

# 365 Stories<sup>13</sup>. At the emergency room



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This story takes place in a country hospital where the surgeon is not on there permanently. A Doctor enters the hospital with haste, after being called for an urgent operation. He responded to the call, rapidly changed his clothing and went directly to the operating room.



There, he finds the father of the boy who was making “paces” in the hall. In seeing the Doctors arrival, the father cried out : “Why did you take so long to come ? Don’t you know that the life of my son is in danger ? Don’t you have any sense of your responsibilities ?” The Doctor smiled and said : “I am sorry, I was not in the hospital and I came the most rapidly as possible after receiving the call... And now, I hope you will calm yourself so I can do my work !”

“Calm myself ? and if this was your son would you be calm ? If your own son died now what would you do ?” the father said angrily. The Doctor smiled again and said : “I say... From the dust we did come and to dust we will return, Blessed be the name of the Lord.



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Doctors cannot prolong life. Go and pray for your son, we will do our best by the grace of God.”  
“It is easy to give council when we are not concerned”  
murmured the father.



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“Thank the Lord ! Your son is out of danger. If you have other questions, ask the nurse.



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Once the Doctor was gone, the father said to the nurse :  
“Why is he so arrogant ? Couldn't he have waited a few minutes to talk to me about the state of my son ?”

The nurse responded, with tears in her eyes :

“His son died yesterday in a car accident, he was at the funeral when we called him to operate on your son. And now that saved his life, he went back to the funeral of his own son.

Never judge a person because you never know what they may be going through at that moment