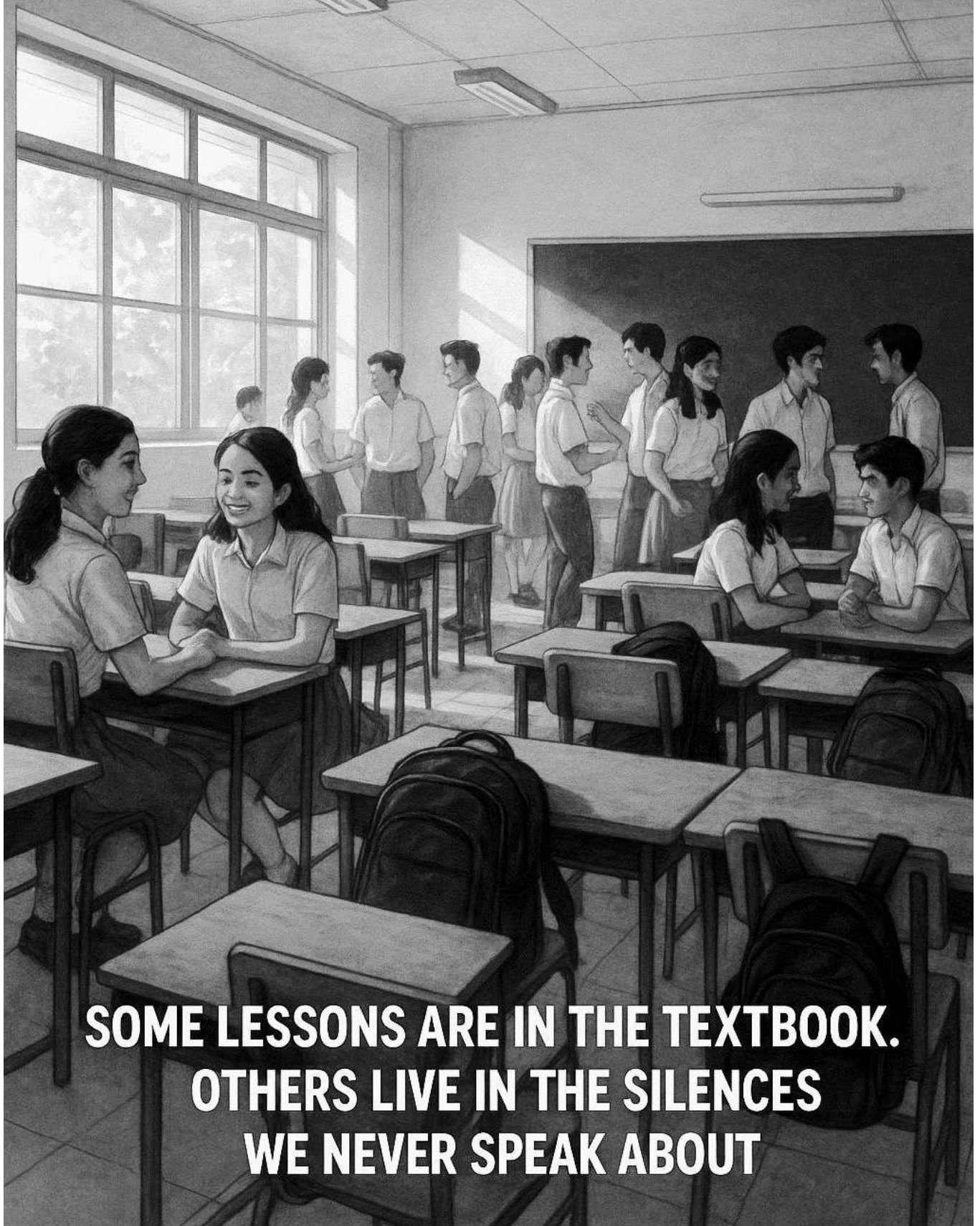
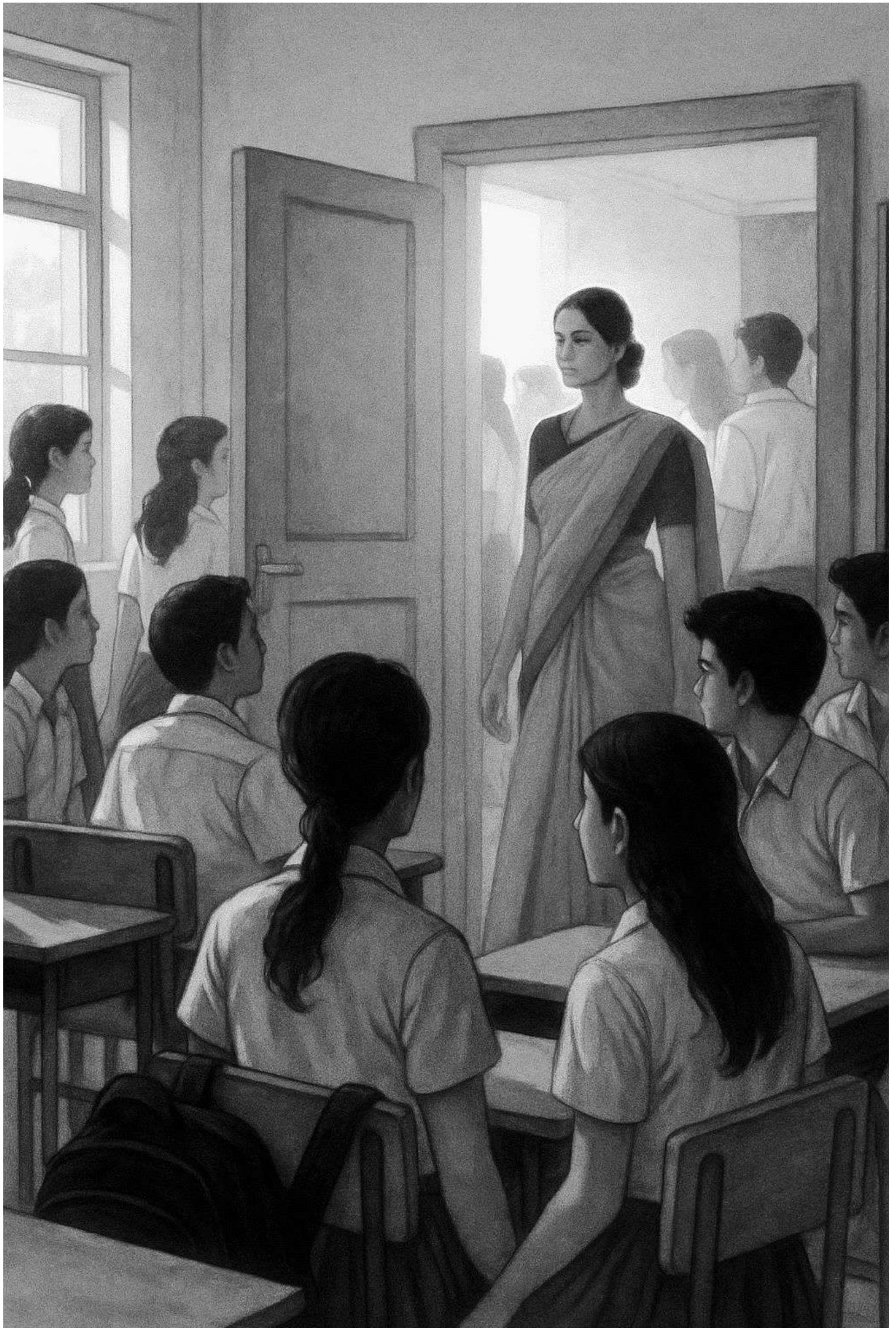


