

*Most*



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Sundance Film Festival 2003 – Official Selection  
Palm Springs International 2003 – Winner - Best of Festival  
Maui Film Festival 2003: Winner – Best Short Film  
Audience Award – Best Newcomers  
Heartland Film Festival 2003: Winner – Crystal Heart Award

**EASTWIND Films presents**  
a Zabka/Garabedian/Deffert Production

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**Most** (Czech for “The Bridge”) is a beautiful Oscar-nominated movie and winner of many prestigious film festivals. It tells the story of the close relationship between a bridge operator and his young son and the fateful day when both try to head off an impending train disaster.

A steam train heads towards an open drawbridge. Hundreds of passengers are unaware of the danger as they go about their normal lives. When a desperate young woman witnesses an act of virtue beyond imagination, her life is changed forever.



*What will it take to change your life?*

## **Why was the train headed for disaster?**

The train has run a red light. It had disobeyed the rules those who built the railroads had set up. Because it has disobeyed the rules, it is headed for destruction and death.

## **Have you disobeyed the rules your creator has set up?**

Just as the builder of the railroad created rules, so has your creator. They are called the Ten Commandments. Have you ever told a lie? Have you ever taken something that did not belong to you, even something small? (That's stealing.) Have you always honored and obeyed your parents? Jesus said that if you look at another person with lust, you have committed adultery in your heart (Matthew 5:27-28). Have you ever done that? Has God always been the most important person in your life? If not, you have broken the first commandment. These are just five of the Ten Commandments. If you have broken any of the Ten Commandments, and we all have, you are like the train, you are heading for disaster and death... what we call hell.

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."*—  
Romans 3:23

*"The wages of sin is death."*— Romans 6:23

## **Could any of the people on the train save themselves?**

No. The train was racing ahead. Everyone was going about their normal lives, totally blind to the coming disaster. We are living our normal day-to-day lives, and most of us are blind to the coming "disaster". The ultimate statistic is that ten out of ten people will die. Then we each face judgment and must pay the penalty for disobeying God... the death penalty (hell).

*"Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment."*— Hebrews 9:27

## **Everyone has broken God's laws. How can anyone go to heaven?**

In the film, how was the girl in the red hat saved?

The father sacrificed his son so that she could live. But it took more than that. She recognized what the father had done and she turned her life around 180 degrees.

I can not imagine sacrificing my son. Yet that is what God did for you. You have earned the death penalty (hell) because you have broken God's laws. But God sent His Son to die in your place. Jesus paid the penalty that you owe. He died in your place. It's Your Choice...

You can ignore what God has done for you, and when you physically die, you can pay the penalty you owe for breaking God's laws.

Or...

You can accept what God has done for you, turn your life around (that's called repentance) and trust that Jesus Christ died to pay the penalty you owe.

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."*— John 3:16

Just as there was nothing the people on the train could do to save themselves, there is nothing you can do to save yourself from hell. God gives you salvation as a free gift. But like the girl in the red hat, you must recognize you have been given this gift. Trust (believe) that Jesus died to pay the penalty you owe.

*"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the Gift of God..."*—  
Ephesians 2:8