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Instructive Stories from  
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Seeing  
the Sun  
in  
the Night

A fanciful landlord once became very anxious to see the sun in a new moon night sky



When you, our lord, desires, it must be fulfilled. We should set up in this world such an exemplary deed so that everyone will glorify you and follow the same example.

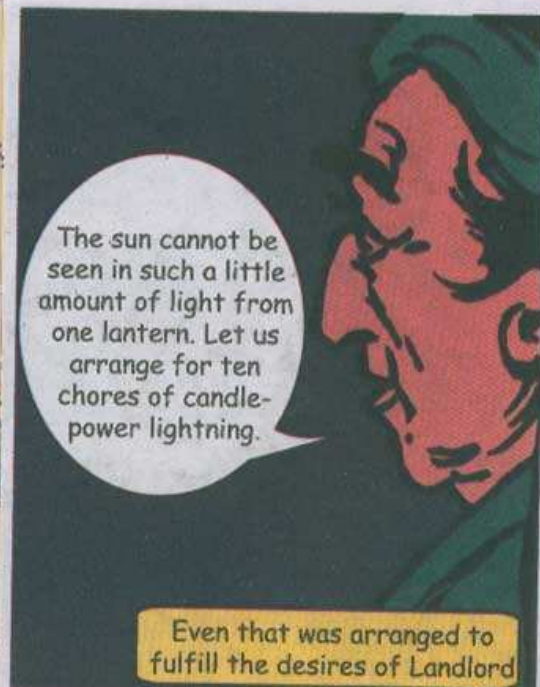


Look here, my lord, can you see the sun?



Another sycophant brought a huge lamp and heads it towards the sky.

The sun cannot be seen in such a little amount of light from one lantern. Let us arrange for ten chores of candle-power lightning.

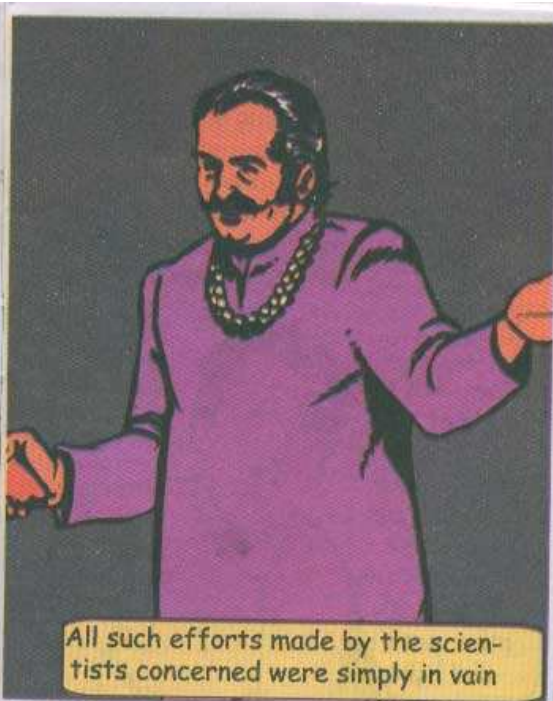


Even that was arranged to fulfill the desires of Landlord





We will help you to see the sun with the help of powerful electric lightning arrangement.




All such efforts made by the scientists concerned were simply in vain



You could never see the sun in the night even if all the electric lightning arrangements in the world were assembled together, it would simply be a waste of power, time and money. You should wait till sunrise to see the sun.

Only with the help of sunshine can one see the sun. The sun can never be seen with the help of any other artificial light

