

Chapter 9 - Kakasaheb Dixit Diary

Laxman Bhatt hailed from Shirdi. He was a Brahmin. I (Kakasaheb Dixit) wanted to buy a piece of land from him. While we were dealing, Laxman Bhatt offered the land for Rs.200. I bargained and told that the land would not cost even a single penny more than Rs.150. That day, the deal could not be settled.

Then Laxman Bhatt went to Masjid. Lord Sai Baba asked Bhatt regarding the settlement of land dealing. He advised him to settle the deal by taking an average price of Rs.175. He added, "Do not agree below this price". Bhatt did not discuss about Lord Baba's advice to anyone.

After some time, the deal was finally settled for Rs.150 as bargained by me. When we went to the registrar office I paid Rs.150 in full settlement. Wonder of wonders! When Laxman Bhatt reached home, the amount came exactly to Rs.175 which was uttered by Lord Baba. Shri. Ganapati once shared his extra ordinary experience with me (Kakasaheb Dixit) as follows:

In 1914, I and my wife started for Shirdi for Lord Sai Baba's Darshan. While we were nearing Nashik, a group of 15-20 people rushed into our compartment. They had dark complexion and were looking fearful. There was no one in the compartment except me, my wife and daughter. I was reading Bhakti Maarg Pradeepika written by Shri. Laxman Ramchandra Paangarkar. The newly boarded people came and sat near me. I thought they did so because they were interested in my reading. So I started to read it aloud. Suddenly after five minutes, they jumped out of the running train. It was then that I realized that they were dacoits and no passengers. I saw them running away from the door. When I returned, I saw an old Fakir sitting near our seat. It was utter surprise to me that how this Fakir can board running train. He suddenly disappeared then. I was not able to comprehend what was going on.

Later on when we reached Shirdi, as soon as we stepped in Dwarkamai, Lord Baba asked our well being and how safely we reached. Now it came to our understanding that those people had come to rob us and due to the presence of divine Fakir, they left. If Lord Baba's protective shield had not covered us, we would have been robbed away. The mystery had now been resolved. This whole incident made a great impression on my mind and it was enough for us to remain His devotees forever. It also shows that Lord Baba runs to His devotees when they are in danger, to save them.