

LEKH 26 HUKAM Part 2

If a baby for some reason gets lost (from his parents) and upon growing up finds employment as a servant in his father's kingdom, then he too like other servants, will be paid according to his knowledge and he is treated like all other servants.

But if through some information his relationship with his master (the father) is uncovered, then from a servant he immediately transforms into a son and becomes the rightful claimant or heir to his father's property or heritage and the (future) master.

In the same way, we human beings, because of the doubt fallacy of worldliness, have forgotten our Divine 'Father/Mother' and within the tiny cell of egotism or self-centeredness we live (our lives) according to our own will.

1. *O sibling of destiny he who lives (his life) according to his own will have to face blows upon separation (from the Infinite Lord). 602*

and '*Whatever deeds I perform (determines the rewards) that I receive.*'

According to these Laws we lead these worldly lives in the slavery of the five (passions).

2. *(Embroided) in false deeds and worldliness everyone dies harassed and tormented.133*

In the same way we live (our life) divorced from our own Divine heritage of 'Naam', love, affection, bliss, Hukam or command, joy, comforts etc. and consequently get knocked about and suffer in the doubt fallacy of worldliness.

3. *As long as (man) does not discover the Hukam or command (of the creator) he is bound to face difficulties.
Meeting the Guru he recognises the Hukam or command and only then (does he experience) happiness.400*

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Since the dawn of ages, gurus, avatars and evolved persons, through their life-style and words have taught and advised us about our Divine 'Father / mother' or the Infinite Lord and His joyous Hukam or Command but even then, we have not as yet been able to achieve understanding or recognition of our Divine Heritage and Hukam or Command.

What is surprising and regrettable is that in spite of doing numerous paaths (or readings), kirtan, rai/n sabhaaiaan (or kirtan whole night long), holding and listening to discourses, a large section of the Sikh panth (or society) are unable to

understand

know

recognise

research

discern

discover

believe

cultivate

the innate, intuitional and spiritual secret of this Divine Hukam or Command.

Such religious and spiritual

indifference

sluggishness

neglect

disregard

on our part has a fearful and painful consequence on our lives'

mental

economic

governmental

religious

spiritual

self and is starkly (or unmistakably) evident in every facet of our lives.

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We are not only indifferent to the innate knowledge of this Divine, secret 'in-laid' Hukam or Command, and headstrong about our own intellect, but we also take great pride in being led by our own will.

In the following lines of the Guru's Word, Gurbani has sounded serious warning about the state of affairs (that would prevail) for not understanding, not deciphering or not recognising the Divine Hukam or Command. But we, in our ignorance, and stubbornness, pretending to be unaware, skip over these Divine instructions of the Guru.

1. ***The pearls are scattered on the road; the blind man comes along. Without the Light of the Lord of the Universe, the world just passes them by. 1370***
2. The wretched fools do not know the Lord's Will; they wander around making mistakes. 66
2. ***One who does not know the Hukam of the Lord's Command cries out in terrible pain. She is filled with deception, and she cannot sleep in peace.85***
3. The self-willed manmukhs do not know the Lord's Command; they are beaten down by the Messenger of Death.90
4. ***: One who does not obey the Hukam, the Command of the Perfect Guru — that self-willed manmukh is plundered by his ignorance and poisoned by Maya.303***
5. As long as he does not understand the Command of God's Will, he remains miserable. Meeting with the Guru, he comes to recognize God's Will, and then, he becomes happy.400
6. ***In egotism, devotional worship cannot be performed, and the Hukam of the Lord's Command cannot be understood.560***
7. He does not understand the Hukam of the Lord's Command, and so he continues coming and going in reincarnation. He sins, and then regrets and repents.676
8. ***O Nanak, one who does not understand the Hukam of the Lord's Command should be called blind.954***
9. Past actions cannot be erased; without understanding the Hukam of the Lord's Command, they become beasts.1013
10. ***One who does not understand the Hukam, the Command of his Lord and Master, is false.1094***
11. He does not realize the Hukam of the Lord's Command; he is afflicted by possessiveness.1348
12. ***Some do not know how to submit to the Hukam of His Command, O Siblings of Destiny; they wander around lost in the love of duality.1419***
13. The wretched, self-willed manmukhs do not realize His Will; they continually act in ego.1423

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We send our messages to distant places through wireless or electronic means. In the same way we receive news from afar through the radio or TV.

