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- Who is a Saint?

Orange shawl!





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- Who is a Swaminarayan sect Saint?





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- Initiated from Dharmavanshi Acharya
- Follow the Five Tyag Ashram Dharmas
 - Nishkam – Lustless
 - Nirlobh – Greedless
 - Nirman – Prideless
 - Nirshen – Un-attachment
 - Nirswad – Tasteless





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Who isn't a Saint?

- A Sadhu who hasn't been given Bhagwati Diksha by Dharmavanshi Acharya
- A Sadhu who does not follow the tyag Ashram dharma
- A Sadhu who thinks himself as God





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Why are saints so important?

We have many different Gurus

- Parents – teach how to walk, eat, talk etc
- Teachers – academics and how to make a living





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Why are saints so important?

- Spiritual Guru

“Guru Vina Gnan Nahi”

“there is no knowledge without a teacher”

- Souls mother

“Mother is to body food, as Saint is to soul food”





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Benefits of Saints

- Gain auspicious qualities:
Swadharm, Vairagya, Gnan, Bhakti, Vivek
- Disperse vices:
Kaam, Krodh, Lobh, Madh, Irsha, Maan
- Purify Sins:
- General guidance:
Counselling of everyday life the satsangi way





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Sant Mahima

Sarve rite santma rahu chu re,
ema rahi updesh dau re...
Sant bole te bhedo Hu bolu re,
Sant na bhule huye na bhulu re...
Sant desh pardesh fare che re,
jivana aadh hare she re...
Ena darshan sparsh je karshe re,
teto bhavjad par utarshe re...



Nishkuland Kavya, Purshotam Prakash, 41.



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RED ALERT!





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Sant Avgun

What is Avgun?

- Slander of Saints
- ILL thoughts about them
- Disrespect to them





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Sant Avgun

- May look ordinary saint, but great from within

“Sant Dukhano Hu dukhano re,
ee vat satya jan jano re...”



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What happens to those who do?

- Minds become cursed
- No redemprion for it
- Taken to hellish regions
- No end to cycle of birth and death
- Impossible to attain moksha
- Unhappy in life

