

Sant Kirpal Singh

Third World Tour

Chapter 8





Third World Tour 1972 – 1973

If I have come to you,
it is His Grace.
Praise should go to Him.

Sant Kirpal Singh

***Sant Kirpal Singh left India** for Germany, the first stop on His 1972-73 World Tour, at 2 a. m., 26 August, 1972. About twenty buses were reportedly hired to carry the Satsangis from Sawan Ashram to the airport so that they could have darshan to the last possible minute. A dais had been built at the airport grounds for 12000 of His children just before boarding.*

On 27 August, Sant Kirpal Singh arrived at Köln airport from where His European tour started followed by Berlin, Nürnberg and Stuttgart. He then visited Switzerland, Italy and France. After four days in Paris Sant Kirpal Singh was scheduled to visit London and in the following days He gave talks in Eastbourne, Liverpool, Birmingham and Belford.

On 19 September, He started from London to America where He visited many American cities like Dallas, Fairfax, Washington, Charlotte, Philadelphia, New

York, Boston, Calais, Vermont, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Vancouver, Berkeley, San José, Dallas, St. Petersburg and Fort Lauderdale. In Canada He gave several talks at Montreal and Denver.

From 10 to 28 December, Sant Kirpal Singh visited South America. He arrived in Mexico City, gave several talks in Panama City, Quito, Bogota, Cali and Caracas.

His last stop in Rome was originally conceived as a rest stop to break up His long flight home, but Sant Kirpal Singh gave direction otherwise and two more public talks were given there before His final arrival back in Delhi.

Sant Kirpal Singh
Dom Hotel, Köln, August 1972



Germany

On 27 August, Sant Kirpal Singh arrived at Frankfurt airport from where His European tour started with Köln, Berlin, Nürnberg and Stuttgart

Love cannot be expressed in words. No words can express it. Yes – you can see from the Light which dances in the loving eyes – by radiation. I send you my hearty love, you see. Two days I am here. I hope you will be enjoying, and all will sit together in the sweet remembrance of God.

You have been put on the way, the main reason for my coming here now is that you may progress on the way and have better understanding. So today, go away with the firm conviction that you are all one.

We are all brothers and sisters in God. We have got the same work ahead, the same ideal, the same One whom we worship. There is no high, no low. Basic teachings are the same everywhere; for the first purpose: to prepare the ground for the higher teaching.

I wish you all progress, you see. I address my loving words to you, and also the love which has driven me here despite all the hurdles on the way.

Right: Sant Kirpal Singh, Berlin 1972

“Last time I came in 1963. It is nine
years now that I have been away
from you physically ...”





Sant Kirpal Singh in Nürnberg, 30 August, 1972

Early in the morning, on 1 September, Sant Kirpal Singh left for Stuttgart by train. The railway station was near the hotel, and He walked there, accompanied by many of His devoted children. It was a very sweet sight; many people took pictures, and people passing by on the road stopped and asked what was happening.

When the train left at 9:30, many devotees burst into tears. Others went right along with Him in the same train, as they could not bring themselves to say goodbye. A separate compartment was reserved for Sant

Kirpal Singh and His party, but the initiates stood outside in the corridor to be as near to Him as possible. After a while, the Master asked them to go to their seats and rest. But they preferred to remain standing in the corridor. On seeing this, the Master humorously remarked that since they had paid first class fare but were standing in the corridor, they should ask for a refund. This had made everyone laugh.

The Master spoke about inconvenience while travelling, and said that very few Saints had travelled very far, Guru Nanak being the main exception with his



Sant Kirpal Singh in the train from Nürnberg to Stuttgart, 1 September, 1972

four long journeys in all directions. Generally, He said, Saints gave out spirituality in their own territories, and travelled very little. He was undertaking His third long tour as a puppet in the hands of His beloved Master. He said this very humbly, and it had a tremendous impact on His listeners.

Further, the Master said, that once God asked a Saint what gift he would like. The Saint replied that he was a drop of the ocean of all consciousness. If the drop merges in the ocean, the ocean derives no benefit; therefore, he prayed to remain outside the ocean and

asked for strength to spread God's message of love to suffering humanity.

As Master said this, we all became aware that He is taking upon Himself the hardships of such arduous journeys for the sake of humanity – for the sake of all of us.

Reported by a disciple

Go to the company of the Saints
And contemplate with them
On the truth.

Kabir

France

Sant Kirpal Singh's visit in Paris

The highest mission of a man's life is to know one's Self and to know God. Life does not consist in having possessions. Life consists in just coming into the higher Life, coming in contact with the higher Life or, say, to be enthused with the higher Life within. We are conscious beings; and if this conscious entity, which we have, comes in contact with the All-Consciousness, that will enthuse it with still more consciousness.

How do we stand now? We have, as it were, become the body itself, so much so that we cannot differentiate our Self from the body. So, "Self-knowledge precedes God-knowledge". And for that, it is now a practical subject how to know one's Self, and then our very Self will be able to know or see God.

