

Guru Nanak the founder of Sikhism was born in a critical period of Indian history. On the one hand, the people were divided into castes, sects and factions; on the other the Muslim rulers perpetrated atrocities on the Hindus and the weaker sections of society. The masses in their hardships and miseries cried for a saviour. Nanak came as God's messenger in the common man's hour of dire need.

was a period of transition from medievalism to modernism. Men of action and men of thought explored the world of matter and spirit. Guru Nanak revealed the secret of man's spiritual potentiality. At the same time, he accepted the struggles and hardships of life and pioneered a movement of reform in social and religious conduct. The means by which he reformed the dregs of society were argument, conviction and personal example. His followers called 'Sikhs' formed a group of God-fearing men and women devoted to the service of the people. He laid down simple rules of conduct through which man could lead a humane and meaningful life and find his own fulfilment. He was revered alike by Hindus and Muslims. His life is an inspiring example of the practice of truth, love and humility.

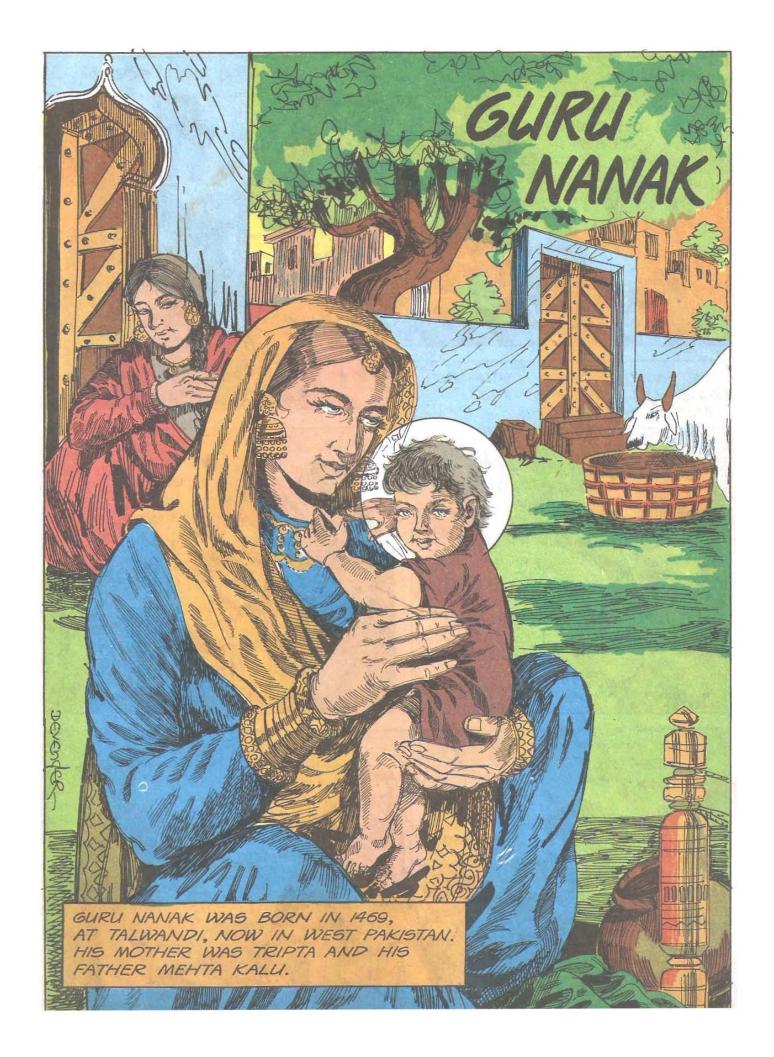
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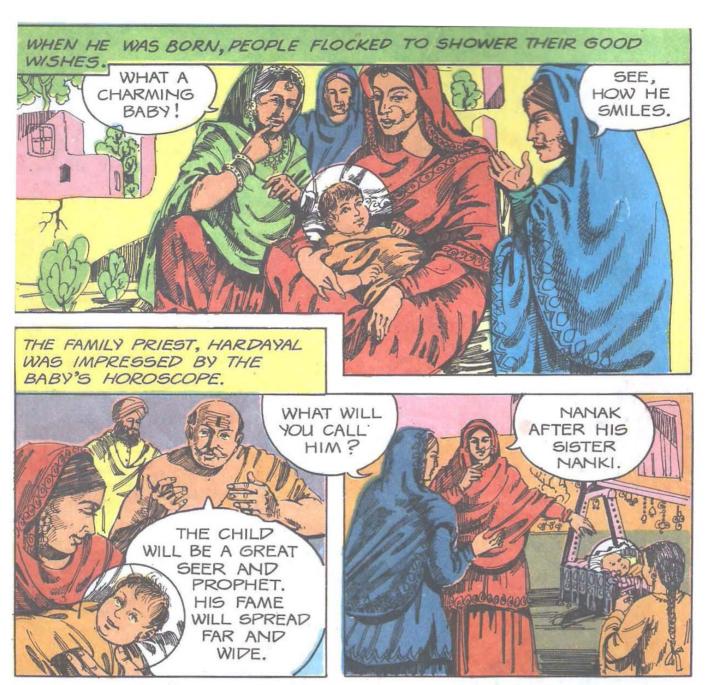
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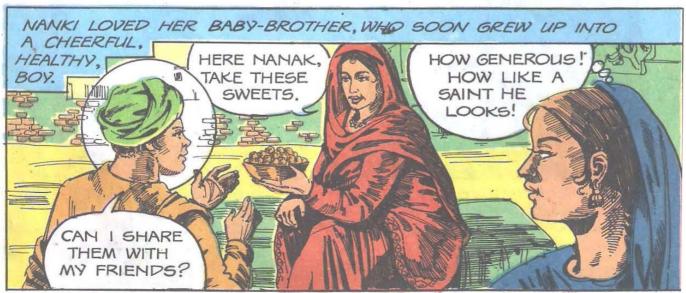
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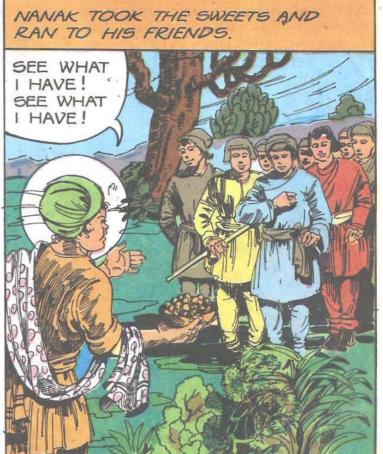
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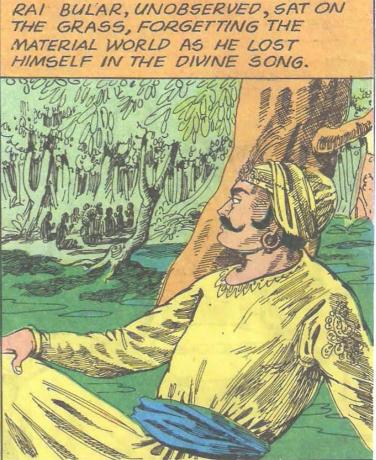








