

Code RE9 Scriptural Story

Concept/value **Respect,** humility, avoiding self-aggrandisement and false pride.

Title Lord Brahma Sees His Counterparts

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One day Lord Brahma, the creator of the universe, wished to meet Lord Vishnu, the Lord who resides in every atom and in every universe as the maintainer.

Lord Brahma stood at the glittering gates of Vaikuntha, the grand personal quarters of Lord Vishnu. The guards on duty asked him to wait for a brief moment as they announced his visit. They were back very quick to say, 'Lord Vishnu asked, which Brahma has come?'

Lord Brahma was taken aback. 'Which Brahma?' he said with mounting indignation. 'Which Brahma? Tell him *the* four-headed Brahma has come.'

The guards went back inside to deliver the answer and soon invited Lord Brahma to come in. As soon as he entered the inner quarters, Lord Brahma was shocked at a most unexpected sight. Inside the chamber there were many other Brahmas; one with eight heads, another with 100 heads, another with 1000 heads and even one with 10,000 heads. They had also come to visit Lord Vishnu.

Instantly, the four-headed Lord Brahma felt utterly humbled. He always felt quite proud to be the powerful creator of the universe. He had thought his four heads showed how clever he was. He hadn't realised there were so many other universes even larger than his – and created by even more powerful Brahmas. With a new sense of humility, respect and appreciation, he bowed and conducted his visit.

## Year 1 and 2 PRE Homework Task

Due: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Read the story of 'Lord Brahma sees his counterparts' (above) with your parents and draw/paint a picture depicting this wonderful story.

Write down the moral of the story whilst thinking about the following questions:

What can we learn from it?

How was Lord Brahma feeling before and after the meeting?

Finally, write a down few words around your picture to show how Lord Brahma was feeling.