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*The Kingdom of God is not a palace that is shining with gold,  
silver, diamonds, rubies and all kinds of precious stones.  
It is the purity, the loving kindness, the compassion, the peace of mind.  
That is the Kingdom of God. If we carry this Kingdom of God within us,  
then wherever we go, we will always feel that we are in Heaven.*

*~ The Supreme Master Ching Hai ~*



## The Story of a Great Master

“Twinkle, twinkle, little star, how I wonder what you are!” Have you ever looked up into the night sky and wondered in this way? Who created those brilliant stars? Well, many years ago, there was a beautiful little girl who wondered the same thing. Looking into the brilliance of the star-filled sky, She wanted very much to meet with their Creator. This became Her secret dream, a dream She held close to Her heart for a long, long time. And after many years of searching high and low for God, Her dream finally came true. She got to meet the Creator of the stars!

This little girl was born in the southeastern Asian country of Aulac. From a very young age, She had always prayed to the Creator of the stars, “Please let me

see You!” Even though it seemed that Her wish was not granted for a very long time, She never gave up. She kept Her faith and continued to pray. She went to church with Her parents and to the temple with Her grandmother. She read many great books that were supposed to teach people how to find God. Sometimes She even fell asleep holding a holy book to Her chest.

This little girl was kind to everyone She met. Poor people touched Her heart, and She would go out of Her way to give them what little food or money She could find in the house. Because of Her genuinely helpful nature, She inspired love in the hearts of all who knew Her.

When this little girl grew up and became a beautiful young woman, Her father sent Her to study in England. With a talent for language, She quickly learned to speak English, German, and French. She continued to work for the poor and needy by whatever means She could. And never for one moment did She forget Her dream.

Later, She married a German doctor. He was a very kind man, and they spent two happy years together. But a desire to find God, not only for Herself but also to be truly helpful to those who were less fortunate, was still burning in the heart of this young woman. And so it was that one day, with her husband’s blessing, She left alone to continue Her search for God.

The next part of Her journey took Her to many distant lands, including the far reaches of India. Finally, in the remote and snow-covered Himalayan Mountains, She found an Enlightened Master who introduced Her to an ancient spiritual practice called the Quan Yin Method.

As She received the Quan Yin Method and began meditating on the heavenly Sound and Light, She came face to face with God and became one with God. In this enlightened state, Her soul not only reached the stars but went far, far beyond them. She was taken by God to a very high level of Heaven, and She became a great Master Herself.

After many moons in the Himalayas, She was ready to descend from the mountains. Soon She came to Formosa, a beautiful island near China, and slowly began



sharing this wonderful Quan Yin Method with others. Since then, She has traveled around the world to help people re-connect with God through this method. Many have become enlightened; their souls have also reached the stars, the heavens and beyond.

She is now affectionately known as The Supreme Master Ching Hai. But Master Ching Hai tells us that we are all supreme masters because we are the children of God. If we know the way, we can see God and talk to God any time we wish.

Master Ching Hai doesn't just teach the Quan Yin Method. She also paints, writes songs, plays musical instruments and designs beautiful clothing and jewelry. She is also a great storyteller, and She loves to tell jokes. Whenever She is among people, there is always a lot of laughter.

Master Ching Hai continues to care for people just as She did when She was young. She especially loves children, and says that children are closer to God than adults. She reminds us that we all need to be like children to see God.

So you see, a little girl's dream to see God has come true. If it is possible for Master Ching Hai, it is possible for all of us. Do you have the same dream as She did?

*A Little Message:*



As a creator of artistic designs as well as a spiritual teacher, Supreme Master Ching Hai loves all expressions of inner beauty. It is for this reason that She refers to Vietnam as “Au Lac” and Taiwan as “Formosa.” Au Lac is the ancient name of Vietnam and means “happiness.” And the name Formosa, meaning “beautiful,” reflects more completely the beauty of the island and its people. Master feels that using these names brings spiritual elevation and luck to the land and its inhabitants.



*If we preserve this heart of a child, no matter how old we have grown, we are still God's children. We will not go to hell, or encounter any unfavorable situations. Our life will be very smooth. At least our hearts will be forever happy. We will keep an open mind. Problems and obstacles will not make us feel greatly frustrated or upset. We will be very carefree, without attachments burdening our mind. This is the heart of a child. It is not true that we cannot be children again after we have grown up.*

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*Every time we extend loving kindness,  
tolerance and understanding to others, at that time we create Heaven.*

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# Preface

*This* illustrated narrative, suitable for all ages, is a distinctive collection of twenty inspiring stories told by The Supreme Master Ching Hai. Presented in lively and amusing comic strips and text, each story is replete with profound meanings that will touch the reader and fill the heart with bliss.

The interesting and heart-warming parables will inspire youngsters to develop their potential in thinking, realization, and imagination. These comic strips convey noble truths in a way that is easy to understand, thereby enabling children to discover and absorb the Truth in a happily relaxed manner. In our present-day environment of complex and confusing information, this treasured collection will nourish the minds and souls of your children with the humor and wisdom of The Supreme Master Ching Hai.





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## **A Little Message:**

In speaking of God, or the Supreme Spirit, Master instructs us to use original non-sexist terms to avoid the argument about whether God is a She or a He.

She + He = Hes (as in Bless)

Her + Him = Hirm (as in Firm)

Hers + His = Hiers (as in Dear)

Example: When God wants, Hes makes things happen according to Hiers will to suit Hirmself.

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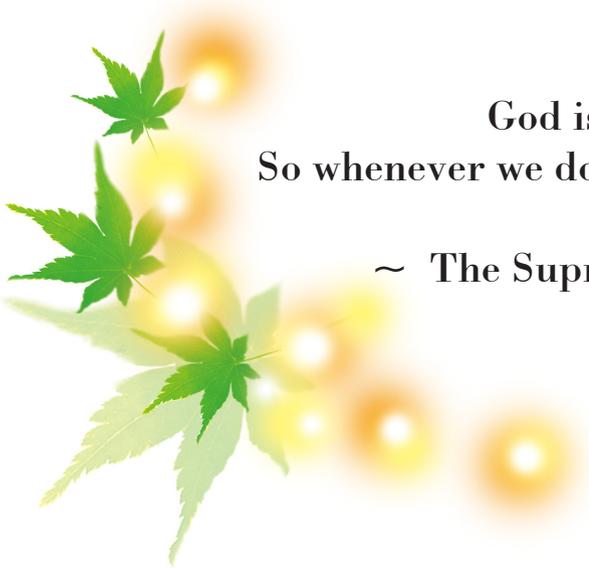
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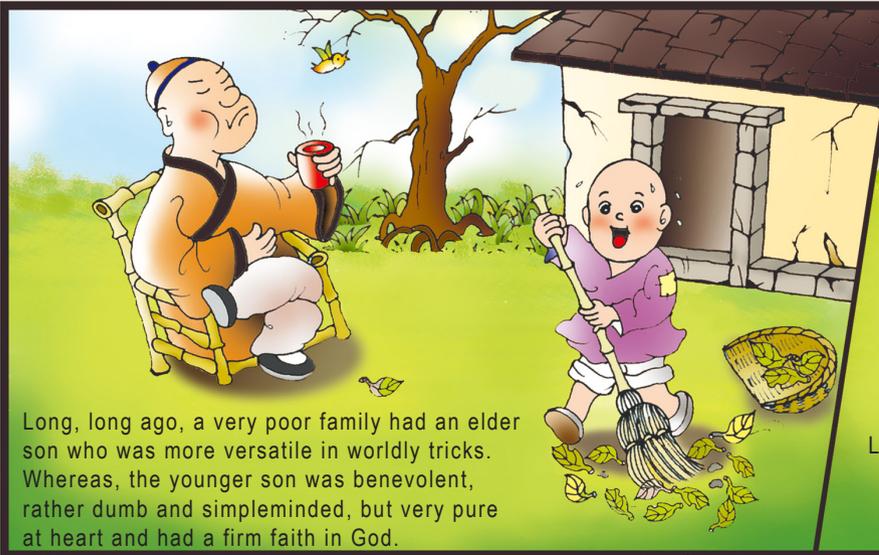


**God is all pervading love.  
So whenever we do things in love, God will help us.**

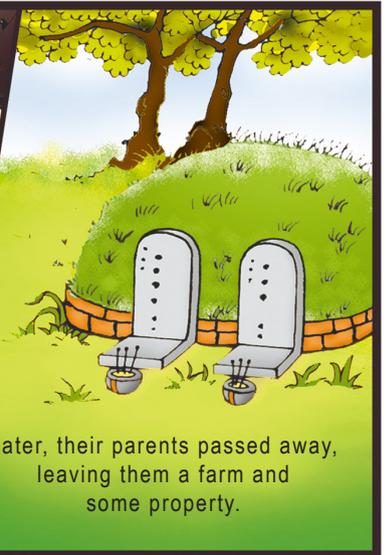
**~ The Supreme Master Ching Hai ~**

# The Two Brothers and the Star-fruit Tree





Long, long ago, a very poor family had an elder son who was more versatile in worldly tricks. Whereas, the younger son was benevolent, rather dumb and simpleminded, but very pure at heart and had a firm faith in God.



Later, their parents passed away, leaving them a farm and some property.



Better let me take care of all the property. Since you don't have a wife and children, and are incapable of managing property, I will give you only one star-fruit tree to care for. Okay?



Yes, big brother.



The younger brother worked diligently every day.



