

Worksheet 17 – Giving to Charity

1. What is Dasvanth?
2. Why was Dasvanth incorporated into the Sikh way of life?
3. What is the pre-requisite for giving something and what does this tell you about Sikhism?
4. Sikhism encourages people to set aside one tenth of our time for helping the needy.
 - What are the benefits gained by our body and mind with this rule?
 - What are the advantages delivered to society with this rule?
5. Sikhs in India have formed eye banks, where the eyes of deceased people can be used to give the gift of sight to those who have become blind. Should Sikhs in England or other parts of the world also be encouraged to carry donar cards, so that if we die, our organs can be used to help people?
6. What one item does the Guru ask us to give to him and why does he ask us for this?
7. Is it ridiculous to suggest that if we give a part of our wealth away, then we will have more given back to us?
8. What do other religions say about giving and charity?