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途中，看到一个可怜的旅客躺在路旁。（found a poor traveler lying on the road）这旅客被鞭打、抢劫。（had been beaten and robbed）这位仁慈的撒玛利亚人没有视而不见，（instead of just passing by）而是停下来帮助这位处于困境中的人。

（stopped to help this person in need）因为传说，Good Samaritan就成了专有名词，用来指“乐善好施的人”。另外一个为美国人所尊崇的美德为坚忍。（perseverance）记得再龟兔赛跑这则伊索寓言（Aesops fable）吗？兔子以为可以赢的很轻松，便睡了个午觉，（took a nap）但是乌龟再最后终因不放弃而赢了这场比赛。另一个故事谈到一个必须爬过陡峭山头（a steep hill）的小火车，山头是这么陡，以至于小火车很难爬上去，（to get over it）但是它仍不断地爬，（the train just kept pulling）并不停地（all the while）说：“我想我能做到，（I think I can）我能做到。”最后，火车终于爬过了山头，“我就知道我可以。（I thought I could）”这个快乐的小火车继续往前去。道德是美国文化和任何其它国家的文化之基础。（Virtue is the foundation of American culture-and any culture）100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 [www.100test.com](http://www.100test.com)