

The King Who Saved The Goats



Once upon a time, there lived a King called Raja Kumarpal. He was a firm believer in Ahinsa, which meant that no animals or anybody should ever be hurt or killed.



One day, many goats were being taken to the temple of the goddess for sacrifice because the goddess loved to eat animals. The sacrifice was to be held the next day.



The king rushed to the temple and tried to convince the people to stop killing the animals, but no one listened to him. They were sure that the goddess wanted to eat the animals.

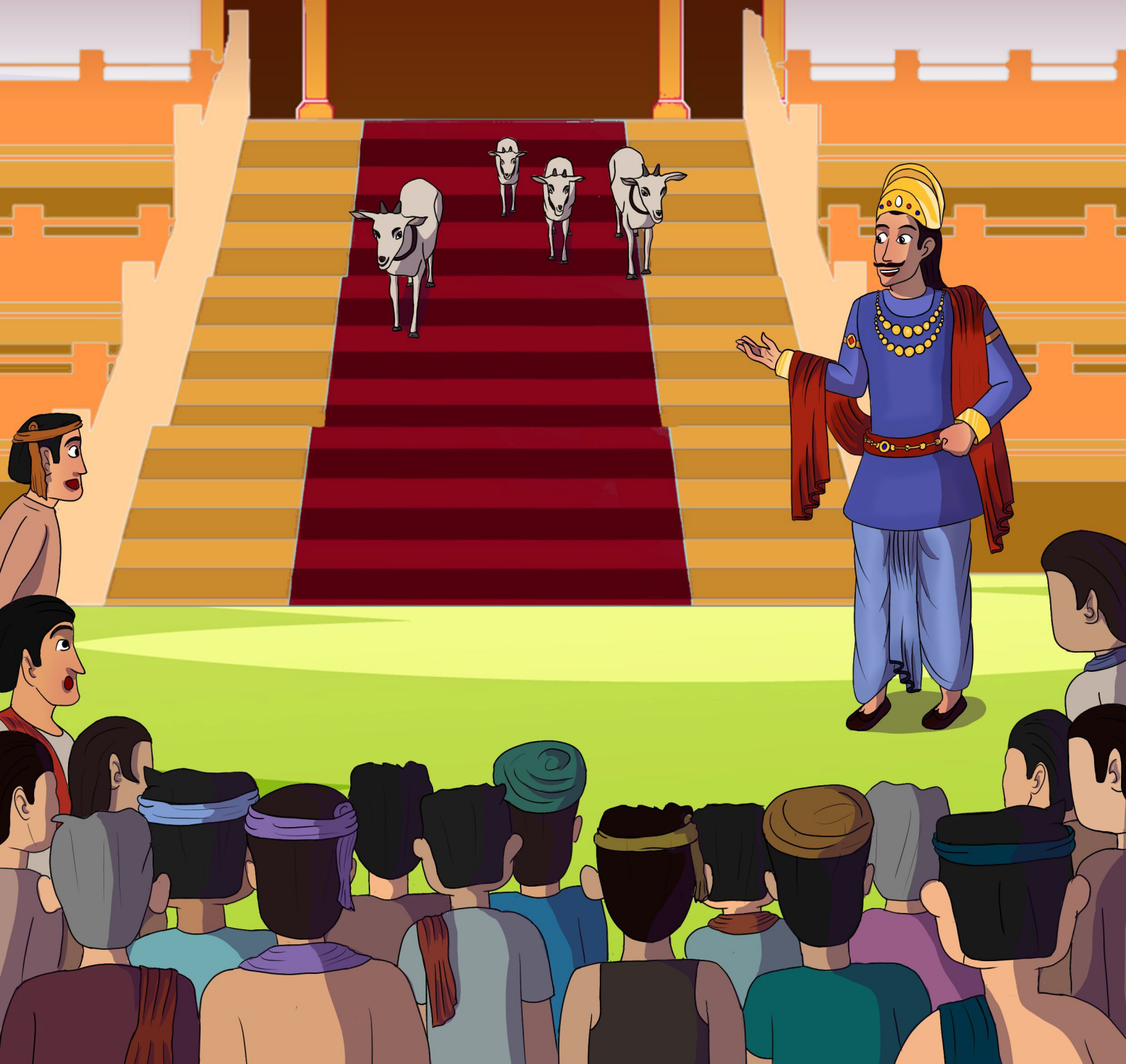


The king said,

"We will lock the animals in the temple, and if she wants to eat them, they will be dead when we unlock the doors tomorrow."



Everyone agreed as they were sure the goddess would eat the animals. The next day, a huge crowd gathered in front of the temple. The king opened the door and to everyone's surprise, the animals were still alive.



The king told everyone,

"If the goddess wanted to eat the animals, she would have."

he said,

"Since they are alive and unhurt, it means that she does not want them killed."



The king was able to stop the people from killing animals in his kingdom.

We must follow Ahimsa
and not kill or hurt
any animals.

