

Open the Door to Allow the Light in your room

***Instructive Stories from the teachings of
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A boy from a wealthy family was spoilt through over indulgence. His parents used to fulfil all his fanciful desires and thus they did great harm to the boy.



**When the boy grew up as a young man
he became more and more unruly.**



**The sun
and moon must carry
out my orders!**

**One day the young man was sleeping
in a room with all the doors closed.**



By late afternoon the parents of the boy thought their son was still sleeping because...



He might have worked very hard the night before.

When midday was arriving, the parents became deeply anxious.

What happened to my son? Why is he still sleeping? Let me knock the door and wake him up.






My dear son,
please get up. The sun is
up and its midday.

Knock !
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Still in bed, the boy kept on telling,



**Why are you
knocking at my door
in the dead of night
father? I am not going
to open it. You must
have come with some
bad motive.**

Everyone outside was urging,

The sun has been
up for a long time. It is
almost midday. Please
open the door.



The midday sun must be
very strong and if it is so, let him
come into my room and show his
strength. After all, I am not going
to get up from my cosy
comfortable bed.

Then everyone appealed...

**Will you open
the door so that the
sunlight will get into
the room?**

PURPORT:

Some people think that it is nothing but flattery to say that the Lord is all merciful. If the Lord was really merciful, how is it that there is so much suffering in the world? Some people even think that if Godhead was omnipotent, He should have changed our motives without out effort. There argument is similar to such a spoilt child. They have, in fact, encaged themselves in their own apparently cosy comfortable bedroom under illusionory energy.

The sun distributes his light everywhere indiscriminately, for rich and poor, palace and cottage

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alike. Anyone who takes the trouble of opening his doors and windows will surely get sunlight. The Lord has also bestowed his mercy everywhere and every living entity, using his freewill, can enjoy it.