For this communication (to take place)

1. A working radio
2. One wave length
3. A particular cycle or Meter
4. On the other (transmitting) side a strong transmitter
5. A clear atmosphere

is necessary.

The air is filled with numerous types of sounds, but when our radio is tuned to some specific meter and wave length then only the sound on that wave length and meter can be heard. In the same way when we talk to someone then the wave length of the attention and emotion of the (two) parties must be in tune or in harmony, otherwise discussion without any focus will not produce any results.

Our emotions in this materialistic world are the expression of our worldly thoughts and their effects can only be communicated or linked to the wave length of the mind, conscience and intellect.

The 'play' of Hukam or Command which operates on the wave length of some lofty and pure Divine Realm, cannot be understood, discerned and captured by wave length of a mind that belongs to a lower consciousness.

This Divine Hukam or Command has emerged from the 'being' of the Infinite Lord Himself in the same way as the sunlight (has emerges) from the sun.

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The Infinite Lord in His joy, brought into being this illumination or Naam in the form of Hukam or Command and (this Hukam or command) is ever present in each and every particle of the entire creation. It is through this that the physical world came into existence and is operating according to the spontaneous flow of the Hukam or command.

1. 1.1 *By His Command, we are conceived, O Beloved, and by His Command, we grow in the womb.*
 - 1.2 *By His Command, we are born, O Beloved, head-first, and upside-down. ...*
 - 1.3 *By His Command, one comes into the world, O Beloved, and by His Will, he goes.*
 - 1.4 *1.4 By His Will, some are bound and gagged and driven away, O Beloved; the self-willed manmukhs suffer their punishment.*
 - 1.5 *By His Command, the Word of the Shabad, is realized, O Beloved, and one goes to the Court of the Lord robed in honor.*
 - 1.6 *By His Command, some accounts are accounted for, O Beloved; by His Command, some suffer in egotism and duality.*
 - 1.7 *By His Command, one wanders in reincarnation, O Beloved; deceived by sins and demerits, he cries out in his suffering.*
 - 1.8 *If he comes to realize the Command of the Lord's Will, O Beloved, then he is blessed with Truth and Honor. || 6 || 636*
2. *God keeps all under His Command, but the fool shows off himself. 1241*
 3. *In His Will He creates, and in His Will He destroys thousands in an instant. 1289*
 4. *Your Command is infinite; no one can find its limit. One who meets with the Perfect Guru, walks in the Way of the Lord's Will. 396*

But we, through our limited intellect have misunderstood this secret, very subtle, innate, in-built Divine Hukam or Will and flounder (stumble) in the doubt ridden fallacy of intellectual knowledge.

With our valid or non valid views of our intelligence, we try to release some difficulty or pain, but when our effort fails, and leaves us empty or shelterless in the end, we comfort our minds by regarding these anxieties or pains as the Will of God or Hukam.

According to Gurbani this Divine Hukam or Command cannot be known, understood, discerned with our limited intellect because this Hukam

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is the play of the Divine realm or world. This can only be discerned, delved into or realised internally through intuition by rising above the intellectual realm (of this mind). That is why in Gurbani nowhere is it stated that Hukam or Command could be understood with the intellect. Instead there are references to discerning and recognising the secret way internally through intuition.

Discerning, recognising, believing or cultivating this boundless secret Hukam or Command is the activity of man's Divine realm (and not his intellectual mind)

People with limited intellect can neither discern nor accept or cultivate this divine Hukam or Command with their intelligence because there is a huge variation

in the wave length of these two conditions (a difference) as varied as the difference between the earth and the sky. By simply explaining the Divine Hukam of the spiritual realm with their intellect, they are propping up their own ego and leading their followers into a tangle (or web) of falsehood.

Our gross sound cannot be captured or heard on any other wave length. In the same way the thoughts and emotions of the intellect too cannot be captured or known on any other wave length. The wave length of different thoughts and emotions of each and every individual are separate. This is why we cannot understand one another For this reason in the physical world there is an abundance of:-

misunderstanding

misconception

doubt

jealousy

strife

opposition

quarrels
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in

homes

offices

corporations

cities

countries

the world and

famine of unity, common understanding, kinship, sympathy, kindness, forgiveness and love is taking place.