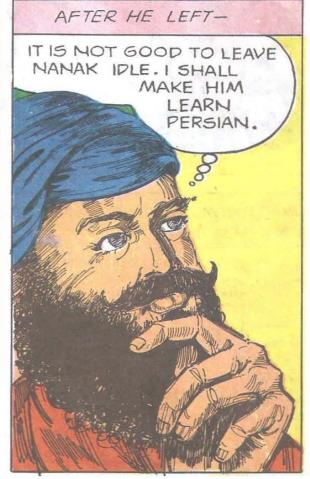












BUT THE SAME THING HAPPENED WITH THE PERSIAN TEACHER. NANAK MASTERED ALL WITHIN A SHORT PERIOD AND HIS TEACHER BROUGHT HIM BACK TO MEHTA

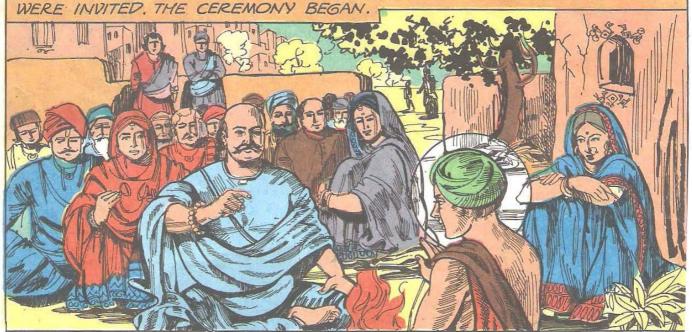


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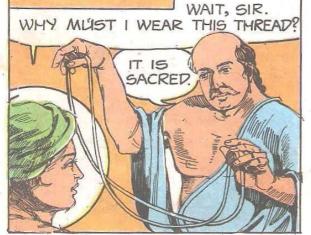
HAD HIS SACRED HARDAYAL TO THREAD SUGGEST AN CEREMONY. AUSPICIOUS



