

# [Flannery o’connor](https://assignbuster.com/flannery-oconnor/)

A Good Man is Hard to Find Characterthe grandmother
Bailey (son of ^ and father of fam)
the misfit
John Wesley & June Star
the mother
red sammy butts
bobby lee
hiramAGMIHTF crime bandthe misfit
bobby lee
hiramAGMIHTF restaurant ownerred sammy buttsO'Connor Motifsmissing father figure
violent means to get message across
action of (divine) grace
notion of displacement
racial tension
old vs. new south
religionChrist-Hauntedfearful of the wrath of GodChrist-Centeredacts good out of the goodness of their heartsFlannery's stories are generally... catholic
and
southernAGMIHTF Summarygrandma goes with family in car on vacay
hides cat in car
wears fancy lady clothes
hears about criminal misfit
stops at restaurant
drives & says she wants to stop at a house (lies to kids says secret panel)
remembers wrong about house location
cat jumps up & car crashes
misfit finds them & kills themWho did the Misfit kill first? his fatherMisfit compares himself to... Jesus
bc his punishment also didn't fit the crime
if J didn't raise the dead, then why not kill everyone to spend timethe misfit says that there is pleasure butmeannessThe Life You Save May be Your Own charactersTom Shiftlet (handyman w 1 arm)
old woman/mom- Lucynell Crater
daughter-Lucynell Crater (deaf & muteTLYSMBYO SummaryTom visits & offers to do tasks around the house
mrs crater tries to get him to like her daughter/marry
sleeps in broken down car
teaches her to say bird
repairs car
crater gives him $ & car to marry her daughter
they leave in the car
tom leaves her at a dinerrecurring symbol in all storiesbirdsTom can be compared to... the misfit in AGMIHTF
same list of previous jobs
destructive strangerHow is Tom like other Flannery characters? hypocrite-says he has a moral intelligence but leaves Lucynell at the restaurant after marry
Misfit- same previous jobs & was a stranger that ruined something
thinks of himself as Jesus yet denies his chance at redemption (marrying Lucy)
hates the worldGood Country People CharactersMrs. Hopewell (farm owner)
Mr. & Mrs. Freeman
Joy Hopewell (daughter)
Manely Pointer (bible salesman)Joy Hopewellchanges name to Hulga in rebellion against mom
atheist
lost her leg in childhood accident= prothetic
Ph. D in philosophy (v smart)GCP SummaryHopewell runs a farm in Georgia
bible salesman stops by & although they don't want bible, mrs hopewell invites him over to dinner bc he is good country people
he invites joy on a date
goes to barn loft
steals her prosthetic leg
reveals that he is also a better atheistHow is Joy a Flannery character? hypocrite- not actually an atheist-- " you are not God!"
she says she hates good country people but she makes out with Manely bc she thinks he is & a christianEverything That Rises Must Converge charactersJulian- college grad, typewriter seller, wants to write, hates mom
Julian's Mother
Carver- 4yr old boy on bus
Carvers mom
black man- on bus
other white passengers on busETRMC Summaryjulian takes the bus with his mom to a weight loss class at the YMCA to reduce her blood pressure
she's really openly racist
julian is embarrassed by his mom blatant racism
she talks with other racists on bus
well dressed AA gets on
julian talks to him to spite mom
dreams biut forcing his mom to accept blacks
AA woman w kid gets on
mom thinks he's cute
gives him coin
mom hits her
falls/diesHow is Julian a Flannery character? spites his mom
arrogant/entitled- views self as martyr
racial tension
too smart
hypocrite in his hatred for mom-tries to save her& calls her sweetheart
old vs new southDifferent opinions on true culture? julian- it comes from the mind
mom- the heart
J is only non-racist to spite his mom while she honestly doesn't know any better
when the heart and mind mix physically= strokeThe Lame Shall Enter First charactersSheppard- father (atheist)
Norton- his son
Rufus Johnson- juvie kid (catholic)TLSEF Summarysheppard doesn't care about grief of son over mothers death
thinks of him as selfish
S invites johnson to live with him to help turn his life around bc he thinks he is smart/special
buys him a telescope
J gets arrested
norton hangs self over telescope bc J told him the only way to see his mom was through deathHow is Sheppard a Flannery character? hypocrite- says wants to help people yet no his son
athiest
compares self to christ
rufus compares self to satanRevelation charactersRuby Turpin (wife)
Claud turpin (husband)
Mary Grace (crazy girl)
pleasant lady in waiting roomR SummaryRuby feels above white trash & black people bc she is hardworking and makes good decisions
R & husband go to doctors waiting room
starts talking to pleasant woman
mary grace through her book at Ruby and strangles her & calls her a hog from hell
Ruby gets the message
goes home and washes off pigs
she has a vision of redeemed souls and people she considers worse than her are at the top while she's at the bottom
all people are equal in gods eyesParker's Back summaryanother athiest who hates his christian wife
smokes & drinks & tatoos
flashback below
finds life purpose in tats
goes to Navy but is discharged
sells apples
woman hits him (his wife)
end flashback
gets tat of christ after thinking about how he met his wife
begs wife to let him in but she hates the tattoo
beats him with a broom again ONFLANNERY O’ CONNOR SPECIFICALLY FOR YOUFOR ONLY$13. 90/PAGEOrder Now