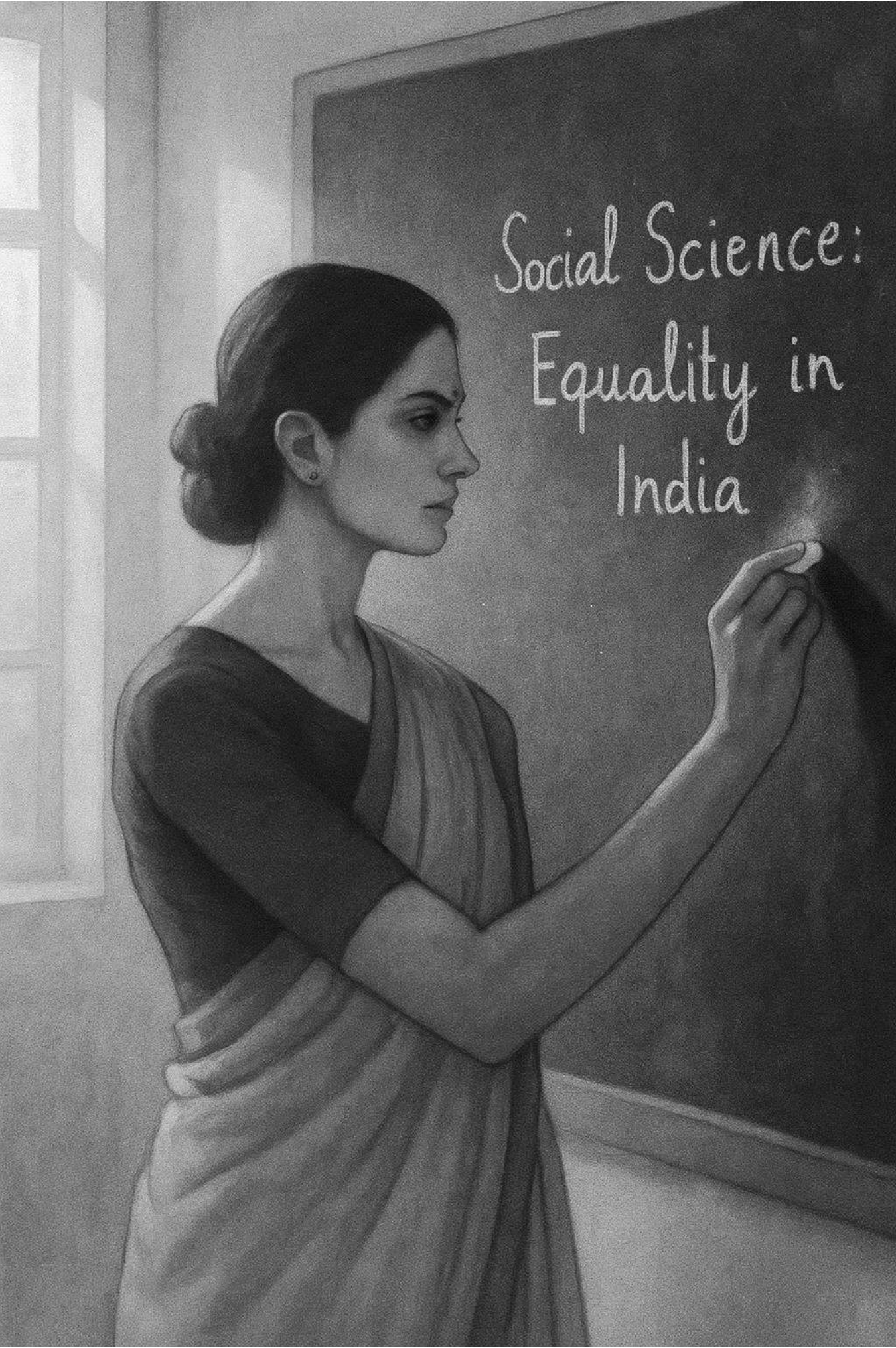
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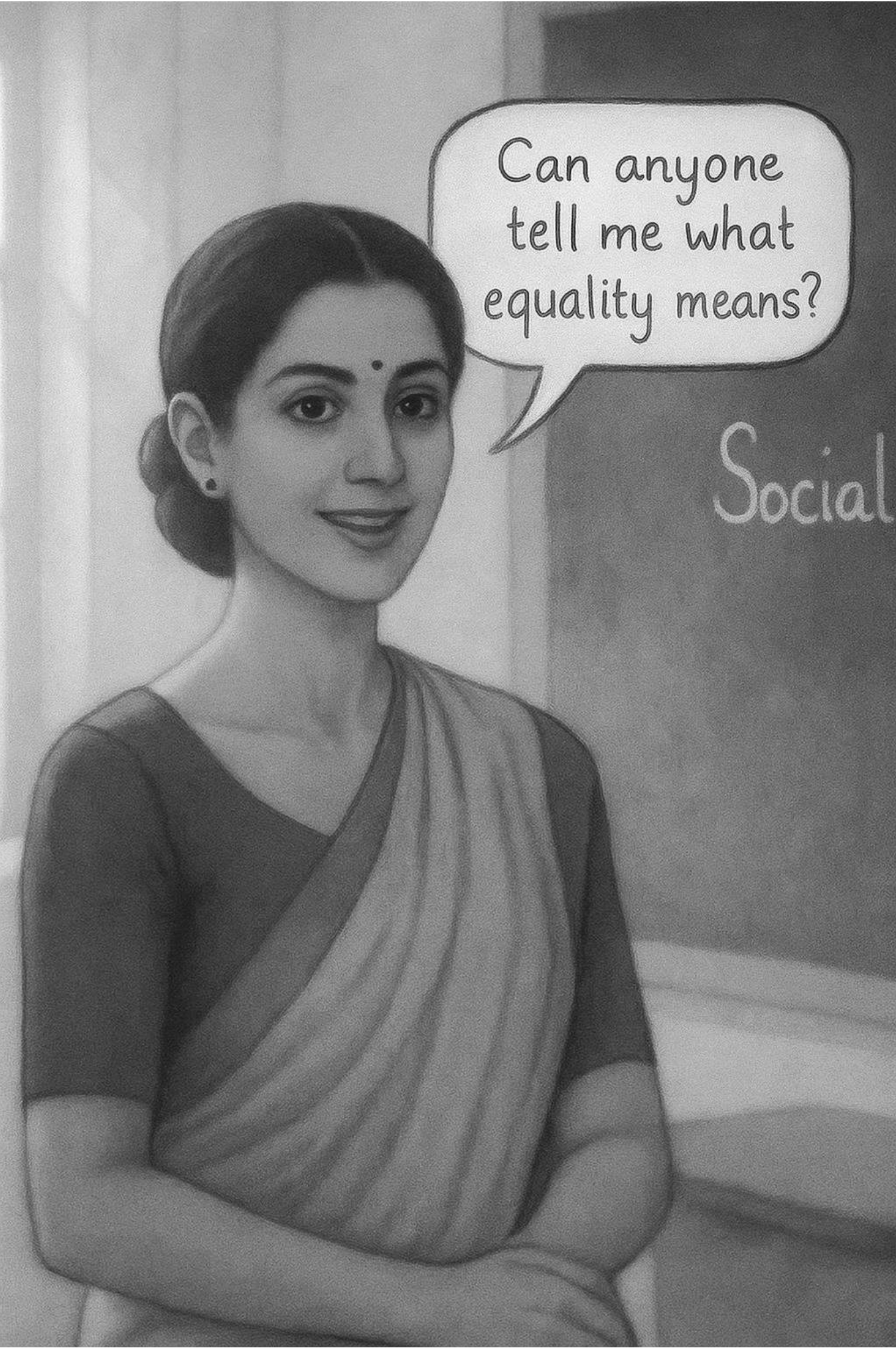