THE DATE WAS FIXED AND ALL NEIGHBOURS, FRIENDS AND RELATIVES



BUT THE MOMENT HARDAYAL TOOK THE SACRED THREAD TO PUT IT OVER

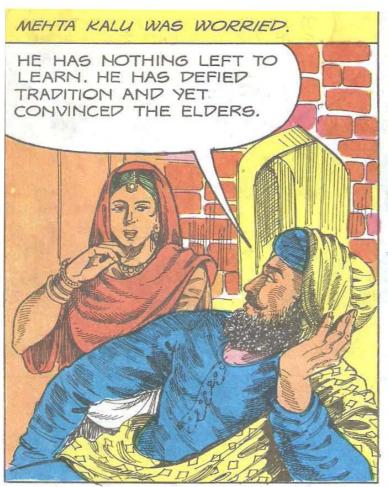








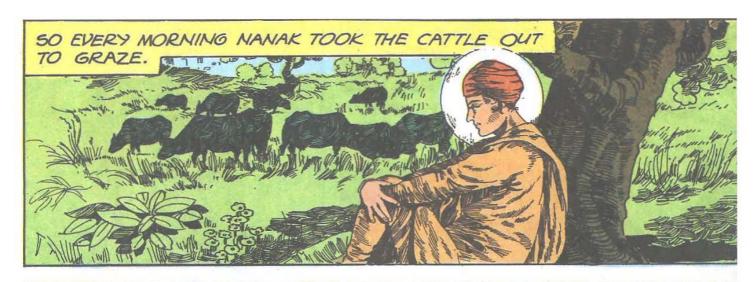






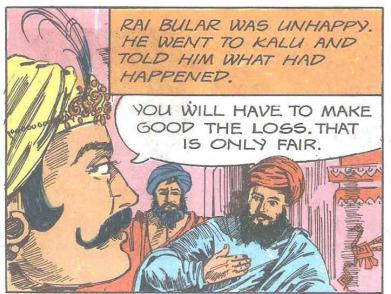


















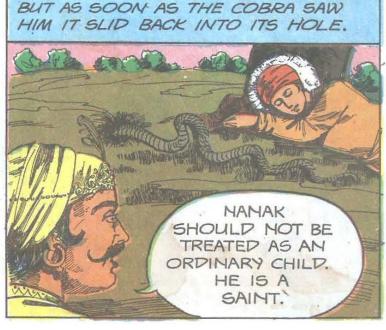


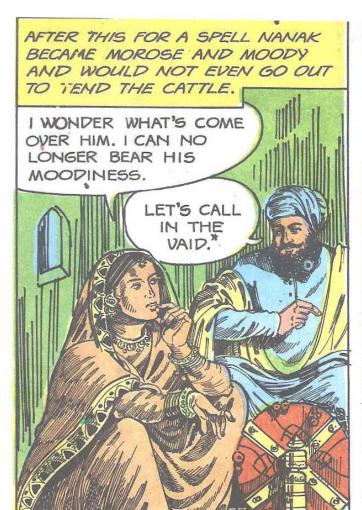




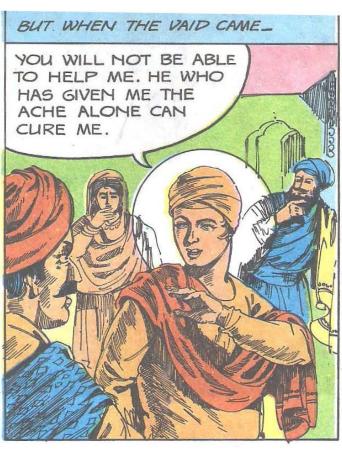






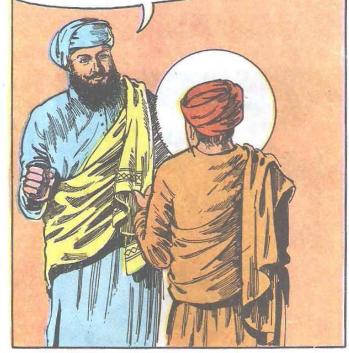


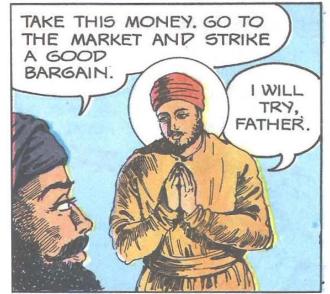


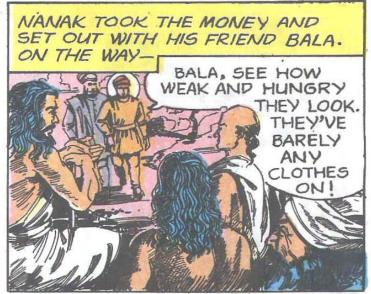


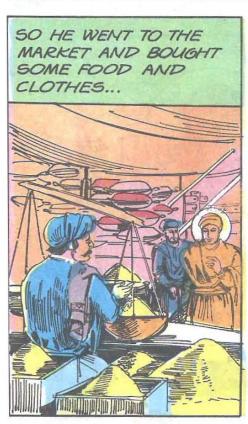
KALU MADE ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO INTEREST NANAK IN AN OCCUPATION.

YOU ARE NOW GROWN-UP, AND SHOULD STAND ON YOUR OWN FEET.



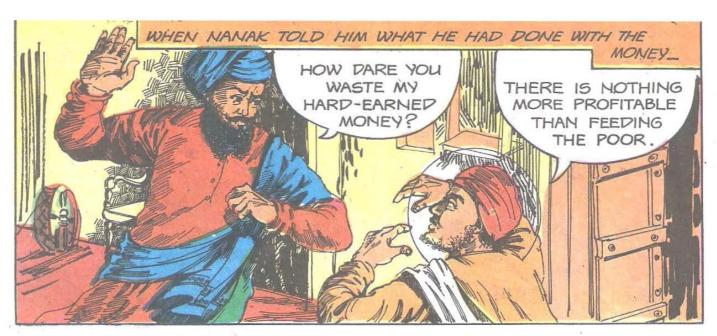




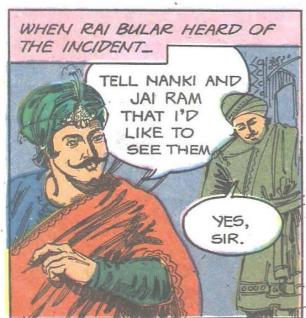




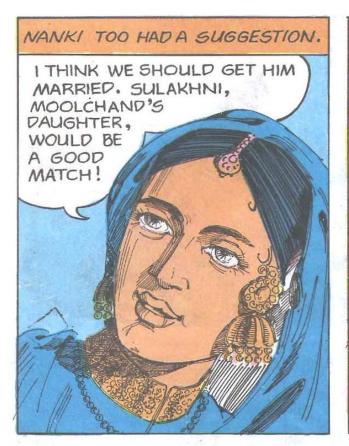




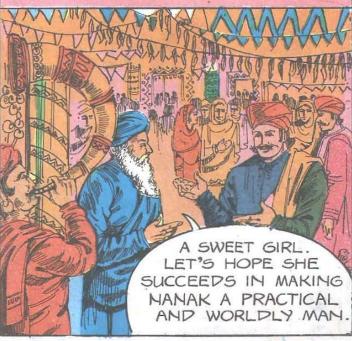








THE PROPOSAL WAS ACCEPTED AND NANAK WAS MARRIED TO SULAKHNI IN 1485. THERE WAS GREAT REJOICING IN THE FAMILY.

