

The Firebringer

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Yet Going

A = Let us find answers from the story.

1Q- What does the name Prometheus mean?

ans- The name of Prometheus meant forethought and he always thought of ahead of times ahead of him

2Q- Who was Epimetheus?

ans- ~~Epene~~ Epimetheus was the brother of Prometheus who had the power to gift one special power to each of the living.

3Q- Why was Prometheus upset?

ans- Prometheus was upset because of despite of his efforts he couldn't find a way to help humankind by giving them knowledge of fire.

How

5a- ~~How~~¹ did Prometheus give fire to humankind?

ans- After being denied by Zeus to help mankind, Prometheus found a stalk of fennel which he used to steal a spark of fire from Zeus's palace. Prometheus had disobeyed him & then went on to give fire to all of humankind.

6a- Why did Zeus chain Prometheus to the side of Mount Caucasus to suffer until the end of time?

ans- Zeus was furious that Prometheus had disobeyed him and imparted the knowledge of fire to humankind, so he chained Prometheus as a severe punishment of stealing fire.

B. Let us read between the lines.

1a- Why was humankind worse off than beasts, without fire?

ans- Without fire, humankind was worse off than the beasts. They were all living in the caves and in holes of the Earth, shivering from the cold, dying of starvation, hunted both by wild beast & by each other.

2Q- Why did people come out of caves looking at Prometheus suspiciously?

ans- People came out of caves looking at Prometheus suspiciously as they couldn't believe anybody would bother to help them. And ~~they~~ they were seeing fire for the first time.

C. Let us go beyond the story :-

1A- No, I don't think Zeus was right in not giving fire to humankind. He was being selfish by refusing to impart the knowledge of fire to others. As a powerful being, Zeus had the ability to help out those in need and he refused to

do so merely because he was scared that humans would become stronger than him after obtaining fire. I think that fire has definitely made humans more powerful because most beasts are even scared of fire.

Qy

2A-

If I were Zeus, I would've been upset at first because Prometheus stole a spark from my lightning bolt without my knowledge. However, after finding out why he did so I would have understood his actions and appreciated his decision to help humankind.