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# EVERY MAN IS TOO MUCH ATTACHED

INSTRUCTIVE STORIES FROM  
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Once Birbal and Akbar were doing sikhara rounds, learning about the condition in the country and were dressed in civilian clothing.





On their way, they saw a wife and husband arguing.



At one point, the wife, who was considerably shorter than her large husband, slapped his face while the man tolerated it and stood there




listening to the chastisements of his irate wife


Why does he just stand there and take such abuse?








Sir, this is because every man is too much attached to his wife.



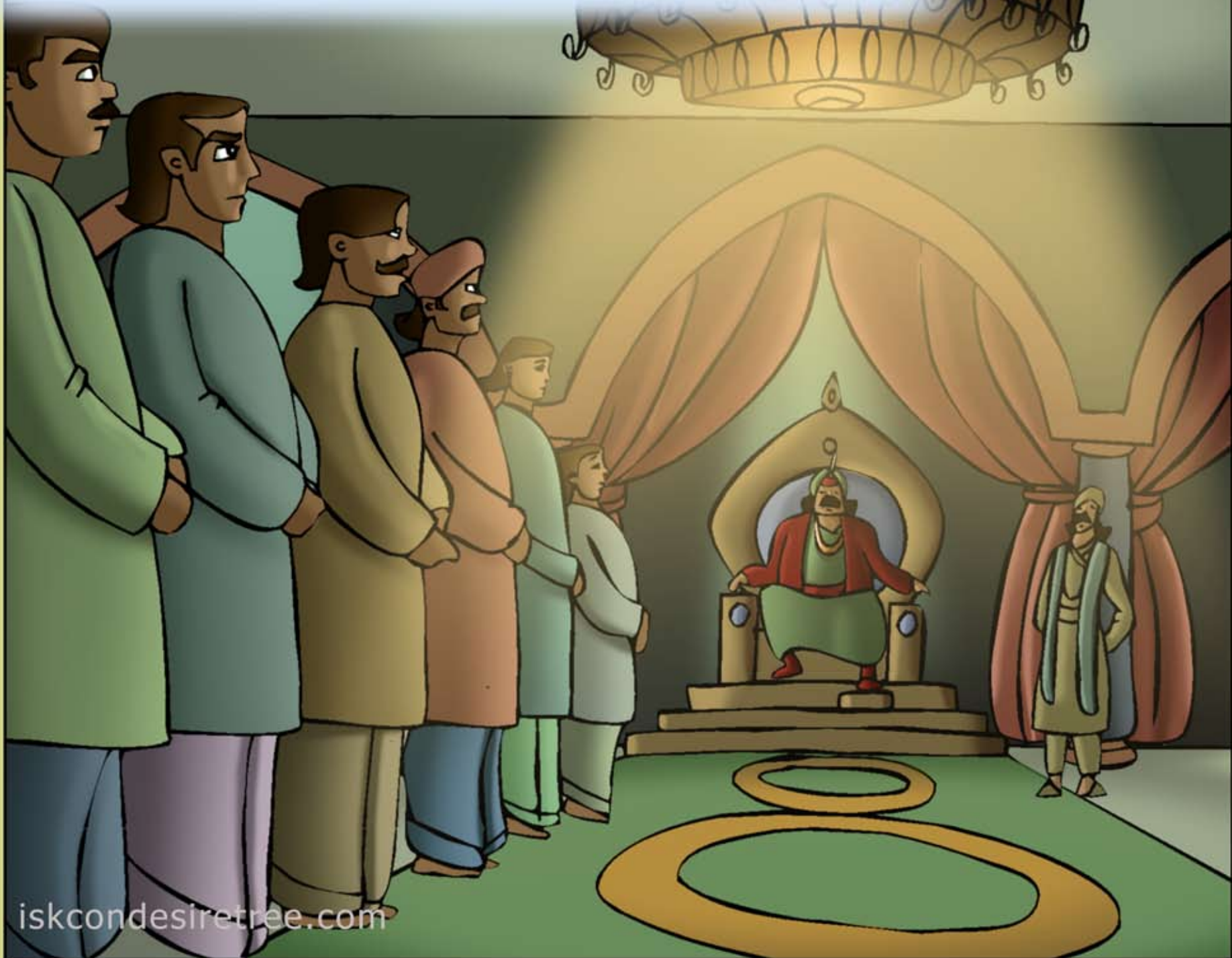
I don't believe this!  
Prove it.



Very well, Sir.  
Let us gather all the  
married men in the country  
and conduct a survey.



So all the married men in Akbar's kingdom were brought to the courtyard of the palace.



My dear fellows, the great emperor Akbar wants to know how many of you follow the commands of your wives. All those who obey their wife's instructions move to the other side of the courtyard.



Immediately there was a huge exodus of men to the other side of the courtyard.  
Only one man remained where he stood.





Akbar expressed his relief at this.

At least there is one man  
who does not obey his wife like a fool.

Birbal called the man over and questioned him.

When I called for all those who obeyed their wife's command to move to the other side of the courtyard, why did you not move?





Because my wife told me to stay away from crowds