



CHAPTER 28  
MAYA HAS LEFT





At the end of the trip to Hampi, the Municipal chairman of Bellary, out of sincerest gratitude, gifted Sathya a gold collar pin. Sathya accepted it only to give joy to him.



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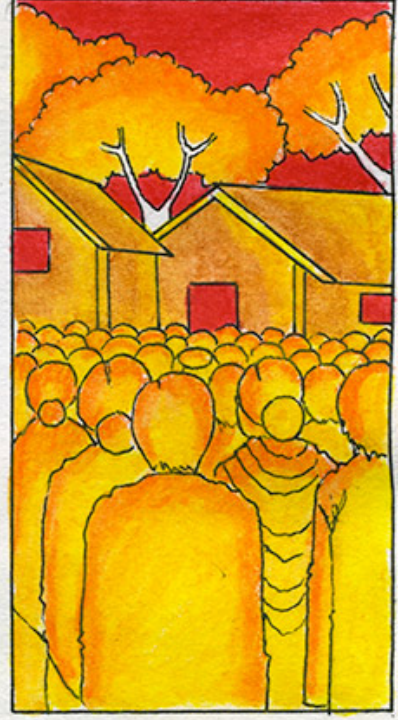
When boys at school saw they asked -



Wow! Raju what is this?

This is Maya!

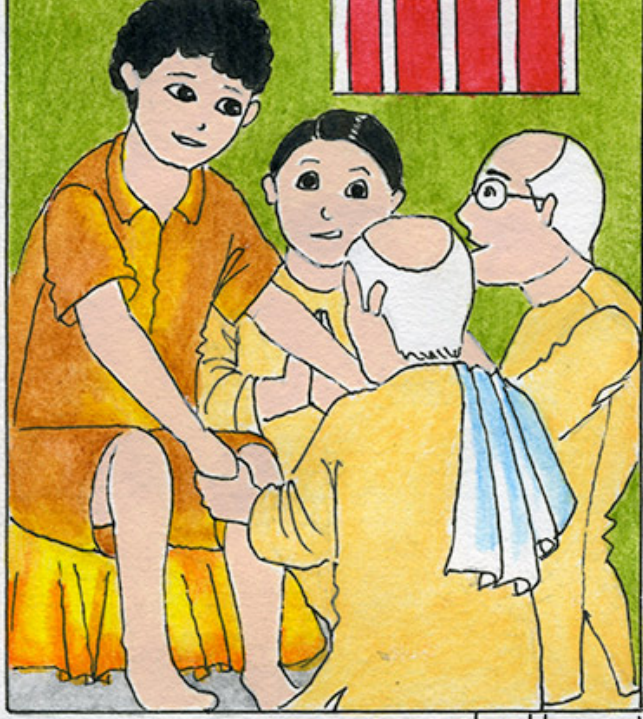
Huge crowd started gathering for bhajans conducted in Sathya's presence.



Sathya not only materialized images of Shirdi Sai Baba but also pieces of His kafni and gave it to the people.



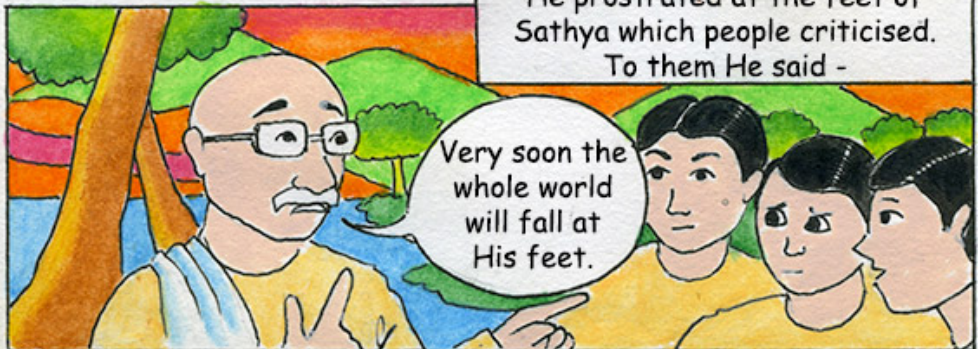
Some teachers came to learn spiritual topics from Sathya and treated Him like a divine being.



A teacher named H.S Venkata Ramana revered Sathya.



He prostrated at the feet of Sathya which people criticised. To them He said -



Very soon the whole world will fall at His feet.



On 20th October 1940, Sathya was going to school with Anjaneyulu Dass and his children. Dass noticed a terrific halo around Sathya.



The halo bedazzled Dass. He got lost in His thoughts wondering -



That day Sathya lost His collar pin.





When they started searching for it too, Sathya stopped them and said -



He got angry and replied -



Sathya left immediately.



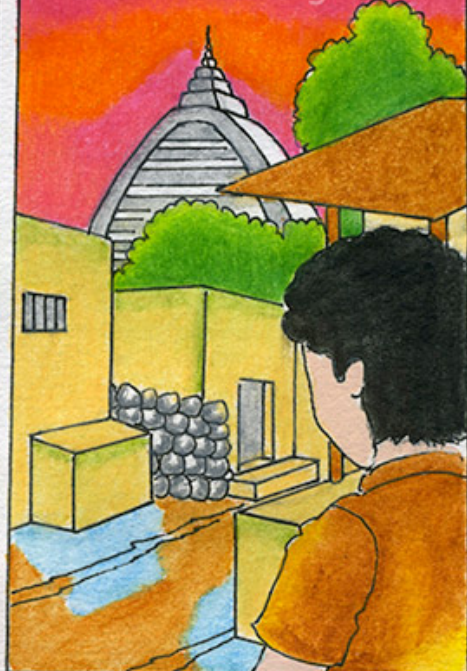
Sathya then went to Seshama Raju's class where he was teaching telugu and said -



That was only an excuse to leave the school to which He was never going to return again.



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Sathya reached His home and called the lady of the house who was working in the kitchen.





She hurriedly came out.

The halo around Sathya's face was witnessed by her too. It almost blinded her.

Then Sathya spoke -

Know that  
I am Sai  
in reality.  
Cast off your  
worldly  
relationships.

Give up  
your efforts  
to restrain  
Me.

The worldly  
attachments can no  
longer bind me. None,  
however great he may be,  
can hold Me.

Saying so, He cast off  
His books forever.

A lot of people gathered  
outside the house.