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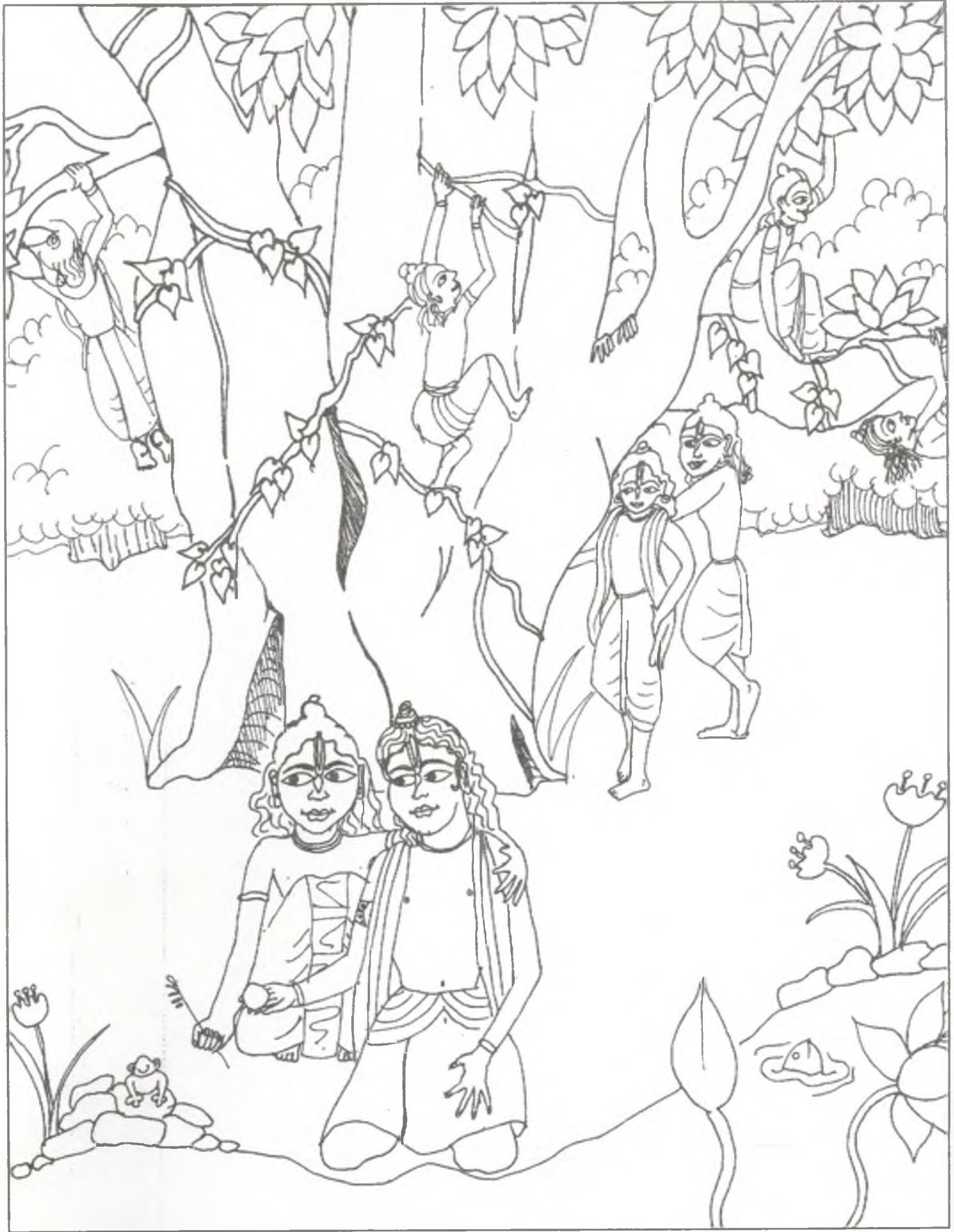


