

## Navagraha Stotram-Meaning

I worship the Sun whose beauty rivals that of a flower. He is the son of sage Kaçyapa. His brilliance is great. He is the destroyer of darkness and all sins.

I prostrate to Çaçi, the Moon, who is white as yogurt, the conch shell, and snow. He was born from the ocean of milk. He is the ruling deity of the soma juice. He is the head ornament of Lord Çiva.

I prostrate to Mangala, the lord of the planet Mars, who was born of the Earth. His effulgence is like that of lightning. He is Kumara Swamy or Kartikeya, bearing the spear known as Çakti.

I prostrate to Budha, the lord of the planet Mercury, whose beauty is incomparable. He possesses gentle, charming qualities.

I prostrate to Bâhaspati, the lord of the planet Jupiter, who is the preceptor of gods and sages, and is radiant like gold. He is the embodiment of Intelligence, and controls all the three worlds.

I prostrate to Çukra, the lord of the planet Venus, the son of Bhâgu. He is white as snow. He is the spiritual master of the asuras or demons. He is adept at explaining all the Çastras.

I prostrate to Çani, the lord of the planet Saturn, whose is dark blue in complexion. He is the son of the Sun God and his wife Chaya. He is the older brother of Yama.

I prostrate to Râhu, the son of Simhika, who only has half a body but yet possesses great power. He has the power to subdue the Sun and the Moon.

I prostrate to Kētu, whose color is that of the palaça flower. He serves as the head of the stars and planets. He is violent and fearsome.