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The Falcon & the Branch...

Once there was a king who received a gift of two magnificent falcons. They were peregrine falcons, the most beautiful birds he had ever seen. He gave the precious gift to his head falconer to be trained.

Months passed, & one day the head falconer informed the king that though one of his falcons was flying majestically, soaring high in the sky, the other bird had not moved from its branch since the day it arrived.

The king summoned healers & sorcerers from all the land to tend to the falcon, but no one could make the bird fly. He presented the task to the member of his court, but the next day, the king saw through the palace window that the bird had still not moved from its perch.

Having tried everything else, the king thought to himself, "Maybe I need someone more familiar with the countryside to understand the nature of the problem!" So he cried out to his court, "Go & get me a farmer."

In the morning, the king was thrilled to see the falcon soaring high above the palace gardens so he said to his court to go & bring him the doer of this miracle.



The court quickly located the farmer who came & stood before the king. The king asked him: "How did you make the falcon fly?"

With his head bowed, the farmer said to the king: "It was very easy your highness. I simply cut the branch where the bird was sitting!"

So...

What's your "comfortable branch" that you've been sitting on & that you know you need to get off?

What would happen if you don't get off?

What will you gain if you do?

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