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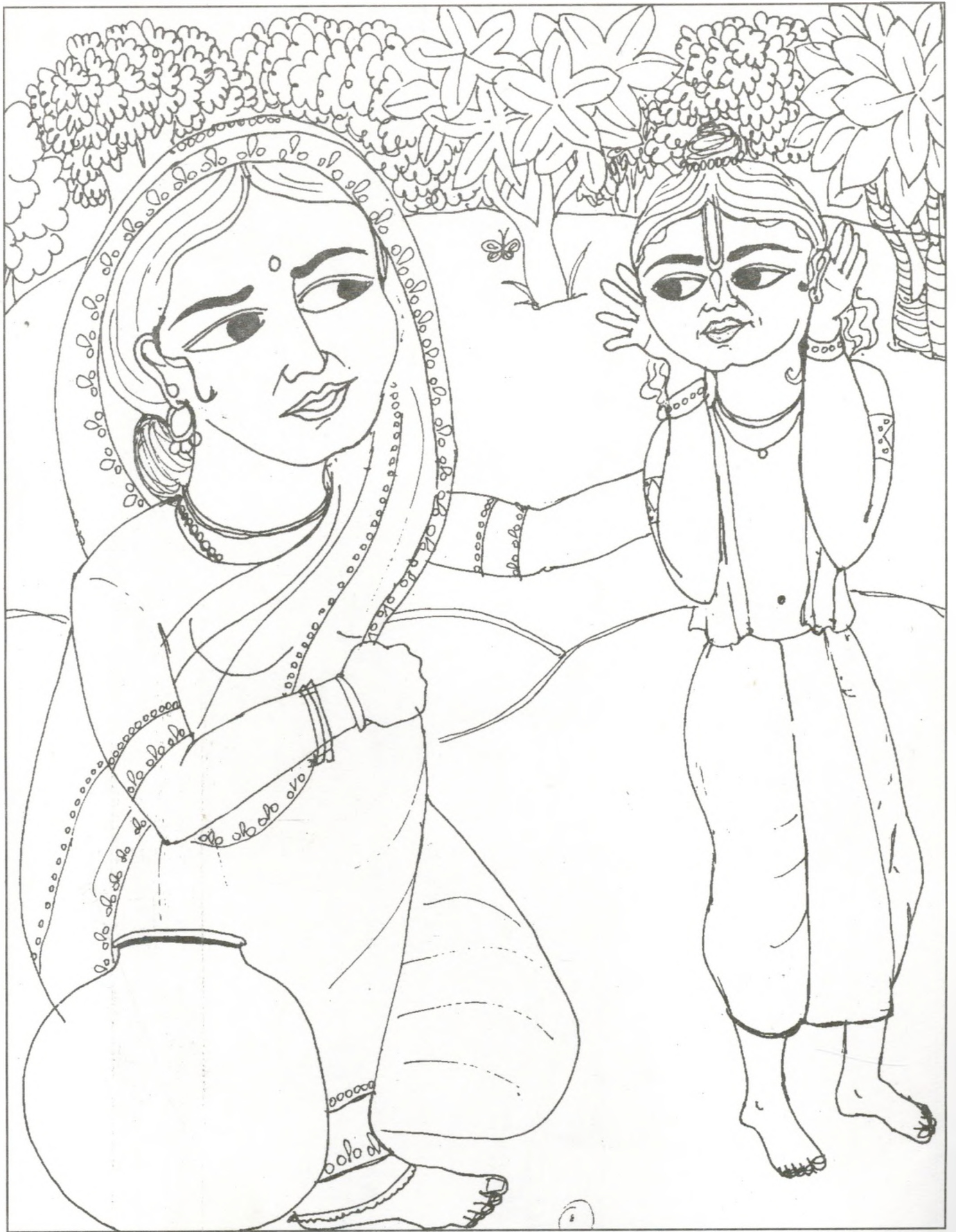
Before sending Nimai out to play for the day, His mother would chant mantras to protect Him. She did not understand that Nimai was the Supreme Personality of Godhead.