The principle cause of this is non-discernment of the ONE DIVINE HUKAM.

1. *As long as he does not understand the Command of God's Will, he remains miserable. 400*
2. *The wretched, self-willed manmukhs do not realize His Will; they continually act in ego. 1423*

Sound and emotions operate on the wave length of the physical world, but Gurbani, in the Divine Realm, is the manifestation of the Satgurus very subtle divine emotions, love filled desires which have manifested themselves through the intuitional wave length and are all pervading.

This spiritual intuitional wave length upon which the Divine Bani, Hukam, Naam has manifested itself is beyond the reach of the limited intellect of cosmic wave lengths of the physical world.

This is the reason why, in spite of having numerous paaths (readings of the scriptures), discourses and kirtan we are still divorced from the innate spiritual essence of Gurbani.

When we are unable to capture, listen, discern, and recognise this Divine Hukam that has emerged from the secret spiritual realm with the wave length of our

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limited physical intellect, then how is it ever possible to accept or cultivate this Hukam.

At the intellectual level we talk big, debate and indulge in intellectualism, and persuade others people to accept and cultivate the Divine Hukam or Command. But we ourselves in the doubt fallacy of worldliness and subject of our egotism are walking the path of our own hukam or will.

- 1 *He may talk as much as he wants, but he shall not be pleasing to his Master. 474*
- 2 *One who walks according to his own will, O Siblings of Destiny, suffers separation from the Lord, and shall be punished. 602*
- 3 *The wretched one does not understand His Command, and is reincarnated into heaven and hell. 423*

To listen to the news, we tune the radio to that meter and wave length over which that news appears. We cannot hear that news over any other meter or wave length.

Our attention, focus and the 'needle of our conscience' is engrossed and entangled in the attachments of the physical world.

That is why we are totally

unaware

unconcerned

ignorant

illiterate

unmindful

pretentious

of our innate spiritual intuitional radio.

This is why we are incapable of listening, discerning and recognising this secret, in-laid Divine Hukam or Command. How then can we ever accept or cultivate it.

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Therefore to decipher, discuss, recognise the subtle divine hukam we will have to redirect the externally focussed consciousness inwards into the innate self within.

- 1 ***O Shaykh, you wander in the four directions, blown by the four winds; bring your mind back to the home of the One Lord. Renounce your petty arguments, and realize the Word of the Guru's Shabad. 646***

Since time in memorial, the mind has the exhausting habit of scattering, running, galloping and facing tension brought about by the enjoyment of the mental hues and relish found in the external physical world. It is a very, very difficult task to refocus such consciousness towards the innate self within. This is the reason why our mind does not calm down even while doing paath, worship, kirtan, simran and mediation. This is the commonplace complaint that is usually voiced by seekers.

For this reason it is very difficult to bring back an ill-disciplined, vagabond, and rein-free mind to turn inwards towards the innate self.

3. ***O servant Nanak, this is such a difficult game; only a few Gurmukhs understand it! 219***

But without converting (bring back) the mind to the innate self within, without the practice of simran, it is impossible to know, discern, recognise the lofty and sublime divine essence form of the Hukam or command.

According to gurmat, to cultivate this difficult Divine 'Play', the sangat (or company) and sewa (or service) of bless evolved souls, gurmukh-piaarays –is immensely advantages and helpful.

4. Join the Saadh Sangat, the Company of the Holy; vibrate and meditate on the Jewel of the Naam. 12
4. One who enjoys peace in the company of the holy, even for an instant, obtains millions of heavenly paradises. 1208
5. Grasping the hem of the robe of the Holy Saint, we cross over the world- ocean. 218

This divine, strange, wondrous, extremely sublime Hukam or Command's play of 'hide and seek' is continuously taking place without even being noticed. In all this, the Infinite Lord, through His wondrous miracles, Himself is hidden, and He Himself is operating within the living forms and thereby expressing the 'Hukam' or Command. Through the Bani of His beloved saints, and evolved souls, He Himself is giving the methodology or the system to comply with His 'Hukam or Command.'