Right: Sant Kirpal Singh in Paris, September 1972





Sant Kirpal Singh in the Hotel
St. James et Albany in Paris, 1972

If you meet someone who is one with the Truth, who knows who and what he is and has experienced the Lord, through his help your senses will invert, you will withdraw from the outer world and will be able to see inside.

A realized person, who has already unravelled this life's enigma, can demonstrate how to rise above body-consciousness and still the senses, mind and intellect. When these faculties are stilled the soul is able to rise above, and with the grace of the Guru it is reunited with the oversoul. If you come to know yourself, your whole angle of vision will change, and so will your attitude to life. You will see who your life-long companion is, and who is the operator of the body's machinery - the same power which controls all creation.

Sant Kirpal Singh

Sant Kirpal Singh thanked Rev. Boubakeur for his hearty welcome and said:

“We are all children of the
same God.

We all should work together
and know our true Home – for
which we have to work hard.”



Left: The director of the Mosque, H. Boubakeur received Sant Kirpal Singh with affection at the main gate and escorted Him to the dais

Right: Sant Kirpal Singh gave a talk at the famous Mosque of Paris
Below right: Lecture in Paris



United Kingdom

Sant Kirpal Singh visited London and also gave talks in Eastbourne, Liverpool, Birmingham and Belford

Masters have been coming from time to time to guide the child humanity back to their homes. We were some time in the lap of God, in our true home, ever since we are separated from there. We have forgotten our home altogether. So Masters come to tell us that there is a God who made all this creation, who is immanent in every form and controlling all creation. We are His children, we are of the same essence as that of God, we should love Him. As He is

“O soul, this body and this world is not your home! You are a conscious entity.”

immanent in every form, He resides in every heart, we should love them, too. If we love God, naturally, when He resides in every heart, we should love everybody.

So whenever they come they bring the religion of love. So Master tells us there is a God. We can also see Him, that God-into-expression-Power of course, when we rise above body-consciousness, when we rise to the tenth door, when we rise above the life of senses.

A great atheist was lying on the death bed. In his room he had written: “God is nowhere.” A child came up. He was reading slowly: “God – is – n-o-w h-e-r-e, God is now here.” And the man on the death bed said: “Yes child, I see, there is some Power overhead.” So we can know, Masters do tell us, there is a God. They may bear testimony to it. And they say, you can also have a contact to enliven it when your inner eye is opened. Or at the time of death, when you withdraw from all outside, leave the nine doors of the body and turn to the back of the eyes, when your eyes are upturned, then you see there is some

higher Power controlling us. So He is the life of our own very life.

They bear testimony that they have seen God. Where? In this very manbody. Why do we not see? Because the same mind stands between you and God. Our soul is under the control of mind, mind is under the control of the outgoing faculties, and the outgoing faculties are engaged or absorbed in the enjoyments outside. Enjoyments outside drag like anything all outgoing faculties. So we are under a grand delusion.

What do they tell us? “O soul, this body and this world is not your home! You are a conscious entity.”

So your true home is not the physical body; your true home is the home of the Father which is of all consciousness. This is the mystery that is to be solved while we are in the manbody.

"Life comes from
life. This is given
to you, when
you develop
receptivity. By
devotion and
surrender you
can develop this
receptivity."

Sant Kirpal Singh, 1972



Sant Kirpal Singh holding Satsang in a
private house of a disciple, Middlessex /
Eastbourne, UK, September 1972





Kabir tells us, “Well, oh discriminatory bird,” he refers to man like that, “why have you forgotten your home? This (physical world) is not your home. This is only a golden opportunity given to you, but you are under a grand delusion. You have forgotten your Self, what to speak of God or what to speak of your true home. Wake up!”

“Love God!” he says. And he tells us, “Dear friend, how can we love God?” We love the world because we see the world. God is love. The soul, being of the

same essence as that of God, has love in its innate Self; and the qualification of love is that it wants to be attached to somebody. The soul’s love was to be developed, to contact the all-soul - the oversoul, God - which is stationary, permanent, eternal. When you are attached there, there is no fear of death, no fear of separation. The Masters say, “Those who want permanent joy, all glory and eternal life, they should contact God who is within you and permeating through all creation.”



Sant Kirpal Singh, USA 1972

United States

“... God has sent them to me and I am sent by Him here.”

Don't You Want To Go Home

Excerpts from a Satsang in Charlotte, 4 October, 1972

One time in Charlotte, Sant Kirpal Singh begged all to raise their hands if they were prepared to give the promise to go back.

Sant Kirpal Singh asked, “May I put a question to you? You have put so many questions to me.” Everyone replied, “Yes.” – “If time runs short, what do you do to lengthen it? Put chains on the legs of time. Have sweet remembrance with you, not to forget it; that will lengthen the time.”

