

THE YOGI'S WAGER



A servant of a very rich man came before his master one day and told him of an interesting yogi he had seen in the river



This yogi
claimed he could stay in the water all
night in the middle of the river
without any outside heat



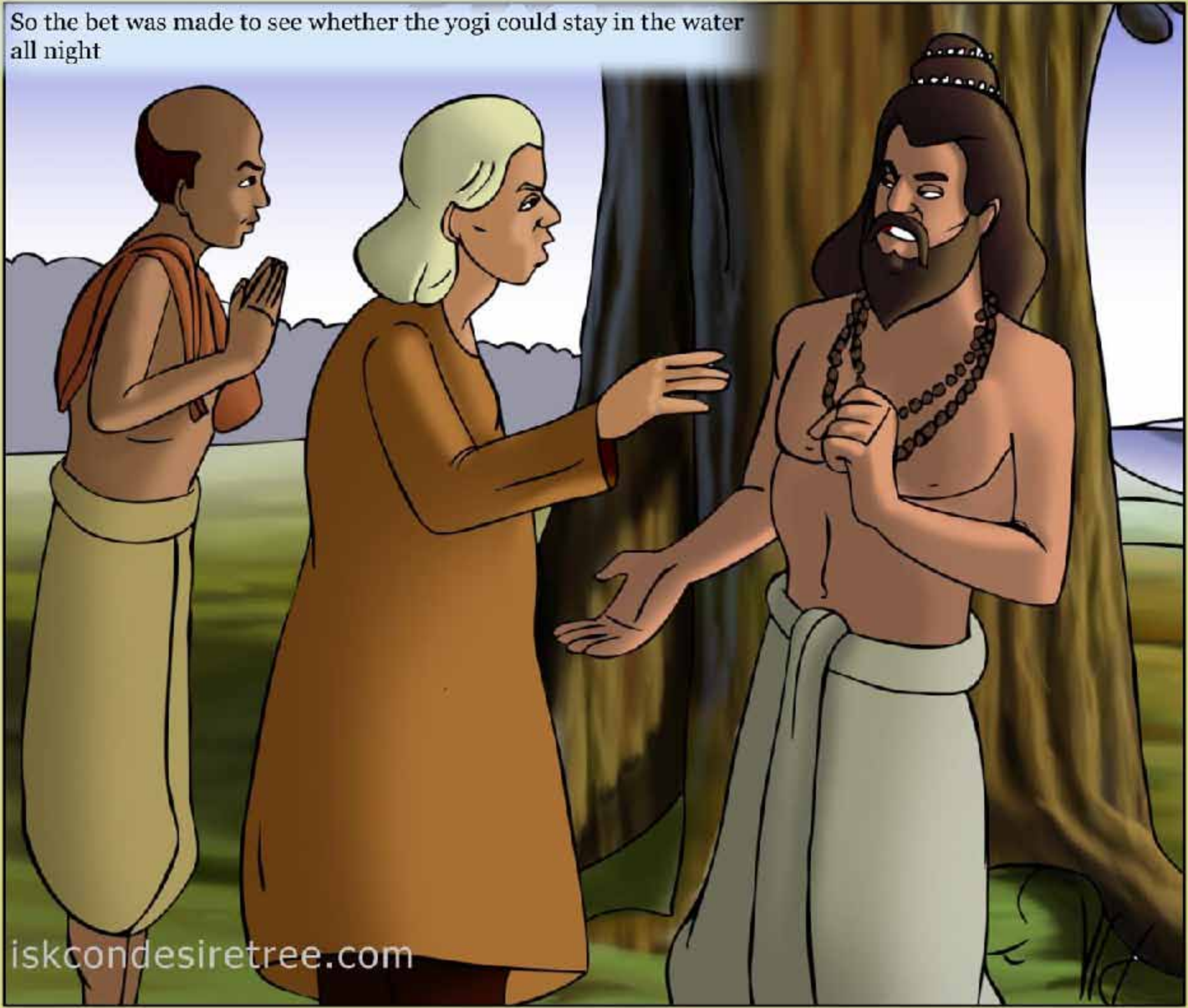
The yogi was willing to take a wager with anyone to prove that he could do that.



When the rich man heard this, he decided to wager against the yogi.



So the bet was made to see whether the yogi could stay in the water all night



The yogi went into the water, and the rich man and his servant went home



The next day word came that the yogi had successfully stayed in the water all night.



