

# Re: Genocide

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Pat Flannery <flanner@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

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:columbiaaccidentinvestigation wrote:  
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:> Hey pat, how would you apply jim's anecdote of stopping and helping  
:> people, to the genocide that occurred in Rwanda between the Hutu and  
:> the Tutsi in the 90's?  
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:I'd just stay out of it.  
:I'm an isolationist.  
:I also had a really hard time taking two tribes named "Hutus and  
:"Tutsis" seriously, as they sounded like something that W.C. Fields  
:would have made up: "Ah yes, it was in deepest Africa, during a tribal  
:war between the Hutus and the Tutsis that I was bitten by the Giant  
:Congo Vampire Bat...unfortunately the bite proved fatal, but I gave the  
:bat a decent burial...".

Nah. WC was more of a pragmatist. He'd explain how they were killing each other and then break into a rousing chorus of "Hutus, Tutsis, goodbye..."

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"Most people don't realize it, but ninety percent of morality is based on comfort. Incinerate hundreds of people from thirty thousand feet up and you'll sleep like a baby afterward. Kill one person with a bayonet and your dreams will never be sweet again."

-- John Rain, "Rain Storm"

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