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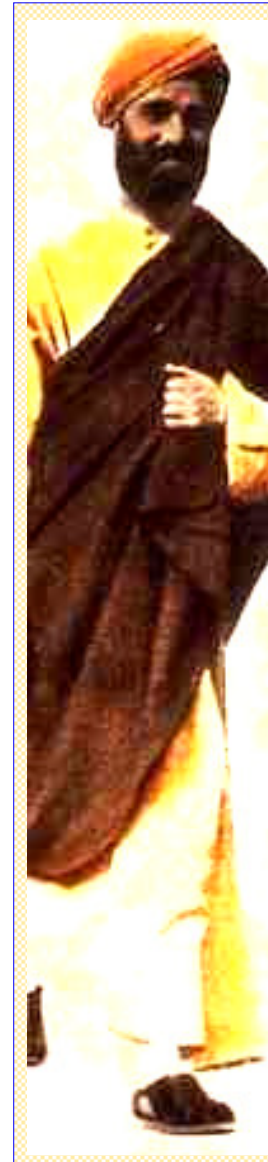


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## Sadhu Sundar Singh

### Missionary With Bleeding Feet

**O**n September 3, 1889 in northern India, a boy named Sundar Singh was born into a family of the Sikh religion. Sundar’s family was loving, they had a nice home and unlike many of their neighbors, had plenty to eat. Sundar’s mother was honored as a Sikh bhakta, a woman saint, and she prayed with Sundar and helped him memorize their holy book called the Gita.

Sundar worked very hard to be a good Sikh and to learn from many religious books. Sikhs freely borrow from other religions, so Sundar also read Hindu and Muslim religious books and learned Yoga. None of it satisfied his longing to know truth.

It can be extremely hot in India and the government school was too far away for Sundar to walk in the broiling heat. Instead, he attended a nearby Christian school run by British missionaries. Sundar learned about the Bible at this school but did not accept the Christian teachings.

Sundar's life changed when his mother died. She had been his greatest spiritual guide. After his mother died, Sundar came to hate the kind Christian teachers and the God they believed in. Sundar fought against the true God by persecuting the Christians and leaving the school. His father caught Sundar burning a copy of the Bible and reminded Sundar that his mother had said the Bible is a good book. Sundar did not listen and finished burning the Bible.

Sundar felt lost and afraid. His Sikh religion did not give him the peace he wanted. Sundar became so sad that he decided he would throw himself in front of a train to die so he could find peace. Before he did that, though, Sundar prayed to God and begged for a sign that He was real. God answered him. Sundar told his father that Jesus had appeared to him in a bright light and told Sundar that He had come to save him.

Sundar's life changed again. He became a Christian and served Jesus the rest of his life.

Sundar's family begged him to change his mind about Jesus.

They offered him money and when he refused they tried to kill him by poisoning his food. They disowned Sundar and would not help him any more. Sundar no longer had a loving family, a home or food.

Sundar was baptized when he was sixteen and he decided to become a Christian Sadhu. A Sadhu is a religious teacher in India who walks from place to place to teach. He wears a yellow robe, has no home, money or possessions and only has what food or shelter people give him along the way.



### ***Sadhu sang and preached God's Word***

As a Sadhu Sundar Singh walked to places and preached God's Word, some people gave him shelter and food,

but some people tried to hurt or kill him. Sundar never fought the mean people. He sang or preached God's love and many people saw how different he was and accepted Jesus into their lives.

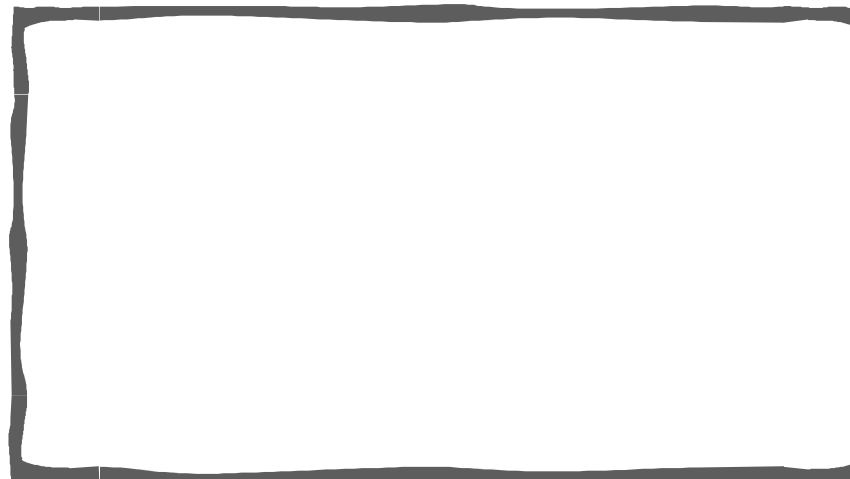
Sundar especially wanted to take the Gospel to the country of Tibet. Whenever Sundar went to Tibet he faced many dangers. The Himalaya mountains are very high and difficult to cross. Often barefoot or wearing just sandals, Sadhu's feet would bleed as he walked.