**SOME LESSONS ARE IN THE TEXTBOOK.
OTHERS LIVE IN THE SILENCES
WE NEVER SPEAK ABOUT**



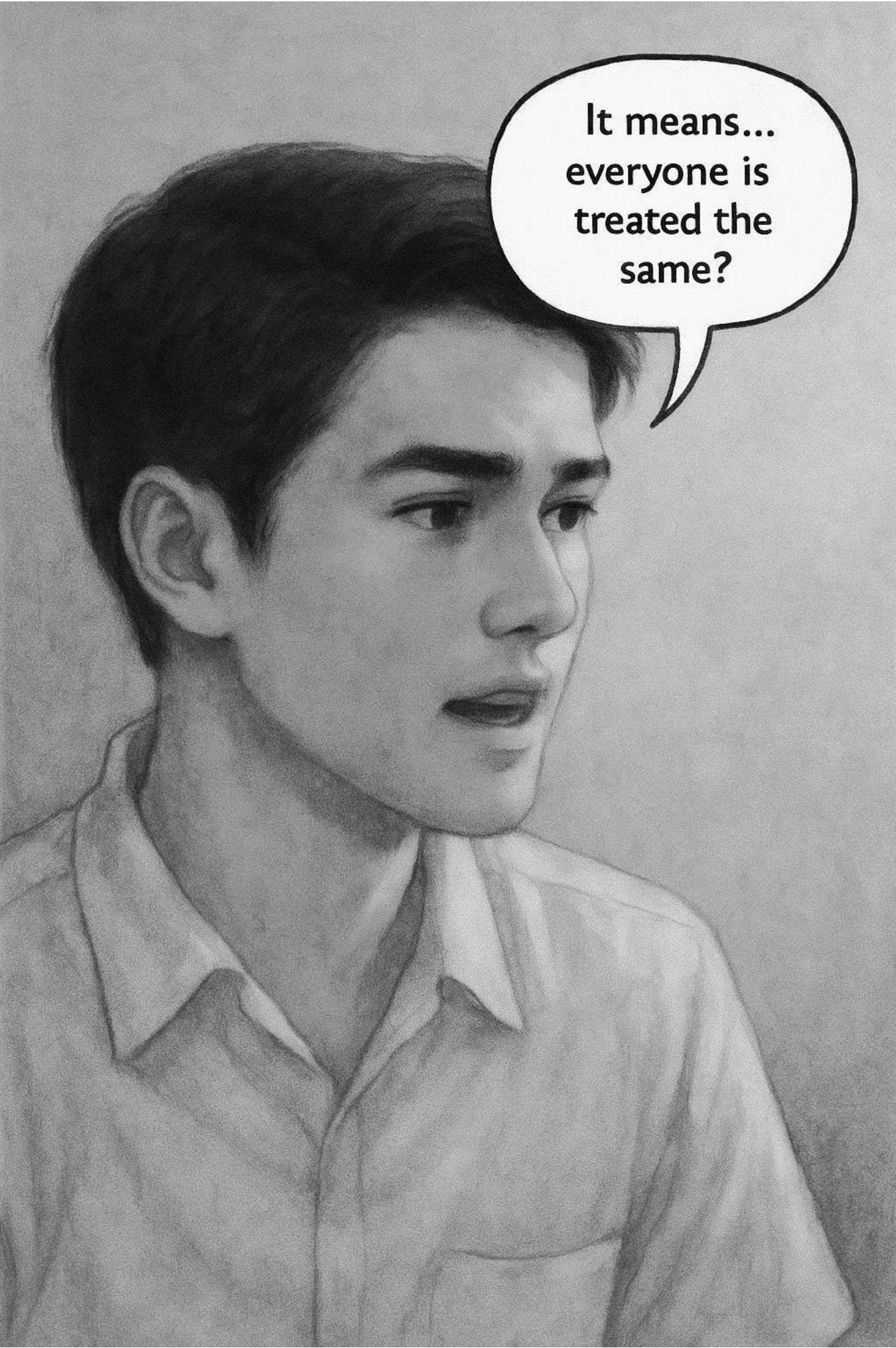
A black and white illustration of a woman in a sari, seen from the side, writing on a chalkboard. She has her hair in a bun and is looking intently at the board. The chalkboard has the text 'Social Science: Equality in India' written on it in a cursive script. The scene is set in a room with a window visible on the left.

