

The Cop And The Anthem

Lesson explanation, Part 2

Soapy tried hard to be on the wrong side of the law. He had planned three tricks and the most pleasant way was to go and have a good dinner at some fine restaurant and then he would say he had no money and then the cop will be called. All these would be done very quietly and the cop will arrest him. Then he would be taken to a judge and the judge would order him to be taken to a prison. But Soapy's plan did not work. As soon as he entered the restaurant, strong and ready hands turned Soapy around and moved quietly and quickly outside. So, this plan of Soapy couldn't work. Then, he thought to himself that he must think of some other way of fulfilling his desire.

So, he thought he would pick up a big stone and throw at the glass window of a shop at Sixth Avenue. And then he would be caught by the cop. But it too didn't work and the cop didn't find him guilty. The cop believed a guilty person would never appear in front of the cop. He failed two times. Sick at heart, he walked away slowly. He found another restaurant across the street. It was a normal restaurant and the food was not so good. Soapy took his old shoes and his torn clothes and entered the restaurant. Nobody stopped him. He soon

started eating a big dinner. And after finishing his dinner, he directly said the restaurant people that he had no money and to call the cop. But to his utter shock, the waiter did not call the cop rather along with another waiter threw Soapy out of the restaurant.

Soapy was sad and stood up slowly and beat the dust from his clothes. The only happy dream to him was the prison and the island seemed very far away.

A cop standing near laughed seeing him and walked away. But Soapy slowly with a heavy heart moved ahead. And when he stopped, it was near several theatres. The streets are brighter at that part of city and hearts more joyful. Seeing all these, a sudden fear caught Soapy of not being arrested by any cop.