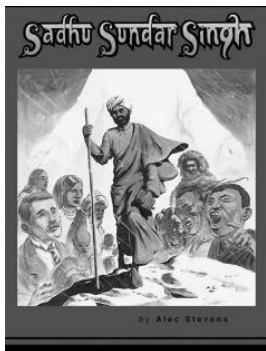
Can you picture that in your mind, too? Draw a picture of it here: ↴



Several hundred years after Isaiah lived, missionary Apostle Paul said that what Isaiah said was just like Christians who tell people the Gospel so they can have their sins forgiven.

Paul said, "And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'" (Romans 10:15) What picture would you draw of that? ↴





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## The Great Commission

Matthew 28:19-20 and more

Isaiah 52:7

“How beautiful on the mountains  
are the feet of those who bring good news,  
who proclaim peace,  
who bring good tidings,  
who proclaim salvation,  
who say to Zion,  
“Your God reigns!”



When the Old Testament prophet Isaiah wrote down Isaiah 52:7, God’s people the Jews were going into a tough time. They were going to be taken away from their land and ruled by another country. But God promised that after 70 years he would make them free again and they would return to their own land.

Isaiah believed that promise and could see in his mind some messengers running on the hills to tell the people that they were free, and that peace and joy would again be theirs. That is why he called their feet beautiful; it would be a very, very happy day.



Sometimes a sudden blinding blizzard came up, making it almost impossible to see the path. There were snow leopards in the mountains who would attack and kill a lone traveler. Another danger was religious persecution. The Tibetan people were usually mean to him.

Despite these things, Sadhu Sundar Singh crossed the Himalayas many times to teach the gospel message to the Tibetan people.

One time in Tibet, Sundar was put into a well to die. The Tibetans placed a lid over the well and locked it. His arm had been broken in the fall and he could not even attempt to climb out. Three days and nights passed when suddenly the lid was removed and a rope lowered to help Sundar out of the well. When Sundar got out of the well he looked around to thank his deliverer but there was no one in sight.

The Tibetan who had placed him in the well was furious when they recaptured Sundar. The man wanted to know who had stolen the only key to open the lid of the well. He set

Sundar free when he realized that the only key to the well’s lid was still on his key ring.



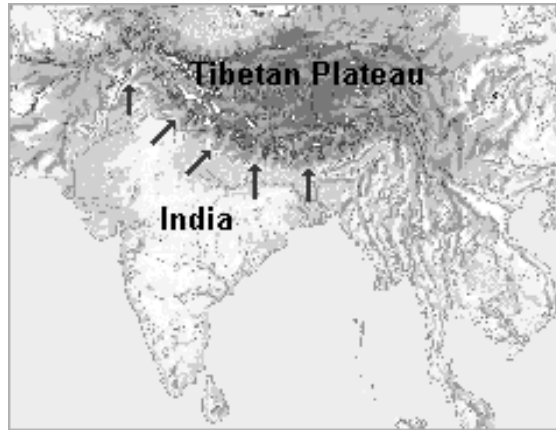
Sadhu had many more miraculous experiences and many people listened to his preaching and accepted Jesus. He became one of the most recognized religious people in all of India.

One day in 1929, Sundar traveled to Tibet one last time. He disappeared in Tibet and no one ever found his body. However, the story of Sadhu Sundar Singh’s life continues to be told as an example of a life changed by Jesus and dedicated to telling others the true Gospel. ■ (By Michelle McNitt.)

