

fact file:

Followers - SIKHS
 God - WAHEGURU
 (believe in one God)
 Founder - GURU NANAK
 Holy place - GURDWARA
 Holy book - GURU GRANTH SAHIB



Where do Sikh views on equality come from?

GURU NANAK

SIKHISM and EQUALITY

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Born near India in 1469 to a Hindu family.

Grew up with Hindu and Muslim friends.

Started to reject Hinduism at a young age - he disagreed with the caste system

He spent lots of time with holy men and in meditation.

As a young man he took great interest in both Islam + Hinduism



One day Nanak went to bathe in the river. After plunging in, he didn't come back to the surface. He was feared dead!



Three days later Nanak reappeared. He had seen a vision of God.

He had received an important message for everyone!

THERE IS NO HINDU, THERE IS NO MUSLIM.

WE ARE ALL

EQUAL

What does this mean?



The Guru Granth Sahib teaches that we are all the same to God: "All beings and creatures are his, He belongs to all"



4 ENTRANCES TO THE GURDWARA
 to show everyone is welcome. This includes everyone from the 4 Hindu castes, or it could be N/S/E/W...



WELCOMING ALL
 After the 2017 terrorist attack in Manchester, Sikh temples in the city opened their doors to those affected. They offered food and shelter all through the night



THE LANGAR KITCHEN
 After a service EVERYONE, no matter who they are, is offered a free meal in the langar kitchen.

EQUALITY IN THE GURDWARA

THE GURU GRANTH SAHIB
 The holy book is the only Guru (teacher). There are no human gurus. This means no human is better or higher than any other.

SEATING
 During services everyone is sat on the floor at the SAME LEVEL



KARAH PRASAD
 At the end of the service, this sweet mixture is shared out to EVERYONE. It is made up of ingredients of equal parts.

