Jat (Sikh) in United States



he Jat people originally came from the Punjab region of northern India. They were known as being a military caste who fought for and sometimes against British colonial rule. Many Jats people became Sikhs, a religion founded by Guru Nanak in the 15th century. Although the large majority of Jat Sikhs continue to live in India, sizable groups live in the USA and Canada. American Sikhs work in farming, medicine, transportation and own Indian restaurants, Sikhs are forbidden to cut their hair and they can be identified by the turbans they wear.

Ministry Obstacles

The Sikh religion is deeply embedded into the Jat culture. To become a follower of Christ will bring persecution and isolation from one's family and community.

Outreach Ideas

American Christians can build friendships with Sikhs and discuss spiritual matters leading to informal Bible studies.



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POPULATION: 214,000

LANGUAGE: Punjabi, Eastern RELIGION: Other / Small

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

A tiny fraction of Jat Sikhs in the USA claims to follow Christ. Pray the numbers of believers would grow and that they would be established in the faith. Pray for loving workers to go to the Jat people in the US and tell them about Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURE Enter into the rock and hide in the dust from before the terror of the Lord, and from the splendor of his majesty. Isa 2:10

PRAY for many from this people group to understand both God's judgment and his majestic glory.