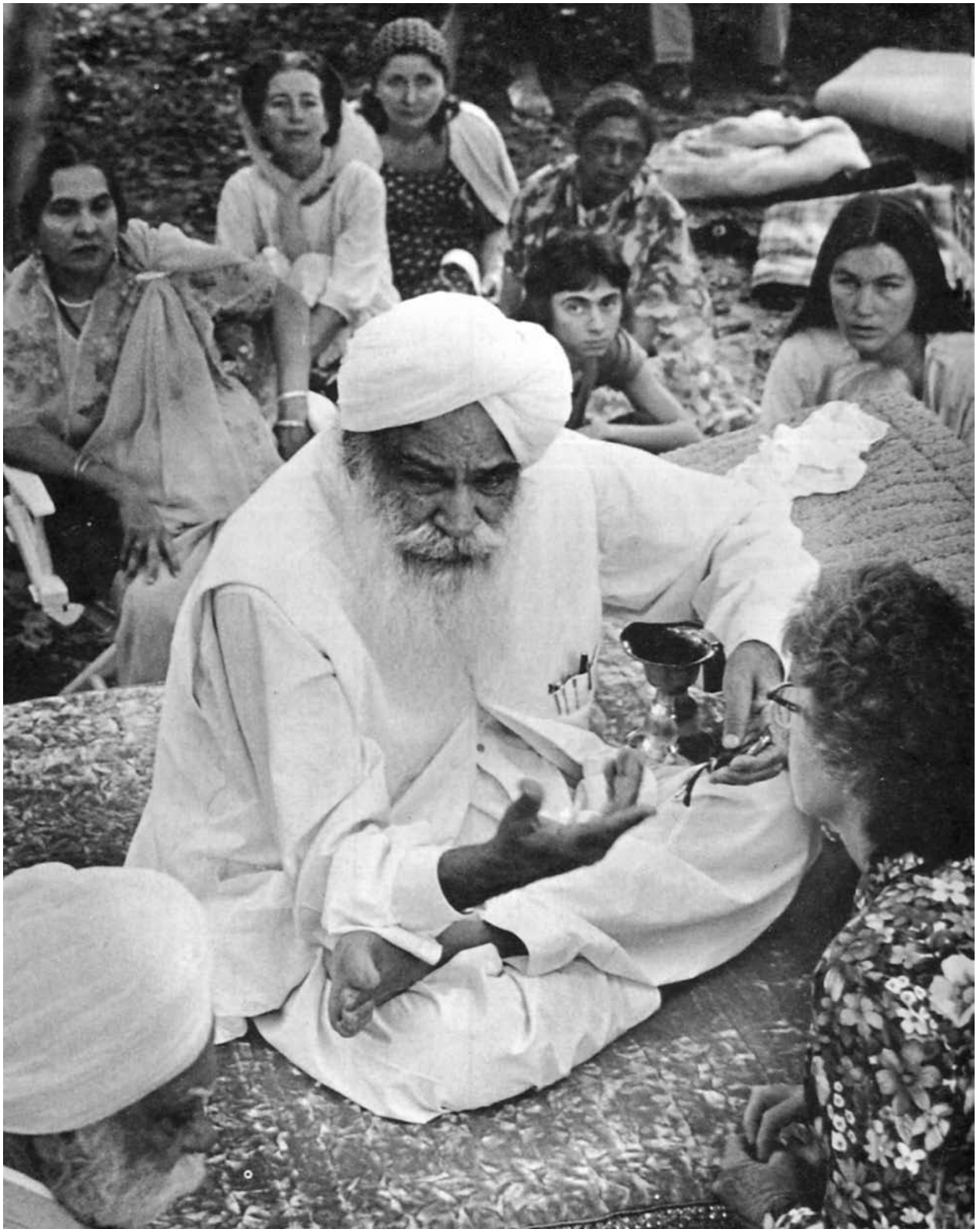
Decide what you want and then stick to it. I had ambition, too. Decide once and for all and all things will be added unto you. Don't you want to go home? God is waiting for you. Have an aim set up. A child takes one step and the mother lends her hand. Similarly, if you want to go back to God, I will give you a hand. If you had several children, you would remember all of them, you don't leave any behind. It is up to you to live up to what is said. You benefit by it. This should appeal to each one of you. Live up to it. It is high time.

So this is the question I have put: “Is there anything to lengthen the time? Time is short.” I wish to be with you physically all the time, but it's not possible. By

radiation you can have the benefit, by developing receptivity. I issued one circular, probably most of you must have it: How to develop receptivity. If you become receptive – you will ask the same question of the Master and put the same question to the one who has developed receptivity, they will repeat the same words. It is just like water, the vibrations go on; if there's no dirt in the instrument – then nothing remains between you and Him. It is all up to you.

Now I ask you, “Do these things appeal to you? Do you have a resolute will to start it all at once? How many are there? Hands up!” I am very fortunate if we have got so many with a resolute will. Start from now; not try, mind that. You'll say you'll try; trying means half-heartedness, you cannot progress in any line whatsoever. Start from today, and I think so many can become ambassadors.