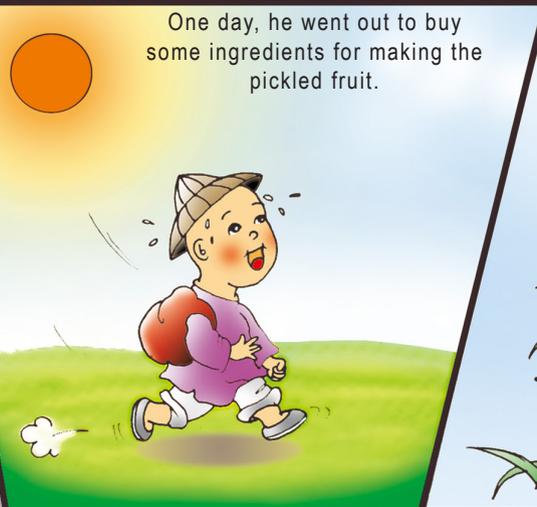


When the star-fruit were ripe, he picked and sold them to earn money. The tree was big and yielded a lot of star-fruit.

With the unsold fruit left behind, he made star-fruit juice and also pickled some of them.

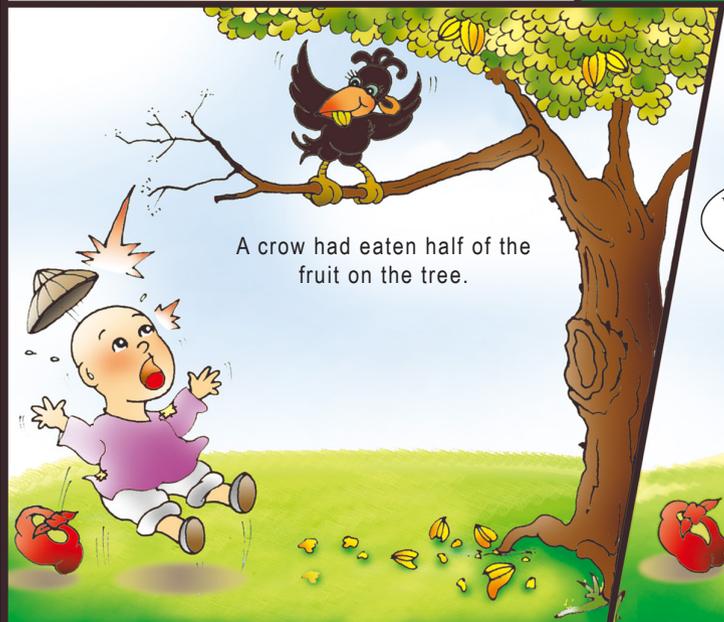


What he earned was enough to sustain him. He was easily contented.

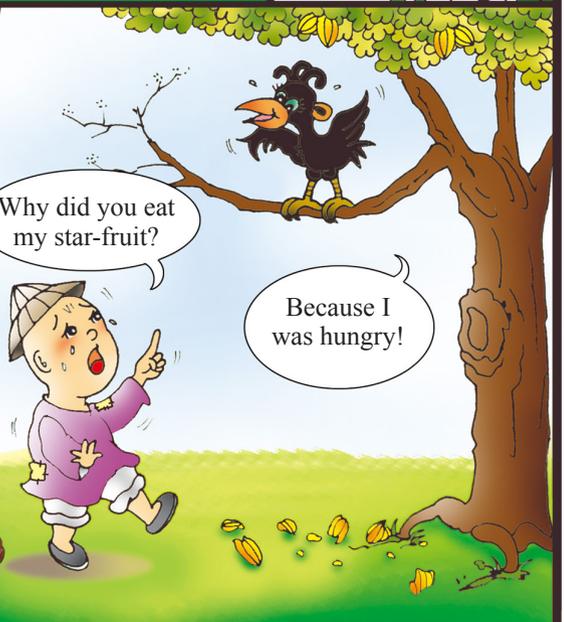


One day, he went out to buy some ingredients for making the pickled fruit.

When he came home, he saw...

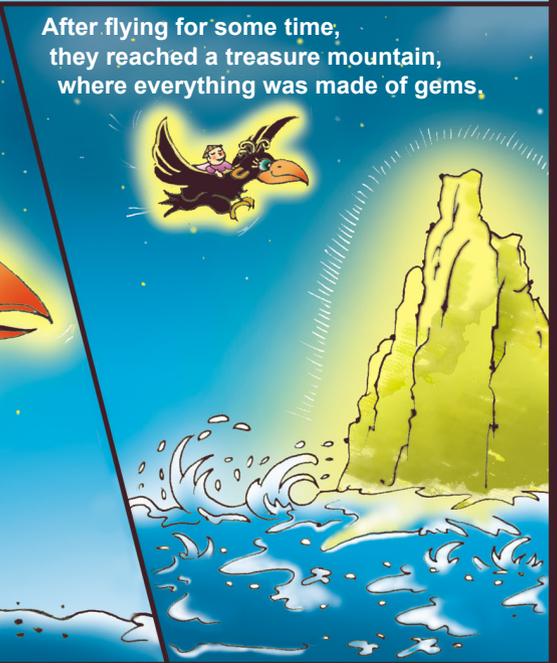
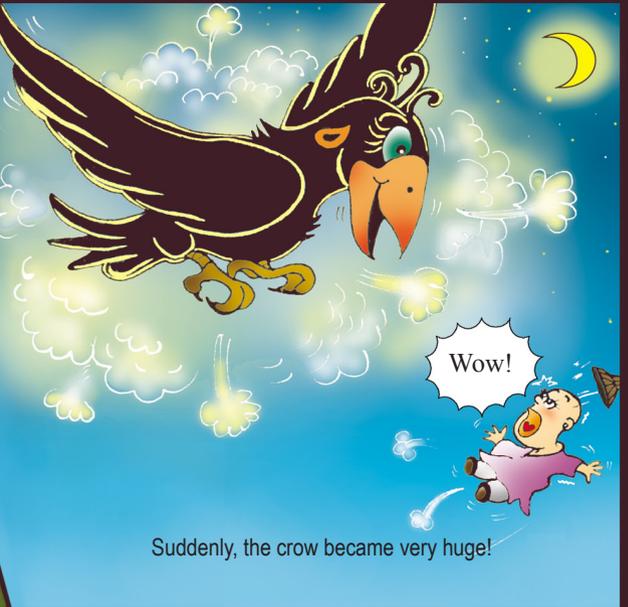
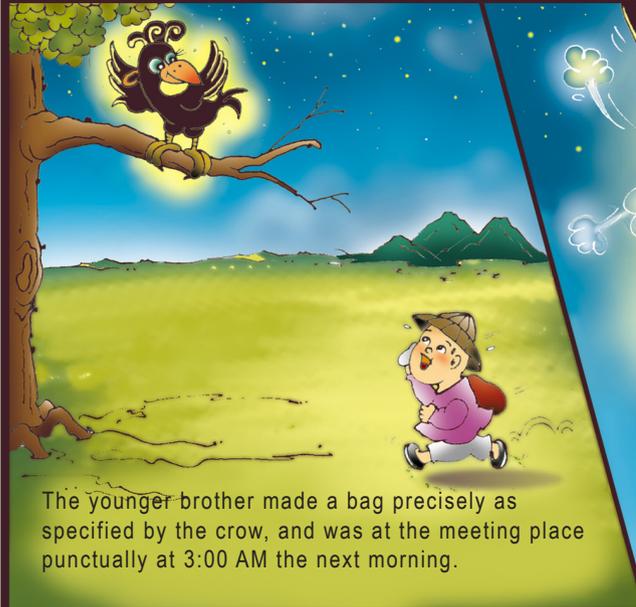
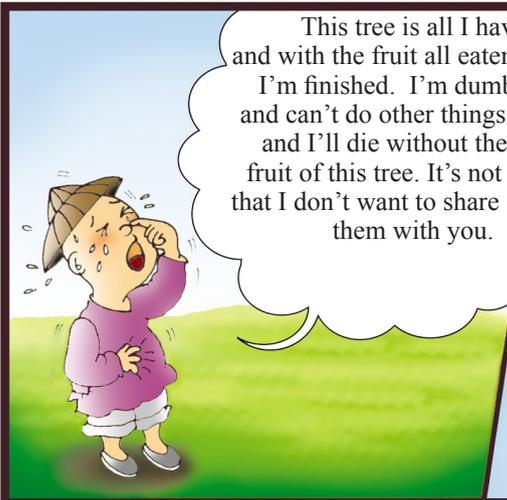


A crow had eaten half of the fruit on the tree.



Why did you eat my star-fruit?

Because I was hungry!



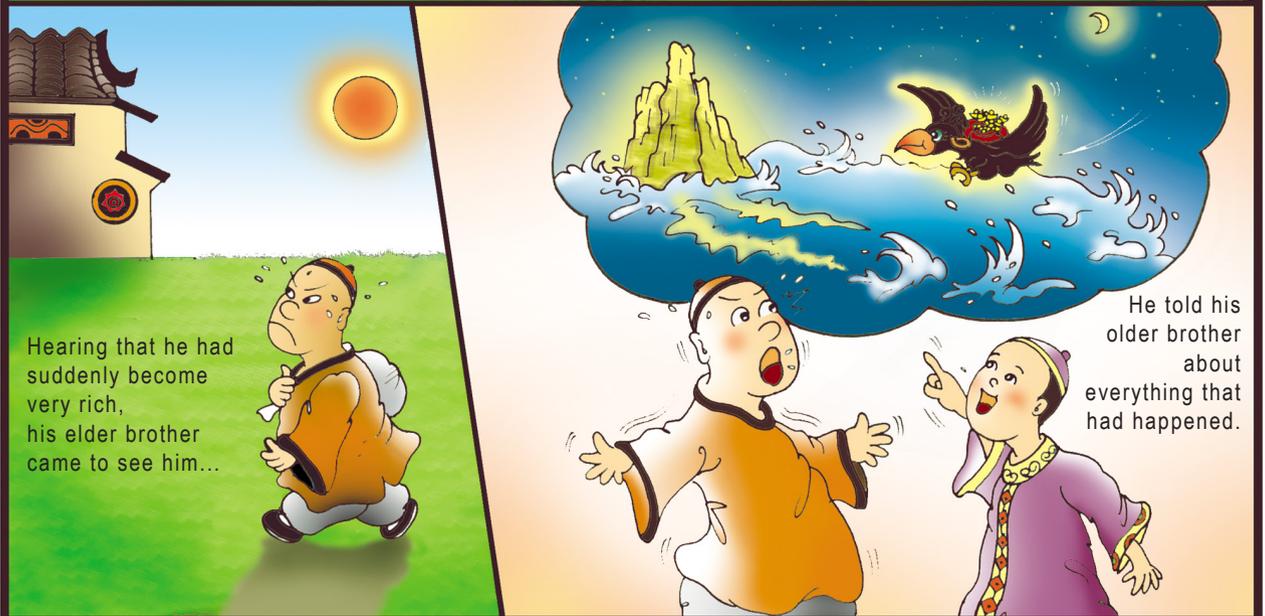


The crow told him to put all the jewelry that he wanted into the bag.

