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**Odyssey Presentation**

With the blessing of Alcinous, Odysseus is all set to reach his home *Ithaca* where his son and wife are waiting for him to return. He travels to the sea from where he leaves with the new crew at midnight. During his journey, he dozes off while ship reaches Ithaca: his hometown. Sailors unload him and all his goods on the seashore besides an olive tree. They turn back to continue their journey. (Homer)Poseidon takes a notice on Odysseus arrival and complains to Zeus that Odysseus has achieved his goal without any sacrifice. Poseidon is a God of sea and Zeus’s brother who creates hurdles in Odysseus’s journey. Zeus is a king of God. He orders Poseidon to do whatever he thinks is suitable. As a result, Poseidon turns the ship of Alcinous towards the stone, away from their planned route. They later realize that the prediction has come true as we have been struck by the Poseidon’s weapon because we didn’t sacrifice twelve bulls. They decided not to take any wanderers from now onwards and make necessary sacrifices (Homer) .

On waking up, Odysseus refuse to recognize his home. He thinks he is being robbed by the sailors and dumped in an unknown land. At the same moment, Athena appears in disguised as a shepherd boy. She is a daughter of Zeus who on several occasions, helps Odysseus reach home. He asks her to tell about location and where he can hide his treasure (Homer). She laughs at his ability of not recognizing his homeland. She gives him clues while he lies saying that in order to get that treasure he had to go through killing the son of a king. He continues that he asked for some men to take him home but they left him here. She then shows him the true form of her and tells him to stop lying. She was the one from the start who helped her reach here with all his money. He asks her to give a proof that they are in Ithaca. He then kisses the sand after realizing he is in his home. Athena then helps him to hide his treasure in a cave. He then cries about his wife and her sufferings. She assures him that she will stay beside him and help him. She turns her into an old man so no one recognizes him easily. She later tells him to wait until she retrieves his Son Telemachus who seems to be oblivious of the fact that his father has returned home (Homer).

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