You all have the manbody, but you are not the manbody. You are conscious entities, a drop of the ocean of all consciousness. Our true home is not this earthly body or this world. That is a long way off, of course, but this manbody is given to us as a golden opportunity to go back to our home. Is there any help for that?



Sant Kirpal Singh in Florida at Birch State Park, Fort Lauderdale

So God makes arrangements to bring you in contact where your way up is ensured. That way up starts when you rise above body-consciousness. He has arranged planes to fly back to your home the quickest way. Those planes fly from the airport. And our soul that has to find a place in the aeroplane. We have to go to the airport first. Leave all other outer things. Here, when you go to the airport, you take only limited baggage, not everything. But there is a port (airport) from where we have to take the aeroplane and we have to take nothing with us – not even the body, what to speak of outer attachments, worldly things, family, position. You can reach the airport when you rise above body-consciousness. But to rise above body-consciousness, this is a very narrow way: “Straight is the way and narrow is the way

“The only thing required, I would say: we have to be true to ourselves.”

and difficult to rise up.” Like a razor’s edge. Along we have nothing to take. If we are thinking of the outside world, of things, we cannot go up. We have to go alone. And every time, you see, message comes: “Be ready, it is now half an hour more left.” – “It will start in only ten minutes!” – “Hurry up! Reach the plane, plane is to leave.” So this is the case with us here (at the airport) today.

So the home is the home of our Father from where we separated and where we have not gone back yet. God has made arrangements to bring us back, and that is to bring you to the airport from where those planes start, to bring you in contact with someone who can take you to the airport, who can help you.

You simply obey His orders. He says not to take anything with you. So let everything outside, the world outside, the environments outside, not even the body – even the body outside. Leave off all thoughts. The world may go on – so, leave off all thoughts. And simply He gives you a little – what you say? – radiation. You just abide by His commandments, you will in few minutes find you rise above it. And there appears some “plane” taking you off. And that “plane” is the

Light and Sound current within you. Always God keeps it ready, for those who want to come up. And that will take you straight up to your home.

So manbody is the highest, the golden opportunity that we have got. Our home is not this physical body or the physical world, but our home is (the plane of) all-consciousness. Not other planes which are made up of consciousness and matter. We have to rise above the astral plane, causal plane, supercausal plane and reach the true home of our Father, (that plane) which is all spiritual, never falls away in dissolution or grand dissolution. So it is a very long way. God Himself guides the planes up, you see. You are simply to sit. What He says? To come to the airport also needs to keep the commandments given to you implicitly without intervention of your “why” and “wherefore”. Because those who have recourse to “why” and “wherefore”, they are delayed.

So I submit to you: as man you’ve got the heritage, the right to know God. If you don’t utilize that, that’s a misfortune. Even when God affords somebody the opportunity to be put on the way, and with all that, they don’t do it, then it is a great misfortune. So procrastination is the thief of time. This is what we do : “I’ll start it when such and such work is finished. I’ll do it when I’m retired. I’ll do it when that thing is done first.” Well, who knows if you’ll live longer, till that time? So Masters say that those who do not care while young, when their brain, their memory, their body is fit; then who can do it in old age, when the hairs are quite white?

I tell you nothing new, you know all these things; don’t you know what I have submitted? I think any one of you can stand up and give a very wonderful talk in a bombastic way – you’ll even break the tables too. At your height of language – what you could cry ... In churches and some of the schools, they kneel and say, “Oh God.” Something that goes out of the heart, that is what is wanted – sincere, true. Don’t think God is deaf, you see? He’s everywhere. He’s omniscient.

The only thing required, I would say: we have to be true to ourselves. But for that we have got no aim

in life, we are aimlessly adrift. Sometimes we want one thing, pursue it, then other times we want some other thing – we can change it. We dig the pits in

“So one in whose company we have got that blessing, He also guides us further.”

the ground, some four feet deep, some five feet deep, some seven feet – and water nowhere.

So you should decide your aim in life, what you would like to become, what you want. It may take you a day, two, three, four, five days; never mind, this is well spent. When you decide something once and for all, then stick to it! Every step you take you will be nearer the goal.

So your outgoing faculties have to be controlled, your intellect also – after understanding – it be still for a while. Then He orders, “Put in whole attention (on what is before you)”. In a few minutes it begins. After a few minutes they will see, they are not the body, they have reached the airport and there they find Light and Sound. So one in whose company we have got that blessing, He also guides us further. First in (His) outer physical form. When the whole charge is handed over to Him, then He has to see further. After you reach the airport and sit in, find a place in the aeroplane, this is (where) your work ends. Then the whole thing is depending on the driver.

