ਧਨਾਸਰੀ ਮਹਲਾ ੧ ਘਰੂ ੨ ਅਸਟਪਦੀਆ

Dhanaasaree, First Mehl, Second House, Ashtapadees:

ੴ ਸਤਿਗੁਰ ਪ੍ਰਸਾਦਿ ॥

One Universal Creator God. By The Grace Of The True Guru:

ਗੁਰੂ ਸਾਗਰੂ ਰਤਨੀ ਭਰਪੂਰੇ॥

The Guru is the ocean, filled with pearls.

ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤੁ ਸੰਤ ਚੁਗਹਿ ਨਹੀ ਦੂਰੇ ॥

The Saints gather in the Ambrosial Nectar; they do not go far away from there.

ਹਰਿ ਰਸੁ ਚੋਗ ਚੁਗਹਿ ਪ੍ਰਭ ਭਾਵੈ॥

They taste the subtle essence of the Lord; they are loved by God.

ਸਰਵਰ ਮਹਿ ਹੰਸੂ ਪ੍ਰਾਨਪਤਿ ਪਾਵੈ ॥੧॥

Within this pool, the swans find their Lord, the Lord of their souls. ||1||

ਕਿਆ ਬਗੂ ਬਪੂੜਾ ਛਪੜੀ ਨਾਇ॥

What can the poor crane accomplish by bathing in the mud puddle?

ਕੀਚੜਿ ਡੂਬੈ ਮੈਲੂ ਨ ਜਾਇ ॥੧॥ ਰਹਾਉ ॥

It sinks into the mire, and its filth is not washed away. ||1||Pause||

ਰਿਖ ਰਿਖ ਚਰਨ ਧਰੇ ਵੀਚਾਰੀ॥

After careful deliberation, the thoughtful person takes a step.

ਦਬਿਧਾ ਛੋਡਿ ਭਏ ਨਿਰੰਕਾਰੀ ॥

Forsaking duality, he becomes a devotee of the Formless Lord.

ਮੁਕਤਿ ਪਦਾਰਥੁ ਹਰਿ ਰਸ ਚਾਖੇ॥

He obtains the treasure of liberation, and enjoys the sublime essence of the Lord.

ਆਵਣ ਜਾਣ ਰਹੇ ਗਰਿ ਰਾਖੇ ॥੨॥

His comings and goings end, and the Guru protects him. ||2||

ਸਰਵਰ ਹੰਸਾ ਛੋਡਿ ਨ ਜਾਇ॥

The swan do not leave this pool.

ਪ੍ਰੇਮ ਭਗਤਿ ਕਰਿ ਸਹਜਿ ਸਮਾਇ॥

In loving devotional worship, they merge in the Celestial Lord.

ਸਰਵਰ ਮਹਿ ਹੰਸੂ ਹੰਸ ਮਹਿ ਸਾਗਰੂ ॥

The swans are in the pool, and the pool is in the swans.

ਅਕਥ ਕਥਾ ਗੁਰ ਬਚਨੀ ਆਦਰੁ ॥੩॥

They speak the Unspoken Speech, and they honor and revere the Guru's Word. ||3||

ਸੁੰਨ ਮੰਡਲ ਇਕੁ ਜੋਗੀ ਬੈਸੇ॥

The Yogi, the Primal Lord, sits within the celestial sphere of deepest Samaadhi.

ਨਾਰਿ ਨ ਪੁਰਖੁ ਕਹਰੁ ਕੋਊ ਕੈਸੇ॥

He is not male, and He is not female; how can anyone describe Him?

ਤ੍ਰਿਭਵਣ ਜੋਤਿ ਰਹੇ ਲਿਵ ਲਾਈ ॥

The three worlds continue to center their attention on His Light.

ਸੂਰਿ ਨਰ ਨਾਥ ਸਚੇ ਸਰਣਾਈ ॥੪॥

The silent sages and the Yogic masters seek the Sanctuary of the True Lord. ||4||

ਆਨੰਦ ਮੂਲੁ ਅਨਾਥ ਅਧਾਰੀ ॥

The Lord is the source of bliss, the support of the helpless.

ਗੁਰਮੁਖਿ ਭਗਤਿ ਸਹਜਿ ਬੀਚਾਰੀ ॥

The Gurmukhs worship and contemplate the Celestial Lord.

ਭਗਤਿ ਵਛਲ ਭੈ ਕਾਟਣਹਾਰੇ ॥

God is the Lover of His devotees, the Destroyer of fear.

ਹਉਮੈ ਮਾਰਿ ਮਿਲੇ ਪਗੂ ਧਾਰੇ ॥੫॥

Subduing ego, one meets the Lord, and places his feet on the Path. ||5||

ਅਨਿਕ ਜਤਨ ਕਰਿ ਕਾਲੂ ਸੰਤਾਏ॥

He makes many efforts, but still, the Messenger of Death tortures him.

ਮਰਣੂ ਲਿਖਾਇ ਮੰਡਲ ਮਹਿ ਆਏ॥

Destined only to die, he comes into the world.

ਜਨਮੁ ਪਦਾਰਥੁ ਦੁਬਿਧਾ ਖੋਵੈ॥

He wastes this precious human life through duality.

ਆਪੁ ਨ ਚੀਨਸਿ ਭ੍ਰਮਿ ਭ੍ਰਮਿ ਰੋਵੈ ॥**੬**॥

He does not know his own self, and trapped by doubts, he cries out in pain. ||6||

ਕਹਤਉ ਪੜਤਉ ਸੁਣਤਉ ਏਕ॥

Speak, read and hear of the One Lord.

ਧੀਰਜ ਧਰਮੂ ਧਰਣੀਧਰ ਟੇਕ॥

The Support of the earth shall bless you with courage, righteousness and protection.

ਜਤੂ ਸਤੂ ਸੰਜਮੂ ਰਿਦੈ ਸਮਾਏ॥

Chastity, purity and self-restraint are infused into the heart,

ਚਉਥੇ ਪਦ ਕਉ ਜੇ ਮਨੂ ਪਤੀਆਏ ॥੭॥

when one centers his mind in the fourth state. ||7||

ਸਾਚੇ ਨਿਰਮਲ ਮੈਲੂ ਨ ਲਾਗੈ॥

They are immaculate and true, and filth does not stick to them.

ਗੁਰ ਕੈ ਸਬਦਿ ਭਰਮ ਭਉ ਭਾਗੈ॥

Through the Word of the Guru's Shabad, their doubt and fear depart.

ਸੂਰਤਿ ਮੂਰਤਿ ਆਦਿ ਅਨੁਪੂ ॥

The form and personality of the Primal Lord are incomparably beautiful.

ਨਾਨਕੁ ਜਾਚੈ ਸਾਚੁ ਸਰੂਪੁ ॥੮॥੧॥

Nanak begs for the Lord, the Embodiment of Truth. ||8||1||