



**Class-2 (Revision Class)**  
**Chapter-5 (Lecture Sheet)**  
**Great Men and Religious Books**

**Lecturesheet-1**

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**Introduction:** Men are social beings. They always think about themselves. They remain busy with their own affairs. They work for their own happiness and peace. But there are some people who work for the happiness and peace of all. They work for the well-being of the world. They are known as great men. As for instance Sri Chaitanya, Sree Ramakrishna, Swami Vivekananda etc. are the foremost. We can be great in character if we follow the lives of these great men. In the present class, we shall learn about lives of Sree Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda. We can do well to men and the world. In the present class, we shall learn about lives of Sree Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda.

**Sree Ramkrishna Paramahansa Dev:** Sree Ramkrishna was born as Gadadhar on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 1836. His parents were Khudiram Chattopadhyay and Chandramani Devi. Ramkumar, the elder brother of Ramkrishna, took the position of a priest in the Dakshineswar temple. The same position was later occupied by Ramkrishna, after the retirement of his brother. He was dedicated to the goddess Kali. He married Sarada Devi. His wife Sarada was his first disciple. The name of his spiritual master was Totapuri. Ramkrishna believed that all living beings are divine. There is only one God. Ramkrishna died on 16<sup>th</sup> August, 1886.

**Swami Vivekananda:** Swami Vivekananda was born on 12 January, 1883 in Kolkata. His father was Bishwanath Dutta and mother was Bhubeneswari Devi. The original name of Vivekananda was Narendranath Dutta. But in boyhood his another name was Vireshwar. But everybody called him 'Biley'. He was as brave as truthful. He never feared telling truth. He was a brilliant student. In 1893, Swami Vivekananda attended the world conference on religions at Chicago in America. There he delivered an important lecture. On July 4, 1902 he died.

We should follow the moral teachings and advices of Ramakrishna and Vivekananda and we shall apply these in our life.

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**Religious Books:** The book that tells about religion is called religious book. Religious books deal with much knowledge. Religious books give man honest advice. They teach us to be good man. The main religious book of the Hindus is the Veda. Besides, there are other religious books. For example, the Gita, the Upanishad, the Purana, the Ramayana, the Mahabharata etc. In this class, we shall learn about Ramayana and Mahabharata.

**The Ramayana:** Ramachandra was the eldest son of Dasaratha, the king of Ayudha. Ravana, the demon King of Lanka abducted Sita, the wife of Ramachandra. As a result, a fierce battle was fought between Ramachandra and Ravana. In the battle Ravana was extinguished with all his Kith and Kin and Sita was rescued. Then religion prevailed and irreligion diminished. Ancient poet Valmiki composed the story of the Ramayana in Sanskrit language. This was translated into Bengali by Krittibash.

**The Mahabharata:** The descendants of Kuru and Pandu fought a fierce battle in Kurukshetra. The detailed description of the battle is contained in the Mahabharata. The Pandavas won the battle because they were righteous. The advice delivered to Arjuna by Sri Krishna during the battle are contained in the Gita. It was proved in the battle of Kurukshetra that truth prevails and falsehood is destroyed. The original Mahabharata was written by the great sage Vedavyasa. This was translated into Bengali by Kashirama Das.

**1. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words:**

- Men are \_\_\_ beings.
- Sri Ramakrishna married \_\_\_ Devi.
- Religious books deal with much \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ravana was the demon king of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ramakrishna was dedicated to the goddess \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ramachandra was the \_\_\_ son of Dasaratha.
- Great men work for the well-being of the \_\_\_\_\_.

**2. Write down the meaning of the following words:**

- Instance
- Liberal
- Occupied
- Righteous
- Battle

**5. Answer the following short questions:**

- What is the name of the main religious book of the Hindus?
- What is the definition of religious book?
- Who was the eldest son of Dasaratha?
- Who was the king of Ayudha?

**6. Answer the following broad questions:**

- Who composed the story of the Ramayana in Sanskrit language?
- What do you mean by great man?

**1. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words:**

- a) social
- b) Sarada
- c) knowledge
- d) Lanka
- e) Kali
- f) eldest
- g) world

**2. Meaning of the following words:**

- a) Instance - **Example**
- b) Liberal - **Generous**
- c) Occupied - **Possessed**
- d) Righteous – **Pious/ Religious**
- e) Battle - **War**

**5. Answers of short questions:**

- a) The name of the main religious book of the Hindus is the Veda.
- b) The book that tells about religion is called religious book.
- c) Ramachandra was the eldest son of Dasaratha.
- d) Dasaratha was the king of Ayudha.

**6. Answers of broad questions:**

- a) Ancient poet Valmiki composed the story of the Ramayana in Sanskrit language.
- b) Great man means that type of man who works for the well-being of the world.

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