Social Science:
Equality in
India

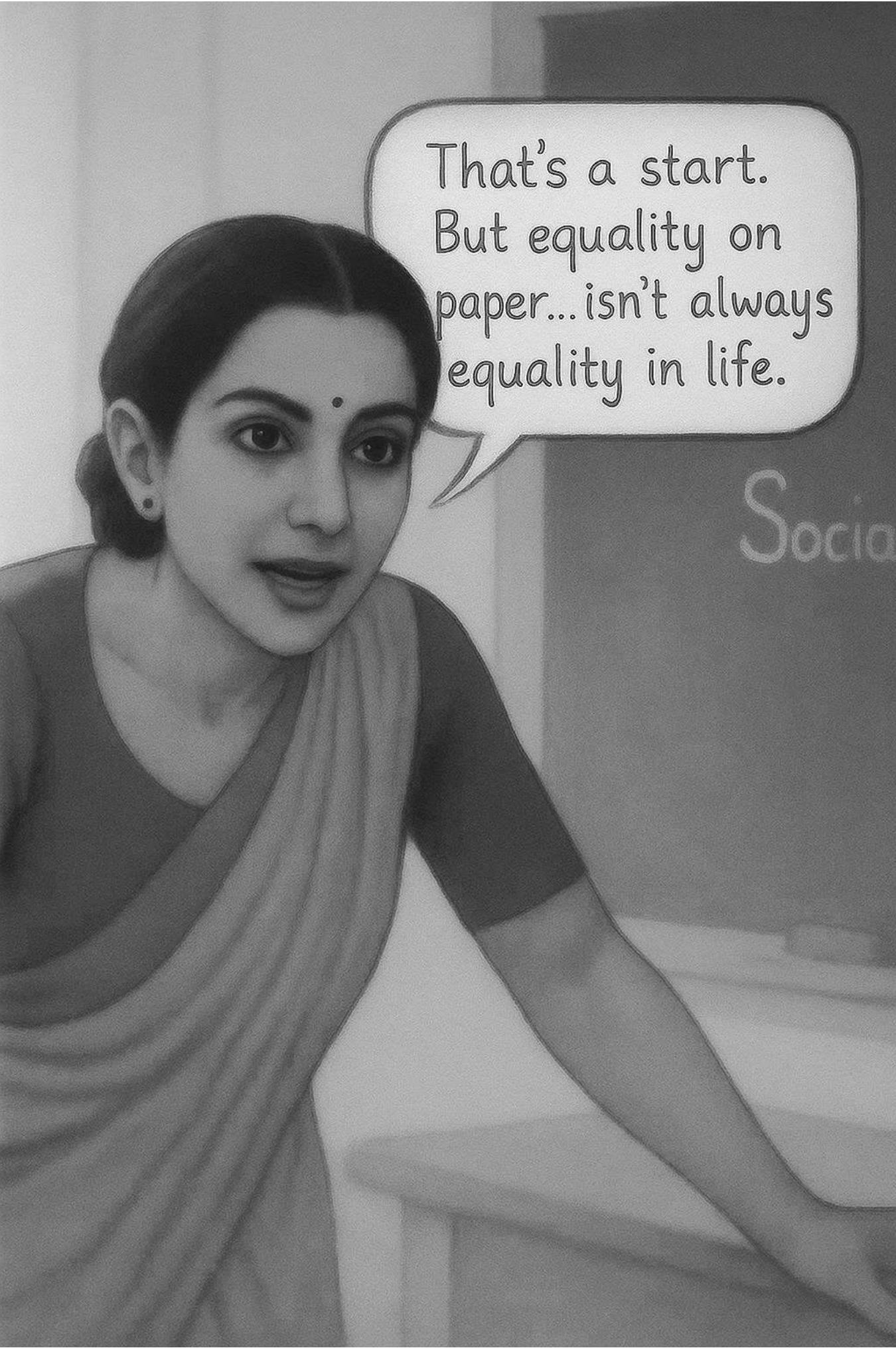
A black and white illustration of a woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a sari. She has a bindi on her forehead and is looking slightly to the right with a gentle smile. A speech bubble originates from her head, containing the text 'Can anyone tell me what equality means?'. The background is a simple, light-colored wall with a dark rectangular shape on the right side.

Can anyone
tell me what
equality means?

Social



It means...
everyone is
treated the
same?

A grayscale illustration of a woman with dark hair pulled back, wearing a sari. She has a bindi on her forehead and is looking slightly to the right with a thoughtful expression. A speech bubble originates from her mouth, containing text. The background is dark and out of focus, with the word 'Social' partially visible on the right.

That's a start.
But equality on
paper...isn't always
equality in life.