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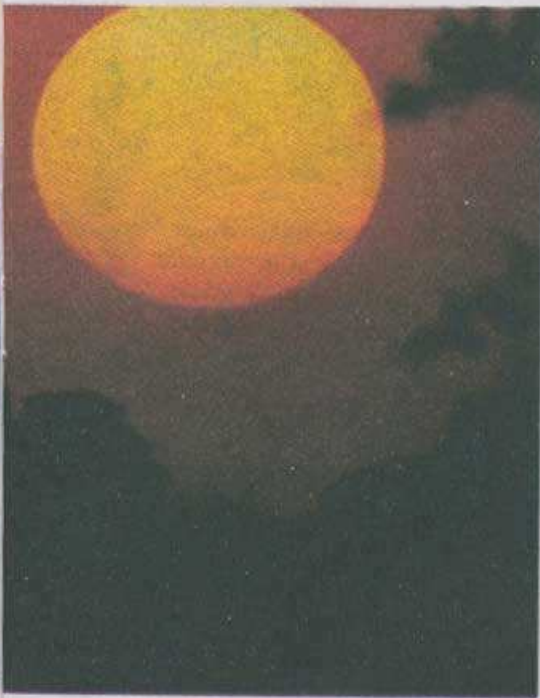
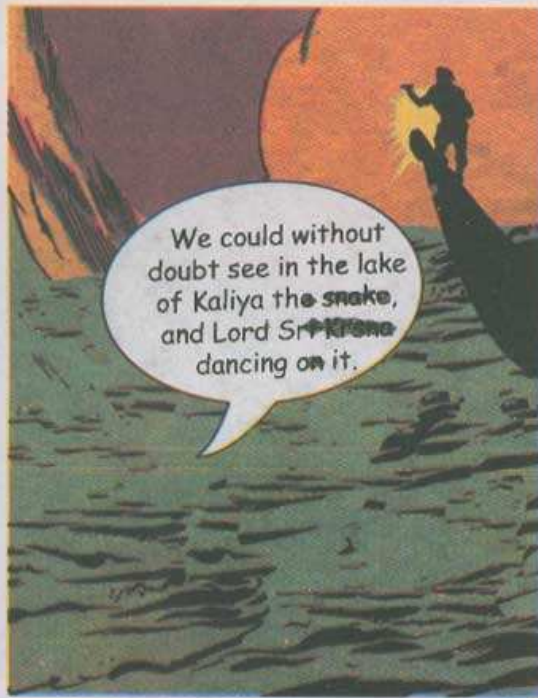
Similarly, every attempt of the materialistic scientists, archaeologists, and other people under illusion, to see and realize the eternal form of the transcendental Supreme Lord, full of bliss and knowledge, with the help of so-called mundane knowledge acquired through material senses and speculative reasoning, is only self-deceiving. As the sun can never be seen in the night even with the help of hundreds of artificial lighting arrangements, similarly, the constitutional form of Lord Sri Hari and the spiritual master and the Vaisnavas is never visible through hundreds of attempts with the help of so-called mundane knowledge acquired by the material senses of the living entities.

As the sun is visible only in the sunlight, realization of the truly constitutional forms of Lord Sri Hari, guru or the Vaisnava, will only be possible under their mercy. The spiritual master can not be assessed through a slighted understanding. Any living being conditioned under illusionary mentality can not make a proper assessment of Lord Krsna, the Supreme Controller of illusion and of the real Vaisnava who is conversant with Krsna Consciousness.

## The Fallacy of Blindly Following

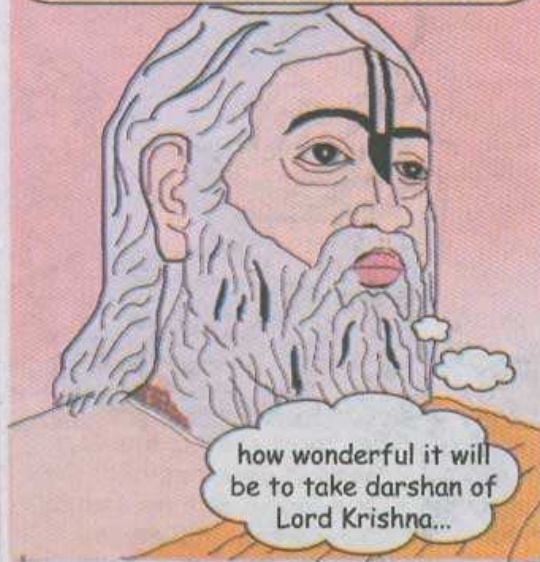
when Lord Sri Caitanya deva was staying in Vrindavana, some people spread a rumour like wildfire that Lord Sri Krsna had appeared in the lake of Kaliya in Vrindavana.

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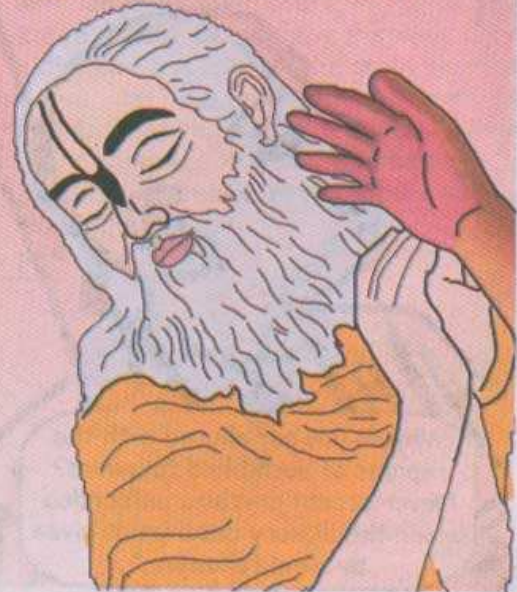
Upon hearing such reports, Balabhadra Bhattacarya, one of the simple-minded servitors of Lord Sri Caitanyadeva