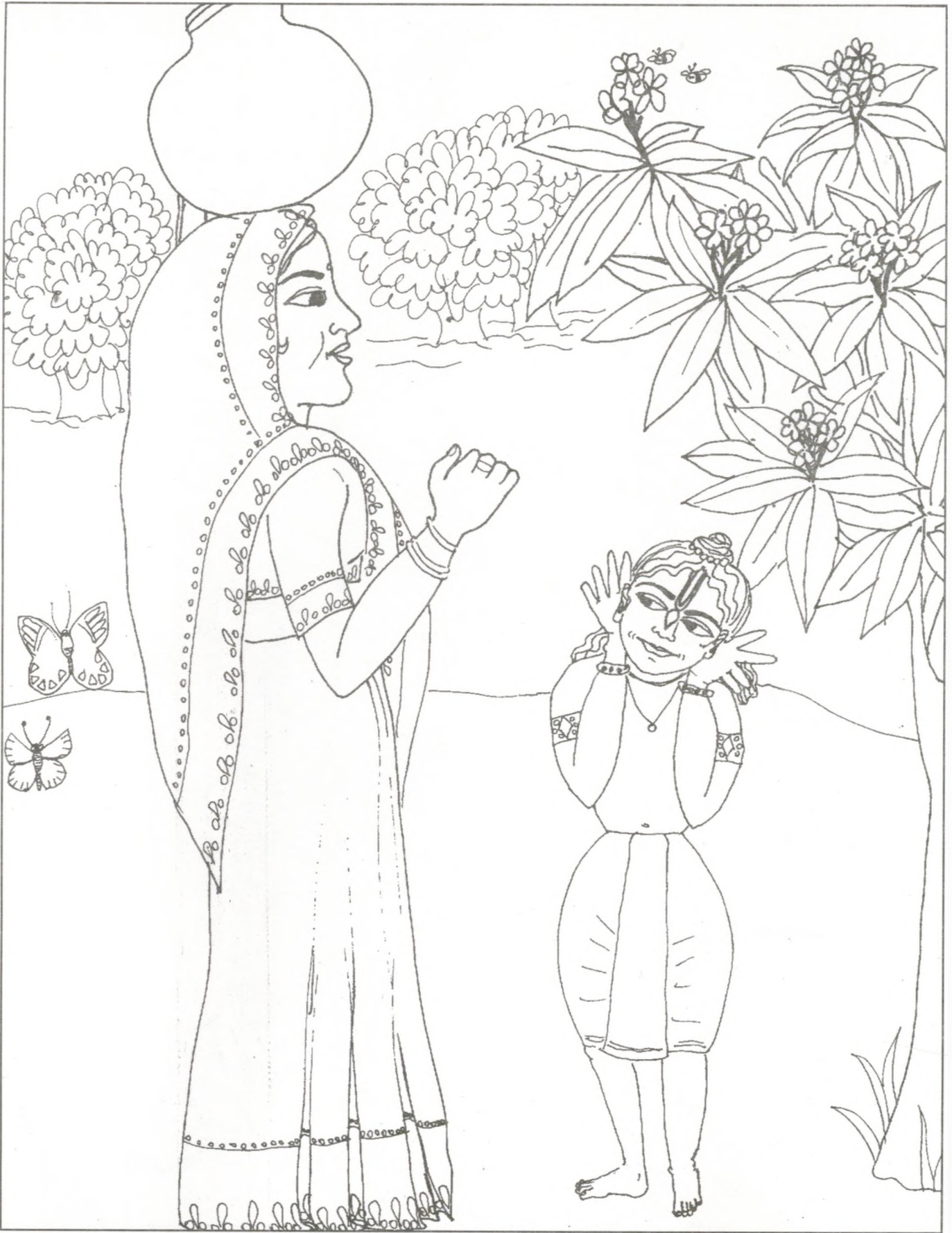
Nimai would play different games with His friends along the Ganges River. Sometimes they played a game, in which they acted just like monkeys.





Because His voice was as sweet as nectar, Sacidevi loved to hear Nimai speak. Knowing this He would play a game. His mother would ask something and Nimai would say, "Mother, I can't hear your voice."