The amazing thing in this 'play' is that Waheguru is operating secretly on both sides and together with that he sees the 'play' which He Himself has created joyously "To witness (Himself the play of the creation), the world was created."

In this whole astonishing bachittar (drama), wondrous, secret, novel Divine play of love, the current of the Divine Flow, or the spontaneous flow of the Infinite Lord's love, blessing and guru's grace is called Hukam or Command.

In this whole secret divine play or Hukam, there is some very subtle hidden secret, which has only been unraveled, known, and recognised by some rare blessed beloved gurmukhs in their innate self through intuitional insight. Such evolved souls, who have been able to unravel the Hukam or Command of the loftiest of the lofty, purest of the pure, divine play of love, a truly novel play, are the ones who can spontaneously abide by the Will or cultivate it.

At the beginning of this lekh it has been stated that the 8,400,000 life forms, flourish, nourish and perish according to the 'in-laid' Divine Hukam. By shedding anxiety and becoming carefree on the waves of the flow of spontaneous current of the 'Divine life force', (these 8,400,000 life forms) are unknowingly, innocently, and spontaneously flowing towards their (Infinite Lord) the ocean of love.

But man is the only one such life form, which through his own intelligence, rationality and contradictions separates himself from the flow of spontaneous current or Will, of the Divine Hukam or Command and gets caught in the whirlpool of his own tiny ego. Attached to the (world of action & reaction), he lives a life 'entangled and enmeshed (in worldliness) where everyone involved in false deeds and attachments perishes.

As an example, a piece of wood in the middle of a river by itself, without being aware, needing no intelligence or effort, is carried along by the water current. But if for some reason that piece of wood moves towards the river bank, it gets caught in the whirlpool of water under the bridge.

This example of the piece of wood that gets carried by the water current aptly applies to man. Man is one such sharp witted life form, who, because of the thoughts and maxims of his intelligence, has detached himself from the spontaneous current or Will of the Divine Hukam or Command and gets trapped in the whirlpool of his tiny ego or in the wheel of life and death's 8,400,000 life forms coming and going and

consequently faces pain according to his deeds.

1. *The wretched one does not understand His Command and is reincarnated into heaven and hell.* 423
2. *One who walks according to his own will, O siblings of destiny, suffers separation from the Lord Waheguru, and shall be punished.* 602
3. *Some do not know how to submit to the Hukam of His Command, O siblings of destiny: they wander around lost in the love of duality.* 1419

In the atmosphere are present strong air currents which have the potential of developing into cyclones. This atmospheric condition is also referred to as a storm. Storms or cyclones only sometimes make their presence felt in the lower atmosphere, but powerful strong air currents exist well above the clouds in the upper atmosphere all the time. Like in a whirlwind, if something comes in the way of these atmospheric cyclones or tornadoes, this thing automatically flies off at a great speed.

Exactly in the same way the flow of the Divine Hukam, the life current, Naam has spontaneously by itself filled up the spiritual world.

Within the ‘flow’ or ‘Hukam’ there is no need for

intelligence

maxims

strategies

rationality

ideas

wishes desires

schemes

anxiety fear

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because the Divine Life Current of Hukam by itself keeps the ship of life, the glider aloft and moving in its spontaneous flow or will without our knowledge. We do not have to draw upon the intelligence of our tiny limited intellect to churn out schemes because our mind, emotions and intellect with the aid of an All Intelligent and All Wise Infinite Lord, accepts the authority of the ‘in-laid’ Hukam or Command and commits all actions or deeds in harmony and in tune with the Will of the ‘Almighty God’.

In this way we can cultivate and “Abide by the Hukam O Nanak that is in-laid within (your destiny)”.

1. The Boat of the True Guru is the Name of the Lord Waheguru. How can we climb on board? One who walks in harmony with the True Guru’s Will comes to sit in this boat. 40

In this state of mind, the coming and going of ideas, deeds and discipline take on a hue or colouring of the Divine Will and in so doing we are never responsible for our actions or deeds and consequently we do not have to face the jam (the police of Dharamraj- the righteous judge).

