

Kabir Dohe

Chalti Chakki Dekh Kar, Diya Kabira Roye
Do Paatan Ke Beech Mein, Sabit Bacha Na Koye

Translation

Watching the grinding stones, the Light Kabir Cries
Inside the Two Stones, no one survives

Bura Jo Dekhan Main Chala, Bura Naa Milya Koye
Jo Munn Khoja Apnaa, To Mujhse Bura Naa Koye

Translation

I went on the search for the Bad Guy, Bad Guy I couldn't find
When I searched my mind, Non one is Nastier then Me

Kaal Kare So Aaj Kar, Aaj Kare So Ub
Pal Mein Pralaya Hoyegi, Bahuri Karoge Kub

Translation

Tomorrows work do today, today's work now
If the moment is lost, how will the work be done?

Aisee Vani Boliye, Mun Ka Aapa Khoye
Apna Tan Sheetal Kare, Auran Ko Sukh Hoye

Translation

Speak such

Body remains composed, Others Find Peace

Dheere Dheere Re Mana, Dheere Sub Kutch Hoye

Mali Seenche So Ghara, Ritu Aaye Phal Hoye

Translation

Slowly slowly stay my mind, Slowly everything happens

Gardner may water garden a hundred times, When the Season comes, there is fruit

Sayeen Itna Deejiye, Ja Mein Kutumb Samaye

Main Bhi Bhookha Na Rahun, Sadhu Na Bhookha Jaye

Translation

God, give me so, so much wealth, that my community is fed

I don't remain hungry, the Sadhu does not go hungry

Bada Hua To Kya Hua, Jaise Ped Khajoor

Panthi Ko Chaya Nahin, Phal Laage Atidoor

Translation

If You are Big so what? Just like a date tree

No shade for travelers, fruit is hard to reach

Jaise Til Mein Tel Hai, Jyon Chakmak Mein Aag

Tera Sayeen Tujh Mein Hai, Tu Jaag Sake To Jaag

Like the Oil is inside the Seed, Just as the Fire is Inside the Flint Stone
Your God is Inside You, If you have the Power to Wake Up, then Wake Up

Mangan Maran Saman Hai, Mat Koi Mange Beekh
Mangan Se Marna Bhala, Yeh Satguru Ki Seekh

Translation

Begging is like dying, Let no one Beg
It is better to die than beg, this is the SatGuru's Message

Maya Mari Na Mun Mara, Mar Mar Gaye Shareer
Asha Trishna Na Mari, Keh Gaye Das Kabir

Translation

Neither Maya Died, Nor the Mind Died, Die and die again People/Bodies
Hope and delusion have not died, so said Das Kabir and left

Kabira Khara Bazaar Mein, Mange Sabki Khair
Na Kahu Se Dosti, Na Kahu Se Bair

Translation

Kabira Stands in the market place, Asks for everyones prosperity
Neither special friendship nor enmity for anyone

Kabir Man Ni  e Ganga Neer

Pache Pache Har Phire, Kahat Kabir Kabir

Translation

Kabir Washed His Mind Clean, Like The Holy Ganges River

Everyone follows behind, Saying Kabir, Kabir

Pothi Padh Padh Kar Jag Mua, Pandit Bhayo Na Koye

Dhai Aakhar Prem Ke, Jo Padhe so Pandit Hoye

Translation

Reading Books and Scriptures everyone died, No one became Pandit

Two and Half Words of Love, Who ever reads, Pandit he becomes

Gur Dhobi Sikh Kapda, Saboo Sirjan Har

Surti Sila Pur Dhoiye, Nikse Jyoti Apaar

Translation

Guru is the wash man, Sikh is the cloth , God the soap

Wash the mind thoroughly clean, Out Comes The Glow of Truth

Jeevat Samjhe Jeevat Bujhe, Jeevat He Karo Aas

Jeevat Karam Ki Fansi Na Kaati, Mue Mukti Ki Aas

Translation

Alive one sees, alive one knows, find your liberation while alive

If Alive you do not cut the noose of yo

how will there be liberation with death?

