

ATIDHI

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Episode – 1

After directing three pictures, Subba Raju has earned both name and money. At present put up in a hotel, he is preparing his speech for the next day's lecture, which is his normal habit. Anjaneyulu, who wants to get Subba Raju's help stays in the next room and starts praising Subba Raju, pretending that he doesn't know him. Subba Raju suspected, calls the hostel boy and gets complete information about Anjaneyulu.

After a long time Mangapathi, Subba Raju's boyhood friend meets Subba Raju to convey to him his misfortunes. He has become lame. Forgetting even his enjoyment of the company of Raju and so did Raju.

When the newspaper reporters come to interview Subba Raju, both Mangapathi and Subba Raju talk about each other in glowing terms. I am really indebted to Mangapathi for having come here in the company of heaven, says Raju. Mangapathi, on hearing this, becomes humble. "I drank when I lost my job. I will drink now with joy", says Mangapathi and he drinks very heavily.

At the same time comes Lily, a singer, comes to meet Raju. Mangapathi pours out all his woes before Lily. Even Raju doesn't stop him. Within ten minutes of their introduction, Mangapathi tells Lilly that he got into

trouble with a distributor and he is waiting to strike him back. He further says that he cannot forget the sympathy she has shown to him. Lily goes away.

In the morning, Mangapathi writes a letter of apology for his behaviour last night and leaves his address with Subba Raju's office.

Raju announces that the incident last night has really influenced him. He is going to direct a play with Mangapathi, a lame man as his hero. My guest is hero of my next production. Subba Raju announced.