The 8,400,000 forms of life, without knowing, innocently have attuned themselves with, or abide by the Will of, the flow of the Divine Hukam or Command. But man, with his power to discern and with his effort, has to attune his mind, intellect, conscience with the Divine

life flow

hukam

naam

spontaneous flow

will.

Turning our attention and focus from the materialistic world through simran and tuning it to the flow of the ‘life – current’

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of spontaneous nature of the Divine world within our innate self, can be regarded as a means of

discovering

knowing

recognising

believing

cultivating

hukum.

The rest of the life forms cannot interfere with the spontaneous nature of the hukam or command, but man, with his intellect and scheming mind, attempts to interfere, whenever possible, with the Divine Hukam or command. Getting out of tune with the spontaneous flow of the joyous Divine Hukam or Command, he keeps meddling with the flow of the Will (of God). Guided by his own will, he suffers 'blows of separation'.

The essence of the whole lekh or essay is this:-

1. The Divine Hukam

is one

is invisible

is 'inlaid' (written) within our being

is wholly permeating everything

is unerring

is unutterable

is fathomless

is boundless

is the shabad

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is the Naam

is the life current

is in a state of motion

is spontaneous in nature

is the play of love

is a unique play

is an arena of play

is a gigantic performance

is the WILL

2. The Divine Hukam is beyond the

understanding

thinking

contemplation

knowledge

philosophy

intelligence

education

science

apprehension

of the intellect.

3. Without unraveling and recognising this Divine Hukam or command we continue to exist under the influence of the egotism of the physical world and bound by the play of action and reaction in this world we keep coming and going in the cycle of birth and death.

1. The poor wretch understands not God's Command and enters hell and heaven. 423

2. Some do not know how to submit to the Lord's Will and wander about in the love of another O siblings of destiny. 1419

4 According to Gurbani, to unravel or to open up a secret and recognise the Divine Hukam or Command,

a) The attention, thought, concentration must move into the innate self of our being and ceaselessly practice or do simran.

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- b) Within the innate self merge with the shabad consciousness to reach the divine wave length of the shabad.
- c) Swimming into these lofty, pure, celestial wave lengths of the divine world, gives rise to the manifestation of the intuitional essence of knowledge.
- d) In the manifestation of the Divine World, through the blessings of the Guru, by way of intuition, the understanding, the unraveling of the ‘Commander’ or the ‘Eternal Being’ and His boundless Divine Hukam can take place.

5. To unravel and recognise this ‘Divine Marvel’ - the Divine Hukam or Command, the company and the service of beloved gurmukhs and evolved souls is mandatory and extremely beneficial because the powerful personal vibrations they (the gurmukhs) have cultivated, do help to refocus our weak diverging consciousness to return to our innate self within and merge with the Word Consciousness (of Gurbani).

In this godly and Divine path, Gurbani has issued an emphatic command about the need to participate in the ‘sadh sangat’ the company of holy souls.

- 1. *Forever keep me in the company of the holy and bless me with the gift of this Naam of Yours. 1078*
- 2. *My darkness is dispelled on meeting God O Nanak, and I am awakened after being asleep for countless births. 204*
- 3. *With the support of the company of the holy, the affection for the Lord builds up. 966*
- 4. *The Lord abides in the company of the holy. In their company God’s virtues are known. 1335*

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- 1. O brothers of the company of the holy, come let us meet. By getting together we may utter the Lord God’s Name. 1355
- 2. Meeting the company of the holy, I have obtained the elixir of the Lord’s Name and the Infinite Lord has settled into my mind. 1348
- 3. Meet the company of the holy and chant the priceless Naam. 12
- 4. By holding to the hem of the holy ones, this world ocean is crossed. 218
- 5. Associating with the company of the holy, I shall surely be saved 1071
- 6. Meeting the company of the holy, one is blessed with supreme status and taking our butter he eats with relish. 982
- 7. The invaluable Name is in the congregation of the holy ones. By the greatest good destiny one obtains this company. 909

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A knowledgeable person has written in English about the dynamic effect of the sadh sangat (the company of the holy realized beings)

To gain admission into the Divine Realm or Divine Wave Length, and to unravel, recognize, accept and cultivate this Divine Hukum or Command, a lofty, pure, simple method is revealed in Gurbani and that is – the Sadh Sangat, the company of the holy.