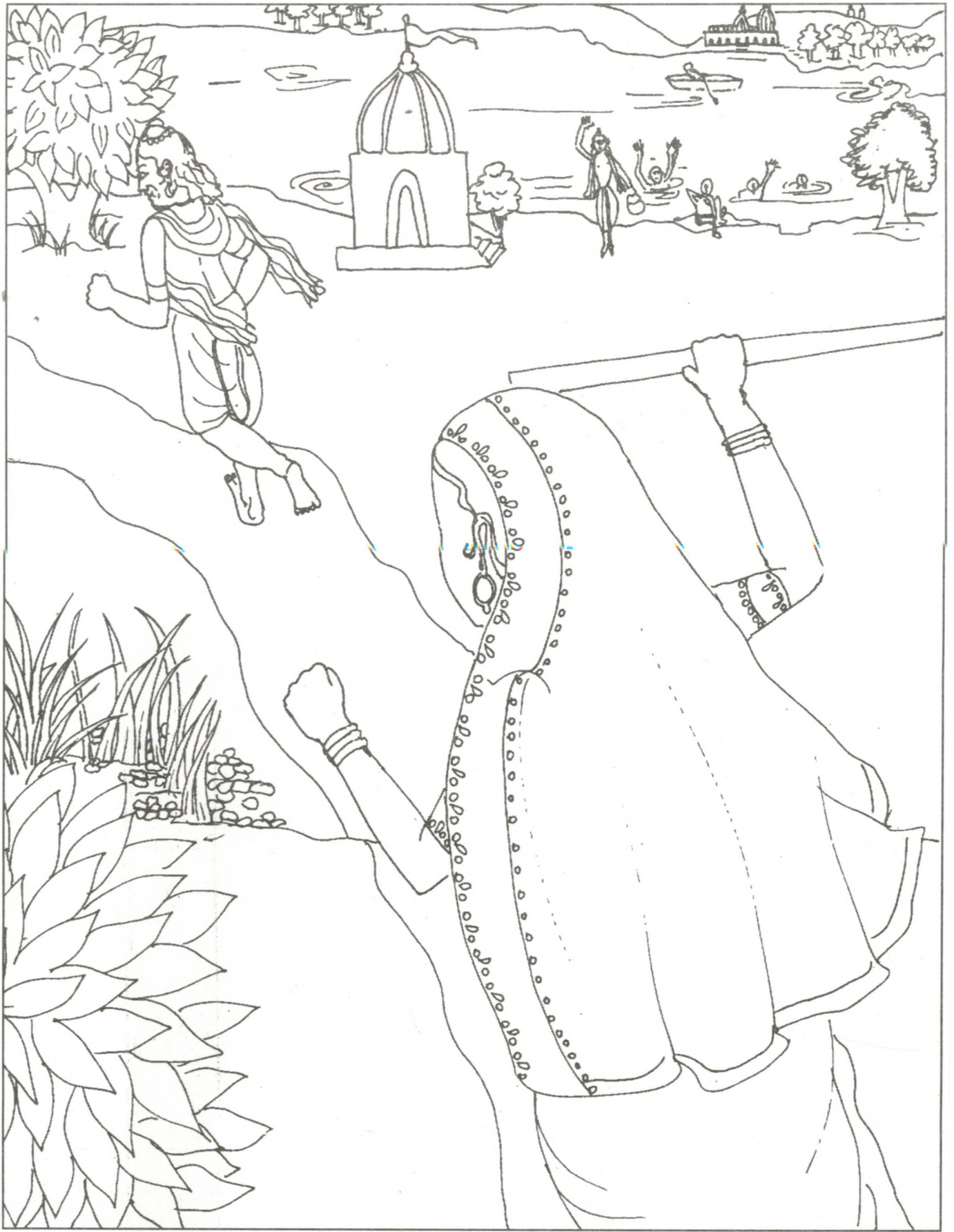


She would repeat her words and Nimai would again say, "Mother, I can't hear you." Nimai was very naughty to tease His mother like this.



