

The background is a stylized illustration of a forest. It features several large, brown tree trunks and green foliage. A woman in a red sari is walking away from the viewer on a dirt path, carrying a bundle on her head. The overall style is simple and illustrative.

The Woman carrying Sticks

Instructive Stories from teachings of

His Divine Grace

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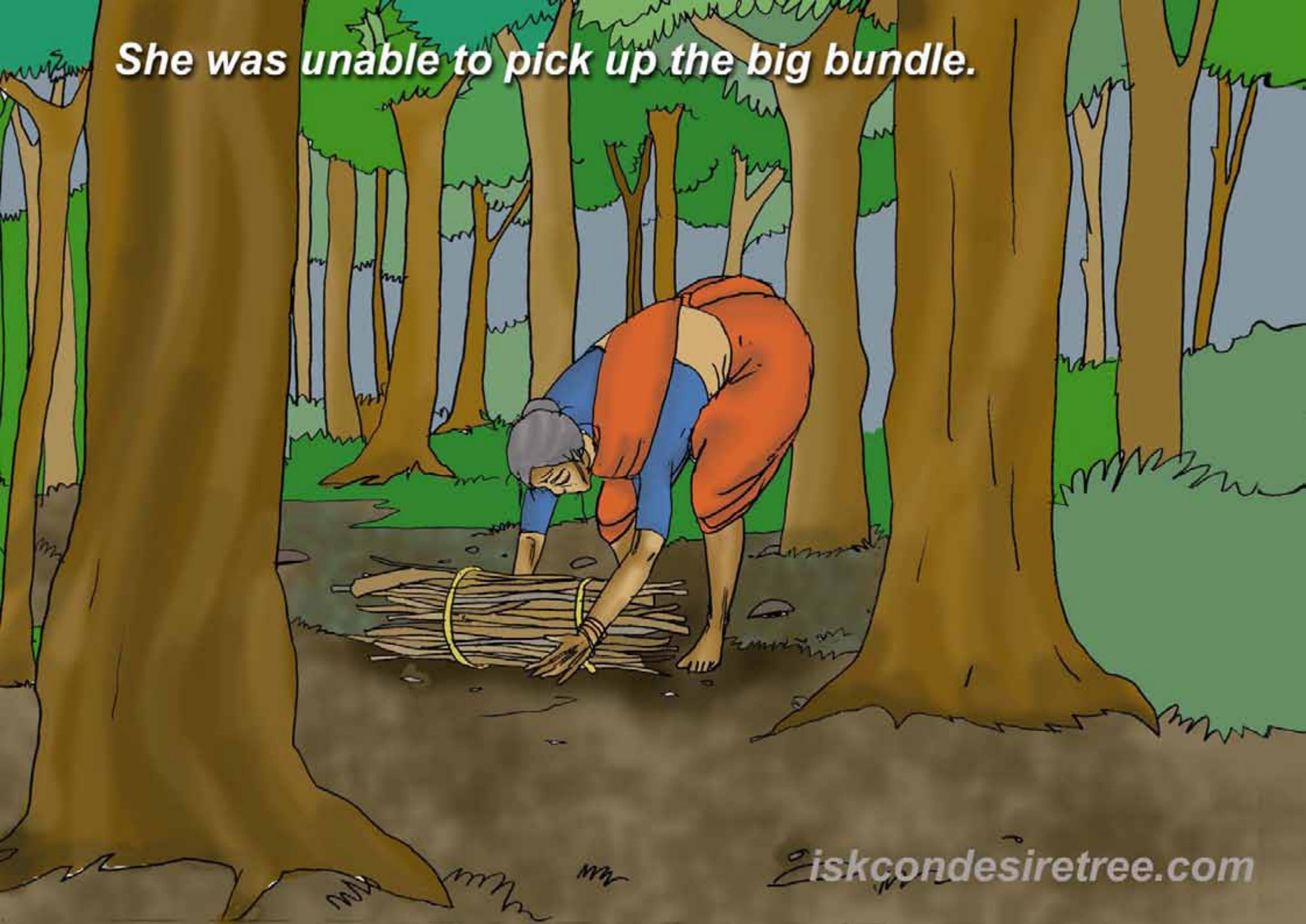
Once there was an old woman walking alone in the jungle with a big bundle of sticks on her head.



*After some time suddenly the bundle of sticks
fell down from her head.*



She was unable to pick up the big bundle.



She began to cry uncontrollably and started chanting Lord Visnu's names loudly.



So earnestly did she call out to the Lord...




That the Lord appeared on the scene.

“What do you want”

“Please put the big bundle of sticks back on my head”





"But I can give you liberation! I can give you your own planet, and all you want is sticks back on your head?"

Yes, just put the big bundle of sticks back on my head.

MORAL :

When Lord comes to give us some benediction, we simply ask Him to load us down again with all material things for a happy family, for a large amount of money or whatever. These are all material hankerings which should be avoided.

Chaitanya Mahaprabhu teaches us that we should be begging for the service of the Lord life after life.