Some planes are “non-stop”, you know, others stop on the way. So there are on the way stops, but who have full obedience, you might say, then the non-stop plane goes, you see. You simply sit in the plane! That “plane” is of Light and Sound, you see, “ringing radiance”, you might say. That will take you across the astral plane and the mental plane, too. It is very difficult to go beyond mental plane, because little things you think of will be produced. There the driver is very careful, you see, he takes you through and to your home. So you know, your true home is where? Where it is of all consciousness, and your work is simply to abide by the commandments. Even to reach up to the airport, (it is also necessary to) keep His

commandments. Further also He gives a seat in the plane that takes you up. Someone who has seen the Master’s form within, that is God appears in some form, in which He is (physically) manifest. When He talks, the whole charge is His.

You have got some demonstration, little or more, to reach the airport. Fly above body-consciousness, you see also the plane, Light and Sound, you see. So whole success, key of success, lies in being obedient to what you are thought to do. I hope your promise still stands. Or you have withdrawn, have you? The promise you so kindly gave us yesterday evening, it stands or only passed away?

Somebody calls, “It stands!”

Master: It stands? Hands up again then! All right. So that’s all I have to tell you. Physically I have come here – God directed me to come here, I had no mind to come here, I tell you honestly. I am also bound. It is His Grace that I have come up, and I had the good fortune to meet you all, one and all. And I am very much pleased to see you all – we’re all brothers and sisters in God. I’ve been away nine years. Only few of you might have gone to India to be with me but almost everybody of you was here. So I am glad, that very much glad, most glad, I would say, to see that your promise still stands. But when it comes into commission, that’s the point. I think that is started all at once, is it not? Start from today! Don’t postpone till tomorrow or the day after.



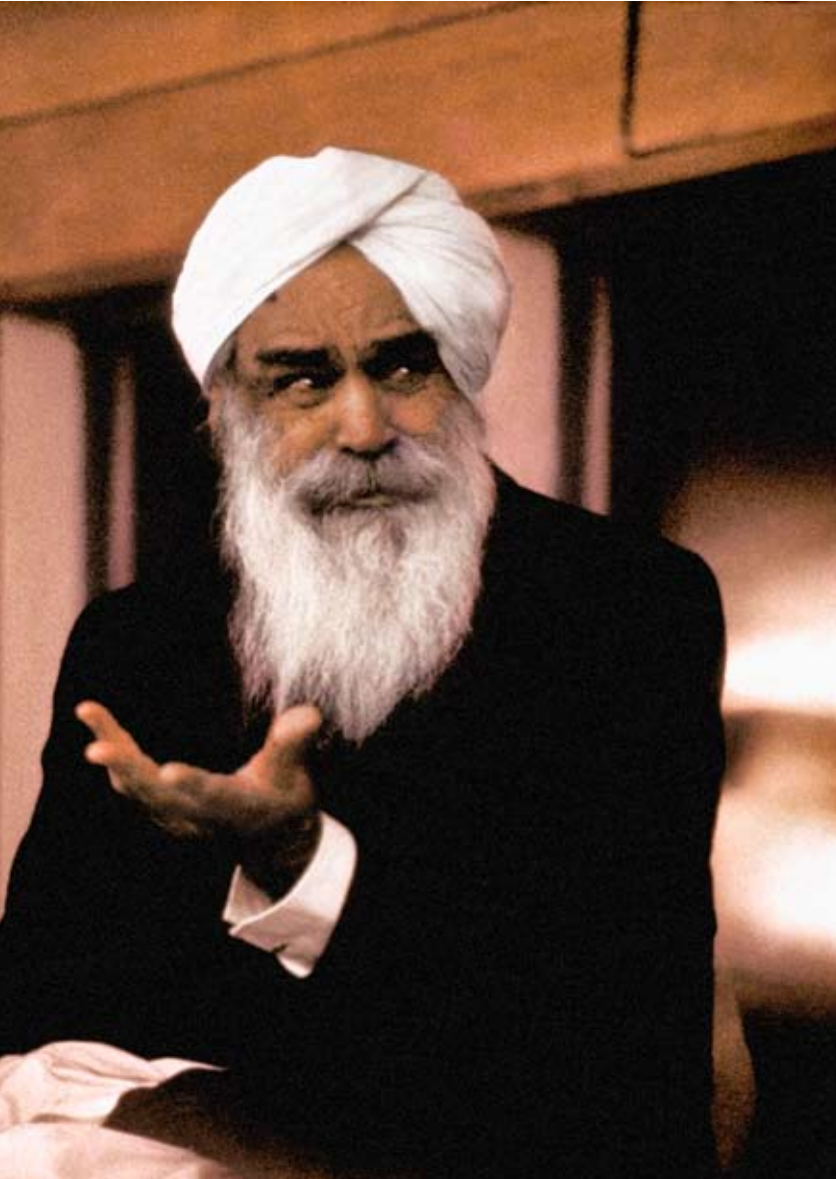
Sant Kirpal Singh, California 1972

One time there was a group of Spanish-speaking disciples present who knew no English (some of them had come up from South America) and Master wanted His message to be translated into Spanish.

