

ਆਸਾ ਮਹਲਾ ੧ ॥

Aasaa, First Mehl:

ਰੂੜੋ ਠਾਕੁਰ ਮਾਹਰੋ ਰੂੜੀ ਗੁਰਬਾਣੀ ॥

Beautiful is the Supreme Lord and Master, and beautiful is the Word of the Guru's Bani.

ਵਡੈ ਭਾਗਿ ਸਤਿਗੁਰੁ ਮਿਲੈ ਪਾਈਐ ਪਦੁ ਨਿਰਬਾਣੀ ॥੧॥

By great good fortune, one meets the True Guru, and the supreme status of Nirvaanaa is obtained. ||1||

ਮੈ ਓਲ੍ਹਗੀਆ ਓਲ੍ਹਗੀ ਹਮ ਛੋਰੂ ਥਾਰੇ ॥

I am the lowest slave of Your slaves; I am Your most humble servant.

ਜਿਉ ਤੂੰ ਰਾਖਹਿ ਤਿਉ ਰਹਾ ਮੁਖਿ ਨਾਮੁ ਹਮਾਰੇ ॥੧॥ ਰਹਾਉ ॥

As You keep me, I live. Your Name is in my mouth. ||1||Pause||

ਦਰਸਨ ਕੀ ਪਿਆਸਾ ਘਣੀ ਭਾਣੈ ਮਨਿ ਭਾਈਐ ॥

I have such a great thirst for the Blessed Vision of Your Darshan; my mind accepts Your Will, and so You are pleased with me.

ਮੇਰੇ ਠਾਕੁਰ ਹਾਥਿ ਵਡਿਆਈਆ ਭਾਣੈ ਪਤਿ ਪਾਈਐ ॥੨॥

Greatness is in the Hands of my Lord and Master; by His Will, honor is obtained. ||2||

ਸਾਚਉ ਦੂਰਿ ਨ ਜਾਣੀਐ ਅੰਤਰਿ ਹੈ ਸੋਈ ॥

Do not think that the True Lord is far away; He is deep within.

ਜਹ ਦੇਖਾ ਤਹ ਰਵਿ ਰਹੇ ਕਿਨਿ ਕੀਮਤਿ ਹੋਈ ॥੩॥

Wherever I look, there I find Him pervading; how can I estimate His value? ||3||

ਆਪਿ ਕਰੇ ਆਪੇ ਹਰੇ ਵੇਖੈ ਵਡਿਆਈ ॥

He Himself does, and He Himself undoes. He Himself beholds His glorious greatness.

ਗੁਰਮੁਖਿ ਹੋਇ ਨਿਹਾਲੀਐ ਇਉ ਕੀਮਤਿ ਪਾਈ ॥੪॥

Becoming Gurmukh, one beholds Him, and so, His value is appraised. ||4||

ਜੀਵਦਿਆ ਲਾਹਾ ਮਿਲੈ ਗੁਰ ਕਾਰ ਕਮਾਵੈ ॥

So earn your profits while you are alive, by serving the Guru.

ਪੂਰਬਿ ਹੋਵੈ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਤਾ ਸਤਿਗੁਰੁ ਪਾਵੈ ॥੫॥

If it is so pre-ordained, then one finds the True Guru. ||5||

ਮਨਮੁਖ ਤੋਟਾ ਨਿਤ ਹੈ ਭਰਮਹਿ ਭਰਮਾਏ ॥

The self-willed manmukhs continually lose, and wander around, deluded by doubt.

ਮਨਮੁਖੁ ਅੰਧੁ ਨ ਚੇਤਈ ਕਿਉ ਦਰਸਨੁ ਪਾਏ ॥੬॥

The blind manmukhs do not remember the Lord; how can they obtain the Blessed Vision of His Darshan? ||6||

ਤਾ ਜਗਿ ਆਇਆ ਜਾਣੀਐ ਸਾਚੈ ਲਿਵ ਲਾਏ ॥

One's coming into the world is judged worthwhile only if one lovingly attunes oneself to the True Lord.

ਗੁਰ ਭੇਟੇ ਪਾਰਸੁ ਭਏ ਜੋਤੀ ਜੋਤਿ ਮਿਲਾਏ ॥੭॥

Meeting the Guru, one becomes invaluable; his light merges into the Light. ||7||

ਅਹਿਨਿਸਿ ਰਹੈ ਨਿਰਾਲਮੋ ਕਾਰ ਧੁਰ ਕੀ ਕਰਣੀ ॥

Day and night, he remains detached, and serves the Primal Lord.

ਨਾਨਕ ਨਾਮਿ ਸੰਤੋਖੀਆ ਰਾਤੇ ਹਰਿ ਚਰਣੀ ॥੮॥੧੯॥

O Nanak, those who are imbued with the Lord's Lotus Feet, are content with the Naam, the Name of the Lord. ||8||19||