



# JABALA AND GAUTAMA

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Once there was a boy named Jabala who was a prostitute's son.




Will you kindly  
accept me as your  
disciple






Who  
are you?



I am  
my mother's son  
that's all.



Then who  
is your father?



That I do not know.




Ask your  
mother.




Jabala goes to his house to meet his mother





Mother, I went to  
Gautama Muni asking him  
to accept me as his disciple,  
he has asked me to ask you  
who is my father. Mother,  
who is my father?



My dear son, I do not know who is your father

Jabala went back to Gautama Muni...




Jabala replied to Gautama Muni in a humble way..

My mother also does not know who is my father.

Yes, yes, you are brahmana. Come on, I accept you as my disciple as you are speaking the truth





Since you have the  
quality of truthfulness,  
I will take you as my  
disciple.

## **MORAL :**

Gautama Muni took Jabala as his disciple as he had the qualities of brahmana truthfulness. Nobody will say, "I do not know who is my father". It is a social scandal even up to date.

**- Srila Prabhupada**