

A farmer had five sons. He showed them a bundle of sticks and said, "I want any of you to break these sticks without separating them from the bundle." Each of the five sons tried one by one. They used their full strength and skill. But none of them could break the sticks. Then the old man separated the sticks and gave each of them just a single stick to break. They broke the sticks easily. The farmer said, "A single stick by itself is weak. They were strong and hardworking. The farmer wanted his sons to stop fighting. Clear words of advice or scolding did not have much effect on these young people. The farmer always thought what to do to keep his sons united. It is strong as long as it is tied up in a bundle. Likewise, you will be strong if you are united. But they always fought with one another. Sometimes, they even fought