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The strength to carefully consider all circumstances
and possible consequences.



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OPENING PRAYER

Grant me, O Lord my God,
a mind to know you,
a heart to seek you,
wisdom to find you,
conduct pleasing to you,
faithful perseverance in waiting for you,
and a hope of finally embracing you.

Amen.

- *St. Thomas Aquinas*

EXAMPLES OF BEING CIRCUMSPECT

Look both ways before you cross the street.

A common phrase you might hear when building something is, “Measure twice, cut once.”

Double-check your work before you hand it in or click send.

Make sure you pick up all your stuff and throw away your trash so you leave a place better than you found it.

Saying, “Excuse me” after a sneeze, walking in front of someone or any other type of disruption.



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RESOLUTION

Make good use of your time. Pick one way you can use your time better this week and act on it.

The brevity of life reminds us to be circumspect.
We all have the same 24 hours in a day.

We can carefully use that time to do good. Seize opportunities. Serve God. And minister to the needs of others.

Or we can waste it with poor planning.
Inefficiency. Constantly checking our iPhones.
Surfing the internet. Watching TV. Posting foolishness on social media. Or just plain laziness.

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LIKE IS LIKE A CUP OF COFFEE VIDEO

A group of alumni got together to visit their old teacher. He gives them some very insightful advice.

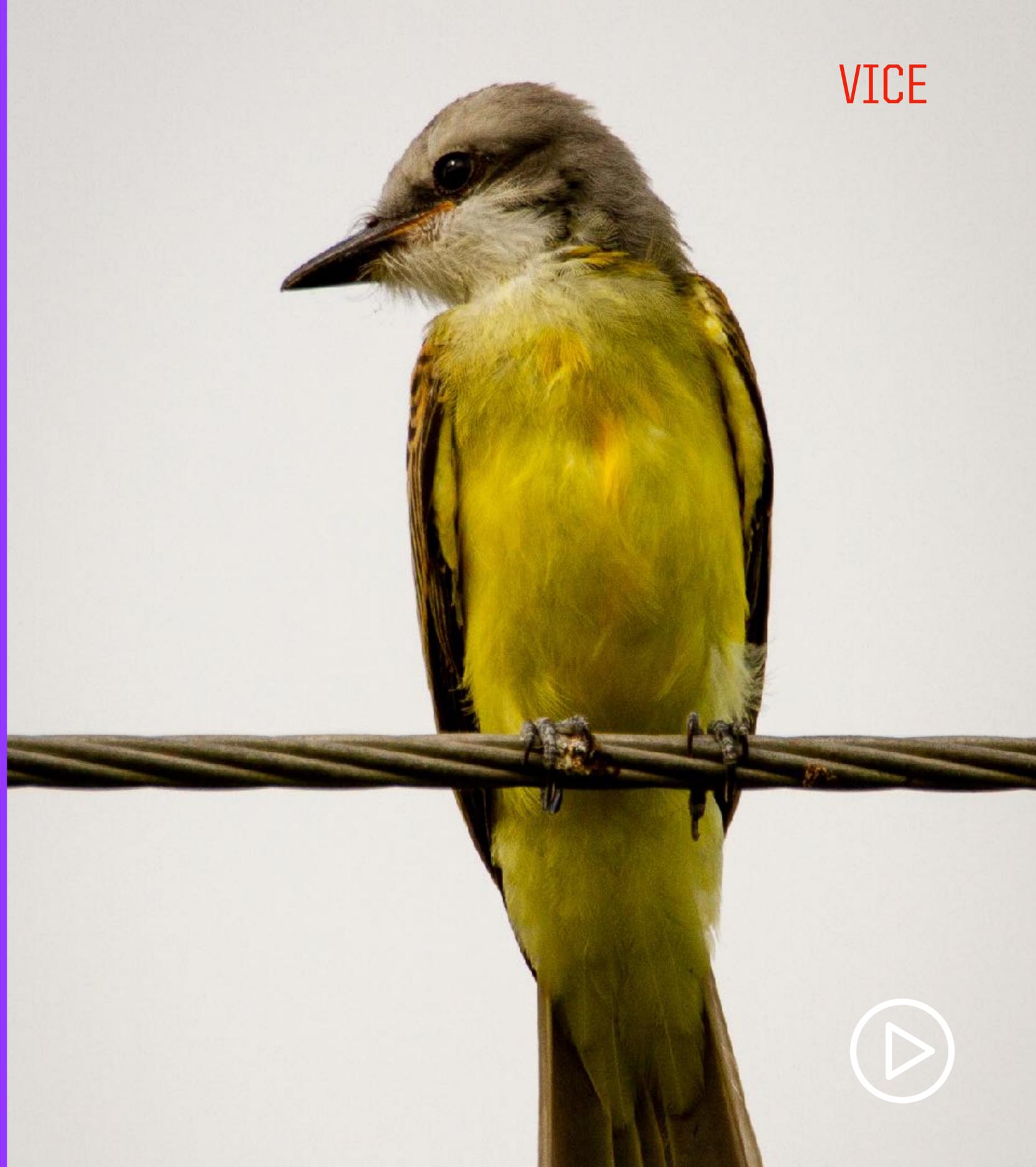


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VICE VIDEO: THINK BEFORE YOU ACT

VICE

Pixar's short film about some birds who do not think about the consequences of their actions.



