• MORAL DILEMMAS •

Your spouse is suffering from an incurable disease that causes them terrible pain and agony. One day they decide they can’t take it anymore and want to die. Since they are unable to commit suicide themselves, they ask you for your help. It is not only morally objectionable, but also illegal in your country. What will you do?

You are driving to work one day when suddenly you get involved in a two-car crash. A pedestrian is killed. While you are getting out of your car, the other driver comes up to you in tears, convinced they had killed the innocent passer-by. You know for a fact it was you who did it. There are no witnesses to the accident. You know that the culprit will be sent to prison for their crime. Will you let the other driver take the blame?

You are an ER doctor on call. Suddenly, two people hit by a car are brought to the hospital. The witness testifies they were hit by a car when they were crossing the street kissing, not paying attention to the traffic. You recognize that one of the victims is your spouse, and the other a lover they apparently had. Your spouse’s injuries are very serious and it is unlikely they will survive. The lover has a chance to pull through as long as they are worked on immediately. Who do you try to save first?

After the ship you are traveling with had an accident, you find yourself in a 10-person lifeboat together with 30 other people (men and women of different ages, and some children). The lifeboat is too heavy to paddle and it is filling with water. Unless you throw some people overboard, the boat will sink killing everybody in it. What is the most morally acceptable choice?