

Typical Salesman?

I had been working all morning in houses, and very few people seemed to be home. At the beginning of one street, I felt impressed to stop and pray for a while. This wasn't unusual, but what was strange is that I prayed for longer than usual—about 5 minutes. Going down the street, I met a babysitter, but she told me to come back when the owners were home, so I moved on. After a couple more houses, a car pulled up to the house I had just done, and a lady began unloading things out of her car. As I walked back towards her, she called out, "I'm not interested and I'm too busy unloading my car!"

"That's ok," I answered, "Would you like some help? I can help you." She was somewhat surprised! "Sure!" she responded, "you can take that large bag." I put down my colporteur bag and carried the bag to her house. To my surprise, she went straight to the house where the babysitter was—she was the owner! She told me to go get my backpack, and come back for a glass of water. During that time, she was talking to the babysitter, paying her, and finally came back to me after she left. "I want to see what books you have." she informed me. I was surprised—what a change from her previous attitude!

She ended up looking at all my books, and the Great Controversy seemed to spark her interest. She started going through it and asking questions like, "Who is John Wycliffe? Who are the Waldenses?" When I explained that they were part of the Reformation, she said, "I must not know my history very well." Then she informed me that she was Roman Catholic. Talk about shock! I told her that it was written with a Protestant perspective, but that it was excellent and changed my life. Finally, after looking at the other books, she ended up buying Great Controversy, God's Answers, and Story Book!

Praise God for a miracle. And just think, if I hadn't prayed that extra time at the beginning of the street, or if I didn't have the courage to ask if she needed help unloading her car—that wouldn't have happened! Best of all, later that afternoon another Catholic lady bought a Great Controversy, because I told her a Catholic family bought it that morning!