Social

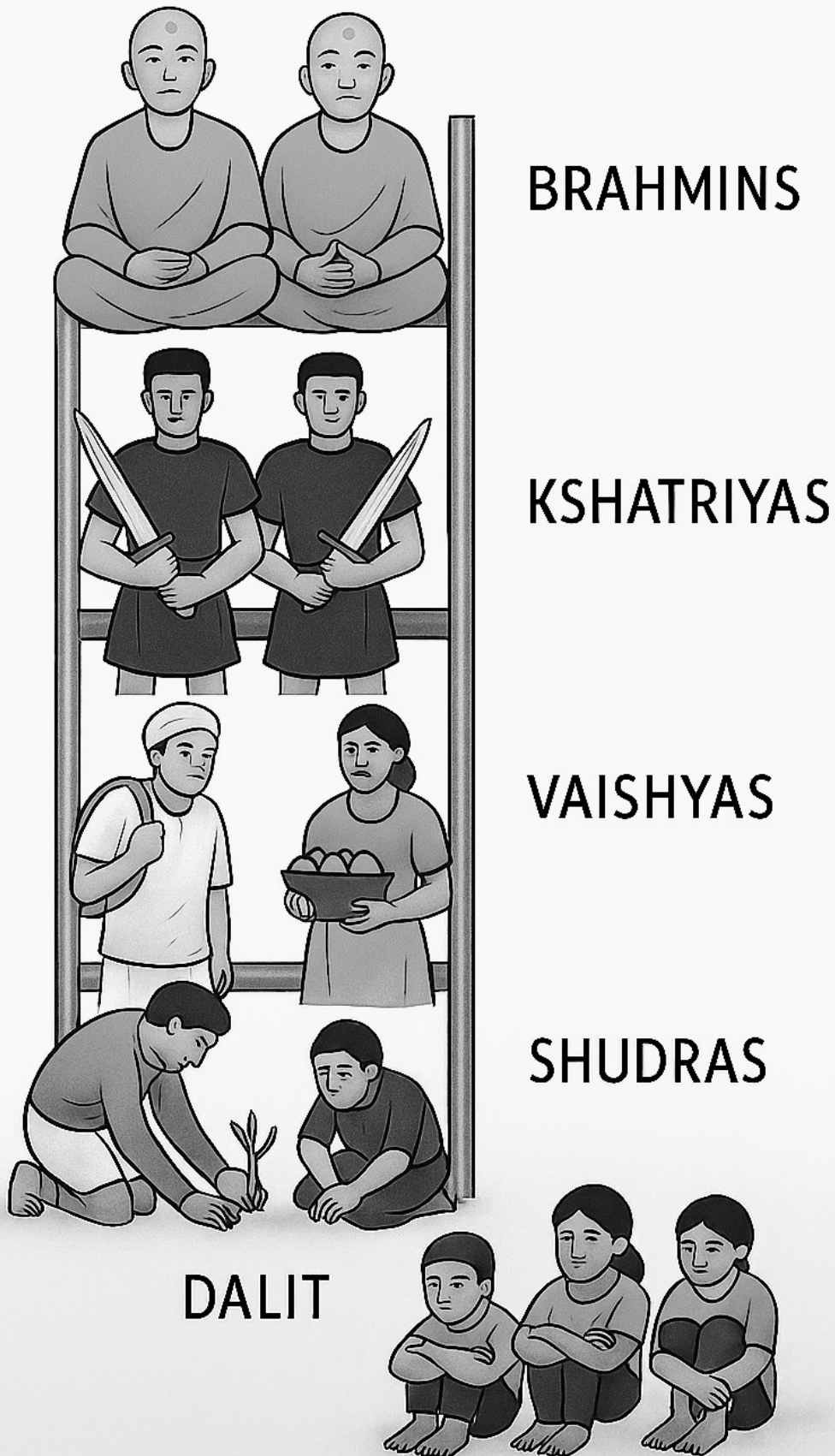
Let us go
on a journey

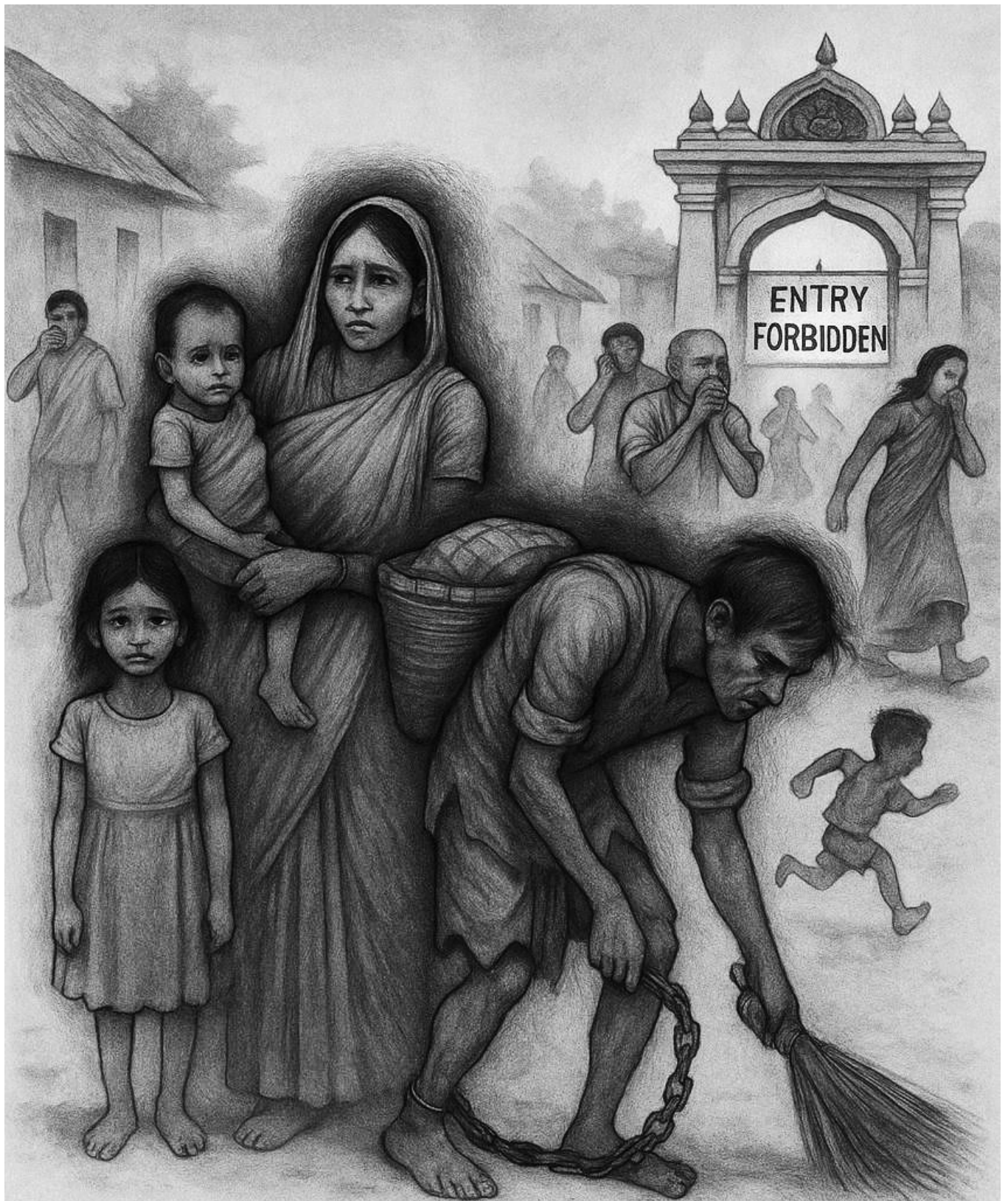


A hand is shown holding a scroll that is unrolled to reveal text. The scroll is light gray with a darker gray border. The text is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The hand is positioned on the right side of the scroll, with the thumb and fingers visible, holding the edge of the scroll. The background is a solid light gray.

Stories You Won't See in Your Textbook

For centuries, Indian society was divided into castes – a rigid hierarchy where birth decided your place.





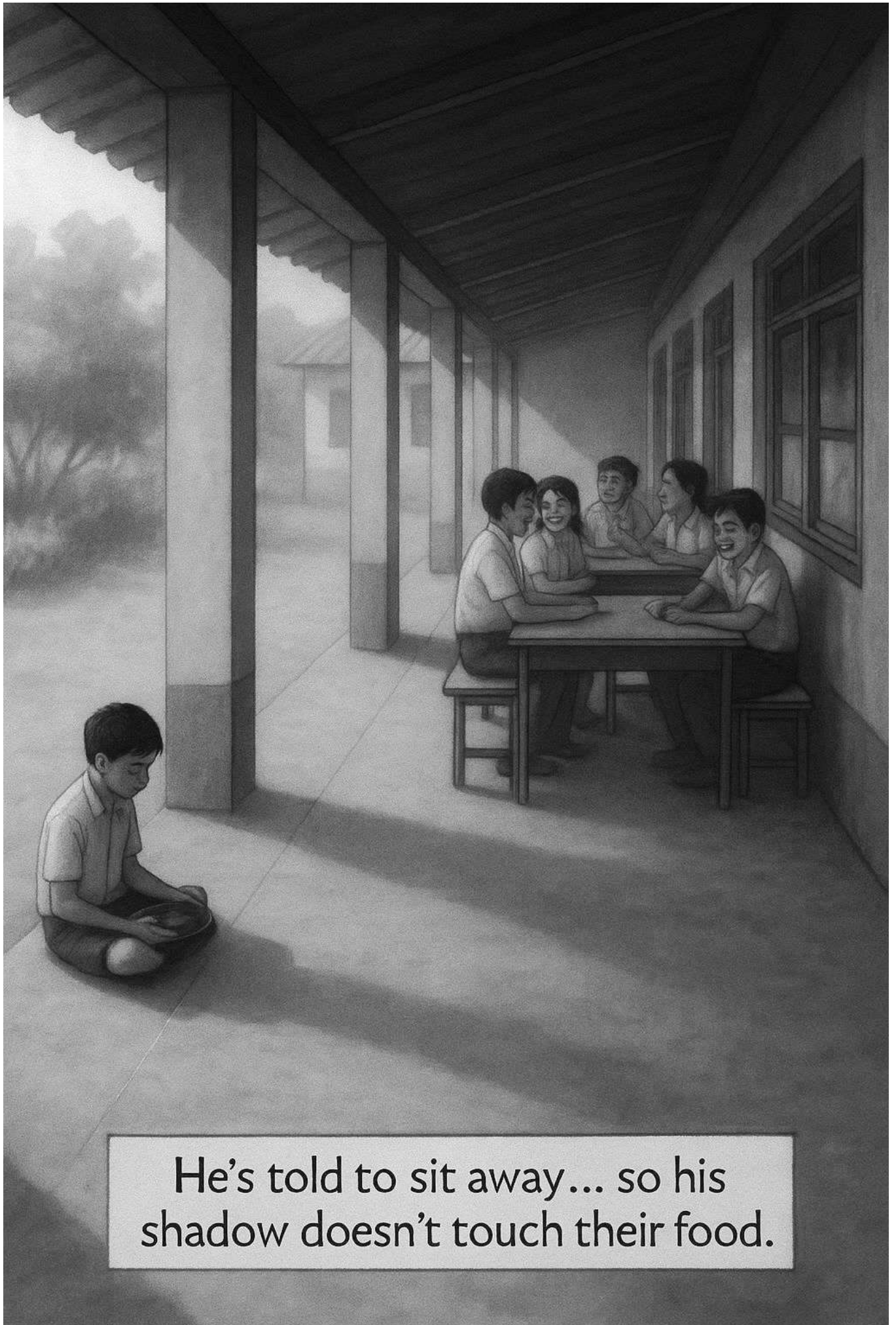
**DENIED THE DIGNITY OF BEING HUMAN.
THEIR TOUCH WAS CALLED POLLUTING.
THEIR WORK WAS FORCED,
GENERATION AFTER GENERATION.**



