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This is My **Story**:

- **The Story Of The Tenth Man**

It is **About**:

- **Ten Men**
- Who Were **All Friends**

They Went On **A Journey** Together:

- And **This is The Story**
- About Their **Journey**

*It is A **Lot of Fun***

*To **Hear About***

*The **Journey That They Took***

## Start Of The Story

Once upon a time, in **India**:

- There was a small **village**

*In the **village**:*

*There lived **ten men***

They all **belonged** to the **village**:

- They were **friends**

*Most of **them** had **known** each other*

*Since the **youth days***

## The Journey

One day:

- There was a **task to do**

And **one** of the **ten men**:

- Was **required**
- To **go** on a **journey** to **another town**

*The other **town** was:*

*Some kilometers **distance away***

*The **man**:*

***Didn't** go there **often***

But **this** time:

- He **needed to go**

## Telling His Friends

The man:

- **Going** on The **Journey**
- Decided he would **ask His Friends**
- To **join him** for The **Journey**

**So:**

*On The **Journey***

*They would **go as ten men***

Since the **Issue** was **serious:**

- Then the ten men **started out**
- **right away**

*They headed **towards:***

*The **neighboring town***

## Proceeding Together

The **ten men:**

- Walked along **together** on Their **Journey**

*They headed **towards:***

*The **neighboring town***

They:

- **Enjoyed** each others **company**
- As they **made their way**
- **Along the path**

## Coming To A River

The **ten men** were:

- Going along **fine**

And **then**:

- They **came to a river**

The **River**:

- Was a **strong river**

So the ten men **decided** that

- They would **hold onto** each other
- As they **went to cross the river**

*The **ten men***

*Had **known each other***

*Since the **youth days***

## Crossing The River

As They:

- **Started along**
- Crossing the **river**
- They soon **noticed** that
- The **river** really was **quite strong**

**So:**

- Before **long**
- They **realized** that
- It was **too hard** to **hold onto** each other
- To **stick together**

So they **each** went:

- Along **alone**
- Separately

*Each **man***

*Did the **right effort***

*To get **across the river***

Each **man** was:

- On his **own**
- To get **across the river**

## **After Crossing The River**

The **ten men**:

- Finally got to
- The **other side** of the **river**

*They were all **quite tired**:*

*After **crossing the river***

*It really did **prove to be**:*

*A **strong river***

So the **ten men**:

- All **layed down** and **rested**
- On the **shore** of the **river**

*They were **all***

*Being **very tired***

*After **crossing the fierce river***

## The Ten Men Thinking

After **some**:

- Time **resting**
- **One** of the **ten men**
- Had a **good idea**

*He **said**:*

*Since the **river** was so **strong***

*Then let's **be sure***

*That we are **all here***

*Let's **be sure***

*That we did not **lose one of us***

*In **crossing the river***

So the **man**:

- Directly **started to count his friends**
- **There** by the **river**

*He wanted to **be sure***

*That they*

*Did not **lose one of the ten men***

*In **crossing the river***

## Missing One Man

The **man**:

- **Counted the men**
- But he only **counted nine men**

So he **quickly**

**Counted the men again**

After **counting the men again:**

- The **second time**
- He only **counted nine men**
- Like the **first time** he **counted**

Upon **seeing this:**

- The **man**
- **Dropped to the ground**
- And **started weeping** and **moaning**

**Since:**

*After counting the men again*

*The second time*

*He only counted nine men*

*Then one of the ten men was missing*

**One of the ten men:**

- Had **not made it**
- **Across the river**

**One man was lost**

**Helping The Weeping Man**

The **other men noticed:**

- That the **man**
- **Wept so hard**

So they **tried to console him**

**Each one:**

- Of the **other men**
- Quickly **started to**
- **Count the others**

***But:***

*After counting the others*

*They were **shocked** that*

***They too could only count nine men***

***One man was lost***

## **The Men Weeping**

The **other men:**

- Immediately **dropped to the ground**
- Like that **first man** before
- And **started weeping** and **moaning** also

They:

- **Wept** and **moaned** like **dogs**
- Because they had **lost one man**

*It was **sad:***

*Because they had **lost one man***

**So:**

- **All of the men** were **weeping bad**
- by the **river's edge**
- Because they had **lost one man**



## The Stranger

Soon:

