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This book contains six stories. These stories are fictional but inspired by the observations of my social surroundings.

These stories were originally written by me in Hindi. I have not translated these stories from Hindi to English instead I have retold them in English here for the benefit of English readers.

So, with these words, I wish you a happy reading.....

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Dedication

**“TO KESH
&
DIVITA”**

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Story I

Aghast

He was a middle aged man. He was talking with the Panwala (Betel leaf vendor). I was standing there waiting for my bus. I was there in Delhi in connection with an interview for a job. After appearing for the interview in an office nearby I was waiting for a bus to go to the New Delhi railway station. The betel leaf shop owner appeared to be acquainted with him. My attention was drawn to him for his secretive way of talking to the Panwala and the queer way of looking towards me while talking. There was a look of fear in his eyes. He was talking about fear only.

Perhaps it was not prudent to take an interest in a stranger in an unknown place but I could not help it. I started to watch him.

Suddenly we had an eye contact. He came a bit closer to me and started talking with me.

He said, “Brother, I am too much afraid.”

I was pretty surprised by that.

He further spoke, “What will happen next?”

I asked him about what was that he was afraid of. I jokingly asked him if he was afraid of death.

He replied “Better if I die. I think too much, but cannot find an answer. What will happen to my life?” Having said that, he turned serious.

He remained silent for a while, then suddenly spoke to me, “Sir, can you help me?”

I turned cautious and apprehensive of him. I doubted that he wanted to extract some money from me. Still, I asked him “how can I help you?”

“Will you come with me to my house?” Was his next question.

I doubted his intentions, but my curiosity about him increased.

By his appearance, he was neither looking insane nor a crook.

I asked him, “Why do you want to take me home?”

“My soul is telling me that you can help me” he replied.

I started thinking. I had feelings of curiosity, apprehension, fear and compassion. Finally, curiosity won me over. I decided to follow him.

On the way to his residence I talked to him and gathered some information about him. His name was Harendar. He was working as a clerk in a state government

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