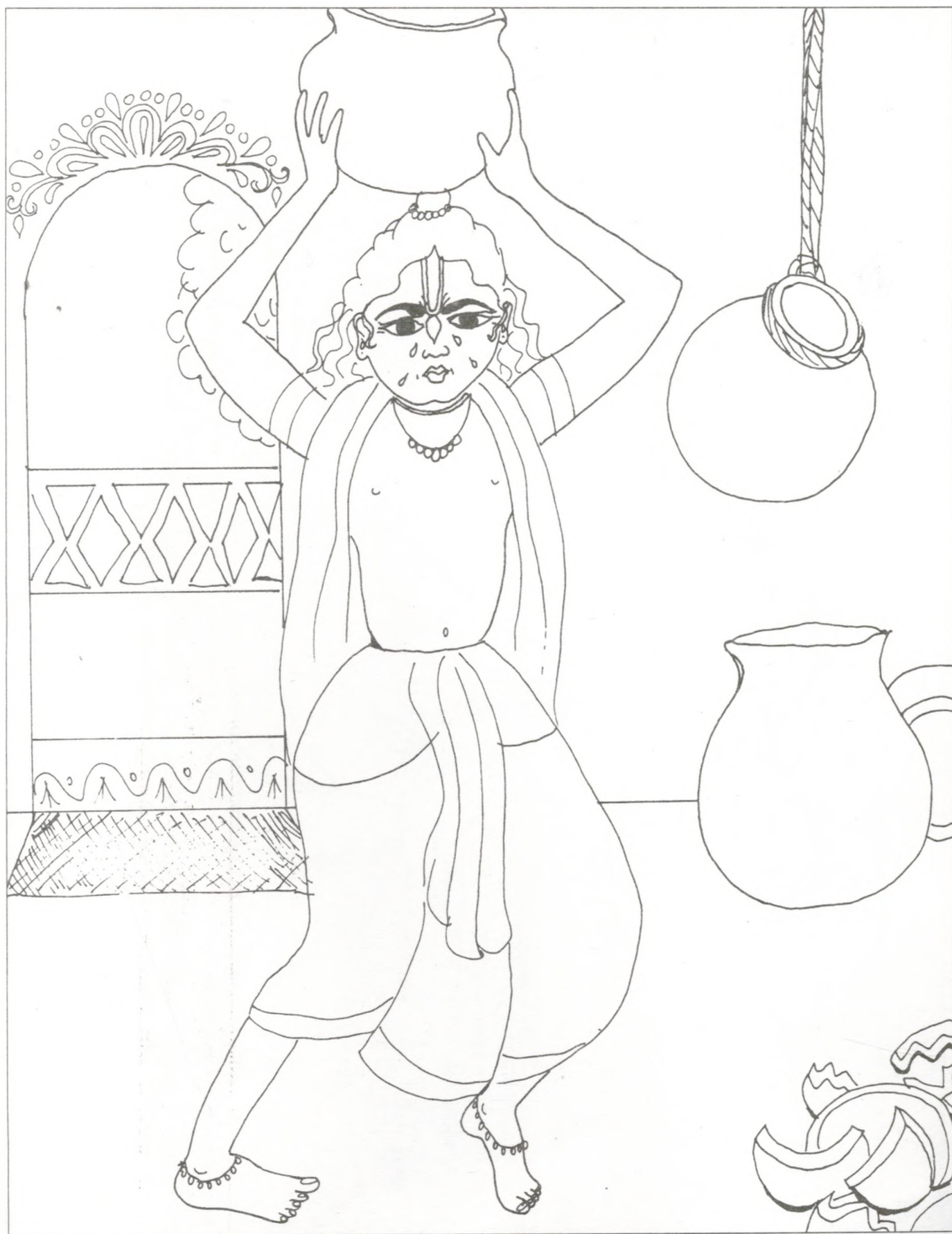


Nimai's mother was feeling happy on the inside, but she pretended to be angry. Nimai got up and started to run away. His mother made it fun by chasing Him all around.



Sometimes He would misbehave so much that Sacimata would chase Him around with a big stick. This was another game Nimai would play.



