

Chote Sahibzaade and Mata Gujri Ji

When Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji, their family and the Sikhs were told to leave Anandpur Sahib they had to cross over the river Sirsa.

However, it was very dark, raining, the river was flooding, the river current was also very strong and the Khalsa was being attacked by the Mughals.

Whilst crossing the river many Sikhs perished and Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji's family was also separated in the confusion.



Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji, their eldest sons Baba Ajit Singh Ji, Baba Jujhar Singh Ji, the Panj Pyareh and 40 Sikhs were united on the other side of the river. They all headed towards Chamkaur Sahib.

However, Mata Gujri Ji (mother of Guru Gobind Singh Ji), and the younger sons of Guru Ji, Baba Zorawar Singh Ji and Baba Fateh Singh Ji ended up going in another direction. They were guided by a Hindu man called Gangu who used to cook for Guru Ji. Gangu took them to his village.

There were many Mughal Soldiers going around the villages looking to find and capture any Sikhs of Guru Gobind Singh Ji. Gangu told Mata Gujri Ji and the Chote (younger) Sahibzadeh to trust him and that they were safe in his home.

However, when Mata Gujri Ji went to sleep that night Gangu stole their money and belongings which Mata Ji carried in a bag.

The next morning Gangu didn't want Mata Gujri Ji to think that he stole her bag, so he lied to her and said there were thieves that came in and stole it and that they should be more careful. Mata Ji questioned Gangu that nobody else besides him was inside the house during the night.

Even though Gangu stole the bag, he pretended to get angry that Mata Ji thought he stole it. So, to distract Mata Ji he said there were many soldiers looking for them. To hide his crime Gangu went to the village police station and told the soldiers that Mata Gujri Ji and the Chote Sahibzadeh were staying in his house.

Questions

What did Gangu say to Mata Gujri Ji and the Chote (younger) Sahibzadeh when the soldiers were looking for them?

How did Gangu betray Mata Ji and the Chote Sahibzadeh?

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