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"Gurur Brahma Gurur Vishnu Gurur Devo Maheshwaraha
Gurur Sakshat Para Brahma tasmai Sri Guruave namaha"

Brahma is the Guru for He is the Creator of the Vedas which in their turn destroy our ignorance and illuminate the mind.

Vishnu is the Guru for He resides in our heart and up brings us.

Maheshwar is Guru for He is the Protector.

Guru is the Supreme Power of Godhead Personified and I bow to Him.