

LESSON 15
THANKFULNESS

SUKETU LEARNS ABOUT

MOTHER: Suketu, I knew you would be hungry after the ball game, so I made some biscuits especially for you.

SUKETU: Yeah, I want to eat them all!

MOTHER: Suketu, haven't you forgotten to say something?

SUKETU: Me, forget something? I thought you forgot something. Why didn't you give me some milk with biscuits?

MOTHER: You forgot to say thank you for the cookies. I was in the kitchen all afternoon baking them.

SUKETU: Hey! That's your job mom. Moms are supposed to take care of their kids. Why do I need to say thank you? Can you get me some milk? I am thirsty real thirsty, mom.

MOTHER: Suketu, I don't have to do anything for you. I do things for you because I love you.

SUKETU: I am your child so you have to do things for me.

MOTHER: I never thought I would have a child that was so unthankful.

SUKETU: You want thanks! Then listen, thank you. Thank you. Thank you so much.

MOTHER: You do not deserve any biscuits! You don't deserve anything. Go directly to bed.

(Suketu exits slowly)

MOTHER: Suketu needs to learn a lesson on thankfulness. I just want him to be a good Jain boy.

SUKETU: Pooh! Here I'm stuck in my room with nothing to do.

(Swati calls from outside)

SWATI: Hey, Suketu! What are you doing up there?

(Suketu goes to the window)

SUKETU: I got in trouble because mamma thinks I am not thankful enough. Can you believe that, just because I told her it was her responsibility to make things to eat for me?

SWATI: You know Suketu your mom worked awfully hard to make those biscuits. She even cancelled a few of her afternoon plans.

SUKETU: You mean she gave up spending time with her friends to make biscuits for me!

SWATI: That's right!

SUKETU: Oh no! I yelled at her when she told me I should be thankful. I need to go and apologize right now!

(He runs out of the room and goes to his mother)

SUKETU: I am so sorry, mamma. Thank you so much for making the biscuits. I was being selfish. You really are the best mother in the whole world!

MOTHER: It is all right Suketu.

(Both hug each other)