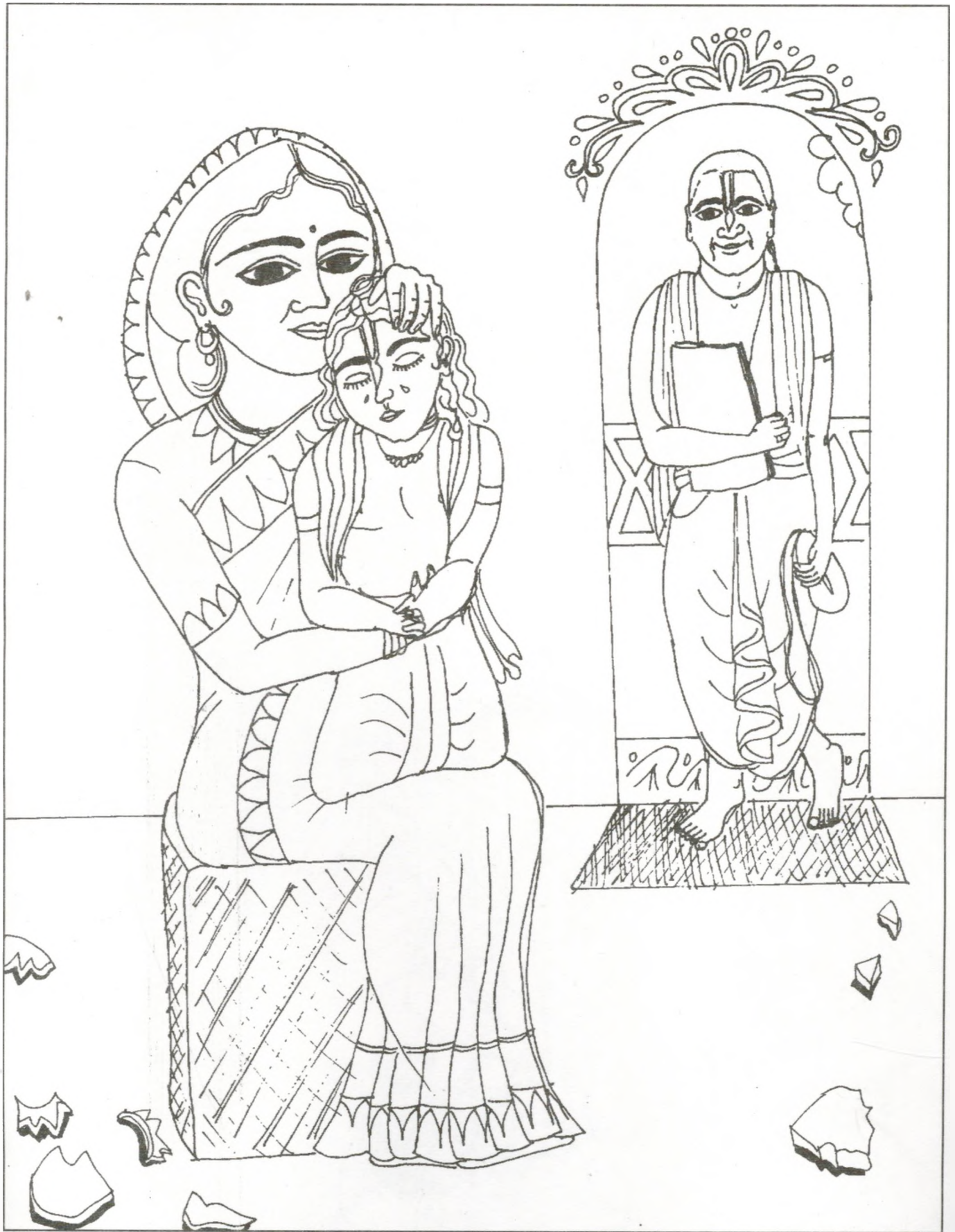


One day Nimai had upset His mother by playing in a dirty place, and she scolded Him. So He ran into the house and began breaking the earthen cooking pots.



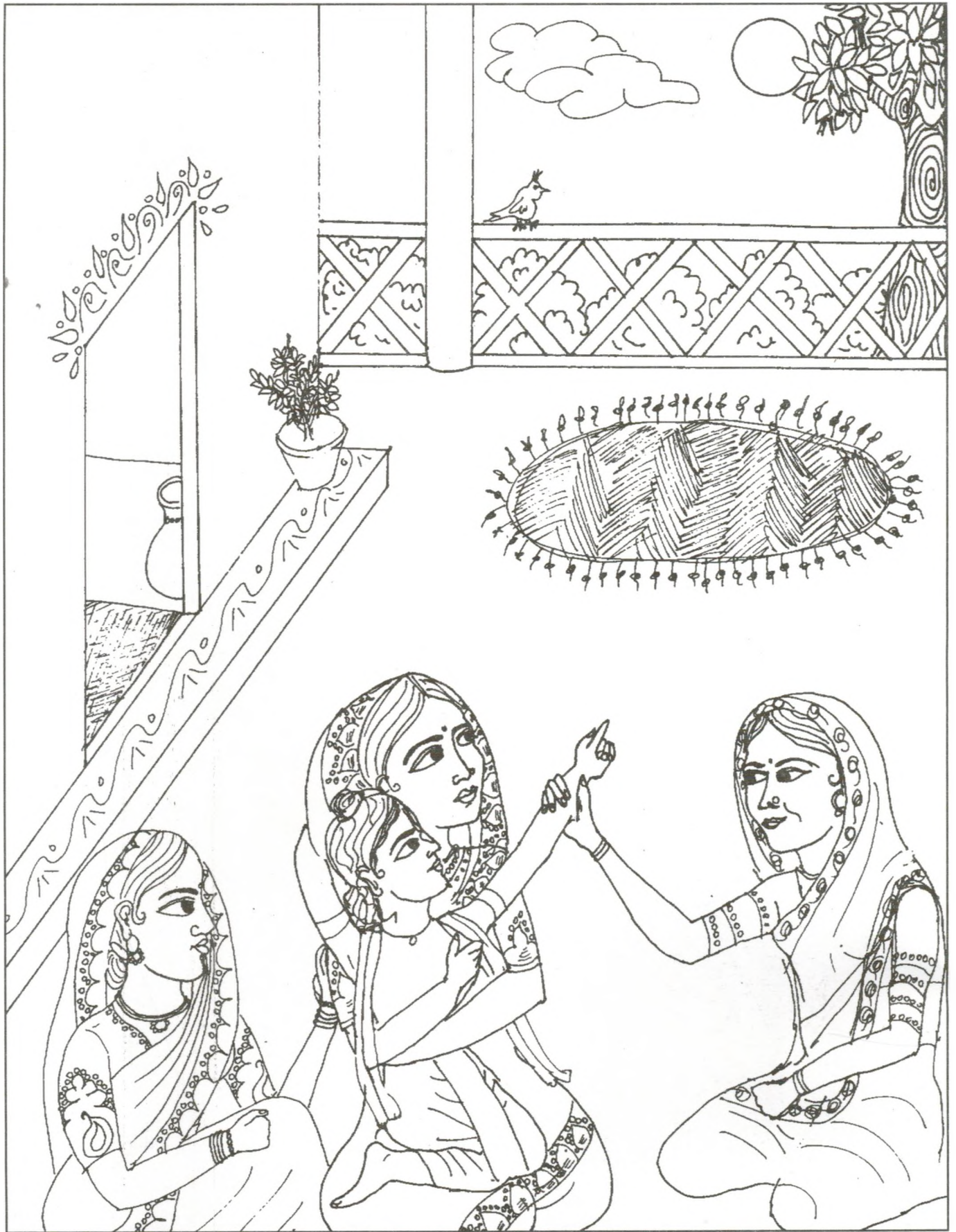
When Sacidevi arrived, He hung His head in shame and began to cry.  
Nimai's tears looked like pearls dripping from the moon.





