

# GOD AND FIRST AID

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The story goes:

“It was a stifling hot day and a man fainted in the middle of a busy intersection. Traffic quickly piled up in all directions, so a woman rushed to help him.

“When she knelt down to loosen his collar, a man emerged from the crowd, pushed her aside, and said, ‘It’s all right honey, I’ve had a course in first aid.’

“The woman stood up and watched as he took the ill man’s pulse and prepared to administer artificial respiration.

At this point, she tapped him on the shoulder and said, ‘When you get to the part about calling a doctor, I’m already here.’”

And so it is in our religious pursuits.

So often, someone seeks to follow the “3 Steps to Salvation,” “2 Steps to First Aid Prayer,” or “10 Steps to Being a Better Servant of God.”

All that is really required is calling upon our God — who is always right there, already working on the problem, and stopping to listen.

Perhaps what we need are fewer steps to self-improvement and far more stopping to listen to God.

But if you are still looking for a great list, try the “10 Commandments.” You’ll find them in a Bible near you.

If you can’t find God,  
it’s not because he’s hiding.

