

STUDY MATERIAL - 10

‘THE STORY OF MY EXPERIMENTS WITH TRUTH’: PART 5- SUMMARY (contd...)

Part 5, Chapter 31

That Memorable Week!—I

- After the successful fast, Gandhi plans the famous Salt Satyagraha and the sale of banned books.
- He heads for Delhi and gets arrested. But then, he's released.
- At Pydhuni, mounted police and the crowd clash.

Part 5, Chapter 32

That Memorable Week!—II

- The people become violent during Satyagraha. Gandhi undertakes a fast in penance, tells people to confess, and decides to suspend Satyagraha.
- Gandhi's associates tell him that if he expects peace everywhere, mass Satyagraha is impossible. But he believes violence and Satyagraha cannot ever go together.

Part 5, Chapter 33

"A Himalayan Miscalculation"

- Our hero says it was a mistake of Himalayan size to ask people to undertake Satyagraha who didn't understand it and who didn't understand non-violence and obeying the laws other than the ones being protested.
- This mistake encourages him to recruit a team of dedicated Satyagrahis, but not many sign up.

Part 5, Chapter 34

"Navajivan" and "Young India"

- Gandhi does not have permission to make the necessary travels he wishes to make, and he feels disobeying would fan the flames of violence.
- So, instead, he explains the meaning of Satyagraha through articles in newspapers under his control.

Part 5, Chapter 35

In the Punjab

- Mr. G. goes to the Punjab and conducts an inquiry into the government's abuses against the people.
- He publishes a report based on the results of the inquiry.

Part 5, Chapter 36

The Khilafat Against Cow Protection?

- Gandhi attends a conference of Hindus and Muslims. The conference is to discuss the establishment of a Khilafat for the Muslims and the ending of cow slaughter by Muslims to benefit the Hindus.
- But Gandhi says the two questions shouldn't be mixed but each evaluated on its own merits.
- Giving a speech to the conference, Gandhi uses the term "non-cooperation" for the first time. It means not cooperating with the government you're protesting by giving up government jobs, for example.

Part 5, Chapter 37

The Amritsar Congress

- Gandhi describes a compromise at the Amritsar Congress.
- Some, including Mr. G, want to accept the government's announcement of reforms.
- Others do not. But the crowd wants the leaders to be unanimous.
- A compromise is reached at the last minute.
