

# AN ACHILLIES HEEL BLOCKS THE RUNAWAY





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MAY YOU BLESS THE INNATE INNATE INNOCENCE
CHASTITY, LOVE AND AUSPICIOUSNESS
IN ALL CHILDREN

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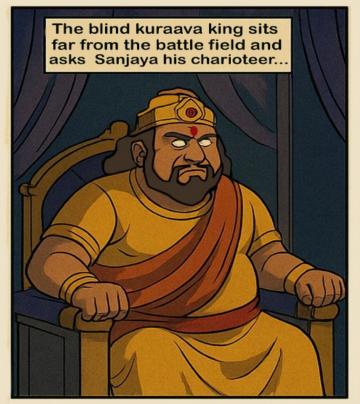
## **CHAPTER-1**

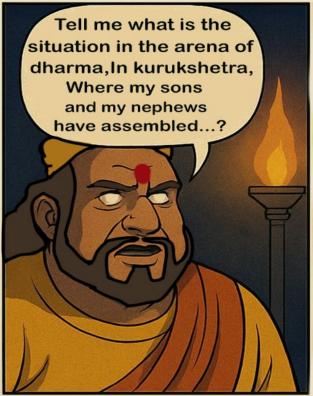
The Gita weaves a life-changing journey into a realistic account of warring cousins, the Kauravas and the Pandavas, set in the battlefield of Kurukshetra in north India. The Kaurava King is anxious to know the proceedings of the battle between his sons, the Kauravas, and his nephews, the Pandavas. But he is blind and hence, confined to his palace. However, his charioteer, Sanjay is gifted with the optics to witness the battle independent of distance. Accordingly, the king asks him to narrate the scenario of the battlefield. Come on! come on! Takeoff! cheered his men.lt was a massive moment filled with tremendous anticipation. It was a moment the elite fighter pilot had anxiously awaited.But precisely at that moment, something unthinkable happens - he backs off!

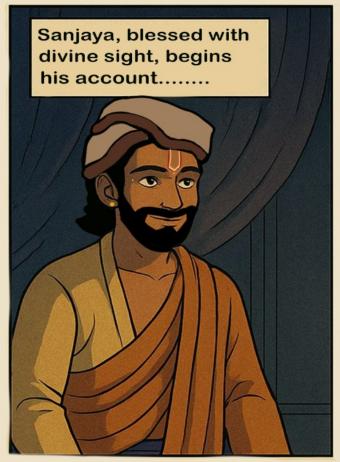
However, where we are in the story, it is not about an elite fighter pilot who backs off from the battlefield but one whose Achilles heel comes in the way of recognizing reality. Like a hero out of a Greek tragedy, he is inexorably drawn to the very fate he is trying to escape because of his Achilles heel. It is not hard to guess that Prince Arjuna's Achilles heel stems from his emotional attachments to his extended family. But family is not defined by blood, but by love for humanity - a love that is not mental or emotional, but existence itself.Nonetheless, even if Prince Arjuna's Achilles heel comes in the way of humanity, still, he can only stall his take-off, not escape it.

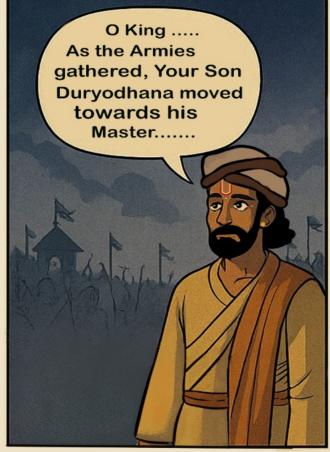
It is not hard to guess why Prince Arjuna is apprehensive about the oncoming war. The fact that the lifegiving gift is encoded in the DNA of women, also imbues them with the gift of feathering nests. Take the case of mothers who put their life on hold for nesting their children. Who can argue with Arjuna's contention to safeguard the nest! But if he looks over his shoulder, he can see that the nest is perched on the bough of dharma. That is, if the bough breaks, the nest will fall. Thus, unless he defends dharma first, he can't defend the nest. There is a story to every life. Everything gets a new life. Something brings about the change. Something causes the change. But when the winds of change come, they change more things than we think. And that's what Prince Arjuna fears most. He wants to stand like a lone tree, but the winds of change won't let him.