When the bag was filled, the crow took him home.



After that, the younger brother was very rich. He built a new house and married a pretty wife.



Hearing that he had suddenly become very rich, his elder brother came to see him...

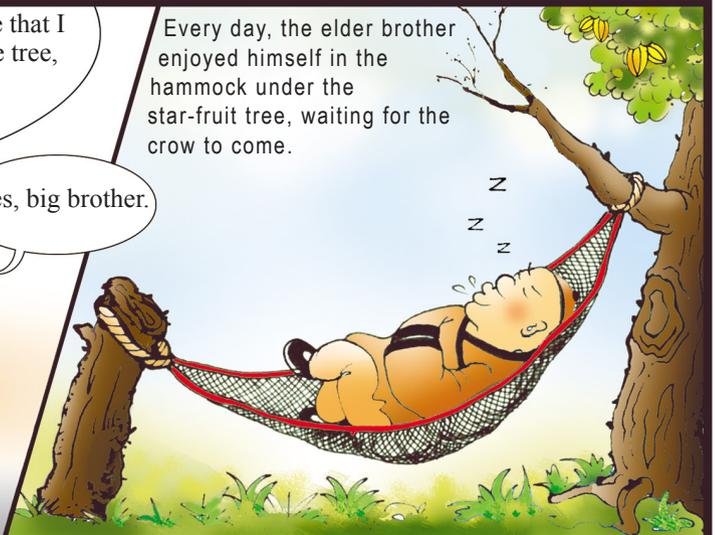
He told his older brother about everything that had happened.

All these blessings came from the star-fruit tree that I gave you. Now, it is my turn to take care of the tree, and you can move into my place.



Yes, big brother.

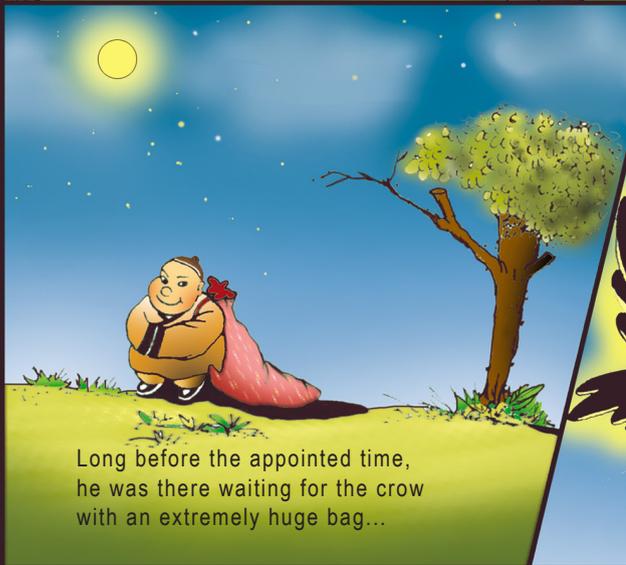
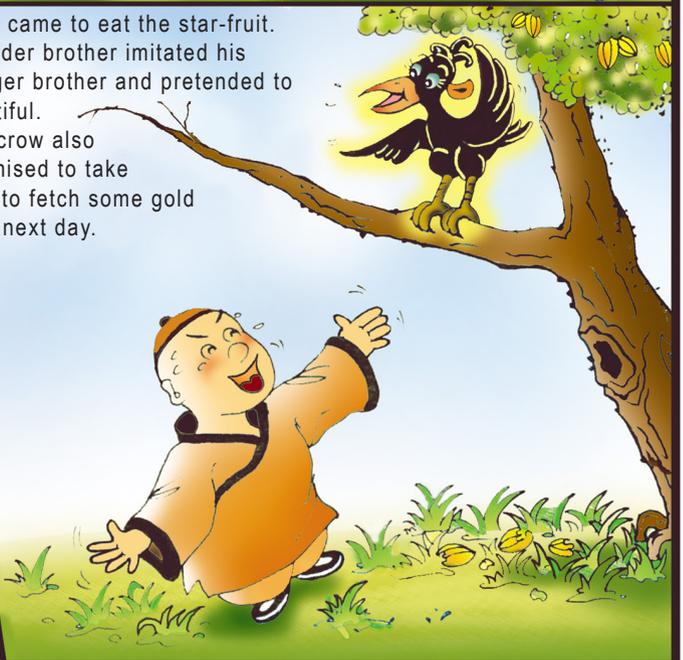
Every day, the elder brother enjoyed himself in the hammock under the star-fruit tree, waiting for the crow to come.



All he dreamed of was jewelry! One day, it really happened...



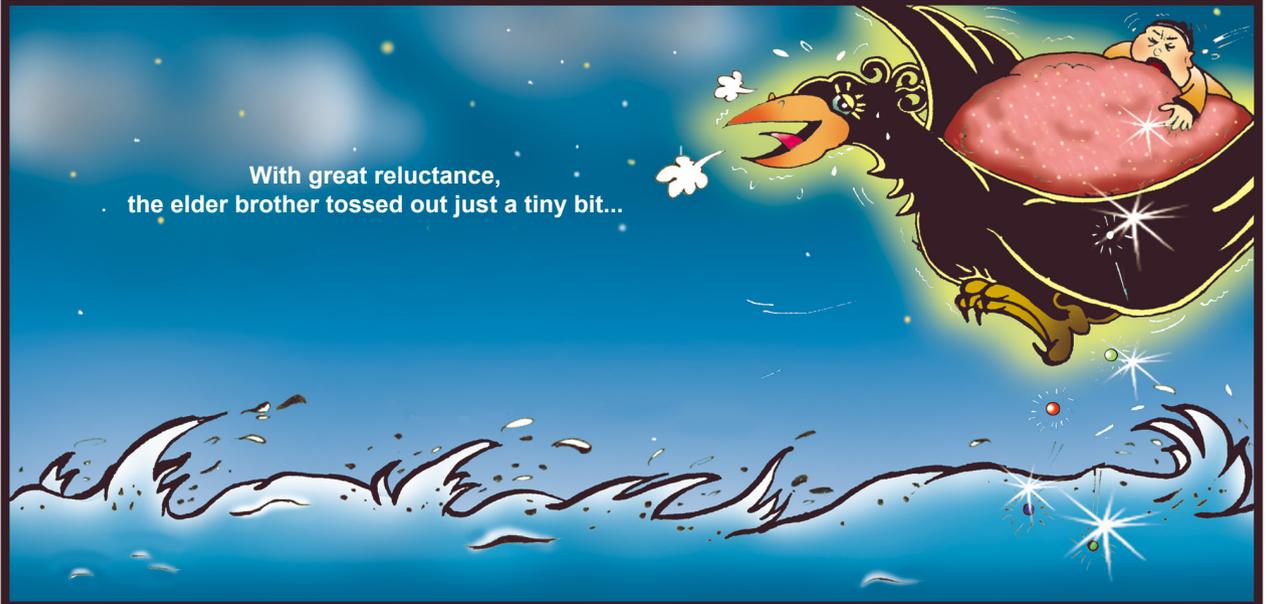
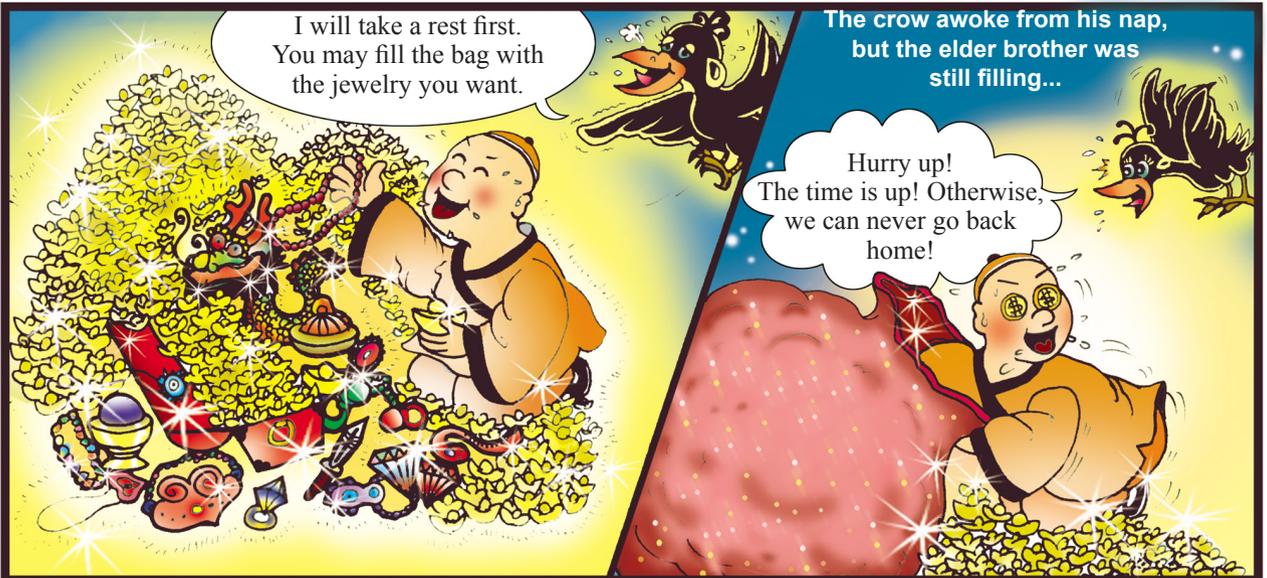
A crow came to eat the star-fruit. The older brother imitated his younger brother and pretended to be pitiful. The crow also promised to take him to fetch some gold the next day.