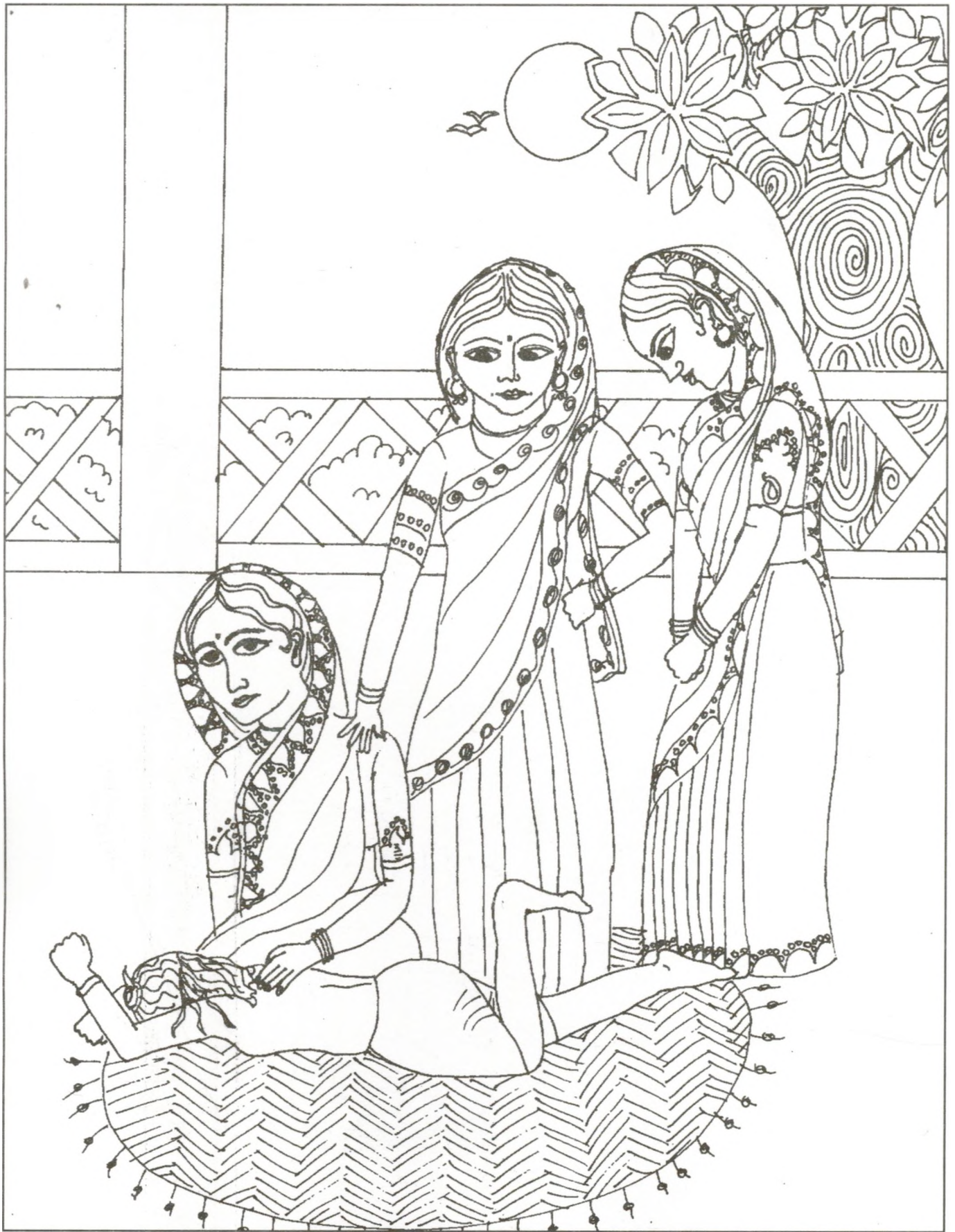
Sacidevi's heart melted with love and she held naughty Nimai on her lap.  
What would they do about all the broken pots?