To be Dalit was to be made
an outsider in your own land.



Equality
cannot exist
when society
itself denied
them even the
basics of
being
human.



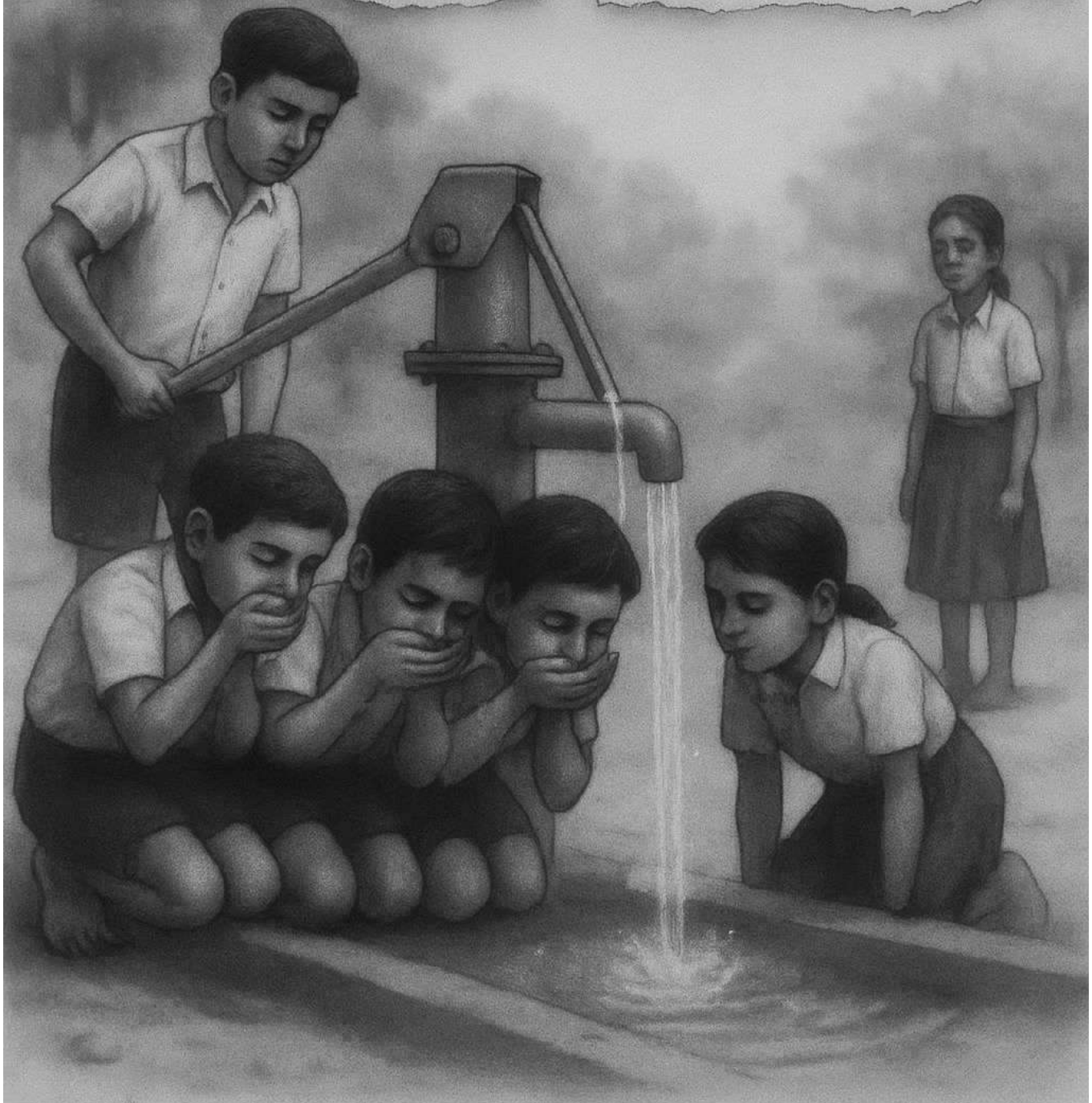
He's told to sit away... so his shadow doesn't touch their food.

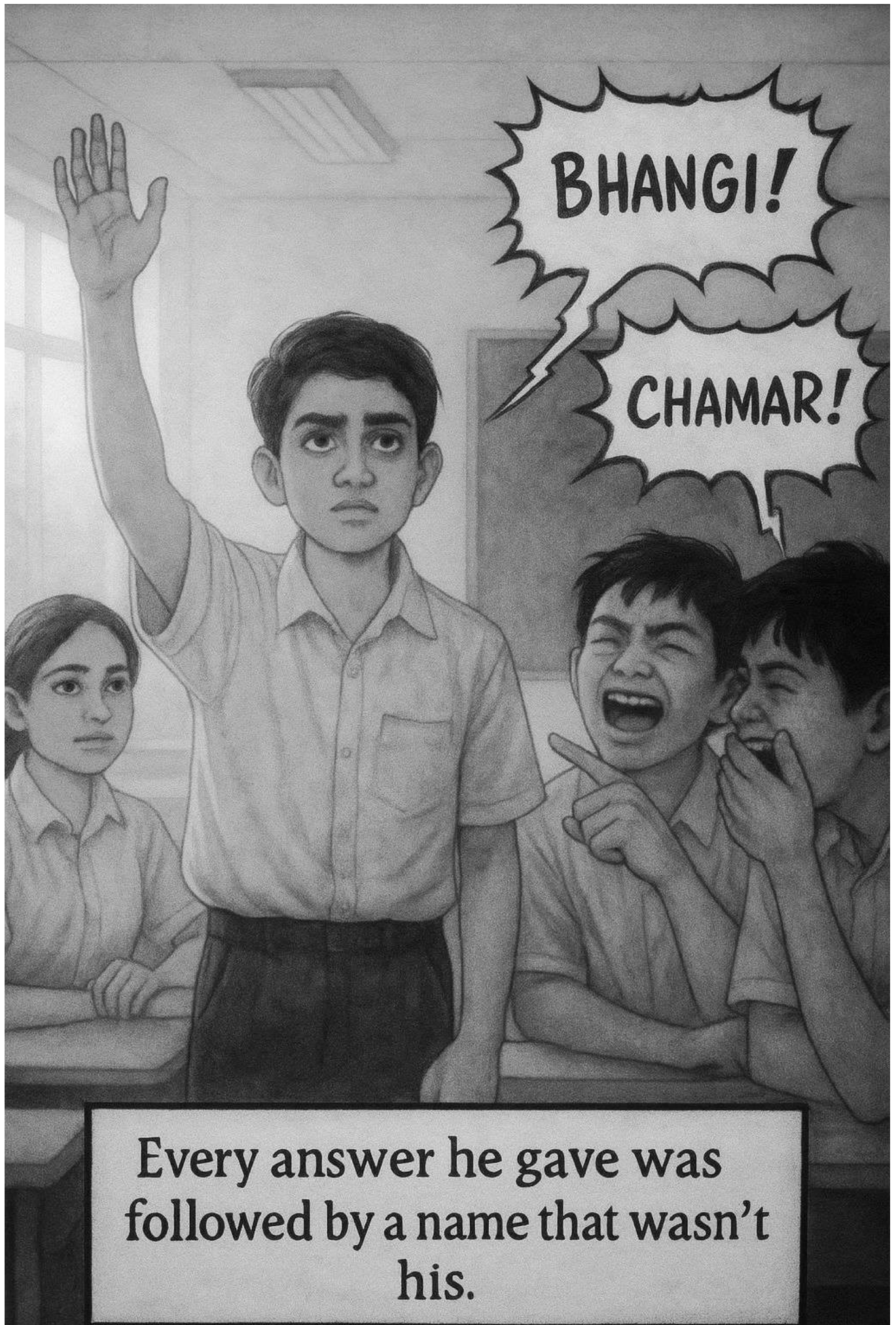
**Dalit Boy in Madhya Pradesh
Drowns in Well After Being
Denied Water from School
Hand-Pump**

