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Pastor's Column

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“What Would You Do?”

You are driving along in your car on a wild, stormy night. You pass by a bus stop, and you see three people waiting for the bus:

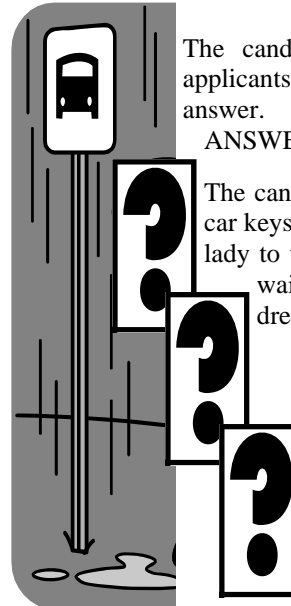
1. An old lady who looks as if she is about to die;
2. An old friend who once saved your life;
3. The perfect man or woman you have been dreaming about.

Which one would you choose to offer a ride to, knowing that there could only be one passenger in your car? **THINK BEFORE YOU CONTINUE READING!**

This is a moral/ethical dilemma that was once actually used as part of a job application.

Consider the options:

1. You could pick up the old lady, because she is going to die, and you should save her first. (*Do the right thing; set aside your personal desires.*)
2. You could take the old friend because this person once saved your life, and now you have the chance to show your gratitude. (*Loyalty above all else; you restore equilibrium to your life, and you fulfill an obligation.*)
3. You may never be able to find your perfect dream lover again. (*Risk everything; choose love, without which life has no meaning.*)



The candidate who was hired (out of 200 applicants) had no trouble coming up with the answer. **HOW DID THE CANDIDATE ANSWER?**

The candidate simply said: “I would give my car keys to my old friend, and let him take the lady to the hospital. I would stay behind and wait for the bus with the person of my dreams.”

**NEVER FORGET
TO THINK
“OUTSIDE THE BOX”!**

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