So one translator was found, a young man who was invited by the Master to come right up and sit beside Him so that he could translate over the microphone. The man was so overwhelmed at being so close to the Master that he kept forgetting what Master was saying, so that Master had to repeat His message over and over again, to the edification and amusement of all.

Give Thanks To God

Excerpt from a talk given at the Thanksgiving Day in Anaheim, California



This is Thanksgiving Day for all – each one of us personally should stand up and thank Him, you see. Not only this moment, but throughout the day, every day, every moment of life. He has given us that manbody; that is the greatest reason for Thanksgiving Day, because there are hundreds of other bodies in which we can do nothing. Manbody is the golden opportunity which has been afforded to us in which we can go back home. Is it not the greatest Thanksgiving Day?

Guru Arjan says that we should be giving thanks every moment of life: When you eat, thank God! When you have got a home to live in, thank God – compare with others who are on the roadsides. If you are rich, thank God – just compare with others who cannot afford to have a morsel of food. When you are hungry, thank God. When you have got good things to think of throughout your future life or about God, thank God – there are many others who do not believe in Him.

So how Thanksgiving Day started, that is the history before us; but that's the only thing, you see. Be thankful every moment. Kabir says, "Every breath we take, we should thank Him." Every breath of life is worth three planes of the whole universe – the macrocosm. So we must give thanks, you see.

What can you people give to me? Give thanks to God, not to me. If I have come to you, it is His Grace. Praise should go to Him. If you think you have got a little good from me, that is through the Grace of God. And if you still want to give me some thanks – not forgetting God – then I think that thanks can be ac-

ceptable if you simply live up to the commandments. That is all. That is the most thanksgiving. Then it is you who are benefitting – by living up to the commandments. Christ said, “If you love me, keep my commandments.” Have a chaste life; have a good moral way of living. Love all. No schism – where your heart feels something, your mouth speaks something else, your brain thinks something else – that is no thanksgiving.

We should be thankful for the rest of whatever days are fixed for us. That is Thanksgiving Day. We should thank God for everything. Now you have been put on the way; how will you give more thanks? By living up to it, or by leaving off?

So today is Thanksgiving Day. Give thanks to God. Ungratefulness is the most heinous crime that can ever be committed. Give thanks for what you have got. Generally, we simply say that this thing has not been given to us, and we don't give thanks for the other things. So from today onward, if we learn this lesson – to be thankful to God for everything He has given us – it will be, I think, acceptable to God.



Left and right:

Sant Kirpal Singh giving Satsang at Sant Bani Ashram, New Hampshire, October 1972

Canada

During His stay in Canada Sant Kirpal Singh gave several talks at Montreal and Denver

The Universal Language

From a question and answer period held by Sant Kirpal Singh at Windsor Hall in Montreal, 24 October, 1972, following a question about translation.

I am sitting in front of you, French and others – that makes no difference at all to me. Whether we are German, French, anybody, we are in the manbody, citizens of the earth, exiled from God, from home. And we want to go back as soon as possible. So I am here; it is not France, it is only that you speak the French language, is it not? You belong to France and speak the French language here. That should remind you that your home is in France, mind that. You are friends of God, you see. You have come, exiled from God, and that speech you should speak. And what is that speech? You know? Love. Love one another. If you speak that language, use that language, you will all go back to God, to your home, that is the home of your Father ... I have given you an example: as you speak French, that reminds you of France, does it not? Your home is in France. So we are exiled from our home here on earth.

