



Om Om

## Rig Veda Mandal 2 English

ऋग्वेद मन्त्र 2.23.1

Rigveda 2.23.1

गणानां तवा गणपतिं हवामहे कविं कवीनामुपमश्रवस्तमम् ।  
ज्येष्ठराजं ब्रह्मणां ब्रह्मणस्पत आ न शृण्वन्नूतिभिः सीद सादनम् ॥

Gaṇānām tvā gaṇapatiṁ havāmahe kaviṁ kavīnāmupamaśravastamam.  
Jyeṣṭharājaṁ brahmaṇām brahmaṇaspata ā naḥ śṛṇvannūtibhiḥ sīda sādnam.

(Gaṇānām) among the people (tvā) to you (gaṇapatiṁ) the Lord, Protector of people (havāmahe) we call, accept, realise, surrender unto you (kaviṁ) divine poetic, divine visionary, Omniscient (kavīnām) among the poets, visionary, intellectuals (upama śravastamam) glories worth comparison (Jyeṣṭharājaṁ) the greatest, the best king (brahmaṇām) among the intellectuals (brahmaṇaspate) the Lord, Protector of all Brahmanas and the Brahmanical knowledge i.e. knowledge about God (ā – to be prefixed with sīda) (naḥ) our (śṛṇvan) listening (ūtibhiḥ) for our protection (sīda - ā sīda) sit, establish (sādanam) on our heart seat.

### Elucidation :

Who is competent to protect us?

Devata of this verse is 'Brihaspati'

We call, accept, realise, surrender unto you, the Lord, Protector of people, among all people. You are divine poetic, divine visionary, Omniscient among the poets, visionary, intellectuals. You are glorious worth comparison. You are the greatest, the biggest king. You are the Lord, Protector of all Brahmanas and the Brahmanical knowledge i.e. knowledge about God.

While listening us, please come, sit and establish on our heart seat for our protection.

### Practical utility in life :

How to seek the protection of God?

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This is the best way to invoke the protecting powers of God by establishing Him in heart with full love, devotion and surrender. Once we invoke God, the greatest and the biggest Protector, we will certainly be saved from all downfalls.

Quote :

(Gaṇānām tvā gaṇapatiṁ havāmahe, RV 2.23.1)

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