



Sant Kirpal Singh with Mr. Dhillon Sahib

On 1 August, 1974 a very significant and historic event occurred in India: Sant Kirpal Singh Ji was officially invited to present His suggestions for bringing about the Unity of Man to interested members of the Parliament of India. M.P. Shankar Dev Ji organized the meeting at Parliament, and more than a hundred members of Parliament were present to hear Sant Kirpal Singh's address to them. It was the first time in India that an official invitation has been extended to a spiritual leader to visit the Parliament and share his counsel with the members.

The Master's Address To The Parliament Of India

1 August, 1974 in Delhi

Once I was a President of the Farmers' Movement, and they put me facts and figures: such as the farmer receiving Rs. 1.60 per kilo for what he grows, the same thing being sold in the market for Rs. 7.00 per kilo. Food passes through different hands and the prices have risen. The government is doing its best to set this right, but in the meantime, to avoid the pinching effects of the expense of the food, we should minimize our outer requirements. This is one thing which will save us from the pinching effects of rising prices. The prices should be controlled. When we consider that all are one and we are from the same country, then we must be true to our own country. We were born in this country, our bodies are framed from the soil of India, and we should do our best to make this country ideal for all.

Unity already exists; we have forgotten. All Masters who came gave the same teachings directly to everybody – no high, no low. They told us that we have received the manbody, which is the highest in all creation; it is the golden opportunity we have now in which we can realize God. We have developed physically; we know how this manbody works, how it is impaired, how it can be returned to proper working order. So many medical systems are used. We have also advanced intellectually very wonderfully. We can go around the world in hours. The world has become small; all the countries have become so many rooms in the House of our Father. We can now reach the moon, and there are others trying to do so. With all these advancements, are we happy? All are afraid of the atom bomb. The war could start at any moment and this world would come to an end. What is the remedy for all this? Masters show us the right un-

derstanding. They told all men, "O man, you are the highest in all creation. You must develop your third side, your own Self. Just pay more attention to your own Self, which is the most important part of your life. Then the whole difficulty will be solved."

During my last world tour I was asked on television how peace could be cemented in the world? I replied that peace can only be brought about when the people rise above "isms" – the labels we are carrying – and kings rise above countries. So my submission is, we are all from this country, we have attained this freedom not too many years back. We should all join heads together, which the government is already doing, to make it a very blooming garden, and let others unite. So there are two things before us: we have given precedence to outer labels, but we are man first. We say we are Hindus or Mohammedans first, then Indians, etc. I would say that we are man first and then the labels we are carrying. Then comes the duty toward the country: we should be patriots; it is our duty. And we should all lay our heads together to help society realize the unity of all mankind. This can only be achieved when we have right understanding all around.

So with due deference to all, I thank you, you Members of Parliament, especially – our dear friend Dhilon Sahib, who has made arrangements for me to come to you and put my heart before you. My real sympathy is for the advancement of this country and I request each one of you, as I requested the religious heads at Kumbha Mela, to lay your heads together. Thank you.

Extract of the speech