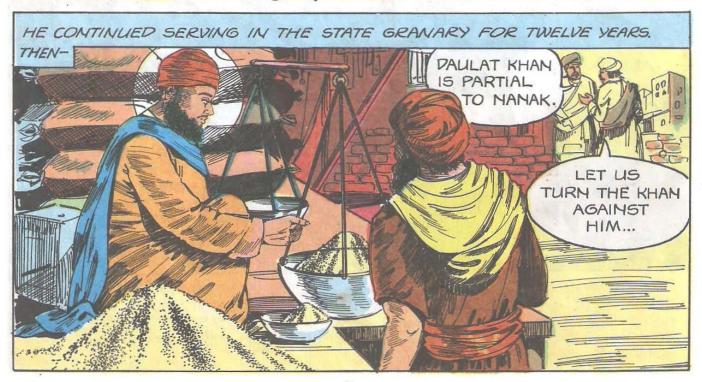




THE GIFT WAS NOT FOR MARDANA ALONE. FOR IN THE EVENINGS, AFTER THE DAY'S WORK, NANAK WOULD HURRY TO JOIN MARDANA AND TOGETHER THEY WOULD SING THE PRAISES OF GOD MANY LOVERS OF GOD AND MUSIC JOINED THEM AND NANAK'S FAME SPREAD.



