled "The True Message of God") has been lovingly translated into Russian by Galina Vladimirova, a space engineer. Material from the book will also become one of the major conference documents. In addition, Babaji has dictated a powerful new statement for the conference about the true basis for global social change:

There is One whom we call the Creator. Then there is all nature, which He created — the earth, the waters, the trees, the animals. The Creator created all things and placed them in their natural state.

Who comes and upsets nature? Human beings. Nature is upset when humans' thoughts are not under their control, and when they are influenced by self-interest.

Therefore the first thing that must happen is that we must develop love in our minds — love for society, for God, for all of nature. In order to develop that love within us, we must begin to love the Creator. When we begin to love that One who has created nature, who is the Mover of all nature, then He will give us His powers, His love, and His wisdom.

If anger exists, it comes from within people. If there is crime in the world, it comes from within people. All in all, what spoils everything? Human thoughts. If people begin to do what God has said, then everything will be affected. The main issue is this: Do we who seek to improve society believe what we are saying? Have we controlled our own thoughts? Once we have done that, then when we speak to people on this subject, vibrations will be created. That wave will travel through the air, through the trees, into the waters, and it will also enter our thoughts.

Therefore, in order to improve anything, people first have to improve their own thoughts, because it is people who have interfered with what has been created in nature. God never interferes. Whenever nature is spoiled, it is people who have spoiled it. But if there is intervention by a person who is full of love, service, and compassion, those qualities will continue to develop within the world and their effect will last forever.

Why do we have to maintain defense systems? Because people do wrong and countries do wrong, because people and countries create things which conflict with the natural order. Then the environment is spoiled, and people's minds are spoiled as well.

If our minds are filled with compassion and the willingness to serve — to serve not only people but also animals and plants — that system will never break down. It may last for thousands of years, hundreds of thousands of years, countless millions of years.

The greatest thing is that we must accept that there is Something behind everything which has been created. Behind them is the One who gave them birth. Where is He? He is within us.

Clean your mind

Before we speak on a subject, we must first develop that quality within ourselves, within our thoughts. Before we take any action, we should think, "Will we hurt anyone's feelings by doing that? Will we be depriving anyone of their rights? Will we be violating anyone's boundaries?" It was to introduce such thoughts, to speak about them and awaken them within people that the prophets, messiahs, and saints came.

If we want to eliminate the smoke from factories or the poisonous chemicals that are polluting the environment, we must first recognize that there is poison within us. We must

first eliminate the poison within ourselves. What is this poison? Angry thoughts. Thoughts of denying others their rights. Thoughts of hurting others' feelings. How do our thoughts pollute the environment? Everything that issues from us enters the air and travels in the air, polluting the atmosphere. The waves of poison enter our surroundings and pollute them also. If anything goes wrong in a factory, polluting the water and air and harming health, that impact has also been created by human beings.

The solution for all these problems is to clean your own mind. Then nothing is difficult. You can stop theft. You can stop crime. You can create good systems, and people can live well. But first humans have to make their thoughts good.

Before you preach about anything, first correct your own thoughts. If you speak before an audience, desiring that there should be peace, that crime will cease, and that everyone will be blessed, it is very important to first develop those qualities within yourself. If we develop love, faith, and willingness to serve, when we speak, society will be healed. Then wherever you hold a meeting, those qualities will heal the very earth at that place. The environment there will be healed, and your mind will be healed. Then you will truly feel that you did not waste your time. You will feel that you spent your valuable time in a good way and that you received something.

Love and peace do not come from books. They come from inside, from your heart. Speaking after reading books is quite different from speaking from your heart. Create love and peace inside: First control yourself. The door of God's love will never be closed to you.

Love is the basis

Good ideas come from God. These ideas will only be developed when you first develop them within yourself, when you first bring peace within yourself. Discard the anger that is inside you. Discard the fear. Discard the hatred. Discard your feelings that some humans are high and some are low. See God's Love within everybody, and see that Love within yourself also. And don't see it only in people — see God's Love in trees, in flowers, in the land. Why should you look toward God's Love? When that appears within all of us, it will never end, and it never has.