Long before the appointed time, he was there waiting for the crow with an extremely huge bag...



Remember! Do not open your eyes or speak during the journey.





Over the ocean, they encountered a strong gale.

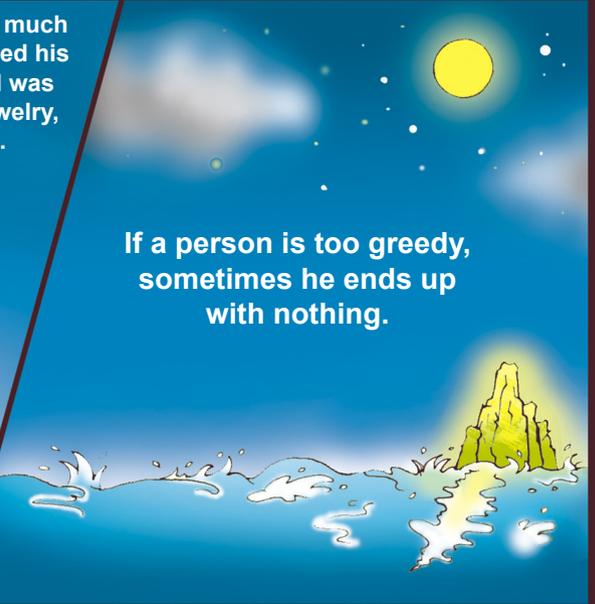
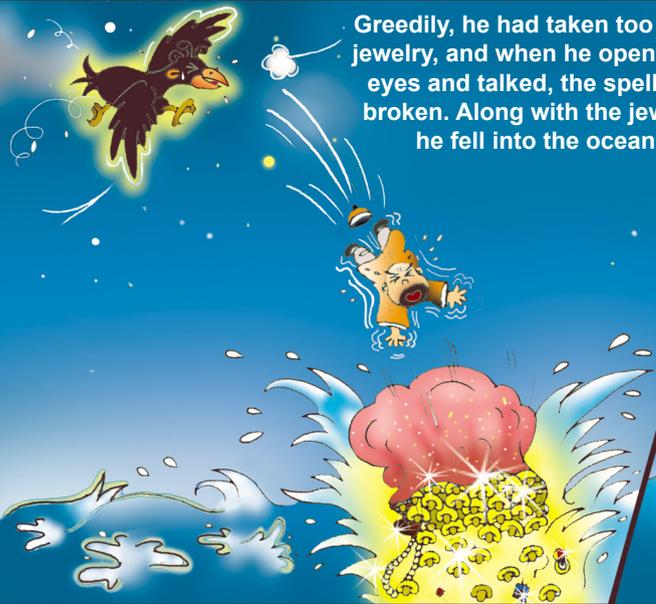
The crow tried its best to stay balanced; however, the wind was too strong.

Hey! I will fall off if you continue to waver like this!



Greedily, he had taken too much jewelry, and when he opened his eyes and talked, the spell was broken. Along with the jewelry, he fell into the ocean.

If a person is too greedy, sometimes he ends up with nothing.



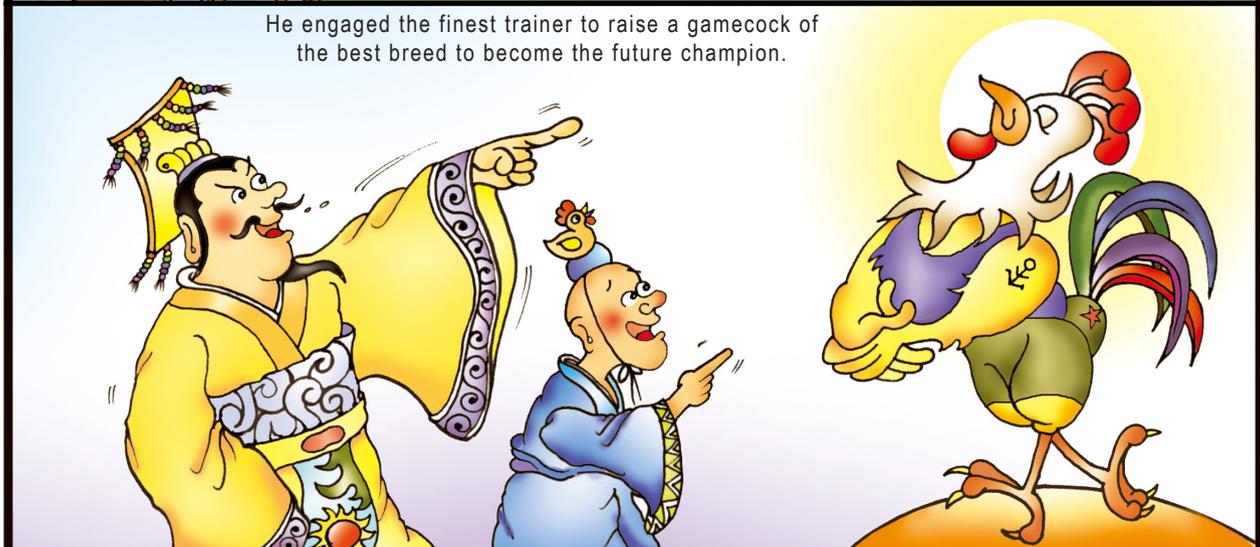
# The Story of a Fighting Cock





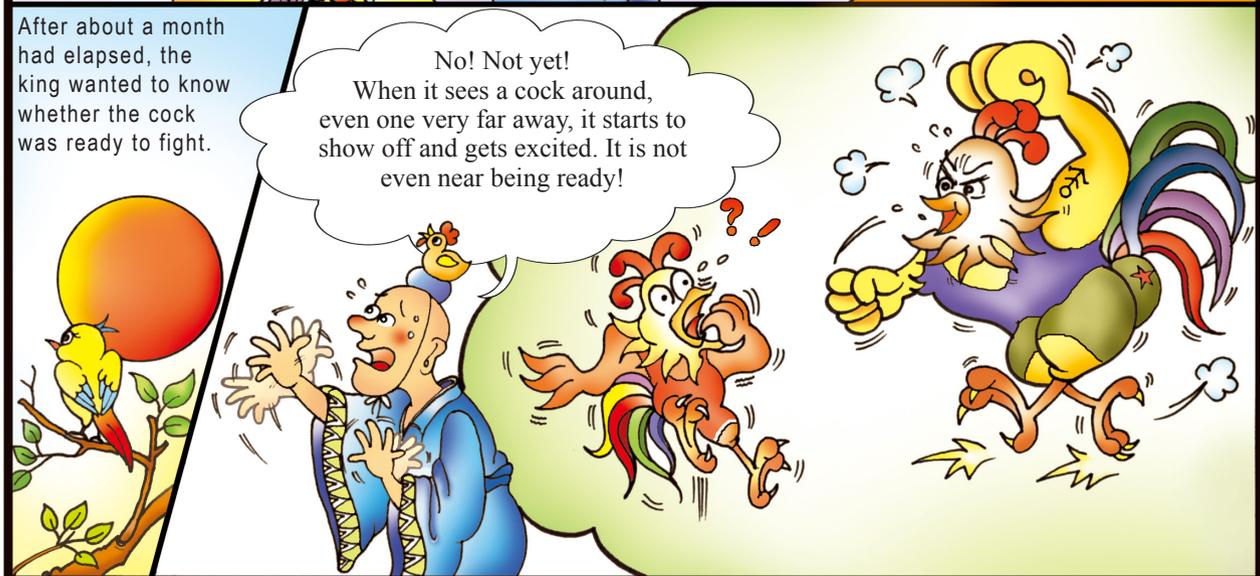
There was a king of China who loved cock-fighting.