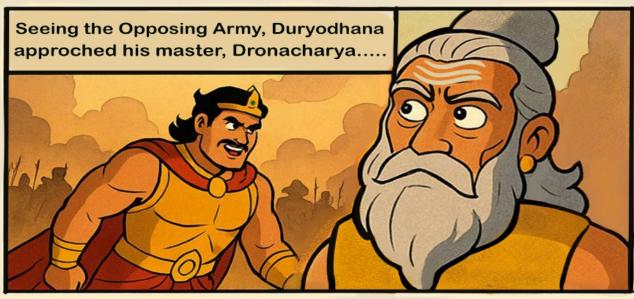
#### **BEDTIME GITA - CHAPTER ONE: AN ACHILLES HEEL**

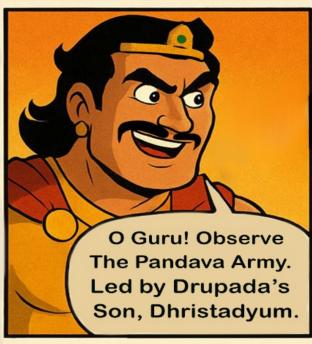










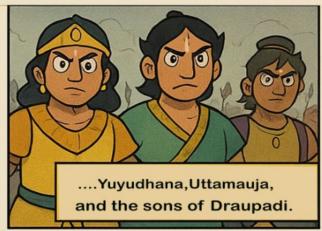


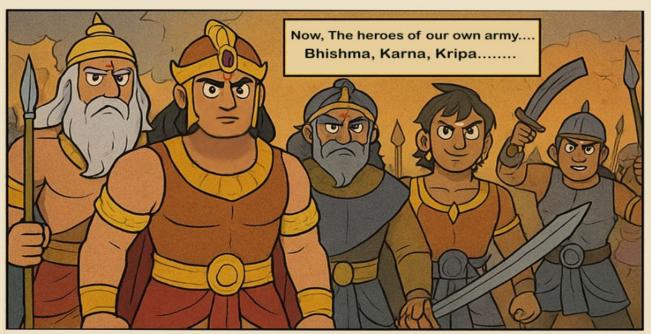


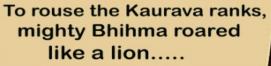










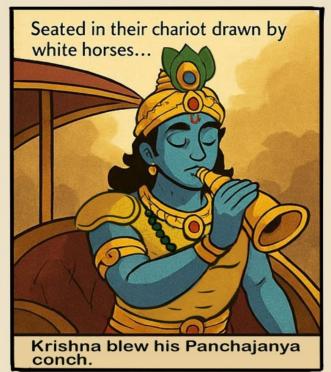




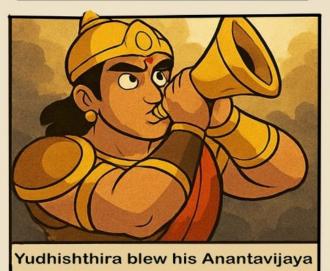




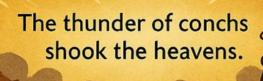








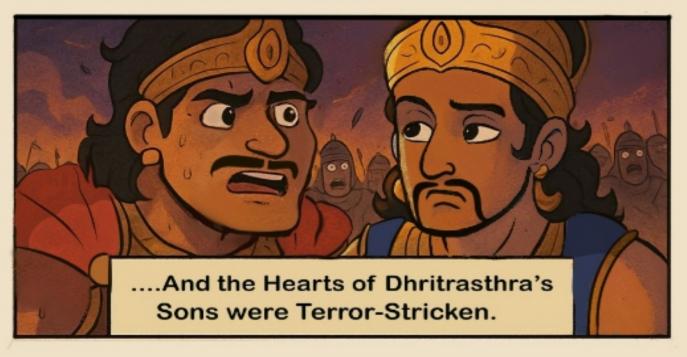




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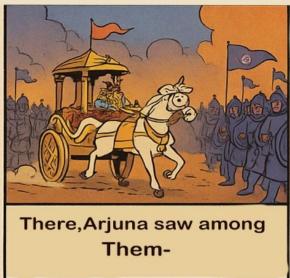