If you have love inside you, you will create sound systems of law and order. If you have love inside you, those who are in charge of law and order will act justly. If love develops within you, your defense system, your finance system, and your management systems all will go well.

If we simply utter empty words about qualities which we do not possess, those words which flow from our tongue will not be good. They will not be full of love. If you speak of anything which is not full of love, faith, and willingness to serve, your effort will be wasted.

God is very loving. He does not place any demands on us. He has only one demand: that we love each other, love

the trees, the waters, the air, the land. He says just one thing to us: "I have created only love. Do not create hatred."

In all the subjects you are considering in this conference, make this your central theme: Bring peace within yourself. If love and compassion develop within us, if violence is eliminated within us, then who will go out and kill the head of state? How can human beings kill other humans? How can humans needlessly kill animals or cut down trees? Only because we do not have peace inside us. If the anger has not been eliminated within us, how can we speak of peace?

First discard the enmity from your mind; discard distinctions between high and low. See God's Light in everything. Then as you speak with love, you will be healed within, and those who hear you will also be healed. The air will be healed, as well, and wherever it travels, the trees and oceans will also be healed. Those waves of love will ascend to the stratosphere, and it, too, will be healed.

Become good yourself

Whenever there are good people, they are never in the majority. Instead, their strength lies in quality. Just as there is only one God, not two Gods, quality is very rare. Bad things are always in the majority.

May God bless you so that before you speak, you will bring forth within yourself those desired qualities about which you wish to speak. Then your words will affect the audience, and your meeting will be successful. Look within: Do you see any anger? If you do, and you nevertheless speak against anger, your talk will have no effect. First remove your own anger. First judge the weaknesses within yourself; don't judge anyone else.

God is ready to give us love, faith, and the willingness to serve. We have to be ready to receive them.

Be especially mindful of one thing: If you do anything good for someone, do not expect him to thank you. Service with expectation of thanks is a form of self-interest. If you did something good, that's fine, but keep moving ahead. Service and love will not be accepted if you want something in return for them. Love cannot be bought.

Keep doing good work, serving, and loving, and don't expect any thanks or praise in return. Just do it and forget it. Even if someone derides you, serve him also. If someone does not understand you, try to help him understand.

Systems are destroyed only by human beings, and only they can rebuild them. God always makes good systems. It is for us to follow them. Perhaps the ideas for this conference came into your mind because God put them there. God must be thinking that He wants to develop these ideas, for when He gives you good thoughts, He wants to develop them.

However, do not try to distribute that which you do not have. Make sure you understand this. If you have not developed love within yourself, don't try to distribute it to somebody else. If you do not have the desire to serve, don't talk about service. Only do those things which come from your

own feelings. Then there will be no difficulty at all. People's minds will become good, crime will disappear, and people will understand that they are not to invade each others' territories. Why will these changes occur? Because you have prayed to God and have first become good yourself. People are ready to improve.

It is only people who destroy systems, and people are the only ones who can correct the damage. Look at those places where very few people have gone, where nature is undisturbed. In such places, people get peace and serenity. Wherever humans go, the first thing they do is destroy the place. But if you take good thoughts into a natural environment, it will not be destroyed.

Those people whose way is spiritual, visionary, loving, and serving did not hold big meetings to set up their programme. They received visions through meditation, through their love of God. Whatever inspired thoughts then came into their mind, they not only spoke, but also practiced in their own lives.

If people discard self-interest, corruption will end. If people discard anger, defensive postures will end. Countries have set up territorial boundaries. We should try to send good things across these boundaries. This does not mean that we should break the boundaries and enter the countries to occupy them. If we did, war would inevitably ensue. If you deprive anyone of their rights, there will surely be fighting. Understand that we all want peace; the people whom we want to attack also want peace.

Love creates love, and hatred creates hatred. From anger, enmity is created. Friendship is created from love.