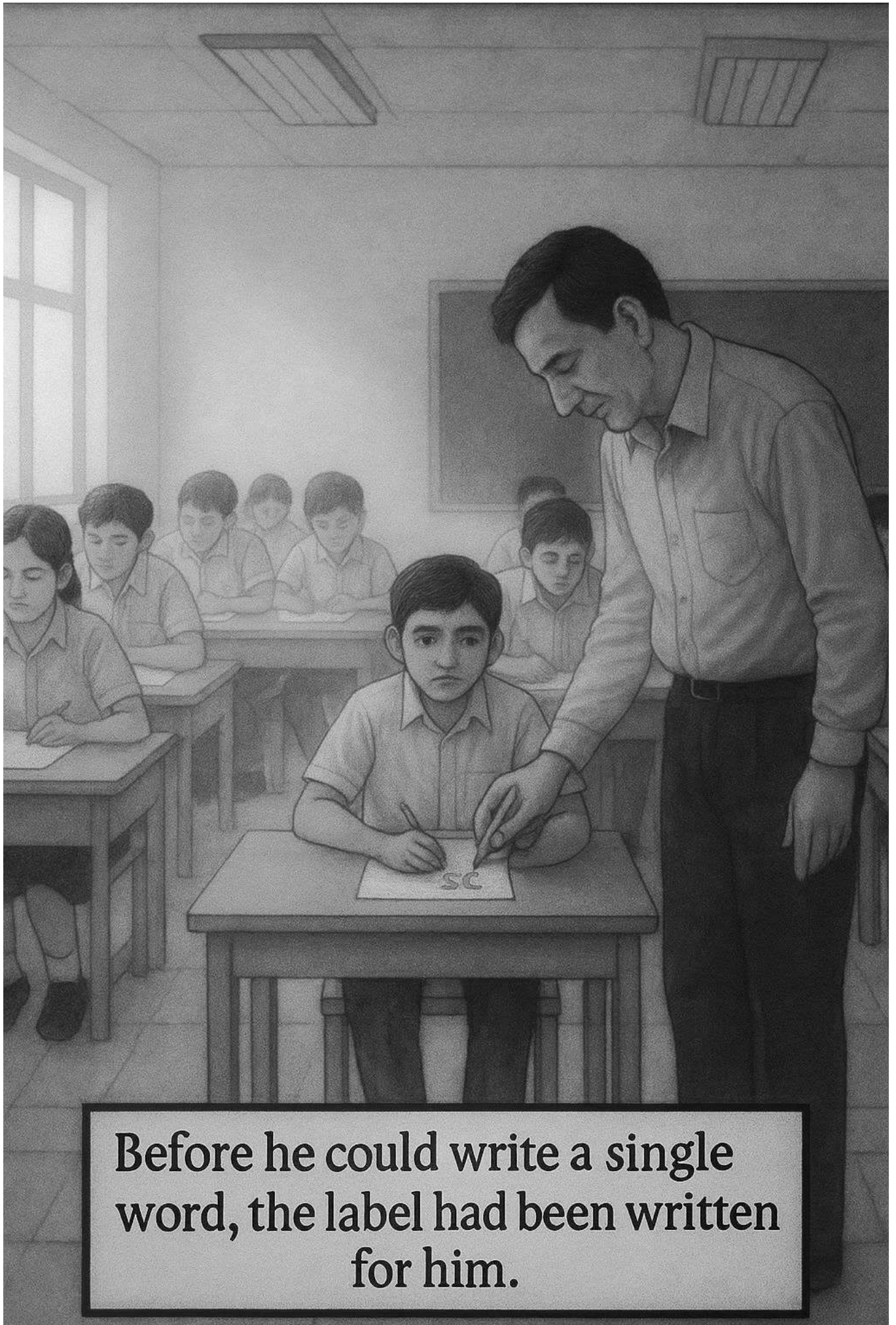
**Dalit Boy in Rajasthan
Beaten to Death for
Drinking from Teacher's
Water Pot**

