The man who lost his hat

INSTRUCTIVE STORIES BY SRILA PRABHUPADA
A man in California was driving to his wedding.
Suddenly his hat blew off onto the highway
Tucked into the brim of the hat was a one hundred dollar bill.
So, in the middle of traffic the man tried to brake his car and jump out to receive his hat.
But cruising behind him was a highway patrol car, and the officer inside blared to him over the loudspeaker to stay in his car and keep moving.
The man obeyed, but at the next exit he turned off to a roadside motel.
There he dashed out of his car...
...climbed a fence
Tore across the highway braving four lanes of traffic
Plucked up his hat
Mission accomplished
He dodged the next oncoming car, only to be hit by another one and killed.
MORAL:
In human life we're meant to move straight on the road back to Godhead, but maya, illusion, is so strong that she diverts us. She grabs us by our senses and pulls. Maya's "hat trick" is fairly simple. Get you thinking about something until you're stuck on it, then reel you in. Once the eyes or the tongue or any of the senses gets fixated on something, that sense starts lugging at the mind, absorbing it in whatever maya's offering at the moment. Then she can carry away our intelligence, and once our intelligence is towed away, that's it - we're lost. Dhyayato visayan pumsah.

- Srila Prabhupada