

Lesson 8: To Give (1)

Once upon a time, there was a king. Every morning, he woke up early and gave some of his gold to the poor people who came to his palace door, so that they could buy food and clothes.

One night, a man went to the palace in the middle of the night so that he could be the first to get money from the king. "If I am first, then the king might give me even more gold so that I won't be poor and hungry," the man said to himself. But when the guards saw the man at the palace gates in the middle of the night, they thought he wanted to steal. So, they put him in the palace prison.

The next morning, the king heard what had happened, and decided to talk to the man. He went down to the dark prison, and said to the man, "Why do you want to steal from me? You only had to ask me for gold so that you can buy food and clothes. Don't you know that I will always give it to you?" The man said that he didn't want to steal. He was just poor and needed help. "I was a good farmer and a good worker," he said, "but there was no rain and then one day someone stole my animals."

The man looked at the king and said, "I did not come to steal from you. I came in the night so that I could be the first to get some gold in the morning. That's all." When he heard the man's story, the king felt sad. He told the guards to let the man out of the prison, and he gave the man ten gold pieces. The man thanked the king and left the palace with his gold.

1- Why did the man go to the palace at night?

The man went to the palace at night so he could be the first

2- Why did the king's men put the man in prison?

The king's men put the man in prison because they

3- How did the man become poor?

The man became poor because there was no rain and

4- What did the king decide to do?

The king decided to let the man out of prison and

give him ten gold pieces.

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because someone stole his animals.

to get money from the king.