**Officer Denied Drinking
Water in UP by Village
Head Because She's Dalit**

**Dalit Teacher Issued Notice
for Drinking from Pitcher
Reserved for 'Savarna'
Colleagues in Gujrat**

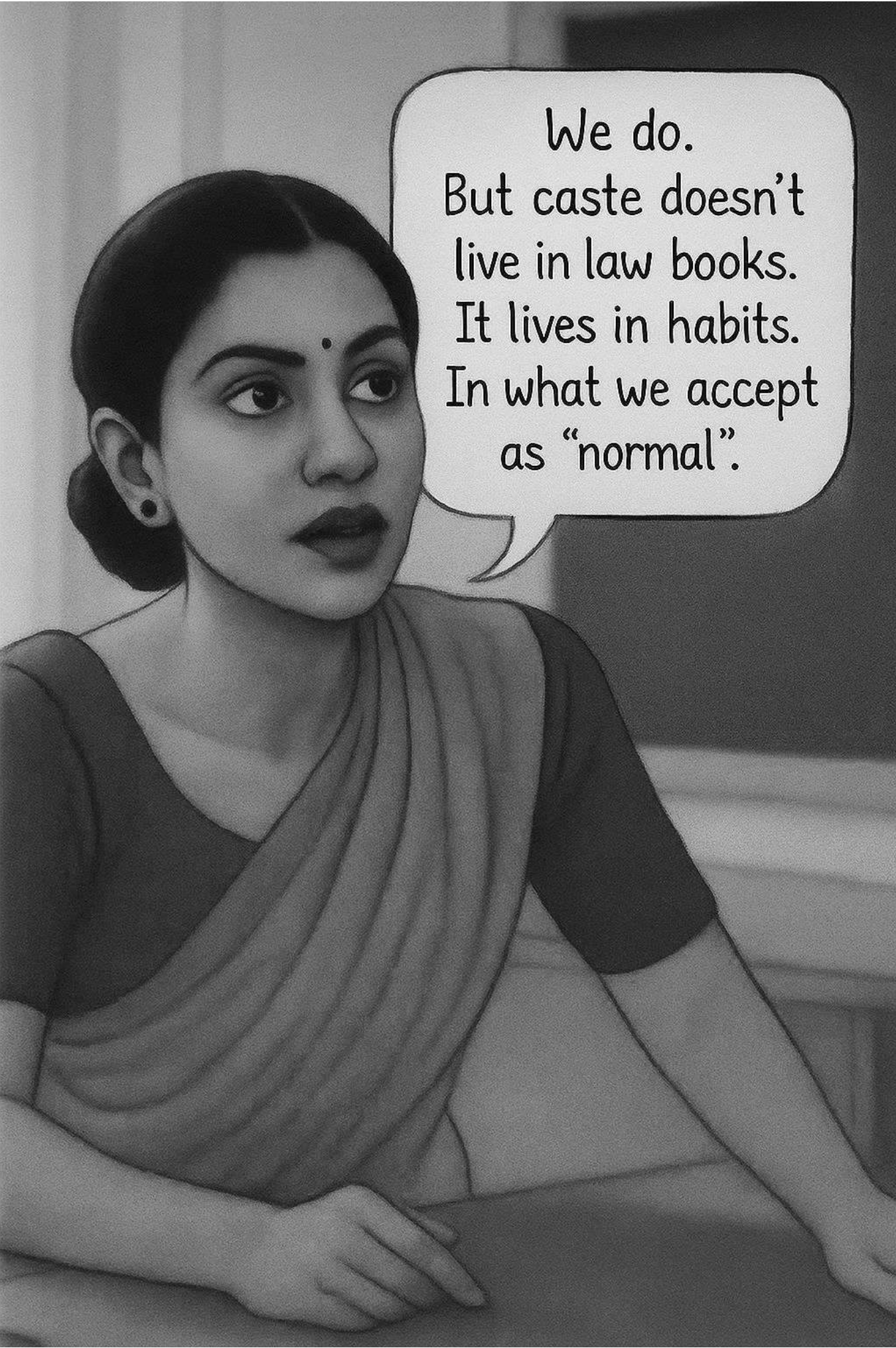




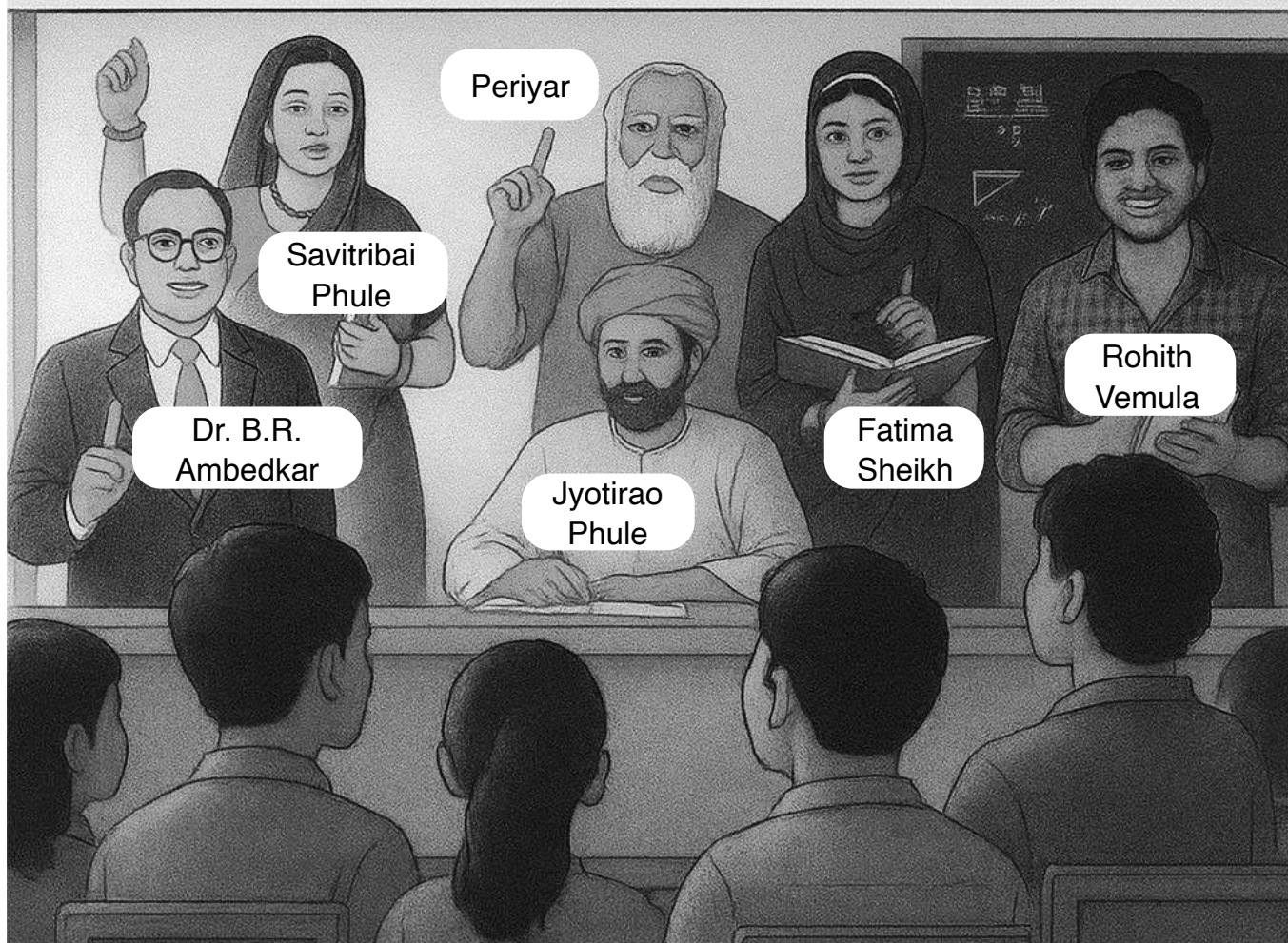


Before he could write a single word, the label had been written for him.





We do.
But caste doesn't
live in law books.
It lives in habits.
In what we accept
as "normal".





Change doesn't begin in laws or speeches.
It begins in the courage to accept the
truth, challenge the unfair and act towards
equality.

The future of us
living together,
we all will have
to build it.