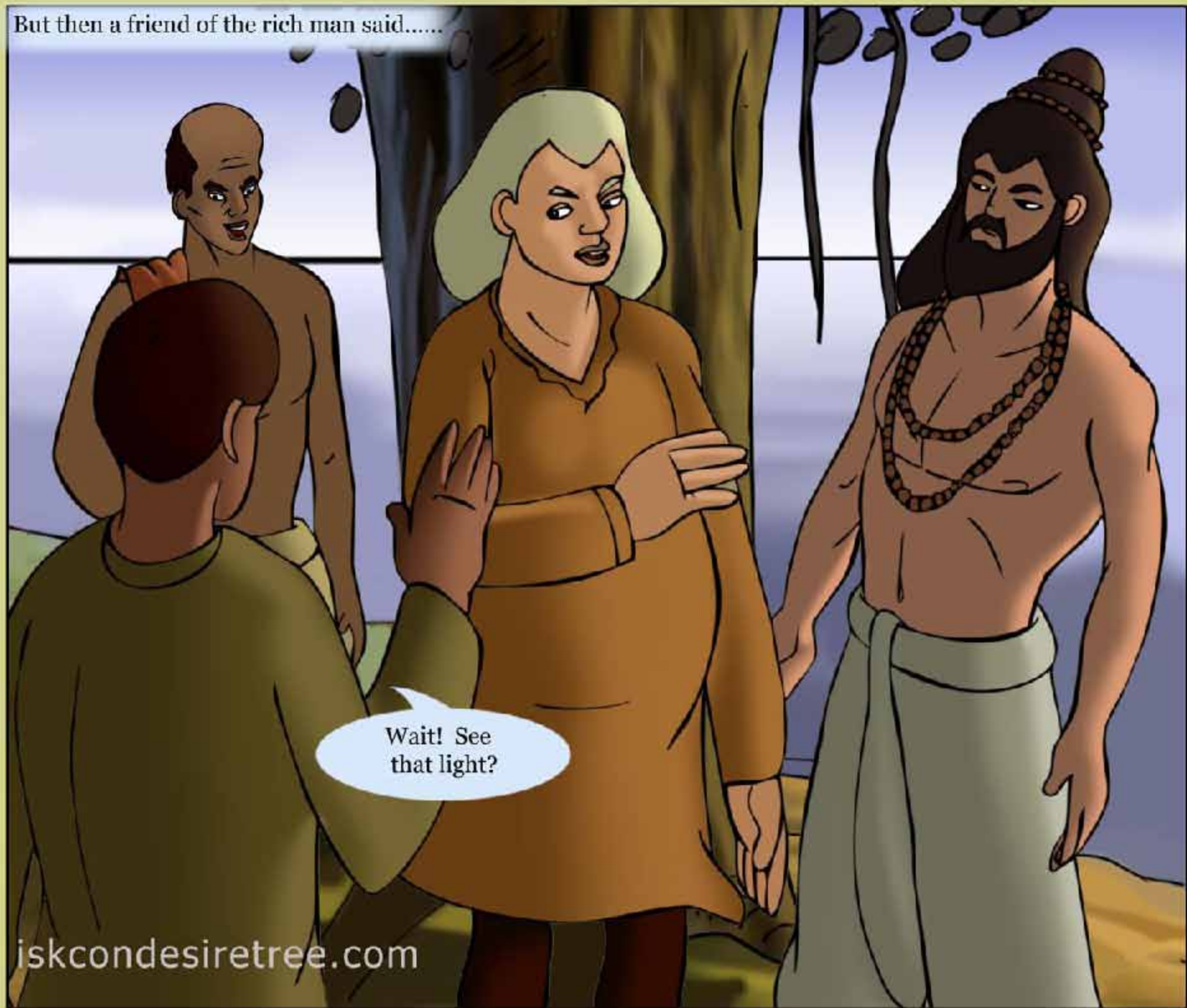
The rich man went out to see the yogi, and indeed he was still standing in the water.



Therefore the rich man had lost the wager.