- As **all** of the **men wept**
- A **man** was **passing by**
- A **stranger** to the **ten men**

*The **man**, who was **passing by**:*

***Noticed** that the **ten men** were **weeping***

***By the river***

*The **stranger** wondered:*

***Why** the **men wept** by the **river***

*He quickly **went down** to the **men**:*

*To **see** if he **could***

***Help** them in **any way***

The man:

- Had been **passing by**
- A **stranger** to the **ten men**

## Speaking with The Weeping Men

The stranger:

- Who had been **passing by**
- **Tried** to **speak** with the **men**

*But he:*

*Could hardly **contact** them*

*The **men wept** so **hard***

*Afterall, **one man** was **lost***

**Finally:**

- **One of the men**
- **Noticed the stranger**

So he:

- **Told the stranger**
- About the **awful thing** that had **happened**
- While **crossing the river**
- **One man** was lost

*The **stranger** listened:*

*Hoping that he*

*Could **help the men** in **some way***

## **Dealing with The Issue**

The **stranger**:

- **Listened** to the **man**

**Then, the stranger:**

- **Figured out**
- What the **issue was**

*So the **stranger**:*

***Told it to the men***

The **stranger** told them:

- That they had
- **Made a mistake**

The **stranger** told them:

- That **all of them** were **there**

The men:

- **Heard** the **stranger**
- But they
- **Did not believe him**

So they **went back to weeping**

The men:

- **Thought** that
- **One man** was **missing**
- **One man** was **lost**

*They **thought** that*

***Nothing** could **bring back** their **friend***

***One man** was **lost***

## **Finally Solving The Issue**

The stranger saw:

- That the **men**
- **Did not believe him**

*He **saw** that:*

*They **believed***

***One man** was **lost***

So the stranger said:

- **Listen**
- I am going to **show you**
- That **all of the men** are **here**

He said:

- I shall
- **Prove it to you**

*The stranger said:*

*I shall*

***Give a blow to each one of you men***

*And you will*

***Count the blows***

***Then:***

***Said the stranger***

*You will know*

***That you are all here***

The men thought:

- That the **idea was ok**

The men:

- Loved the **idea that**
- Really
- They **could be**
- **Ten men again**

## **The Ten Blows**

So the stranger:

- **Gave the first man a blow**
- And the **men counted One**

Then the **stranger**:

- **Gave the second man a blow**
- And the **men counted Two**

They **went along**:

- **One man at a time**
- Until **finally**
- The **stranger**
- **Gave the last man a blow**
- And they **all counted Ten**

When they **all counted ten**

The **men went crazy**

The **men**:

**Jumped and shouted**

And also they

**Ran all around by the river**

The **men**:

- **Could not believe**
- How **good life could be** for them

Afterall:

- **Now, they were ten men again**

**Thanking The Stranger**

**Finally, one of the men**:

- Realized that
- They had **forgotten the stranger**

How **good** the **stranger** had been to them

So the **man**:

- Quickly **summoned the men**
- And they all
- **Thanked the stranger so much**

*They **told the stranger**:*

*That he was*

*The **nicest guy in the world***

***No doubt***

## **Finding The Cause**

Before long:

- **One** of the **men**
- Remembered to **ask the stranger**
- **About their situation**

*The **man wondered**:*

*How it **was***

*That there **had been***

***One man missing***

*The **man wondered**:*

*Why they had **only counted***

***Nine men***

The **stranger** then **told them**:

- That **they had counted**
- **All of the other men**

They had counted:

- **Nine men**
- But that **they had forgotten**
- **To count themselves**

So, in truth:

- There was **no one lost**
- **No missing man**

*And so:*

*Each man was the tenth man*

*He was **not forgotten**, he was **there!***

*Each man was the tenth man*

There was:

- **Never any cause for worry**
- They had **all been there**
- **The whole time**

And, also:

- That, **as the tenth man**
- They should **never forget**
- **To count themselves also**

*Especially:*

*When **going on a journey***

*To the **next town***

**Conclusion**

The men were **satisfied**

The men:

- **Told the stranger**
- That they would **remember him forever**

The men realized:

- That they should
- **Resume their journey**
- To the **next town**

So they:

- Said **thanks** and **goodbye to the stranger**
- And they all **went on their way**

*They did **finish the journey***

*To the **next town, as ten men***