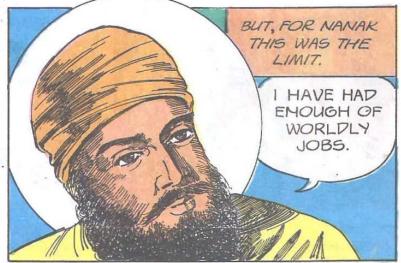








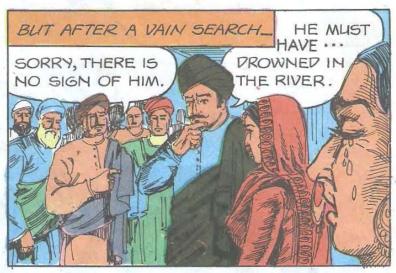


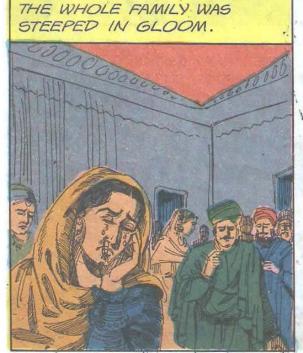




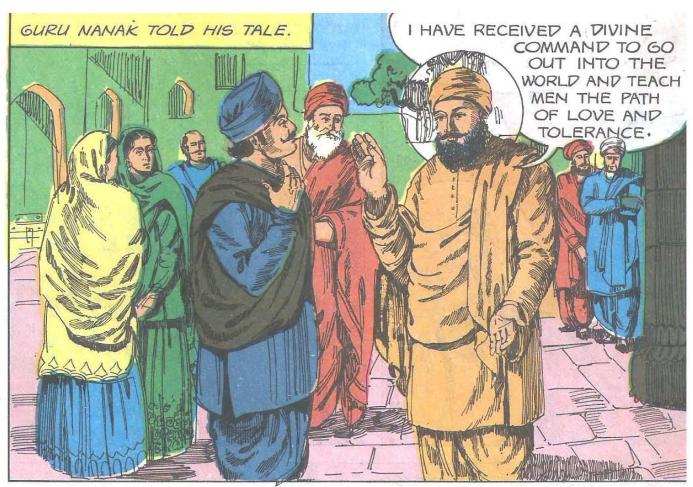


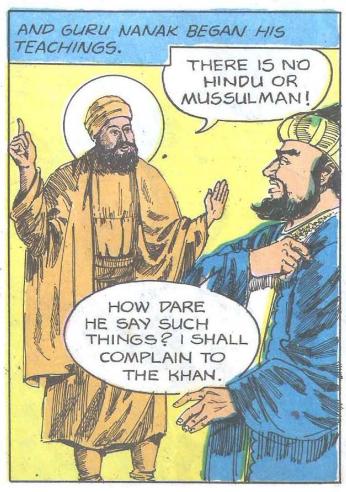


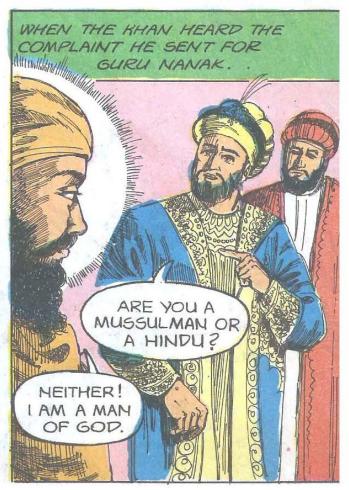


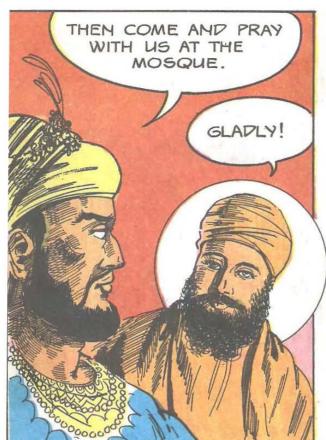


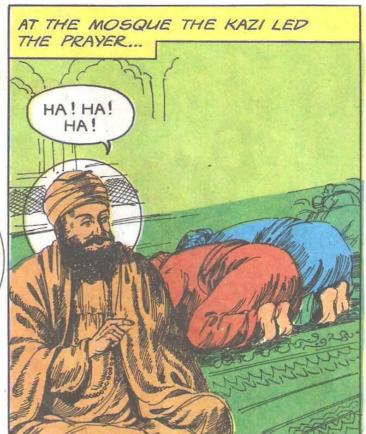


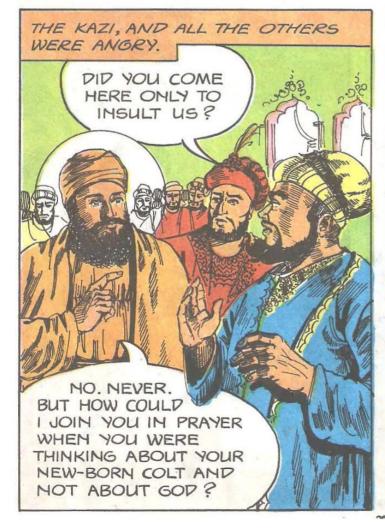


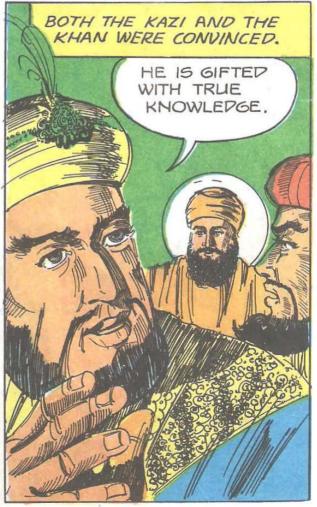




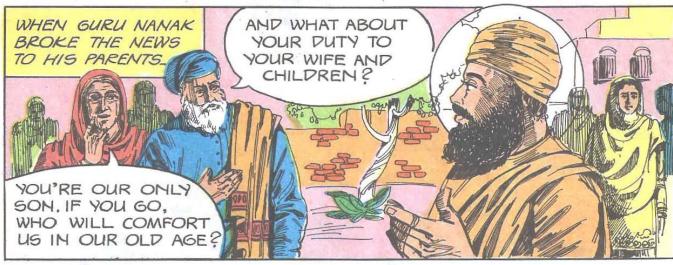


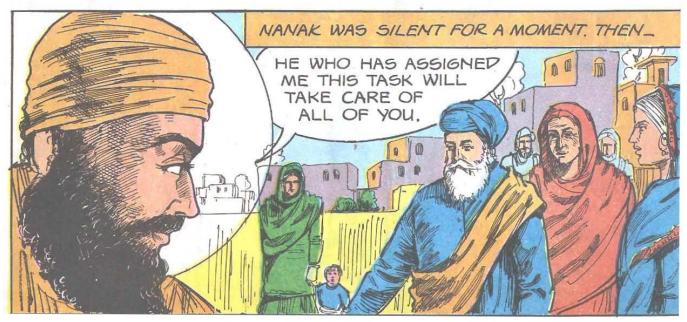


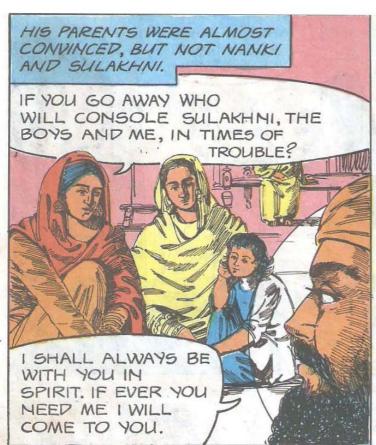


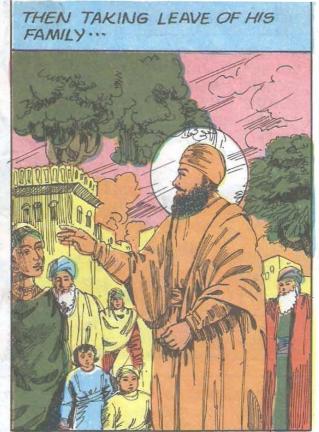