In the Divine Wave Length of the Sadh Sangat, the company of the holy,

the beautiful things

the love of the innate self within

the receptacle of love

the relish of the Lord Waheguru

the hue or colour of the Lord Waheguru

the treasure house of worshippers

the pinnacle of the Ultimate

the hukam or command

the will

the elixir of eternal life

the Naam etc.

and, the divine transaction of numerous eternal gifts, their trading, their business (giving –taking) can only take place in the presence of divine traders and beloved gurmukhs.

The taking of Amrit is the symbol of the merger with the secret and divine ‘relish’.

The intellectual knowledge of the physical world cannot access this level because the wings of knowledge of the physical world, the scheming and the intelligence of the minds gets scorched or burnt by the dynamic lighting of the Divine World.

This is why in Gurbani there is a hukam or command:-

1. *Deal with the Lord’s dealers, earn your profits, and rejoice in your mind.* 595
2. *My dealings are with the Saints, and my business is with the Saints.
I have earned the profit with the Saints, and the treasure filled to over-flowing
with devotion to the Lord.
The Saints entrusted to me the capital, and my mind’s delusion was dispelled.* 614
2. *By the Grace of the Saints, I meditate on the Lord’s Name, and then, all
comforts come to me.* 610
3. 3.1 *In the saints’ congregation the jewel of the Naam is obtained*
3.2 *In the saints’ congregation man strives for the one Lord alone....*
3.3 *In the society of saints man enjoys the ambrosial essence of the Naam...*

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1. 1.1 *In the company of the holy, man receives the Incomprehensible
commodity of the Naam.*
1.2 *In the company of the holy man endures the unendurable...*
1.3 *In the company of the saints man obtains the treasure of Naam.*
1.4 *Nanak is a sacrifice to unto the pious person....*
1.5 *In the society of the saints one does not face any misery.*
1.6 *By beholding and meeting the saints, the mortal becomes happy...*
1.7 *In the society of the holy, the Lord becomes sweet unto man.*
1.8 *In the society of the holy God is seen in every heart.* 272
 2. *With the support of the saints, the company of the holy, affection for the Lord
builds up.* 966
- God, because He is self created and He is the Creator, HE is not bound to anything nor is He under the hukam or command of anyone. He Himself is the Commander. In His joy He created and He is operating the physical world with His boundless and unerring Hukam or Command.
1. *The One Hukam or Command of the Lord is operating over all and written in
their head or destiny is the responsibility allocated by the Lord.* 425
 2. *The Lord Himself creates, Himself bestows the hue or colour, and He Himself
casts the merciful glance.* 722
 3. *By His Command the Lord has created the world of myriad or different kinds of
things. O my Incomprehensible and Infinite True Lord, I do not know how great
your order is.* 786
 4. *God Himself does and Himself makes others do. He is pervading in His Will.* 1043
 5. *Your Command, O God, rules in the four directions; Your Name pervades the
four corners of the nether regions as well.* 1275

In the manifestation of the Divine World, there exists only divine love of the innate self where:-

eternal bliss
eternal comfort
eternal love
relish of love
the supreme bliss
eternal hue or colour
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eternal joy

eternal blossom

eternal 'now'

is taking place or occurring.

But in the world of materialism, at various levels, we are living our lives according to the dictates of numerous laws and carrying out our deeds according to our 'egotism' and intelligence, we are caught up in numerous burdens:-

1. Central government laws
2. Provincial laws
3. Municipal laws
4. Gram Panchait laws
5. Moral obligations
6. Social customs
7. Religious dogmas
8. Rituals and rites
9. Superstitious conceptions
10. Instinctive slavery
11. Sensual slavery
12. Environmental effects

These external 'life's burdens' are the result of 'not unraveling' and 'not complying' with the Divine Hukam or Command. It is only the human life form that man is entrapped in this web and faces pain.

