

NICKELS IN GOD'S POCKET

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The Lord can use anything and anyone to change lives. The question is: How willing are we to be available?

As she left a conference in Atlanta, a woman prayed, "Lord, I'll do anything for You. Just tell me what You want me to do, and I'll do it." In that moment she sensed something: *I'm supposed to turn left.* It almost felt like a whim, but desperately wanting to obey God's voice, the woman turned left. After driving for a little while, she felt as though she was supposed to turn right, so she did. Filled with anticipation, she wondered, *Is God actually directing me to go do something right now? This is so exciting!*

Before she knew it, the woman ended up in front of a little convenience store, which she sensed was the place the Lord was bringing her. Once inside, she couldn't wait to see how the Lord would direct her—but the only thing that kept coming to her mind was, *Go over in front of the clerk and stand on your head.*

Pretty weird, right? How many of us would reach that point and say, "OK, no, that's not God," and get back in our car and drive home? The direction this woman was sensing seemed odd enough that she could've easily discounted it, though it wasn't something immoral or unbiblical.

She prayed, "Lord, are You sure?"

Then she felt nothing. No confirmation.

She hung around, building up her courage and reading chip packages until everybody cleared out of the store. Then she ran up to the register and said, "Hey! Look what I can do!" There happened to be a pole right in front of the clerk, so she did a handstand against it. From her upside-down position, she saw him drop his head and shake it. She swung her legs down and thought, *Man, he thinks I'm crazy—a real freak!* But she walked up to the register and saw that the clerk was actually crying, so she asked, "What's the matter?"

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