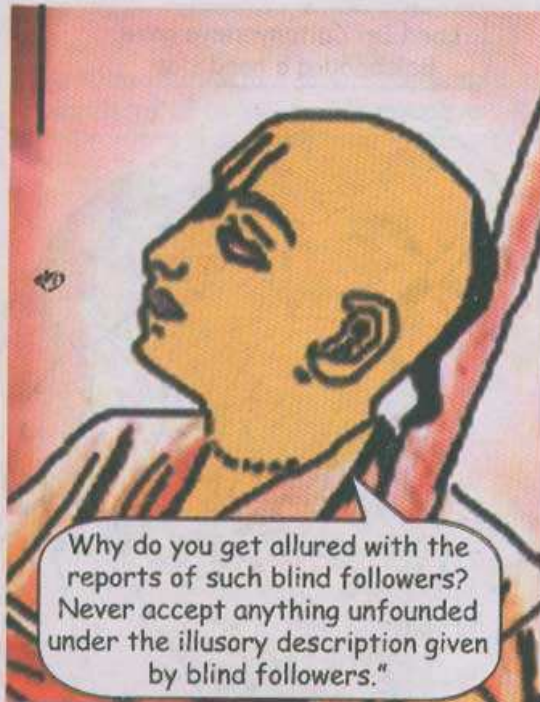
how wonderful it will be to take darshan of Lord Krishna...

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Lord Sri Caitanyadeva gave Balabhadra a hard slap:



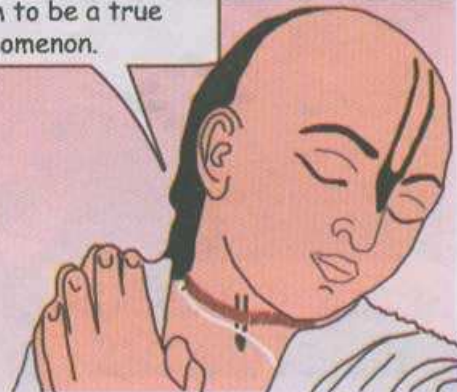
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Why do you get allured with the reports of such blind followers? Never accept anything unfounded under the illusory description given by blind followers."

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real fact of the matter is that the local fishermen used to catch fish in the night, with lamps on their boats, in the lake of Kaliya. Foolish people have mistaken from a distance the boat as the great serpent Kaliya, the lamp as the shining jewel on its head, and the fisherman as Lord Krsna in the darkness of night. This sort of delusive vision was wrongly believed by them to be a true phenomenon.



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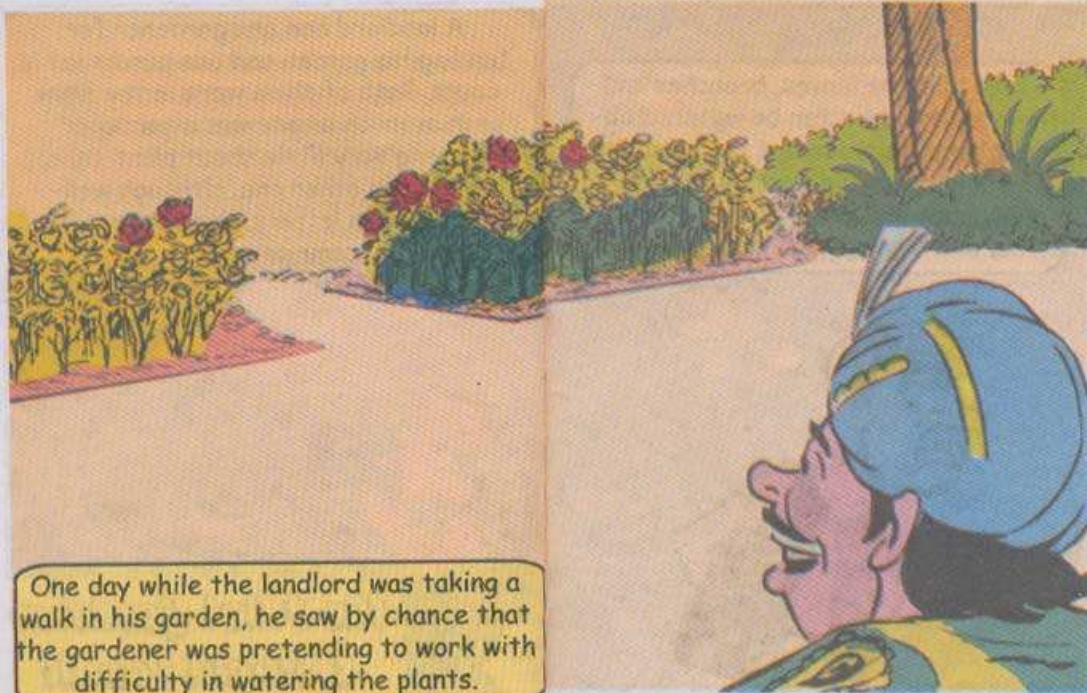
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In the field of religion many things are propagated as true religion, through such a fallacy of blind following. There is, in fact, no limit to such widespread misleading practices propagating fictitious incarnations, prophets and so-called "isms", ruining the morale of the masses. Real lovers of truth must be aware of this evil.



