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Sommario/riassunto	The author, a noted sociologist of religion, attempts to ascertain what determines the qualities of kindness and caring in modern society. He examines a cross-section of American youth to discover how the habit of caring is developed, and how parents and organizations instill

morals in the young.
