Fisherman and his Basket

Instructive Stories from teachings of His Divine Grace
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In previous times the grihastas were habituated to asking if anyone was hungry. And so one grihasta went outside and called out to see if anyone was hungry. He saw a fisherman...

Have you taken your meal?

No
Please leave the basket outside. It is too smelly.
After the Grihasta fed him he asked the fisherman

Do you have a place to sleep tonight?
He allowed him to sleep in his house. About one or two o'clock in the morning the grihasta had to get up to answer nature's call and when he looked to see how the guest was doing, he found him tossing and turning.

My sleep is very disturbed. I cannot get to sleep!

How are you sleeping?
What is the difficulty?

The difficulty is that I cannot sleep without my basket. I am used to the smell. Without smelling that fishy smell, I cannot go to sleep.
Fisherman kept his basket near him and went to sleep. Thus he could sleep soundly.
MORAL:
In the same way, everyone in the western countries has to have a machine. To brush your teeth, you need a machine. So people have become addicted.

- Srila Prabhupada