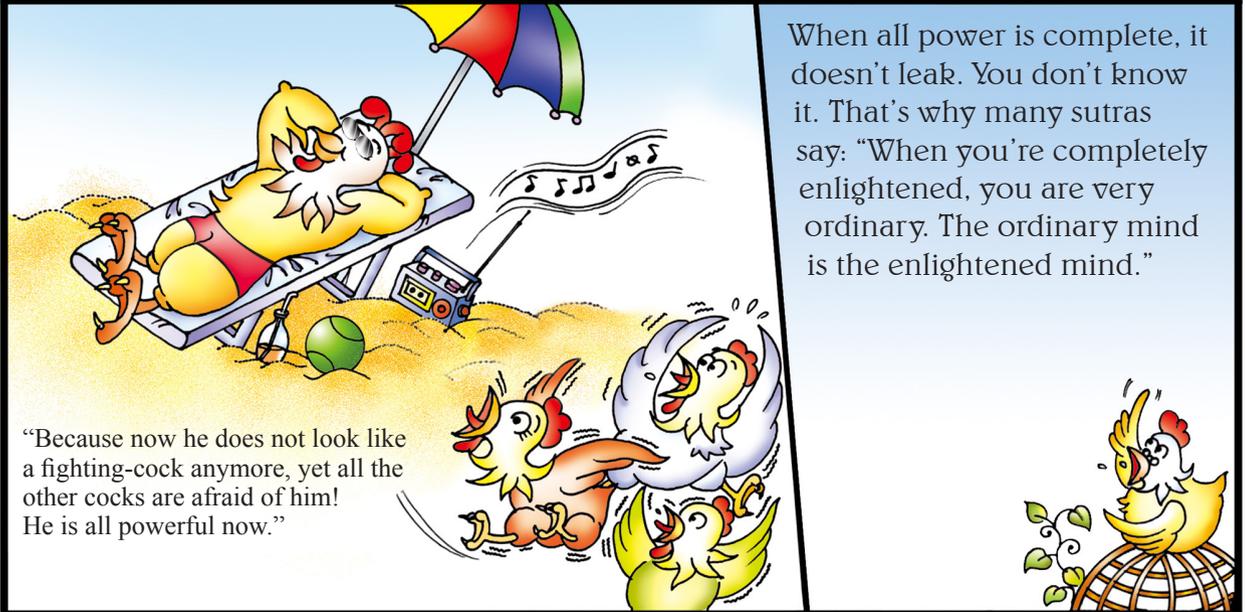
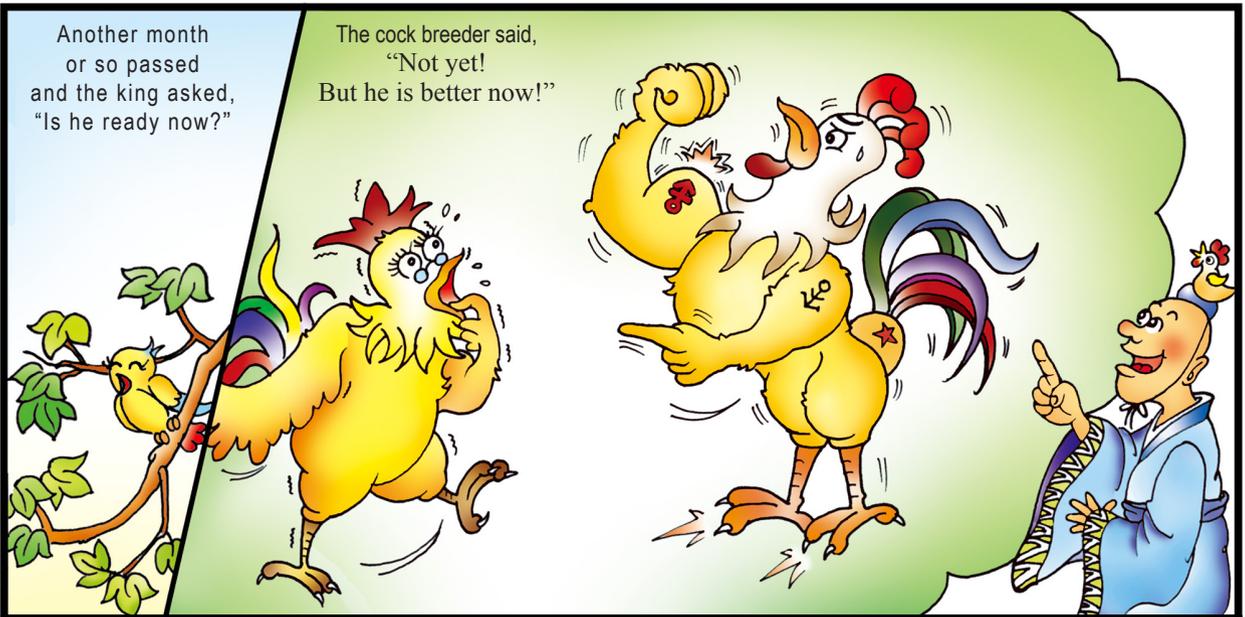
He engaged the finest trainer to raise a gamecock of the best breed to become the future champion.



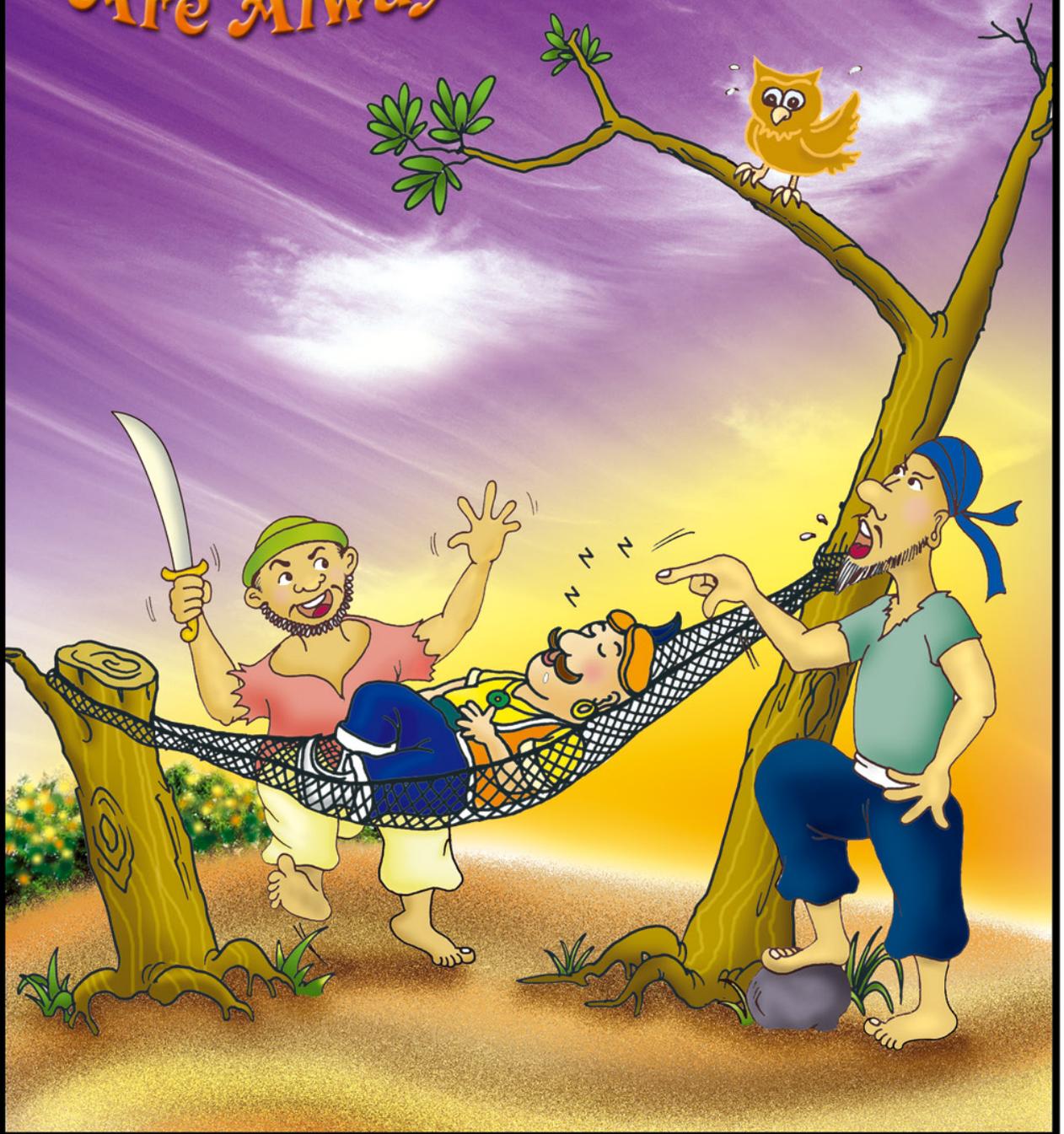
After about a month had elapsed, the king wanted to know whether the cock was ready to fight.

No! Not yet!  
When it sees a cock around, even one very far away, it starts to show off and gets excited. It is not even near being ready!