1. *In ego the soul is imprisoned and the Naam cannot abide in the mind* 560
2. *The religious ceremonies are all entanglements with the good and bad bound up with them. The toils for the sake of children and the wife, done through egotism and worldly attachments, are but fetters (chains)* 551
3. *All these kinsmen (relations) are like bonds for the soul O brother, the world has gone astray in doubt.* 602

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1. *Whatever I do, while engaged in greed, only serves to bind me down.* 702
2. *You can do anything, but whatever you do, only serves to tie your feet.* 1075
3. *Crying out, "Mine! Mine!", he is bound in bondage. Entangled in Maya, he is reincarnated in heaven and hell.* 761
4. *This mind is entangled in worldly affairs, creating more and more karma. Enchanted by Maya, it cries out in suffering forever.* 1176
5. *Everyone knows how to be caught, but hardly anyone knows how to escape.* 331
6. *Hope and desire are entrapments, O Siblings of Destiny. Religious rituals and ceremonies are traps.* 635
7. *Everyone speaks of wisdom and meditation; but bound in bondage, the whole world is wandering around in confusion.* 728

The 8,400,000 life forms are unknowingly cultivating the Divine Hukam or Command and are protected from the burdens of the materialistic world. But the human life forms, ridden in the doubt of egotism, knowingly or deliberately are

1. unconcerned and as such are turning away from the Divine Hukam or Command, and
2. quite unnecessarily getting trapped in the materialistic world.

Although gurus, prophets, evolved souls ever since the beginning, have been warning and advising man through the example of their life-style and their Word, even then, man is so consumed and bloated in the doubt ridden fallacy of his egotism, that he does not see the need for

1. coming out of the doubt ridden fallacy.
2. unraveling and recognising the Divine Hukam or Command.
3. freeing himself from the burdens of the materialistic world.
4. abiding in and cultivating the Will (of God).

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5. developing

an awareness

a thought or

setting aside time for ones salvation

doesn't seem to be in the list of ones needs let alone making an effort.

Gurbani throws light on the subject matter of this lekh in the following way:

1. *How great is Your Command, O Lord, cannot be known. Nor does any one know how to pen it down.* 53
2. *Nanak, man is ordered to ponder over the Name alone. This is the thing the True Guru has made me understand.* 72
3. *By recognising the Hukam, you get to meet the Lord Master.* 92
4. *He is wise and he is honourable to whom the Lord's Hukam or Command seems sweet.* 108
5. *He who recognises Lord's Command utters His praises and through Guru's hymns he gets glorified with God's Name.* 109
6. *By His sweet Will the immortal Gurbani has become prevalent and by His Will one quaffs or drinks the nectar of immortality .*118
7. *Your Command is True O' Lord. Through the Guru it is known. Eradicating the self by the Guru's instruction, I have recognised the Truth.* 144
8. *The ways are two but know this that the Master is One. Through the Word of the Guru recognise His Command.* 223
9. *It behooves (is an obligation for) the servant to perform service. By obeying God's Command he obtains the supreme status.*292
10. *Understanding the Lord's Will I enjoy pleasures and dainties. By serving the True Guru, I obtain the supreme bliss.* 385

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1. *Your Command is infinite; no one can find its limit. One who meets with the Perfect Guru, walks in the Way of the Lord's Will.* 396
2. *One who realizes the Lord's Command, obtains all peace and comforts.*440
3. *The Command of Your Will is very strict; how rare is the Gurmukh who understands.* 441
4. *O Nanak, upon meeting the True Guru, the Order of the Lord's Will is understood, and the One Lord comes to dwell in the mind.* 491
5. *By Guru's Grace, one who dies while yet alive, understands the Hukam of the Lord's Command.* 555
6. *In egotism, devotional worship cannot be performed, and the Hukam of the Lord's Command cannot be understood.* 560
7. *Says Nanak, the Name of the immaculate, inaccessible, unfathomable Commander is permeating and pervading everywhere.* 569
8. *One who understands the Hukam of the Lord's Command is called a Yogi; he links his consciousness to the One Lord.* 908
9. *Twenty-four hours a day, they are lovingly absorbed in the One Lord; they surrender and accept the Will of the Infinite Lord.* 959
10. *Recognizing the Hukam, the Command of his Lord and Master, what other cleverness is there?* 991
11. *One who realizes the Hukam of God's Command, by the Grace of the Guru, comes to know the lifestyle of the ages.* 1027
12. *One who becomes Gurmukh realizes the Hukam of His command; surrendering to His Command in the Lord.* 1037
13. *He Himself acts, and inspires all to act; in His Will, He pervades and permeates all.* 1043
14. *True is the Hukam of His Command, and True is the expanse of His universe. No one else can issue any Command.* 1045
15. *As slave to the Hukam of the Lord's Command, the mortal acts according to His Hukam. According to His Hukam, he is deprived of his breath.* 1054
16. *One who realizes the Hukam of the Lord's Command is said to be His servant.* 1076
17. *Contemplating the Word of the Guru's Shabad, one is in spring forever, with the Lord's Name enshrined in the heart.*1176