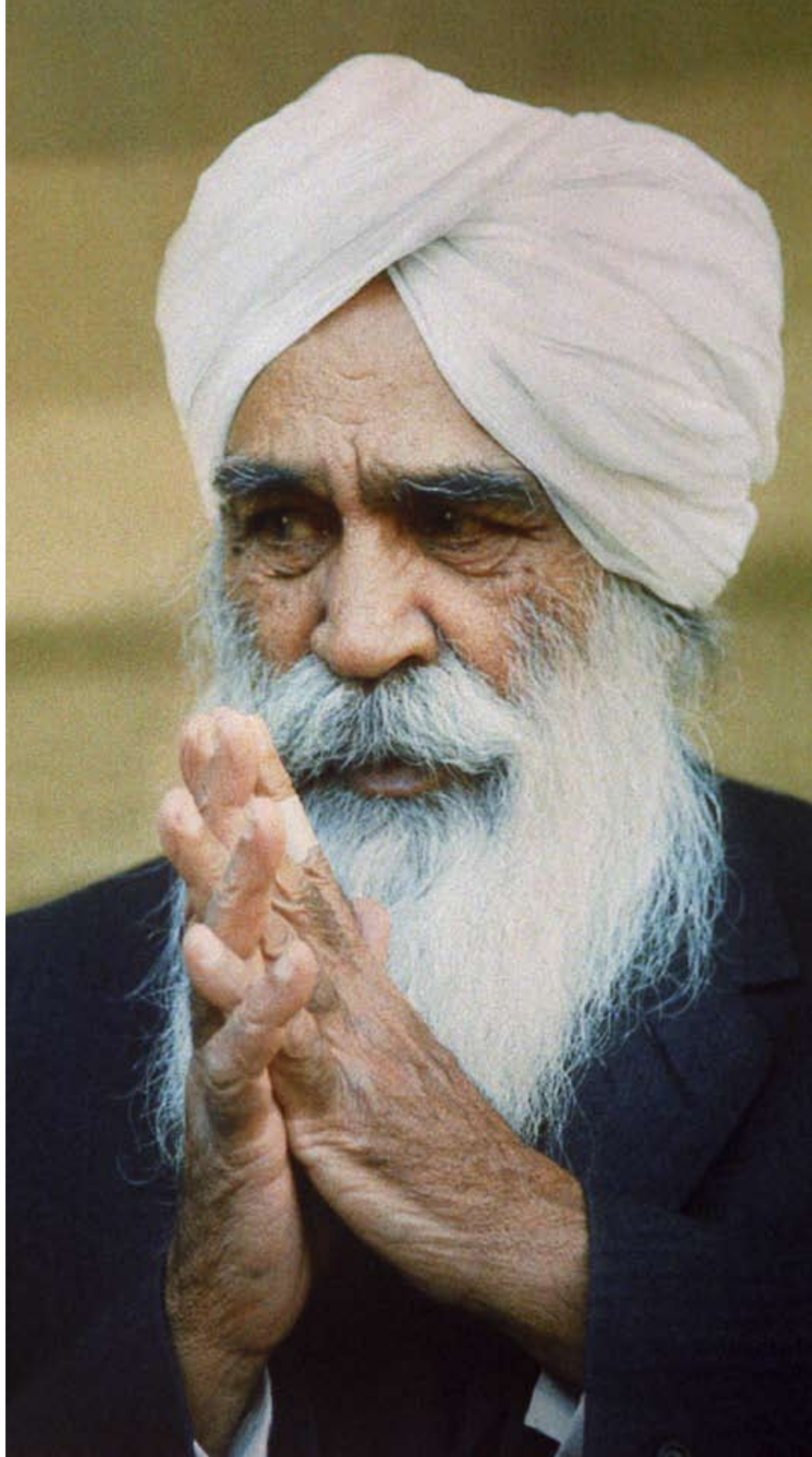
There is a language spoken in the home of our Father; that language is love. Speak in love, take everything in love, weed out everything in love. That is the way back to God, and you will soon go back to your home. This is the way back for everybody. The only thing we have to remember is that this is not our home, that's all. Further: that this manbody is not given to us permanently, only temporarily. All who have taken up the manbody have left it, whether professors, poor men, kings, even Saints – all have left. And we have to leave. This is a golden opportunity put to us by God to find our way back home. Now we are in oblivion. We have forgotten our home.

There should be somebody who can guide us back home. Pray to God: "O God, send us some man who may take us back home." The first point is to realize that we are imprisoned in the manbody. To rise up above the physical body is the first step. Where world philosophies end, there true religion starts. Pray to God: "Send us suchlike men who can take us out of this prison house of the body and give us a start, with further ABC; who can be a guide both here and there, not leaving us until we reach home."

I am glad you have love for your France, your French language. I beseech you to have love for your home, the language of which is love. God is love. Love is innate in our soul, because we are of the same essence as that of God. And the way back to God is also through love, you follow me?

So speak in love, think of love, let all your affairs be saturated with love. You'll go back home. You'll have a happy life here and hereafter. This is the message I have to give to you who are very fond of the French language, and also to those who are fond of other languages. Instead of that, use the language of your home, and that is love.

Languages were made by man. Speak in any language you like, but speak of love. Hafiz says, "It is a matter of love. Speak in any language you know, but speak of love." No language is sacred, no language is not sacred. All are sacred in which you speak of love.



Sant Kirpal Singh, 1972

South America

From 10 to 28 December, Sant Kirpal Singh visited South America. He arrived in Mexico City, gave several talks in Panama City, Quito, Bogota, Cali and Caracas.

