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Do not park on a double yellow line and block the traffic

And do not follow the law because of the risk of prosecution

Choose to do it

Do it for the love of the motorist late for work

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Stay off work if you have the flu

And do not follow the rules of common sense for fear of retribution

Choose to do it

Do it for the love of all the others at work who do not want your infection

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Pay your tax bill

And do not follow the rules because the tax man is all powerful

Choose to do it

Do it for those in casualty, or looking for justice in the courts

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Forgive your little brother

And do not follow the rules because he will hit you back

Choose to do it

Do it for the sake of peace in the family, and Mums sore head

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Come to mass

And do not turn up for fear of hell fire

Choose to do it

Do it for the love of God and your personal spiritual health

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If you choose to do it

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Then you accept the need for the double yellow lines or take a share of responsibility for removing them

If you do not go into work with flu then you have taken up your responsibility to act with caution

If you agree to pay your taxes then you have a responsibility to ask how that money is spent

If you forgive your brother then you are obliged to not to forget but deal with the issue

If you come to mass then you are asked to participate

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Then you must consider

Then you must think

The lazy way is just to follow the rules

The lazy way is just to blame the rules

The challenge is to participate in life

To consider

To think

And to do it for love.