

HYMNS TO HIM

Chants and Prayers from Around the World



Sarva Dharma (a.k.a. Om Tat Sat Sri Narayan) by Vinoba Bhave

This magnificent hymn, written by Acharya Vinoba, the great freedom fighter and disciple of Mahatma Gandhi, worships the One Lord of all religions through some of His Names as found in **Vaishnavism** (Narayana, Vishnu, Rama, Krishna, Vasudeva, Hari), **Shaivism** (Skanda, Vinayaka, Rudra, Shiva, Self-Manifested), **Shaktism** (Shakti), **Vedanta** (*om tat sat*—“God is the only Truth”, Brahman, the Non-Dual), **Sikhism** (Akala—“The Timeless One”), **Jainism** (Siddha), **Zoroastrianism** (the Holy Fire, Ahura Mazda), **Buddhism** (Buddha), **Judaism** (Yahweh), **Christianity** (Jesus, Father), **Islam** (Raheem), **Taoism** (the Tao), etc.:

*om tat sat śrī nārāyaṇa tu
puruṣottama guru tu
siddha buddha tū skanda vināyaka
savitā pāvaka tu
brahma maśya tu jāhve śakti tu
jīsu pitā prabhu tu
rudra viṣṇu tu rāma kṛṣṇa tu
rahīma tāo tu
vāsudeva go viśvarūpa tu
cidānanda hari tu
advitīya tu akāla nirbhaya
ātma liṅga śiva tu*

Thou art the only Truth, Narayana,
The Supreme Self, the Divine Master,
Siddha, Buddha, Skanda, Vinayaka,
The Sun, the Holy Fire,
Brahman, Ahura Mazda, Yahweh, Shakti,
Jesus, Father, Lord,
Rudra, Vishnu, Rama, Krishna,
Raheem, the Tao,
Vasudeva, the Universe, Vishvarupa,
Chidananda, Hari,
The Non-Dual, the Timeless One, the Fearless One,
The Self-manifested, Shiva.

om tat sat: God is the only Truth; *śrī*: revered, holy; *nārāyaṇa*: Lord Narayana; *tu*: Thou (art); *puruṣottama*: the Supreme Self; *guru*: the Divine Master; *siddha*: Siddha (a name of Mahavira, the last of the twenty-four saint-founders of Jainism); *buddha*: Lord Buddha; *skanda*: Lord Skanda (a name of Karttikeya, the general of the celestial armies); *vināyaka*: Lord Vinayaka (a name of Ganesha, the remover of obstacles); *savitā*: the Sun; *pāvaka*: the Holy Fire (worshipped by the Zoroastrians); *brahma*: Brahman (God the Unmanifested); *maśya*: Ahura Mazda (Zoroastrianism); *yahve*: Yahweh (Judaism); *śakti*: Shakti (the Divine Mother); *jīsu*: Jesus; *pitā*: Father; *prabhu*: Lord; *rudra*: Rudra (the god of destruction); *viṣṇu*: Vishnu (the god of preservation); *rāma*: Lord Rama (Lord Vishnu's 7th avatar); *kṛṣṇa*: Lord Krishna (Lord Vishnu's 8th avatar); *rahīma*: Raheem (Islam); *tāo*: the Tao; *vāsudeva*: Vasudeva (a name of Krishna); *go*: the Universe; *viśvarūpa*: Vishvarupa (the Lord of the cosmos in Hinduism); *cidānanda*: Chidananda (Consciousness and Bliss); *hari*: Lord Hari (a name of Vishnu); *advitīya*: the Non-Dual; *akāla*: the Timeless One (an attribute of God worshipped in Sikhism); *nirbhaya*: the Fearless One; *ātma liṅga*: the Self-manifested; *śiva*: Lord Shiva (the god of destruction).