Kids' Corner

- Sudhakar Attili.

[A story by Bhagawan Sri. Satya Sai Baba]

Impatience



A devotee worshipped sincerely the goddess of wealth for a number of years. The goddess did appear before him and asked him what he desired. He said, "Oh Mother. You must come with me and stay at my house".

The goddess replied: "I will certainly go with you but there is one condition. You must walk ahead of me and you should never look back. If you do, I will stay on that spot forever".

Filled with joy the devotee strode ahead towards his home. The jewels of the goddess were making all kinds of sounds as she walked behind him.

Unable to restrain his curiosity just to take one look at the jewels the goddess wore he turned back. The goddess stood then and there rooted to the spot. The poor fellow could not do anything but weep. He could not wait patiently to look at the goddess till he reached home.

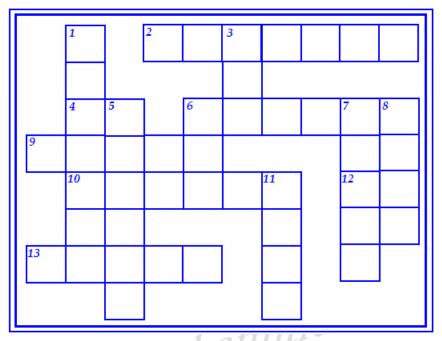
What do we learn from this story?

Though one is blessed with an abundance of Divine Grace as the devotee in this story, but unless one has the capacity to follow the command of the divine, one cannot experience the benefits of grace. Doubt in the case of a devotee spells disaster.

Can you find the word?

- 1. This is a 6 character word, means 'injure by excessive stretching'.
- 2. Ignoring first character, the word is one kind of transportation.
- 3. Ignoring first two characters, the word means 'atmospheric moisture falling as separate drops, a type of precipitation'.

Cross Word for kids



Across: 2. The planet close to Sun, an element in periodic table. (7)

- 4. Second and Fourth letters of the word meaning 'Boundless expanse in which all objects exist and move'. (2)
- 6. The 6th planet from Sun, ends with a 'turn'. (6)
- 9. The farthest planet from Sun, a Disney character. Jumbled!(5)
- 10. The 7th planet from Sun. (6)
- 12. Does all the planets have atmosphere for humans to survive? (2)
- 13. The planet in between Earth and Mercury. (5)

Down:

- 1. The planet little closer compared to 'Across 9' and ends with a 'tune'. (7)
- 3. Mixture of Hydrogen, Oxygen, Nitrogen etc. Upside down! (3)
- 5. Ring of light round something. Adding two more letters 'r' and 'y' at the end means 'One of the arteries supplying blood to the heart'. (6)
- 6. The star around which the planets (Mercury, Venus, Earth etc.) are revolving. (3)
- 7. Specialty of Saturn. (5)
- 8. The celestial body that causes Solar Eclipse when it comes in between Sun and Earth. Upside down. (4)
- 11. The planet which is often called 'red planet'. Upside down! (4)

Send your answers (Crossword and 'Can you find the word?') to the below address or e-mail on or before $March~15~{\rm th}$.

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