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CROSSING A PUDDLE VIDEO

A few different people encounter a large puddle along their way.

One of them thinks of others who might find it as well.



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STORY

LIVING ROOM BASEBALL

A brother and a sister decided to play baseball in their living room.

There was the TV, Mom's favorite vase which was a family heirloom and a gift from her grandmother, a giant mirror ...

Dad had told them never to play ball in the house.

But, Mom and Dad weren't home, it was raining outside and they were bored.

On the first pitch, Brother hit one right in the sweet spot ... ooh the TV. "Oh well, Dad wanted a bigger one anyway."

Next pitch, right through the front window.

Now it was Sister's turn. Her foul ball sent Mom's vase through the mirror behind it. "At least that was only the first strike."

Eventually Mom and Dad came home and encountered the living room a disaster filled with glass, shards and holes in the walls.

Mom and Dad looked at Brother and Sister in disbelief and said ...

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

What is the definition of circumspection?

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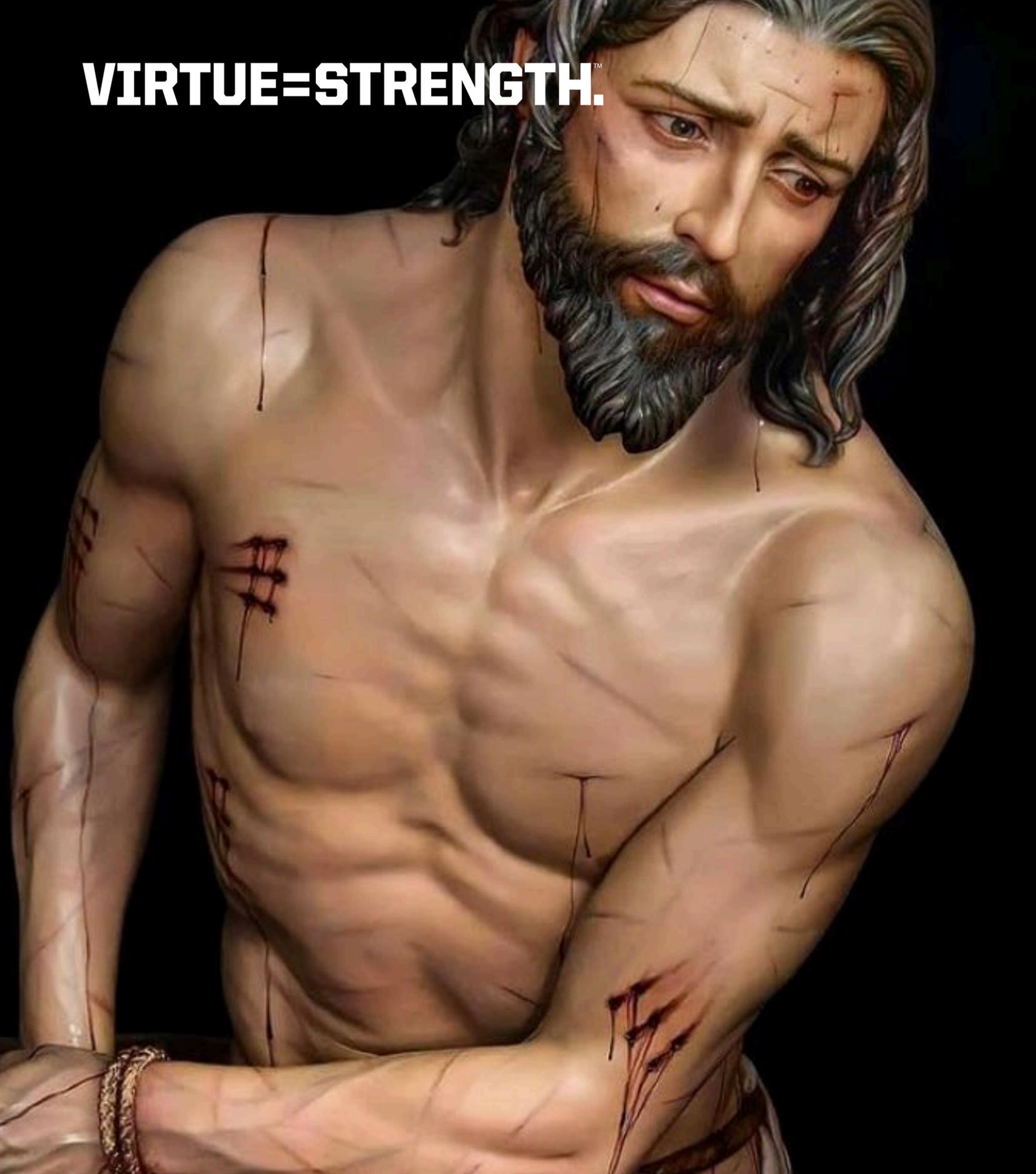
What were the different mistakes made during this story?

What would you say to the two children?

What are some other examples of bad decisions that happen due to carelessness?



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“The name of Jesus is in fact the great foundation of the faith that turns people into children of God.”

The Catholic Faith indeed consists in the news of Jesus Christ as light of the soul, gate of life and foundation of eternal salvation.”

- St. Bernardine of Siena



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