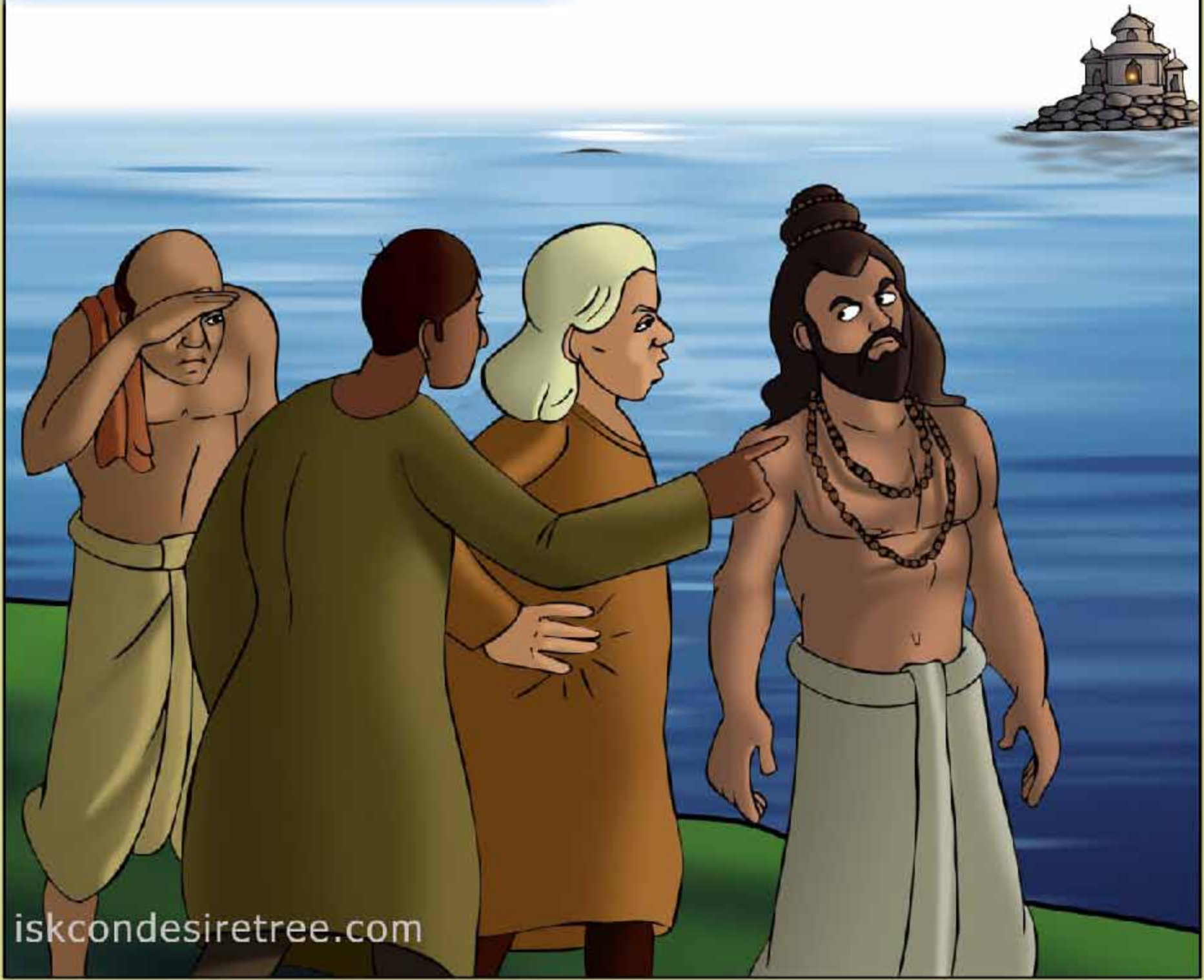


But then a friend of the rich man said.....



Wait! See that light?

He pointed to a small flame far away in a temple.



By his mystic power, this yogi has been using the heat of that light to keep warm in the water.



So he shouldn't be paid, because the bet was that he would stay in the water without taking any heat.



Taking advantage of the word jugglery. The rich man said....

Yes I'm not going to pay you.
You've tricked me.

Then the rich man and his servant went back to the house.



Soon the rich man asked his servant...

Cook me a nice breakfast.



But after waiting for some time, the servant had not produced anything. The rich man expressed his impatience.



Is it ready?

Please wait.
I'm cooking.

The rich man was waiting but there was no food bought.



When he demanded food from his servant, the servant only replied.....

I'm cooking.
It's going to be ready soon.

Finally the rich man became angry and walked into the kitchen.






What is this
cooking?

And there he saw that the servant had a very strange arrangement for cooking. He had a very small fire on the ground and the pot hanging on a tall bamboo. He was heating high near the ceiling. Obviously, the small flame would never be able to reach the pot to heat it.



What do you think you're doing?





If you claim that the yogi was keeping warm in the water by that light, then I am also cooking.

The man could understand that his servant was dissatisfied with the outcome of the wager with the yogi.



So he went and paid the yogi.



MORAL :

If you want to get a result, you have to follow the process. What is the use of trying to chant God's name but at the same time do all nonsense.

- Srila Prabhupada.