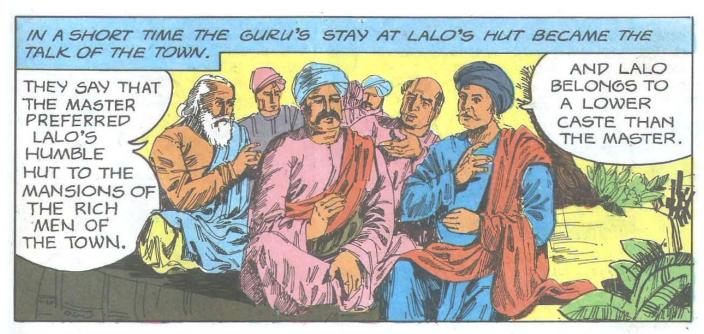


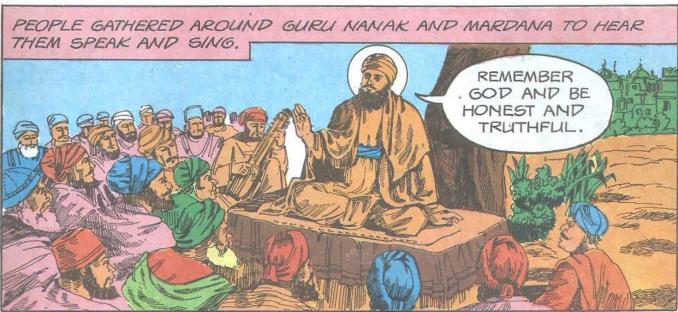


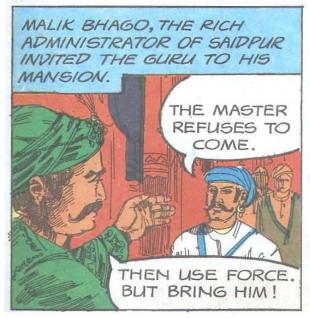


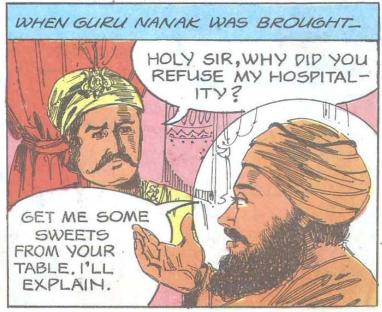


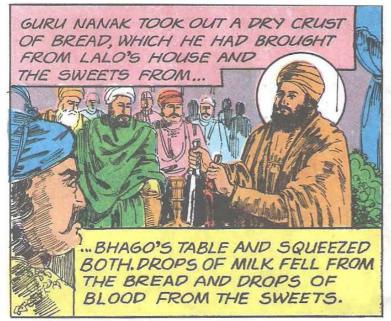


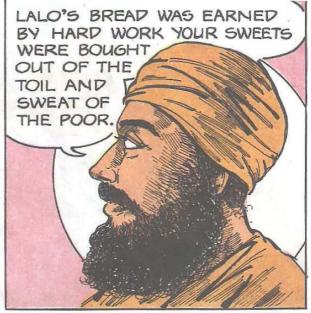




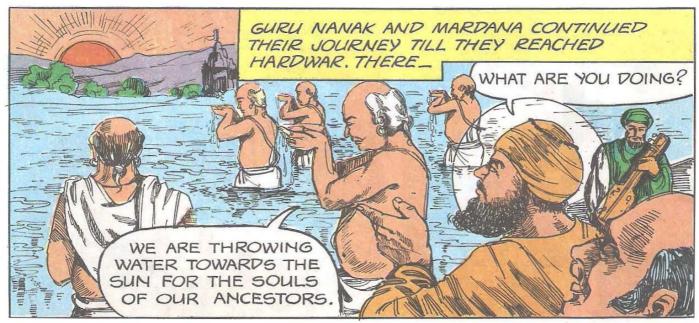


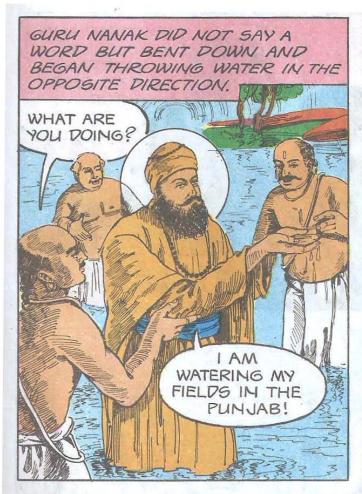


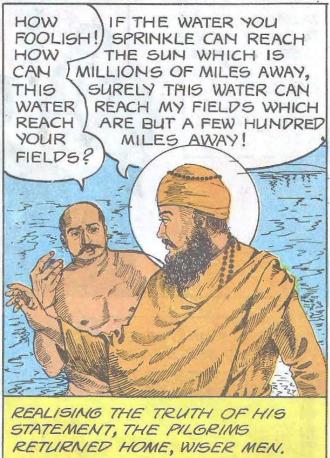










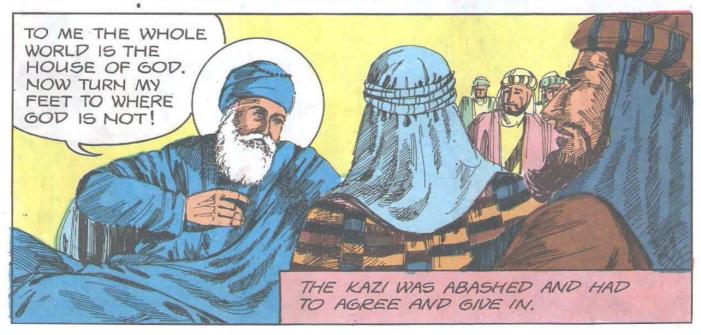


DURING HIS WIDE TRAVELS, HE ENLIGHTENED AND REFORMED MANY SOULS. AMONG THEM WERE SAJJAN, THE THUG; KAUDA, THE CANNIBAL; AND NURSHAH.



