49. Story of Arichandra (1)

Arichandran was the son of Trishangu who came from the Katiravan clan. He is morally upright. He gained great popularity due to his intolerance of lies. It is said that the government came from him in Ayodhya. Once upon a time there



was a discussion about Arichandra in the assembly of the gods. Someone said Arichandra was lying. The other said that Arichandra would not lie. He who said he would lie had to prove it. He tried hard to make Arichandra a liar by causing many problems. Arichandra was not disturbed by anything. He did not give up even when he had to lose his country and his wife and people. He was unwavering in his principles even when he had to defend himself against Arichandra Parayan. He who said that Arichandra was a

liar, lost his penance and became small. The people of the world did not respect the trifles of their Arichandra as a trifle, but praised them as pride. On that day, it became clear to Arichandra that the people of the world will not respect the humility of a lowly person who stands on the right path, but will respect him as high.

(Arichandra Purana)

[decline in morals]