A landlord had one gardener for tending his garden and one pundit in his court. Both of them were in the same in as much as one was a gardener knowing very little about plant-care, while the other one, although well-versed in letters, were short in common sense.



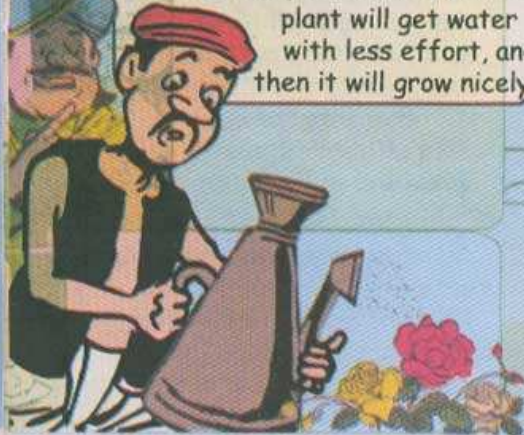


I feel that the leaves, branches and flowers should better be watered liberally because those are the products of a tree. I should water very carefully each and every flower, every leaf and every branch one by one.



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What are you doing? Watering each and every flower, leaf and branch will not nourish the entire plant, rather it will die soon as the flowers and the leaves will go rotten from such direct watering. You'd better pour the water at the root, so that the entire plant will get water with less effort, and then it will grow nicely.

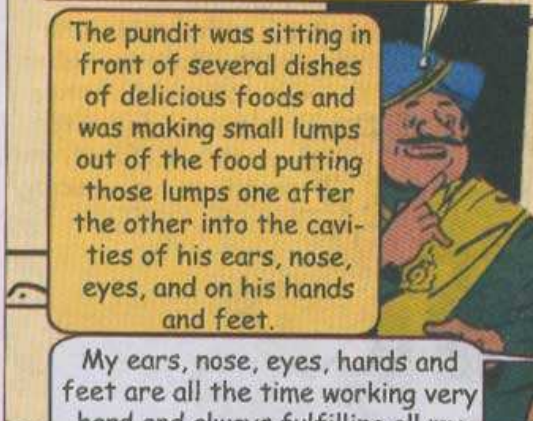


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After advising the stupid gardener, the landlord happens to meet the pundit in his room and found that he to be committing a great blunder.

The pundit was sitting in front of several dishes of delicious foods and was making small lumps out of the food putting those lumps one after the other into the cavities of his ears, nose, eyes, and on his hands and feet.

My ears, nose, eyes, hands and feet are all the time working very hard and always fulfilling all my desires and therefore they should be satisfied first, before satisfying the stomach and the mouth.



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Oh! How stupid you are? All the senses are nourished automatically if you feed the stomach.

Om karmabhyam svaha!  
Om nasikabhyam svaha!  
Om caksurbhyam svaha!



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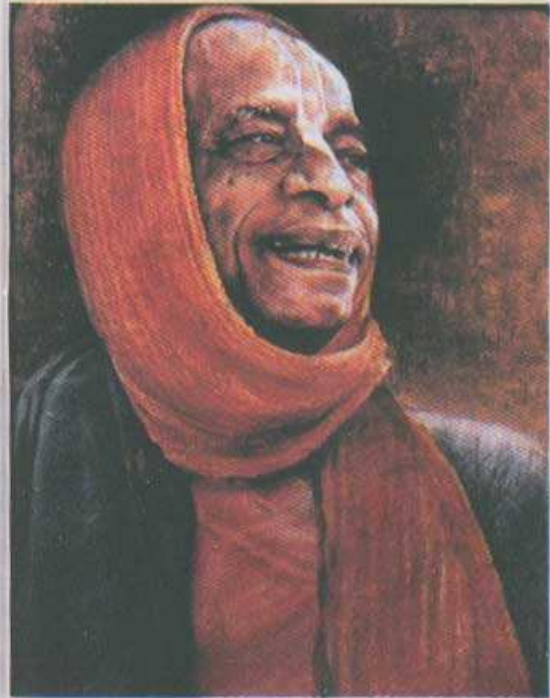
*His Divine Grace*

*A.C. Bhaktivedanta*

*Swami Prabhupada*

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*Chant*

*Hare Krishna*

*Hare Krishna*

*Krishna Krishna*

*Hare Hare*

*Hare Rama*

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*Rama Rama*

*Hare Hare*

*.... & Be Happy*

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