

# Story on Greed Leads to Sin and Sin Leads to Death

There lived three friends in a village. One day one of the three friends planned to steal a bag of gold from a house. The second friend, at once agreed to the proposal but the third friend at first did not agree. After a while, he agreed to divide them equally into three parts so that they each may get an equal share of the gold coins. Meanwhile, they got tired and hungry. Through negotiation, they sent one of the friends to the nearby market to fetch some food. While he went for food, the two other friends planned to kill him lest he should be given one-third of the shares. On the other hand, while going for food, he thought to himself that the food should be poisoned so that he alone could get the whole share of the gold coins. He returned with food mixed with poison. No sooner had he returned the two other friends killed him. They felt contented and sat together to eat. They ate and were poisoned to death. The bag of gold remained to lay on the ground without anybody alive to claim to ownership.