Akath Kahani Prem Ki, Kutch Kahi Na Jaye

Goonge Keri Sarkara, Baithe Muskae

Translation

Inexpressible is the story of Love , It goes without Saying
Like the dumb guy who eat sweet Sarkara, he only Smiles

Chinta Aisee Dakini, Kat Kaleja Khaye

Vaid Bichara Kya Kare, Kahan Tak Dawa Lagaye

Translation

Worry is such a Thief, it eats one's heart
What can the poor doctor do, How far will his medicine reach

Kabira Garv Na Keejiye, Uncha Dekh Aavaas

Kaal Paron Punyah Letna, Ouper Jamsi Ghaas

Translation

Kabir , Don't be so proud and vain, Looking at your high mansion
Tomorrow you'll lie under feet, On top will grow Grass

Kabira Kiya Kutch Na Hote Hai, Ankiya Sab Hoye

Jo Kiya Kutch Hote Hai, Karta Aur Koye

Translation

On Kabir's saying nothing I

If anything happens as if my doing, It is done by someone else

Jyon Naino Mein Putli, Tyon Maalik Ghat Mahin
Moorakh Log Na Janhin, Baahar Dhudhan Jahin

Translation

Like the pupil is in the eyes , Your God lives inside you,
The ignorant don't know this, they search Him on the outside

Jab Tun Aaya Jagat Mein, Log Hanse Tu Roye
Aise Karni Na Kari, Pache Hanse Sab Koye

Translation

When you came in to this world , Everyone laughed while you cried
Don't do such work, That they laugh when you are gone

Pehle Agan Birha Ki, Pachhe Prem Ki Pyas
Kahe Kabir Tub Janiye, Naam Milan Ki Aaas

Translation

First the pain of separation, then the thirst for Love
Says Kabir, only then will you know Joy of the Union.

Aag Jo Lagi Samand Mein, Dhuan Na Pargat Hoye
So Jane Jo Jarmua, Jaki Lagi Hoye

The Ocean is on Fire, The Smoke is not Visible
He Knows Who Has Been there and been Burnt

Kabir So Dhan Sanchiye, Jo Aage Ko Hoye
Sees Charaye Potli, Le Jaat Na Dekhya Koye

Translation

Kabir, save the wealth that remains in this Moment
Departing with a bag of material wealth, no one has yet been seen.

Aasa Jive Jag Marey, Log Marey Mar Jayee
Soyee Sube Dhan Sanchate, So Ubrey Jey Khayee


Translation

Hope yet lives, the world dies, people die and die again
Perish yet hoarding wealth, spend and freedom attain

Ek Kahun To Hai Nahin, Do Kahun To Gaari
Hai Jaisa Taisa Rahe, Kahe Kabir Bichari

Translation

If I say one, It is not; If I say two, it will be a violation
Let 'It' be whatever 'It' is, so says Kabir contemplating

Kabir Yeh Ghar Prem Ka, Khala Ka Ghar Nahin
Sees Utaare I  ey Ghar Mahin

Translation

Kabir, this is the House of Love , Not the house of your Aunt
Who has dropped his barriers, He can pass in to the House

Maala To Kar Mein Phire, Jeebh Phire Mukh Mahin

Manua To Chahun Dish Phire, Yeh To Simran Nahin

Translation

The rosary rotating by the hand, the tongue twisting in the mouth,
With the mind wandering everywhere, this isn't meditation

Jab Mein Tha Tab Hari Nahin, Jab Hari Hai Mein Nahin

Sab Andhiyara Mit Gaya, Jab Deepak Dekhya Mahin

Translation

When I was, then Hari (God) was not, Now Hari is and I am not

All the darkness dissolved, When I saw the light within.

Moond Munddavat Din Gaye, Ajhun Na Miliya Raam

Raam Naam Kahu Kya Karey, Je Man Ke Aurey Kaam

Translation

Shaving the head Ages have passed, yet no union with God

Recitation of Gods Name is futile, when the mind is doing something else

Man Ko Kahe Na Moondiye, Jaamein Vishey Vikaar

Translation

What harm have the hair done, you shave them hundred times
Why not shave the mind, there grow unchecked countless poisonous thoughts

Kabir Soota Kya Kare, Koore Kaaj Niwaar

Jis Panthu Tu Chaalna, Soyee Panth Samwaar

Translation

Kabir, why do you sleep? Leave the useless tasks
Be focused on the path which you were meant to tread

Kabira Teri Jhompri Gal Katiyan Ke Paas

Jo Kareng So Bhareng Tu Kyon Bhayo Udaas

Translation

Kabir, Your Hut Is Next to the Butchers
Who does, he will face the consequences, Why are you sad?