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| Five Holy Men lived on the banks of the River Indus and they were all blind. |
| One felt its body and said thought the elephant was a wall of mud. |
| The men heard something join them and they felt around them to find out what it was |
| Another of the blind men held the elephant’s tail and thought he was feeling a piece of rope. |
| One felt its tusks and said there whatever it was that had joined them had two spears. |
| One man felt the trunk of the elephant and thought it was a serpent. |
| A little child walked by and said to the blind men: ‘Why are you all holding the elephant?’ |
| The last man held the elephant’s leg, and he believed he was touching a tree. |
| One day a tame elephant wandered to the water’s edge and sensed that the men were harmless and gentle |