

GURU AMARDAS JI

1. Name the third Guru of the Sikhs?

Guru Amardas Ji.

2. What was the life span of Guru Amardas Ji, and his Gurgadi years?

Birth – 05/05/1479 A.D. in a village Basarke South West of Amritsar.

Jotijot – 09/01/1574

Guruship – 1552 to 1574 (From age 73 for 22 years).

3. Guru Amardas Ji's Family

Father: Tej Bhan Bhalla Ji

First Son: Mohan

Mother: Mata Daya ji/Mata Lakhmi Ji

Second Son: Mohri

Brother: Manak Chand

First Daughter: Bibi Daani

Wife: Bibi Ramo ji/Bibi Mansa Devi

Second Daughter: Bibi Bhaani

4. What was Gugu Amardas ji's, notable contribution to Sikhi ?

- i. Established the system of preachers called “masands” to strengthen the religious preaching of Sikh faith. He divided the area into 22 branches (called Manjis meaning cots) and appointed a local Sikh preacher at each place. These preachers sat on the cot and preached Sikhism.
- ii. He continued the tradition of Langar started by Guru Nanak Dev Ji. Emperor Akbar was first asked to take Langar when he came to meet Guruji.
- iii. He developed the spirit of Sewa among the Sikhs irrespective of caste, color and creed.

5. How many of Guru Amardas Ji's compositions are included in the Guru Granth Sahib Ji? Quote one of Guruji's shabad.

907 Saloks in 17 Raagas

6. Which Gurdwara his notably related to Guru Amardas Ji?

Goindwal

7. Can you quote a Shabad from Guru Amardas Ji's Bani?

ਅਨੰਦੁ ਭਇਆ ਮੇਰੀ ਮਾਏ ਸਤਿਗੁਰੂ ਮੈ ਪਾਇਆ ॥

I am in ecstasy, O my mother, for I have found my True Guru (pg 917)

8. Name the reigning Mughal during Guru Amardas ji's Guruship period?

Emperor Akbar.

9. What was the life of the people of North America during Guru Amardas ji's time?

- Chocolate was introduced in Europe in 1550 (http://timelines.ws/1550_1574.HTML).

10. Who did he choose as his successor to GurGadi and Why?

He chose Guru Ramdas ji (his son-in-law) as his successor because he was his most devoted disciple.