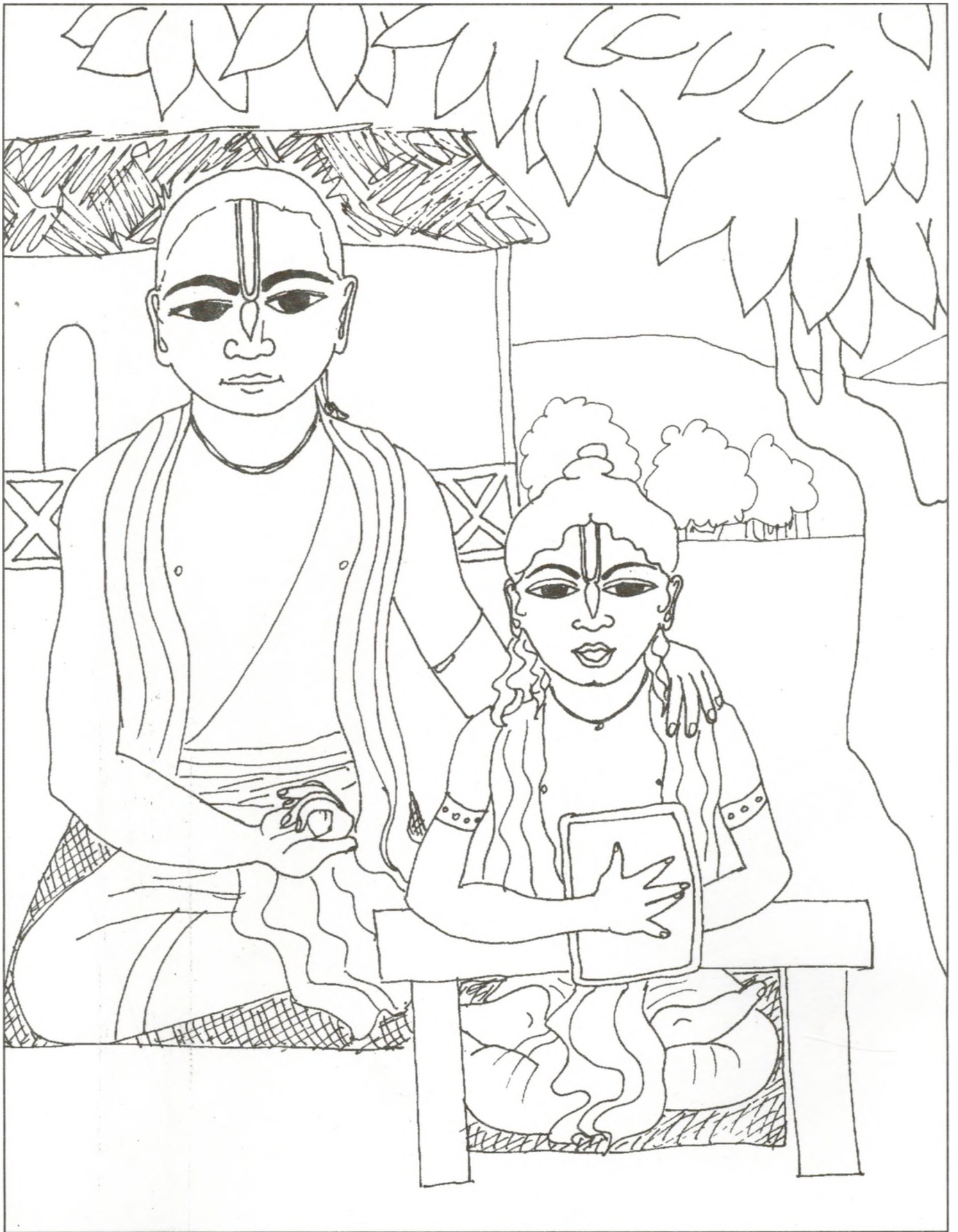
One night, Nimai asked His mother, "Would you give Me something?"  
"I will give you whatever You like, My darling," His mother said.  
"Can I have the moon?"





Sacidevi laughed and said, "I can give you anything, except the moon," Nimai became very disturbed and began to throw a tantrum. He kicked and screamed and made a big scene.





Nimai played as an ordinary child. When He was old enough, His father began to teach Him. Nimai soon showed everyone that He was not like any other boy. His father was amazed at how fast he could learn.





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