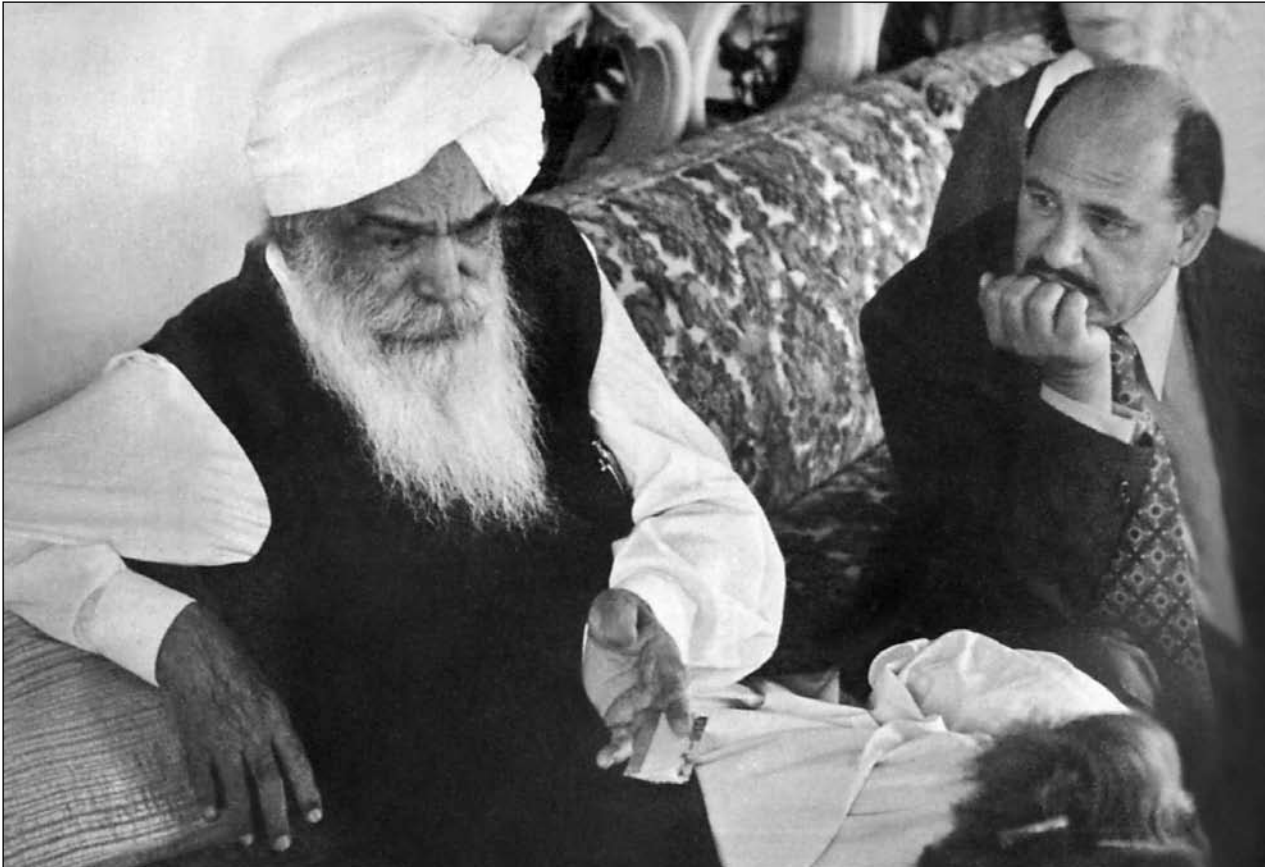


Sant Kirpal Singh's arrival at Mexico City Airport, 1972

The whole world is the home of our Father, and various countries are so many rooms therein. Man is the highest in all creation. We are all members of the family of God. Animals, birds and reptiles are also the younger members of the family of God. There is no question of East or West. We are children of God, born the same way, with the same privileges from

God. Soul being of the same essence as that of God, we are all brothers and sisters in God; and the same one power whom we worship is called by different names.

Manbody is the golden opportunity in which we can know God. He cannot be known by outgoing facul-



Sant Kirpal Singh giving a talk in Panama City, 1972

ties, mind and intellect. It is the soul being of the same essence as that of God, that can know God. So we must know ourselves first, as like alone can know the like.

All philosophers and sages of the East and West therefore gave out, "Man know thyself," in their own lan-

guage which was prevalent at the time. The Greeks said, "Gnothi Seauton"; the Latins said, "Nosce Teipsum". All others also said the same thing: "Knowledge of self precedes knowledge of God".

Italy

His last stop in Rome was originally conceived as a rest stop to break up His long flight home, but Sant Kirpal Singh gave direction otherwise and two more public talks were given there before His final arrival back in Delhi

So now, these are my very last words. I am leaving you physically, but not spiritually. That Power is with you all along, only you have just to turn your face inside.

So East and West, Colombia or the United States or Canada or India or Europe, that means nothing; we are all world citizens. We are all in exile, wherever we are, you see? You know, when you are in exile or in prison, those prisoners love one another, is it not so? So we should love one another while here and try to help each other to go back home, that's all. That Power is with you; if you just turn your face to Him, He will come forward to receive you – hundreds of steps, if you take one step.

So I'm glad that I have been here and have gone all through the tour, and we will also have a boost with the love which we have already got innate within ourselves; that has now given us a little way up, and all of you have been drenched with that flow of love within you. So it is all God's Grace that you have had it. And we may expect more – that is, those who have nothing else between them and God.

Right: Sant Kirpal Singh, Italy 1972



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