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The Ambulance Down in the Valley

In a town, there was a dangerous cliff with no fence to protect the passersby. Many people came to the cliff because it provided a beautiful view of the valley. But too often they slipped and fell to the valley below. The towns people talked with one another about what should be done.

Some people said a fence around the cliff should be made at the top to prevent people from falling. Others felt, that instead of a fence, there should be an ambulance down in the valley to help people after they fell and were injured. The people liked the idea of helping those who had fallen. Thus, it was decided. The townspeople saved their money and soon purchased an ambulance down in the valley.

Yet, people still tumbled from the cliff. While the ambulance was now there to help them, they were still very injured, battered and bruised.

One day the town's wise man was sorrowing for all who had been injured and knew he must speak up. "It's amazing that you would try to fix the consequences, rather than stop what's causing the problem. It would be much better to prevent people from being harmed and injured in the first place. Let us put up the fence on the cliff. Then, we might even get rid of the ambulance down in the valley."

The people rallied, worked, and put up a fence. And just as the wise man predicted, far fewer people were falling and in need of the ambulance down in the valley.

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