

ਮਾਰੂ ਮਹਲਾ ੧ ॥

Maaroo, First Mehl:

ਮਿਲਿ ਮਾਤ ਪਿਤਾ ਪਿੰਡੁ ਕਮਾਇਆ ॥

The union of the mother and father brings the body into being.

ਤਿਨਿ ਕਰਤੈ ਲੇਖੁ ਲਿਖਾਇਆ ॥

The Creator inscribes upon it the inscription of its destiny.

ਲਿਖੁ ਦਾਤਿ ਜੋਤਿ ਵਡਿਆਈ ॥

According to this inscription, gifts, light and glorious greatness are received.

ਮਿਲਿ ਮਾਇਆ ਸੁਰਤਿ ਗਵਾਈ ॥੧॥

Joining with Maya, the spiritual consciousness is lost. ||1||

ਮੂਰਖ ਮਨ ਕਾਹੇ ਕਰਸਹਿ ਮਾਣਾ ॥

O foolish mind, why are you so proud?

ਉਠਿ ਚਲਣਾ ਖਸਮੈ ਭਾਣਾ ॥੧॥ ਰਹਾਉ ॥

You shall have to arise and depart when it pleases your Lord and Master.

||1||Pause||

ਤਜਿ ਸਾਦ ਸਹਜ ਸੁਖੁ ਹੋਈ ॥

Abandon the tastes of the world, and find intuitive peace.

ਘਰ ਛਡਣੇ ਰਹੈ ਨ ਕੋਈ ॥

All must abandon their worldly homes; no one remains here forever.

ਕਿਛੁ ਖਾਜੈ ਕਿਛੁ ਧਰਿ ਜਾਈਐ ॥

Eat some, and save the rest,

ਜੇ ਬਾਹੁੜਿ ਦੁਨੀਆ ਆਈਐ ॥੨॥

if you are destined to return to the world again. ||2||

ਸਜੁ ਕਾਇਆ ਪਟੁ ਹਢਾਏ ॥

He adorns his body and resses in silk robes.

ਫੁਰਮਾਇਸਿ ਬਹੁਤੁ ਚਲਾਏ ॥

He issues all sorts of commands.

ਕਰਿ ਸੇਜ ਸੁਖਾਲੀ ਸੋਵੈ ॥

Preparing his comfortable bed, he sleeps.

ਹਥੀ ਪਉਦੀ ਕਾਹੇ ਰੋਵੈ ॥੩॥

When he falls into the hands of the Messenger of Death, what good does it do to cry out? ||3||

ਘਰ ਘੁੰਮਣਵਾਣੀ ਭਾਈ ॥

Household affairs are whirlpools of entanglements, O Siblings of Destiny.

ਪਾਪ ਪਥਰ ਤਰਣੁ ਨ ਜਾਈ ॥

Sin is a stone which does not float.

ਭਉ ਬੇੜਾ ਜੀਉ ਚੜਾਉ ॥

So let the Fear of God be the boat to carry your soul across.

ਕਹੁ ਨਾਨਕ ਦੇਵੈ ਕਾਹੂ ॥੪॥੨॥

Says Nanak, rare are those who are blessed with this Boat. ||4||2||