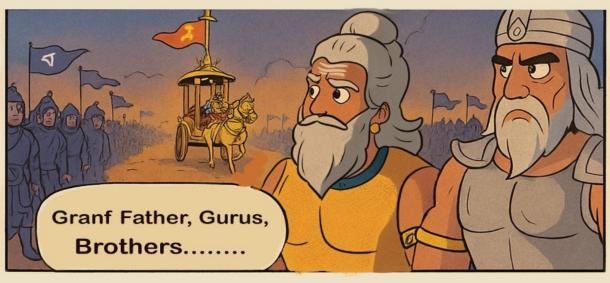




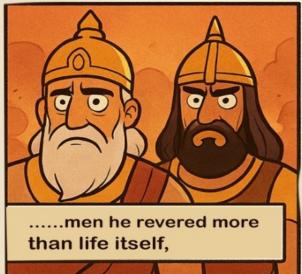


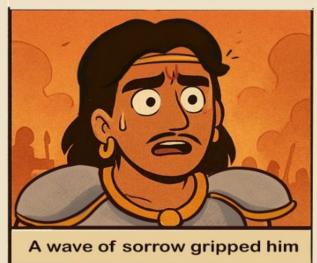






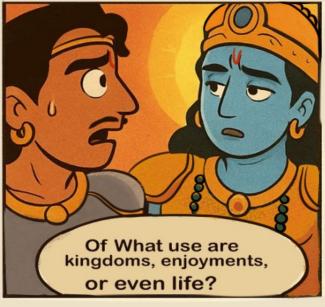




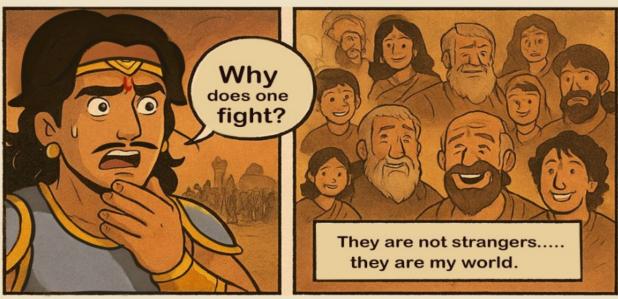


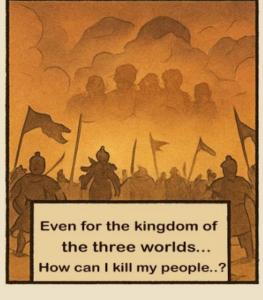






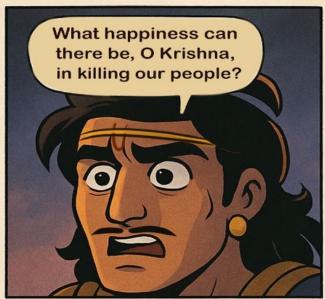




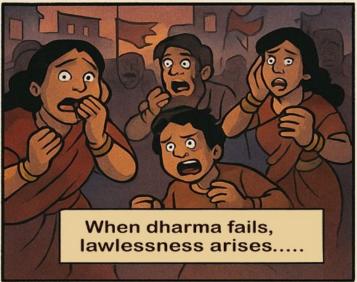


















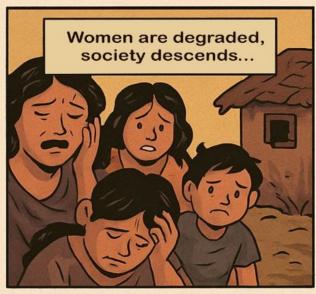


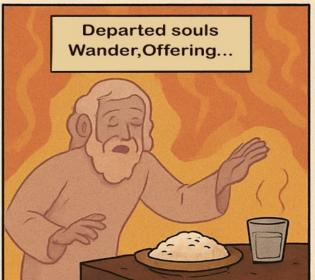


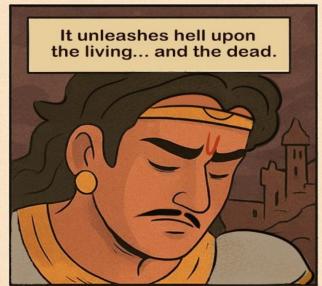
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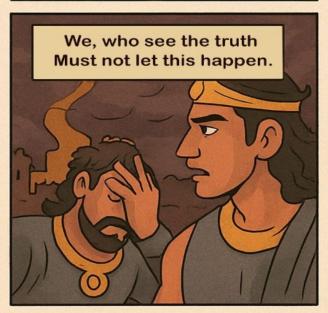


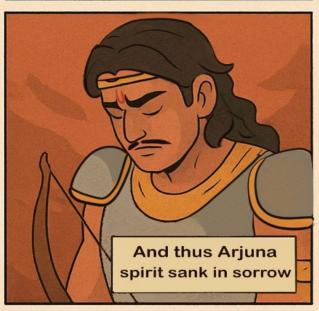




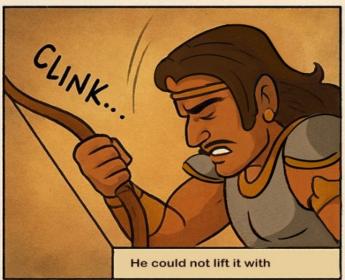














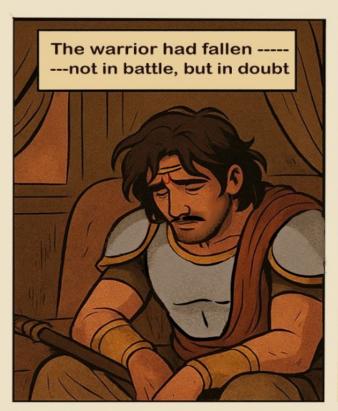






















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