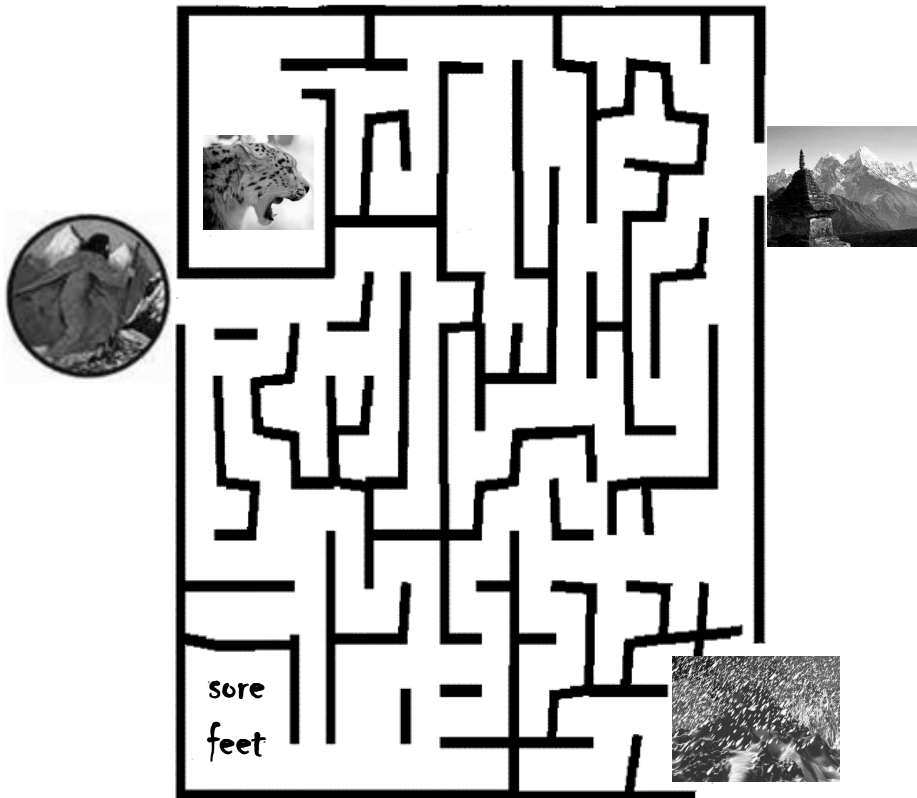


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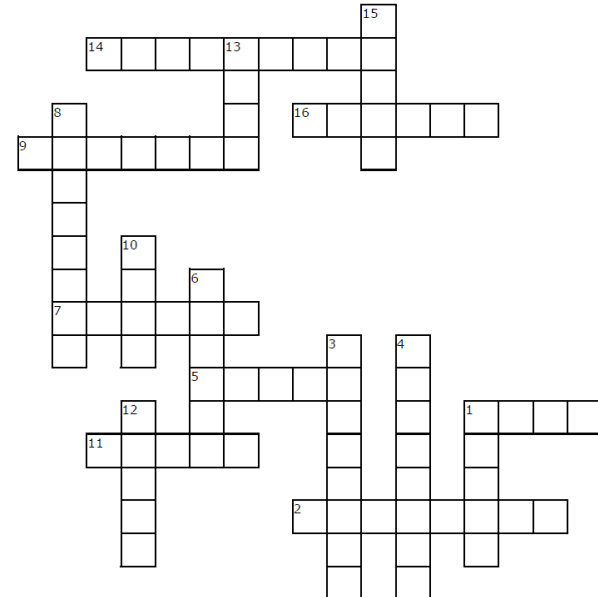
Get Sadhu Sundar Singh from India through the Himalaya mountains to Tibet, past the dangers along the way.



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## Sadhu Sundar Singh

Please complete the crossword puzzle below



### Across:

1. The religion of Sundar's family.
2. Sundar walked many places and did this.
5. The Sikh religion did not give Sundar this.
7. A Sadhu wears this color of robe.
9. The age Sundar was baptized.
11. Once Sundar burned a copy of this book.
14. Sundar attended a \_\_\_\_\_ school run by missionaries.
16. Sundar's family tried to kill him with this.

### Down:

1. A religious teacher in India.
3. The snow \_\_\_\_\_ in the mountains sometimes attacked people.
4. A strong sudden snow storm.
6. Sundar lived to tell others the true \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The high mountain range between India and Tibet.
10. Once Sundar was put in one of these to die.
12. The country Sundar especially wanted people in this country to accept Jesus.
13. God gave Sundar a \_\_\_\_\_ that he is real.
15. Sundar was born in this country.

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