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Colossians 2:7 (NLT)

7 Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

3 house rules in the house of God:

**PREPARE YOUR HEART
BEFORE SERVICE**

PAY ATTENTION TO
GOD'S WORD

PUT GOD'S WORD
INTO PRACTICE

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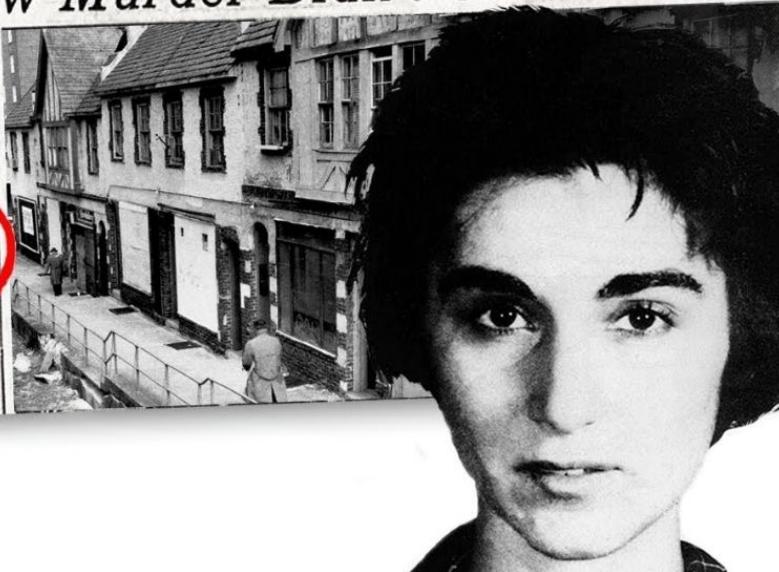
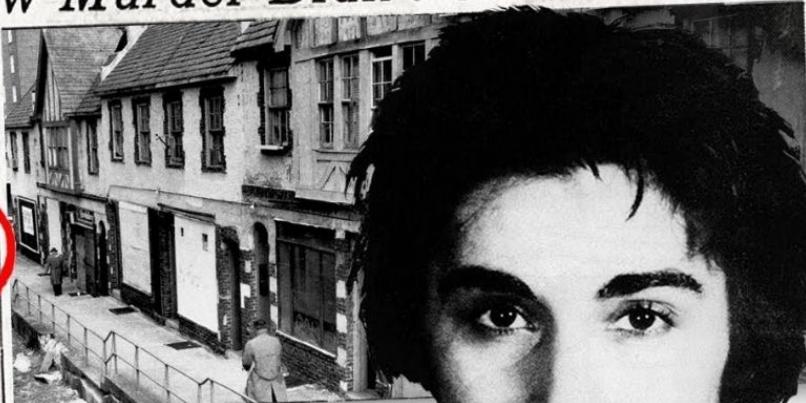
37 Who Saw Murder Didn't Call the Police

*Apathy at Stabbing
of Queens Woman
Shocks Inspector*

By MARTIN GANSBERG

For more than half an hour 38 respectable, law-abiding citizens in Queens watched a killer stalk and stab a woman in three separate attacks in Kew Gardens.

Twice they heard her voices, and the sudden glow of their bedroom lights interrupted him but frightened him off. Each



Source: "History and Archeology" on Facebook

KITTY GENOVESE SYNDROME

“I didn’t want to get involved.”

What if the interruption is
actually God's appointment?

Moses



Source: gregsloop.com

Mary



The Disciples



Source: achristianpilgrim.wordpress.com

DIVINE INTERRUPTION

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“God, are You trying to get my attention?”

Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)

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Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)

²⁸ “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.” ²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰ In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead.

Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)

³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.

Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)

³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)

36 “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?” **37** The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

When we respond to
God's interruptions, ordinary moments
become **divine opportunities.**

What happens when we allow God
to interrupt our lives for others?

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Luke 10:27-28 (NIV)

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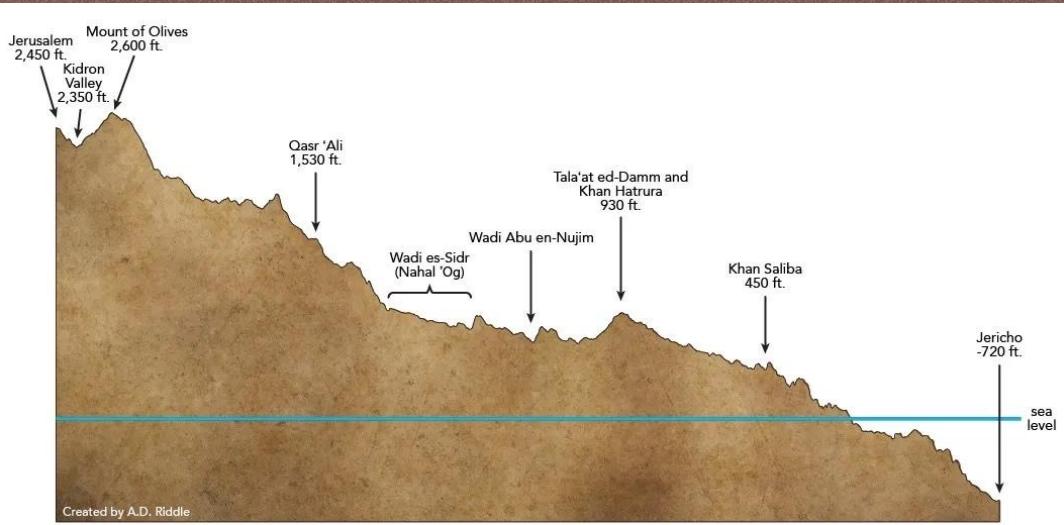
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Source: robclements.substack.com

“The Bloody Way”

Luke 10:31 (NIV)

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Luke 10:32 (NIV)

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Luke 10:33 (NIV)

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Luke 10:34-35 (NIV)

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James 2:14-17 (NIV)

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has **no deeds**? Can such faith save them? ¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food.

James 2:14-17 (NIV)

¹⁶ If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?

¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is **not** accompanied by action, is dead.

Loving our friends and sharing the good news
is not just a programme; it is a **lifestyle**.

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John 14:9 (NIV)

⁹ ...Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father...

Luke 10:33 (NLT)

33 “Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt **compassion** for him.

The **Greek word** Jesus used to describe the **compassion** of the Samaritan, is the same word used to refer to the **compassion of Jesus.**

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How many of us will go
through all that for a stranger?

Through his actions, the
Samaritan revealed God's heart of
love and compassion for us.

1 John 3:17-18 (NIV)

¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, **how can the love of God be in that person?** ¹⁸ Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

Matthew 5:16 (NIV)

¹⁶ ...let your light shine before others, that they may **see your good deeds** and **glorify your Father** in heaven.

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It's "*How can I be a neighbour?*"

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