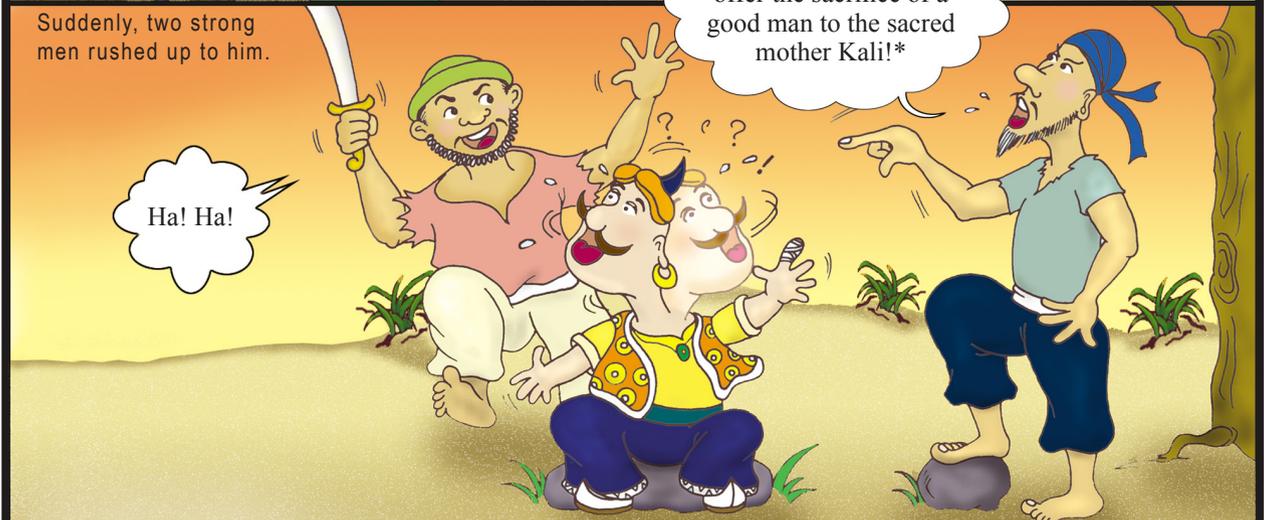
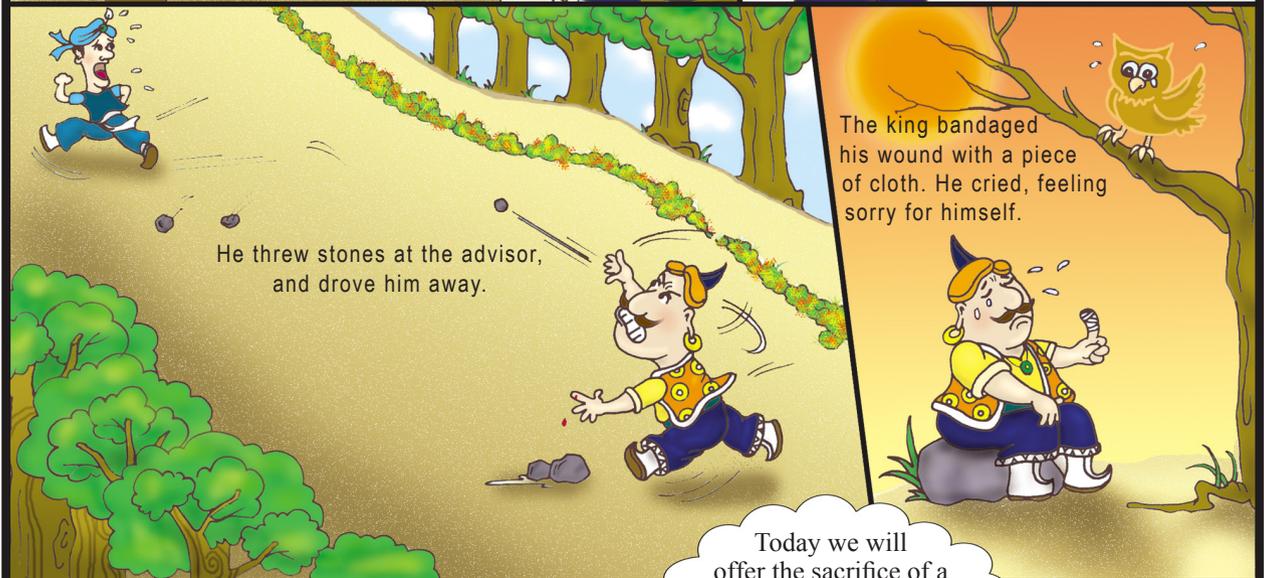




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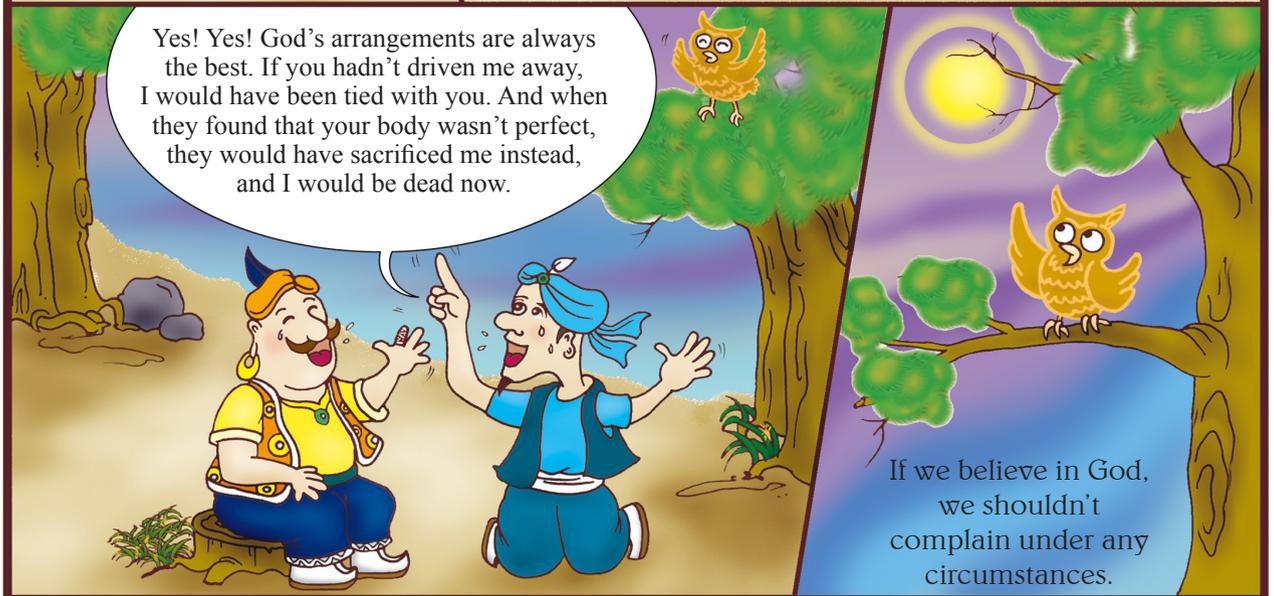






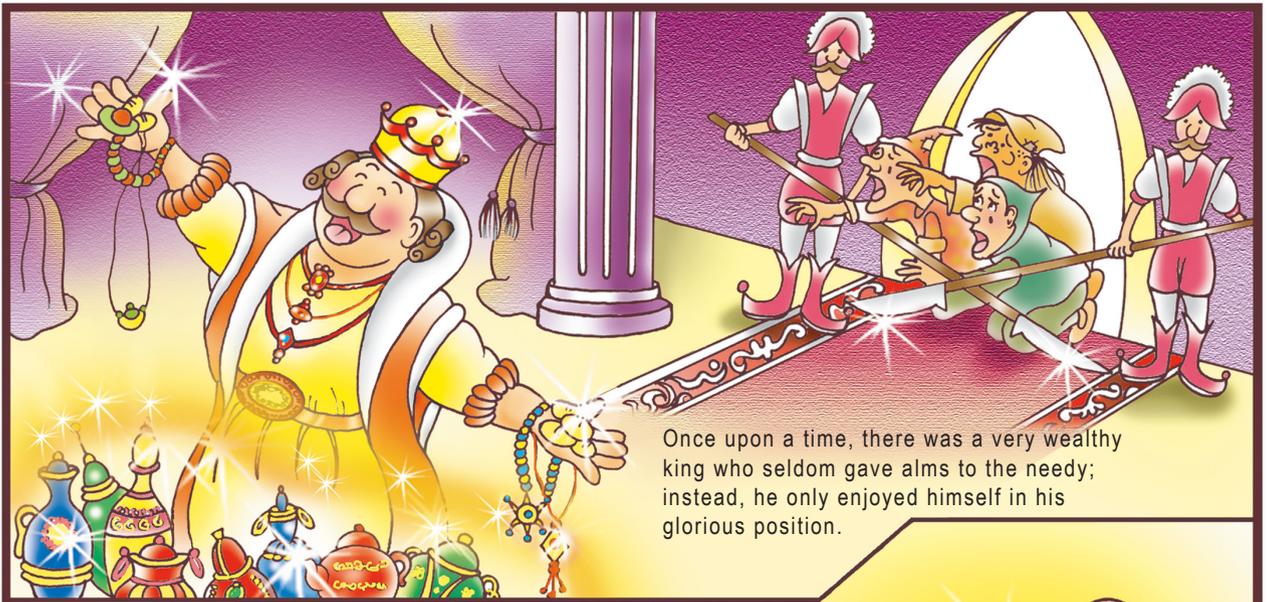
\*Some people in India worship a sacred goddess named Kali. According to legend, Kali is the goddess of negativity and destruction. In ancient times, there were superstitious people who were greatly afraid of her and thought that they must offer living creatures in sacrifice to her.



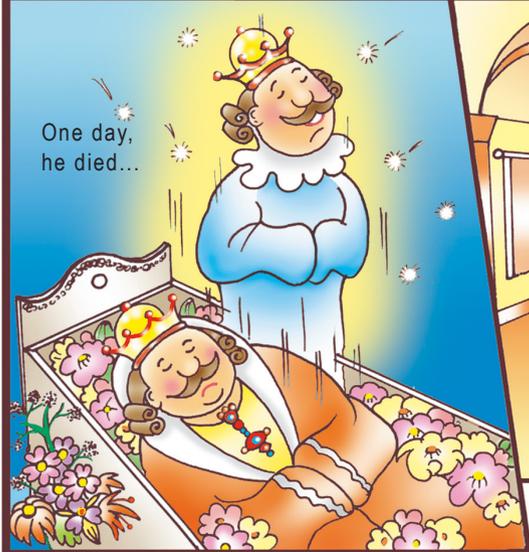


# Loving Others Is Loving Ourselves



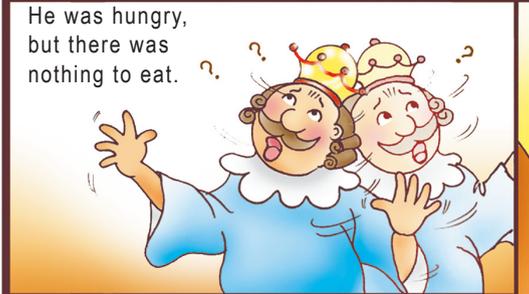


Once upon a time, there was a very wealthy king who seldom gave alms to the needy; instead, he only enjoyed himself in his glorious position.

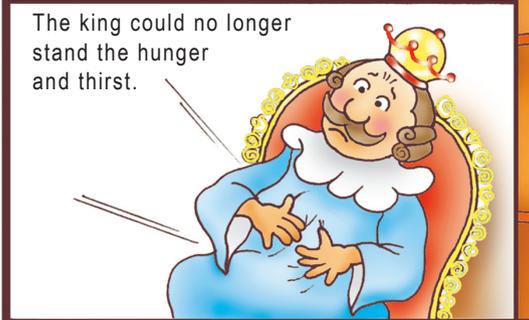


One day, he died...