L26.25

18. *No one knows how great the Hukam of His Command is; no one can describe His actions. 1241*
19. *By the Hukam of His Command, He formed the Universe, and in His Hukam, He keeps it. By His Hukam, He keeps it under His Gaze. 1243*
20. *Those who realize the Hukam of the Lord's Command are united with Him; through the Word of His Shabad, their egotism is burnt away. 1258*
21. *Enforcing His Order, He created the world. By Guru's Grace, understand this, O Siblings of Destiny. 1261*
22. *Your Command, O God, rules in the four directions; Your Name pervades the four corners of the nether regions as well. 1275*
23. *He writes the inscription of His Hukam on the foreheads of all, without pen or ink. 1280*
24. *In His Will He creates, and in His Will He destroys thousands in an instant. 1289*
25. *Whoever understands the Hukam of the Lord's Command, realizes the essence of reality. 1289*
26. *Whoever realizes the Hukam of His Command, knows the One Lord. He alone is said to be the Lord's slave. 1350*
27. *Some do not know how to submit to the Hukam of His Command, O Siblings of Destiny; they wander around lost in the love of duality. 1419*
28. *Nanak: they alone submit to His Command, O Siblings of Destiny, who are pre-destined to live the Name. I am a sacrifice to them, O Siblings of Destiny, I am forever a sacrifice to them. 1419*
29. *O Nanak, they alone are right, who understand the Will of the True Guru. It is they who are blessed with the understanding by the True Guru. 1423*
30. *As long as he does not understand the Command of God's Will, he remains miserable. Meeting with the Guru, he comes to recognize God's Will, and then, he becomes happy. 400*
31. *Realizing the Hukam of Your Will, Your humble servants are enraptured; this is the achievement of Your devotees. 1077*
32. *My soul is burning like fire, and the knife is cutting deep. Prays Nanak, recognizing the Lord's Command, I am at peace, day and night. 156*

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Personal contact or company is the easiest and the quickest way of conveying thoughts and influencing others. The effect of such influence is dependent on the *intensity and conviction* of one's feelings on the one part, and the *receptibility* of the receiving mind. Hence persons of developed minds and *illuminated* souls with deep conviction and strong faith –and *can influence and infect* weaker minds.

Where vocal exhortations or intellectual philosophies – fail to leave any sustaining mark on the minds of the audience, the *very presence* of a dynamic *Enlightened Soul*- can *silently inspire and transform* the lives of individuals- with their *penetrating spiritual rays and vibrations*, constantly emanating from the sublime dynamic Personality.

The same principle applies to the *Intuition Writings of Enlightened Souls*- which are ever fresh, original and soul stirring, call them Saints, Sages, or 'God-Men' as you like.

If cultivated powerful mind can affect the ordinary mind so deeply on the mental and emotional plane or wave length- *Illuminated and Enlightened souls can also inspire, awaken and ignite the aspiring soul* and *usher* it into the subtle Intuition Spiritual plane or wave length.

If laser rays can penetrate through thick metals, and the destructive dynamic ray of 'Lightening' can do so much havoc on the physical plane- the *Volatile, dynamic, subtle rays of Divine Vibrations*, emanating from the dynamic Divine Personality of a 'God-Man'- can also *pierce the thick wall of our materialistic and intellectual illusive conceptions, touch the Divine Fringes of the Soul of the Aspirant, and usher* him into the *Intuition Wave length of the Divine Realm*.

Thus the silent but dynamic rays of Divinity can *transform* and change the life of an aspiring soul – into a spiritual 'God-Man'. He is *re-born into the Divine Realm*.

