

# **Son of a Poor Mother | Short Story About Hope**

There was a King in a town. He guided his countrymen very well. He was kind and affectionate to everyone. He was getting old, so he needed a prince to rule his palace after him. As he had no son, he decided to choose one among the young men from his country as the prince of his country.

One day he invited all the youths of the country to his palace. He said to them, **"I am getting old and as I have no son to rule my country after me, I am going to choose one of you as the prince of this country"**. They were all very happy.

Then the King gave each of them a seedling and said, **"The one who makes this seed grow into a big plant and brings it back to me within a month will be the prince who will rule my country."** Then all the youths who came there took each seed and returned to their homes. After a month they all brought big plants to the palace.

But a poor mother's son said to his mother from his house, **"Mom, it has been a month and this seed has not yet sprouted even a little. How will I take**

**it to the palace?". The mother said, "It's okay, son, you have been trying so hard to grow it. You go to the King and tell him that you couldn't make the seed sprout."**

He agreed and took it and went to the palace. Then the King was very surprised to see that everyone had grown the seed to a large plant. He asked the poor mother's son where his plant was and the son said, **"King, I tried so hard but I could not make that seed sprout."** Then the Maharaja happily said that you are the prince who will rule my country.

Hearing this, all the other youths asked that his seed never sprouted, but we have grown this plant so big but you are declaring him the prince of this country. To that the Maharaja said that **he is the one who is truthful and honest.**

The seed that I have given you all is a cooked seed, and that seed will never sprout. But you all brought other plants here and lied. But this one has told the truth. So this is the prince who will rule this country, he gave him the title of prince.