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Overcoming ‘The Appalling Silence of the Good People’

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Somewhere in a rural part of Richland County, South Carolina, a woman in her late 80s may be the real reason why [Joe Biden](#) will be our 46th president.

By his own account, Rep. [Jim Clyburn](#) (D-S.C.) arrived early at a funeral a week before the South Carolina primary in late February. [As he tells the story](#), he was walking around chatting with folks when he was beckoned by a woman to come kneel by her side. She told Clyburn to whisper into her ear “Who are you going to vote for next Saturday?” Clyburn, who knew for a long time who he was supporting, had kept his preference to himself until that fateful encounter with his constituent.