He was hungry, but there was nothing to eat.



The king could no longer stand the hunger and thirst.

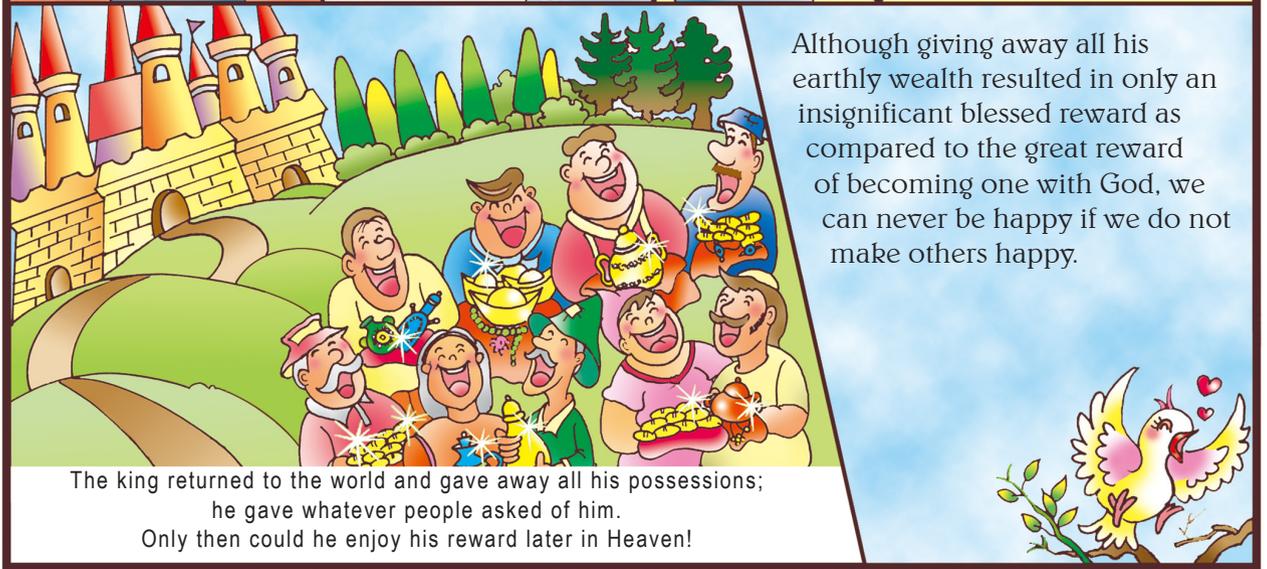
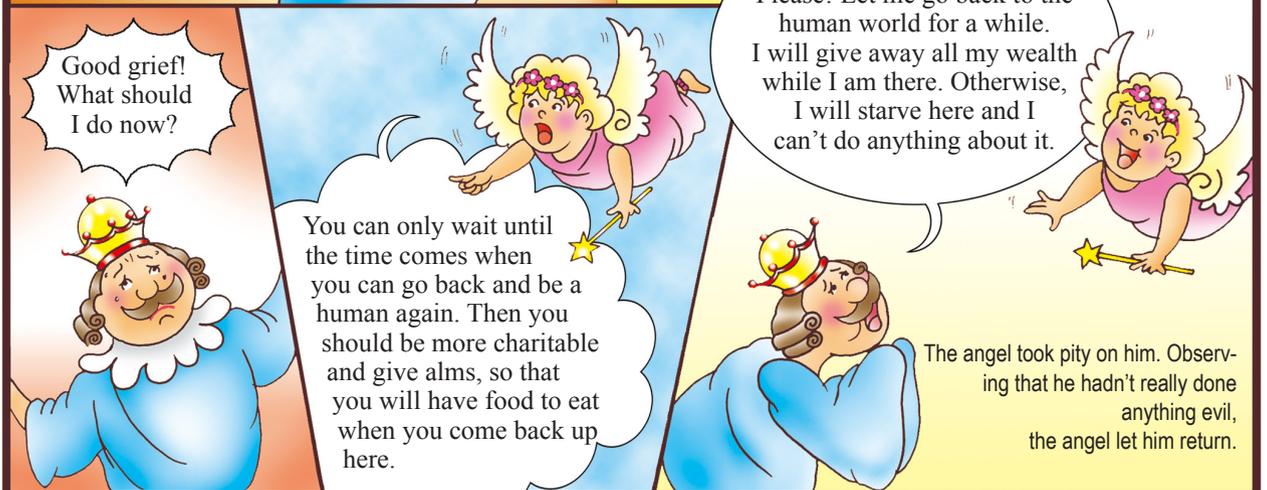
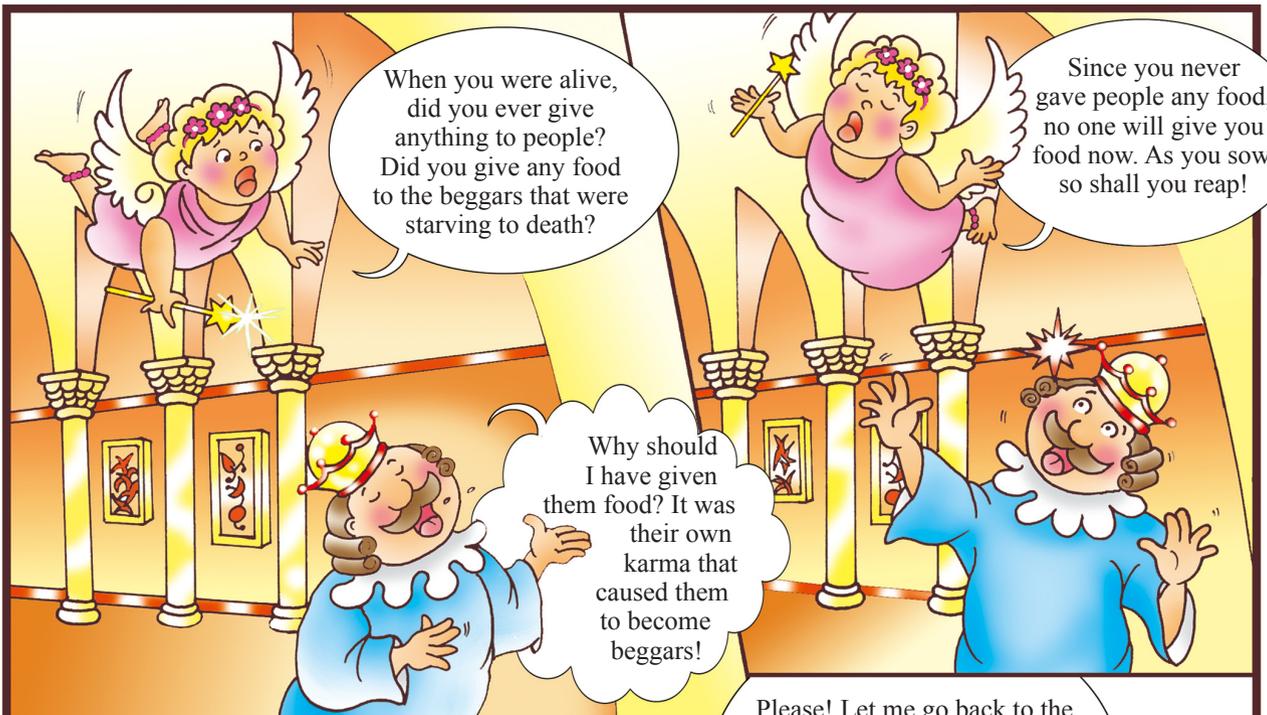


And arrived at a golden palace.



He complained to the angel:

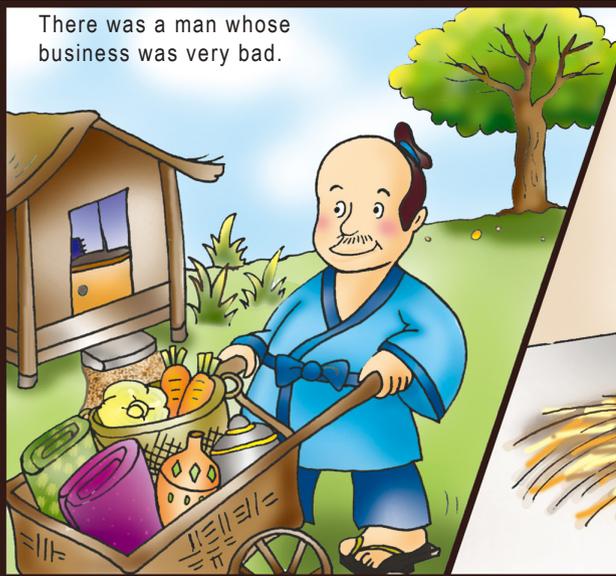
This is ridiculous! Why is there no food or drink in my house?



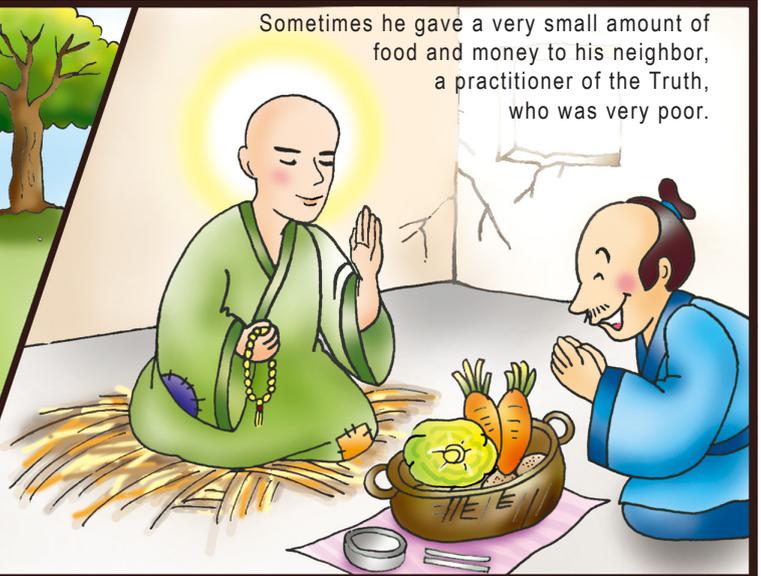
# *Love Without Distinction*



There was a man whose business was very bad.