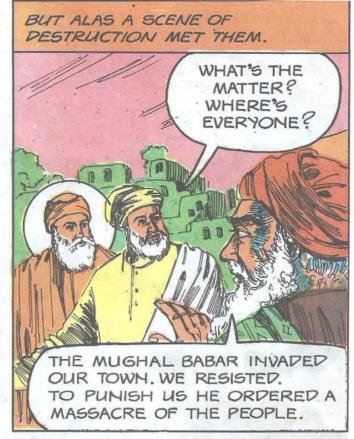


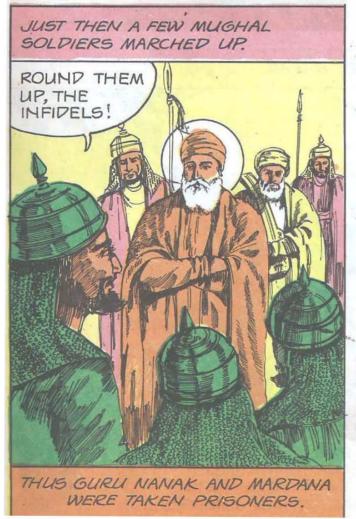




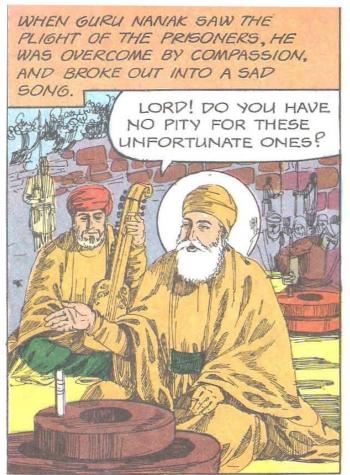
FROM MECCA GURU NANAK AND MARDANA VISITED BAGHDAD, TURKEY AND AFGHANISTAN AND THEN RETURNED TO INDIA, IN 1621.



