## Pandit Dharam Prakash Sharma

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Pandit Dharm Prakash Sharma was born in Fatehpur jail during India independent movement as a son of the chief priest of Pushkar Temple in Pushkar regarded as the Holy of holies by Hindus in India. British police arrested his parents because they participated in non-violent resistance Satyagraha developed by Gandhiji. The baby Pandit Dharm had to be raised up by Mahatma Gandhiji himself for a while. Pandit Dharma confesses his testimony how he became a believer in Jesus Christ in his book "My Encounter with Truth." Since he married his wife Asha, he had persecuted seriously Asha against her faith in Jesus Christ. He confesses that his wife Asha's love, patience, endurance, and perseverance had finally yielded fruit.

His insatiable curiosity led him to a deeper quest - Who is God? And how does one find Him? One afternoon, he found on the bed beside he a book "With or Without Christ" by **Sadhu Sundar Singh**. One of Asha's books! Unknowingly he picked it up and flipped through the first few pages, and he began to read. He closed his eyes to think, rest, and wished clearer vision like Sadhu Sundar Singh.

"Suddenly, I heard a familiar voice calling my name I heard long time ago. And here it was again, saying, "**Dharm Prakash**, My son, how long will you persecute Me? I love you. You are mine. Why are you running away from Me?" And he replied, "I am not worthy to come to You. I am a sinner, a lost person. You know how, for the last twenty or twenty-five years, I have persecuted You. I have blasphemed Your name. I have rejected your Word." "'But I still love you.' the voice continued.'

Instantly, I felt a surge of power both within and about me."

The whole room seemed to be pulsating with that magnificent power. "I cried, 'Lord. Oh my God, I am the most sinful person in this world. Do you love me still?" "Yes' came the reply, 'because I have shed my blood for you and I love you.' Encounter with the Supreme. I was overcome by a feeling of being unburdened. The weight of past sins, the sorrow of shattered dreams, the guilt of doubt and disbelief, I laid them all at the feet of the Almighty. I was free. I was saved - from sin and death." "My quest was over. My life began."

## External links about Pandit Dharam Prakash Sharma

(Autobiography) My Encounter With Truth by Pandit Dharam, PDF

The Pathway To Moksa [Spiritual Freedom] by Pandit Dharam <a href="https://southasianchristians.com/articles/apologetics/the-pathway-to-moksa-spiritual-freedom/">https://southasianchristians.com/articles/apologetics/the-pathway-to-moksa-spiritual-freedom/</a>

Testimony of Dharam Prakash Sharma
https://www.jeevanmarg.com/testimonies/testimony-of-dharam-prakash-sharma/

A very short introduction: Pandit Dharm Prakash Sharma <a href="https://southasianchristians.com/author/panditdharmprakashsharma/">https://southasianchristians.com/author/panditdharmprakashsharma/</a>

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