King Brahmadatta wished to hold a great festival in the city of Benares. Streets and lanes of the city were decorated. Plenty of shops and eating places were set up. People walked about and played in the city happily.
Four gods descended from heaven to see the festivities.

On their heads were ornaments made out of the heavenly flower known as *kakkari*. Their fragrance spread far and wide. People looked around to see from where this fragrance came.
The four gods made themselves visible in the sky. The people saw the heavenly flowers on their heads.

A Brahmin who saw them wanted to have the ornaments for himself. He approached the gods.

"O gods, you can get plenty of these flowers in your heavenly abode. Please give me these flower ornaments" he said.
The first god spoke: "Brahmin, these flowers can be worn only by those who are virtuous. I will give my ornament only to one who does not take anything belonging to another unless given to him; only to one who is good in word and deed." "I am one such person" said the Brahmin even though he knew that he did not possess such qualities.

The god gave his ornament to the Brahmin.