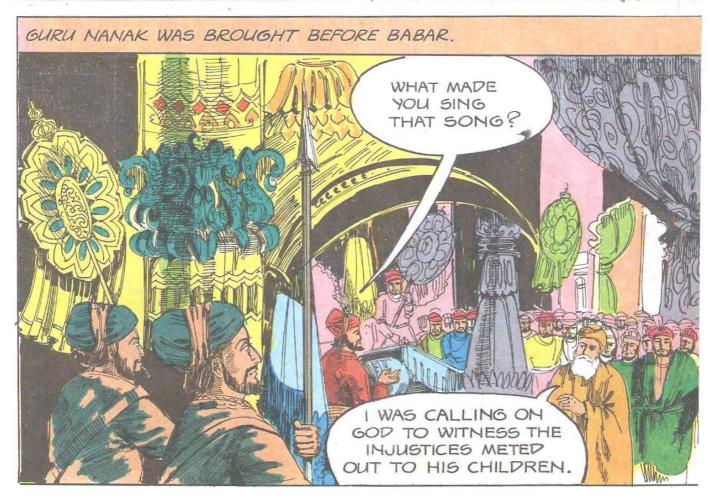


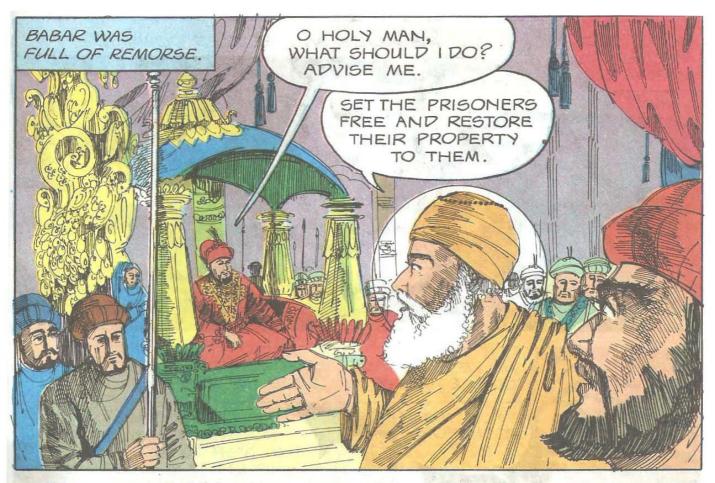


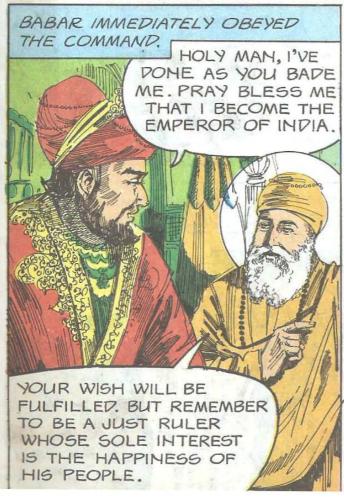


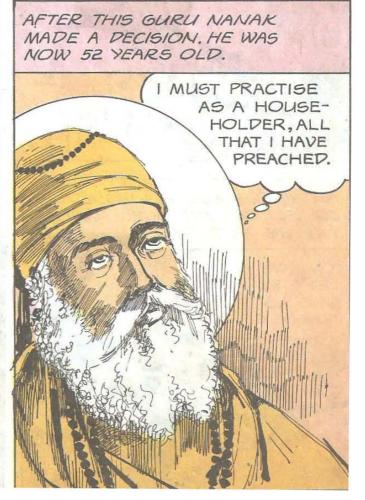




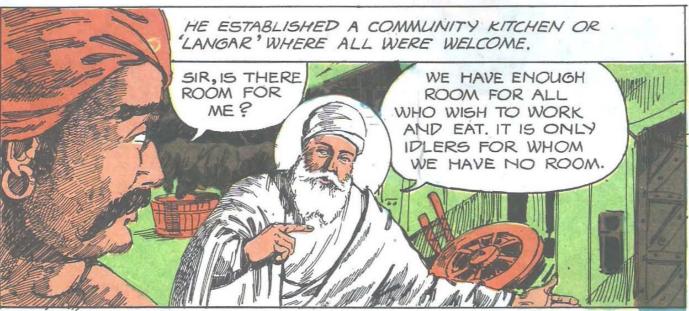




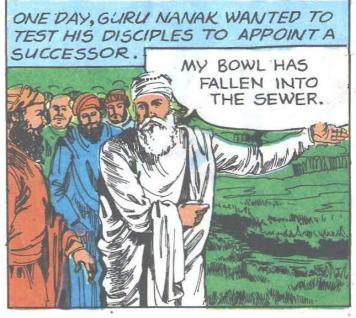


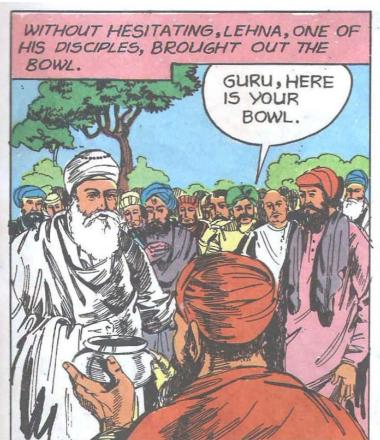


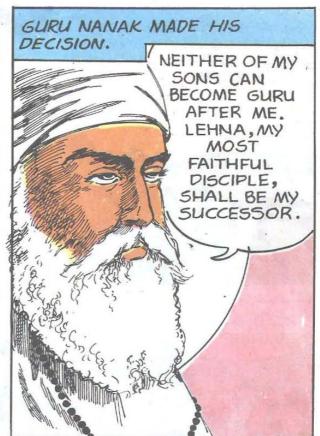


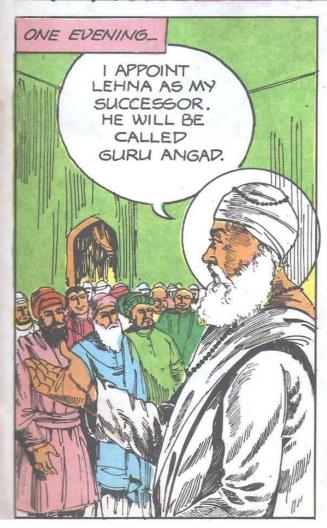


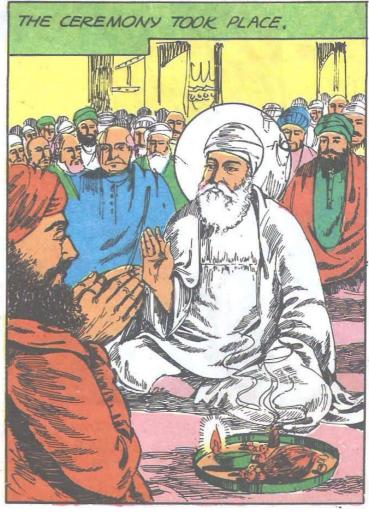


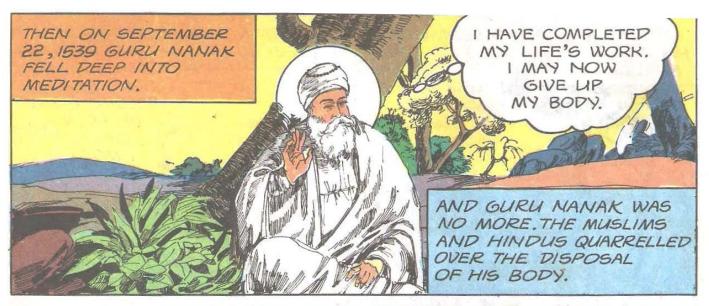


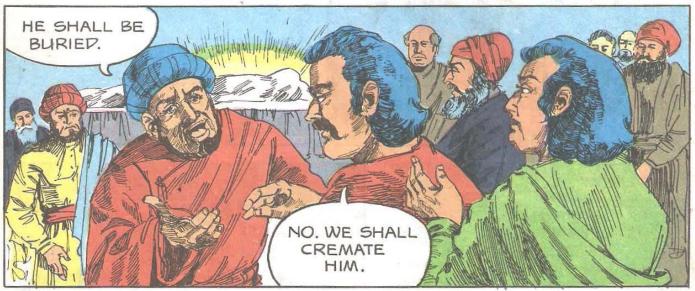














THAT WAS GURU NANAK'S LAST MESSAGE TO THOSE OF HIS FOLLOWERS WHO HAD NOT YET ASSIMILATED HIS BASIC TEACHINGS.

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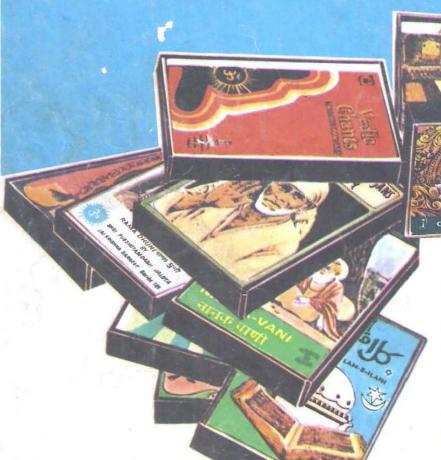
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