

# Drizzle (The Categorical Imperative)

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The value of a short-term result  
Pales in comparison to that of goodwill

Emmanuel Kant said that we should be good to each other  
As we would be good to ourselves  
Treat people as ends and not means  
If the murderer asks after family you tell  
The truth to him

The structure is kind  
The intention so sweet  
So in his eyes I'd say that he won  
But for me  
You see  
It's never quite done

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And everything always feels wrong  
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Because any desirable trait can be turned undesirable  
Or in future "evil"  
No trait can be seen as the source of goodness  
Instead, goodwill itself is the essence of goodness  
And remains the essence of goodness regardless of its outcome  
This is why one should act according to the categorical imperative

Well it's rained for three days straight  
And I wouldn't be off to suggest  
It'll rain for three more  
We open the window  
To get some fresh air  
But it make the whole room just a little colder  
And what's on your mind?  
Are you low?  
Are you high?  
Are you having a pretty good run?

What's on your mind  
Would you like to try mine?  
For me it's never quite done

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God does not owe the special treatment that Deontology reserves for people  
And if God's law is unjust  
Then Deontology would demand acting against it  
Regardless of the consequences  
Neither Kant nor Toronto hold that Job's God as the authority on goodness

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It is up to people to define what is ought to be done  
And to do what they can to carry these good actions out  
Even if the God they live under disagrees  
And even if it means that the system must be changed