Sometimes he gave a very small amount of food and money to his neighbor, a practitioner of the Truth, who was very poor.



The more he gave to the practitioner next door, the better his business and family became.

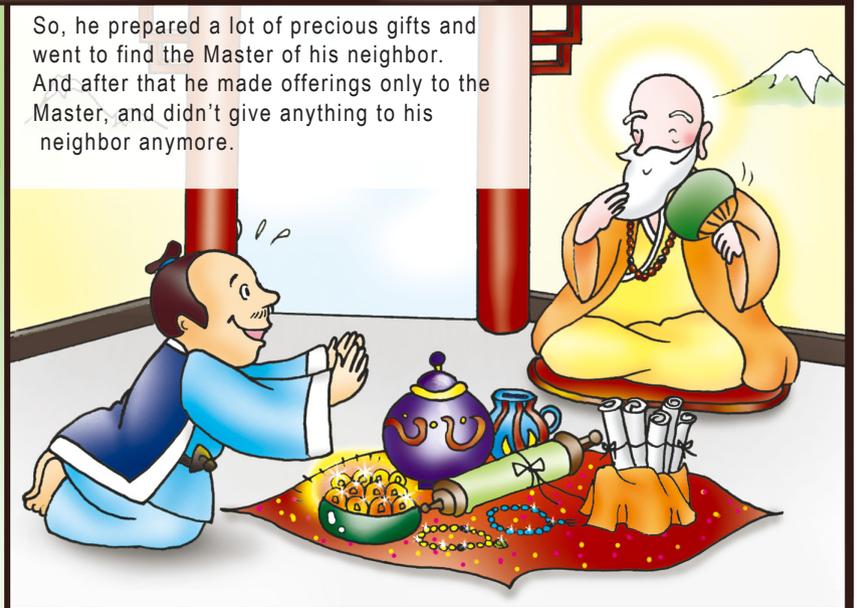


After a period of time

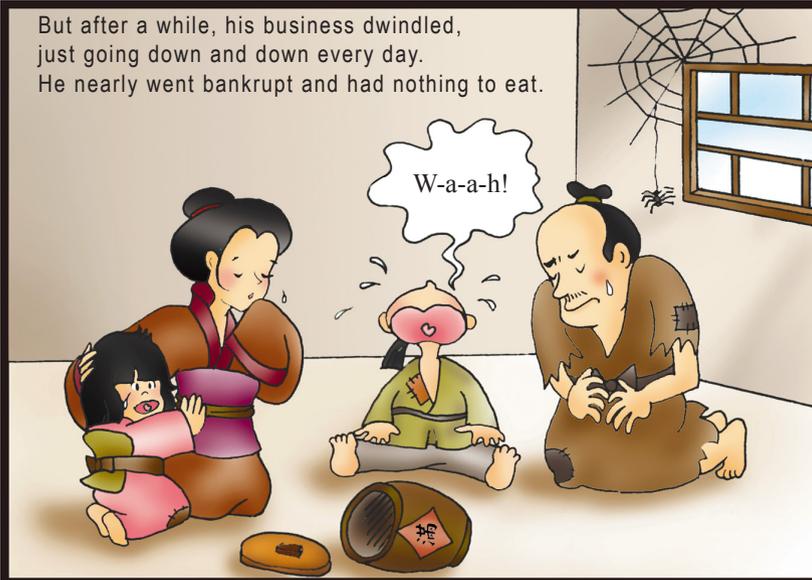
Ah, the more I give to this guy, the better my business is getting. And I hear that he has a Master who is a million times greater than he.



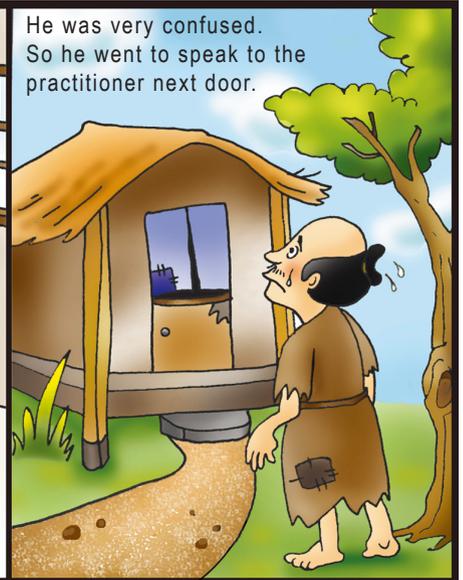
So, he prepared a lot of precious gifts and went to find the Master of his neighbor. And after that he made offerings only to the Master, and didn't give anything to his neighbor anymore.



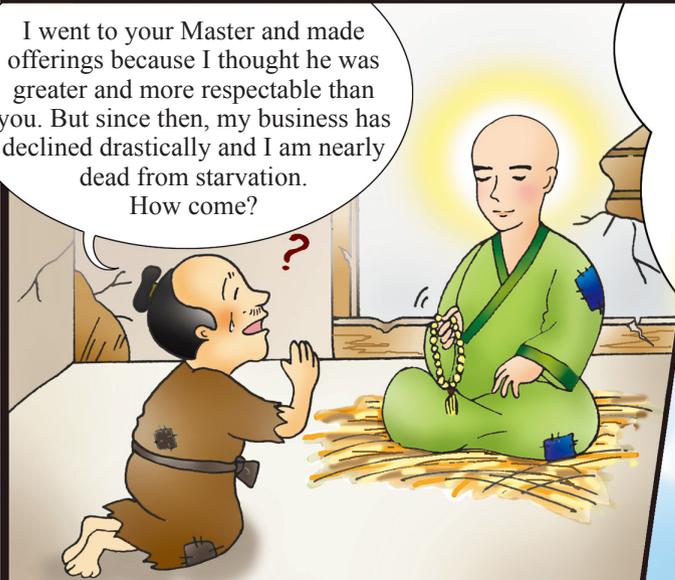
But after a while, his business dwindled, just going down and down every day. He nearly went bankrupt and had nothing to eat.



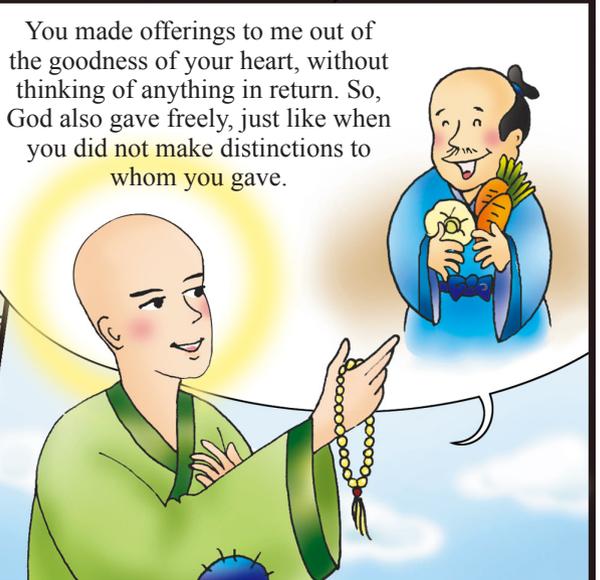
He was very confused. So he went to speak to the practitioner next door.



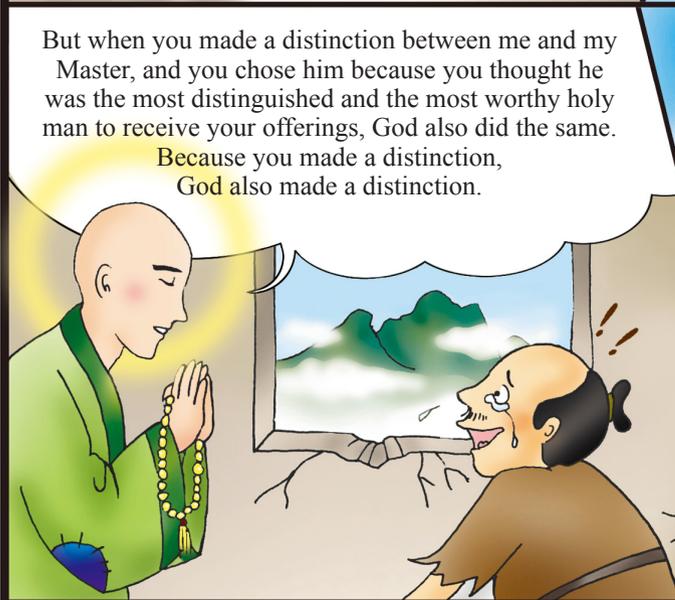
I went to your Master and made offerings because I thought he was greater and more respectable than you. But since then, my business has declined drastically and I am nearly dead from starvation. How come?



You made offerings to me out of the goodness of your heart, without thinking of anything in return. So, God also gave freely, just like when you did not make distinctions to whom you gave.



But when you made a distinction between me and my Master, and you chose him because you thought he was the most distinguished and the most worthy holy man to receive your offerings, God also did the same. Because you made a distinction, God also made a distinction.



Make sure that your love has no distinctions between anyone, and love them as much as you can. Whenever they need us, even if they have harmed us before, we should turn around and help them immediately.

