

They began to argue about the elephant and every one of them insisted that they were right. It looked like they were getting agitated. A wise man was passing by and he saw this. He stopped and asked them, "What is the matter?" They said, "We cannot agree to what the elephant is like." Each one of them told what each one thought the elephant was like. The wise man calmly explained to them, "All of you are right. The reason each of you is describing it differently is because each of you touched a different part of the elephant. So, actually the elephant has all of those features."

"Oh!" everyone said. And there was no more disagreement.

** The "Blind Men and the Elephant" tale originated in India and was translated to the English language in the 19th century as a poem by the English writer John Godfrey Saxe.*