

english 9 class solutions chapter 8 BHARATHIPURA

A. Let's Answer :

Q.1. Who was the reigning deity of village Bharathipura ?

Ans. Lord Manjunath was the reigning deity of village Bharathipura.

Q.2. Why did Jagannath want to take the untouchables into the temple of Bharathipura village ?

Ans. Jagannath wanted to change over the nasty status of untouchables in the society. To uplift them from their present ugly state he did so.

Q.3. Why were the parish afraid of touching the saligram ?

Ans. They feared that ghastly Bhutharya would punish them. They also feared to God. So they were afraid of touching the saligram.

Q.4. Why was touching the stone so important.

Ans. Had they touched the stone they would also have permitted to enter in the village temple . For which they were deprived of centuries. So, for the sake of a revolutionary positive change in their lives their touching the stone was important.

Q.5. What did Jagannath say to the Pariahs to encourage them to touch the stone ?

Ans. Jagannath said that if this time they didn't touch the stone they would remain to be crushed in society for ever. He said that, if they took this one step, centuries will change over for them.

Q.6. How did Jagannath encourage the Pariahs to touch the stone ?

Ans. Jagannath encouraged the Pariahs to touch the stone saying— just one step they should take and centuries will change for them. He further encouraged them saying that — it was so easy, only take one step and just touch the stone.

B. Let's Discuss

Q.a. Discrimination on the basis of caste and creed should be discouraged.

Ans. History of your country has witnessed slavery over centuries for discrimination on the basis of caste and creed. So, this malpractice must be discouraged. Any difference between man to man is really disgusting. God has made us all without any difference. He loves us all. In His eyes all humans are equal. So there should not be any discrimination on the basis of caste and creed. As it is a bar for the peace and progress of the Society. We must remember— United we stand, divided we fall.

Q.b. Age old practices do not go easily.

Ans. It is rightly said that age old practices do not go easily. In the present story, we have seen the statement proving true. The pariahs dared not touch the saligram even though Jagannath had stressed before them so many times that it was mere a stone. Fear of God had ruled

within them for centuries. But when Jagannath appeared before them more dreadful than Bhutharya they followed their fear and ought of that fear they had worked. Weust have witnessed in our day to day life- even not knowing the meaning of the mantras people chant, they continue on mantra chanting with all of their respect towards God. This is also due to age old practices. They have to only follow the way of living of their is also due to age old practices. They have to only follow the way of living of their family followed by their forefathers.

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