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The comparisons between the Utilitarian, Deontological and Virtue Ethics are they share the logic of doing what is right. Utilitarian advocates what creates an atmosphere of happiness verses unhappiness. Deontological reminds that we have a duty do what must be done. Virtue ethics refers to actions that are good that resemble anything virtuous. Although they are alike in doing what is good, right or moral, they share some differences. According to the video on “Virtue Ethics” Aristotle says to “fake it until you make it” his meaning behind that quote was to act in a way that you want to see yourself and as you continue to act in that “positive” manner eventually we will let go of who we were and become a better version of ourselves. Virtue ethics starts with ourself and reflect on our own actions so we can become who we were created to be. Virtue ethics is about self-reflection whereas deontology talks about are duty to doing something and Utilitarian refers to “theory of morality that advocates actions that foster happiness and oppose actions that cause unhappiness.

The ethical approach I believe is most closely aligned with the Good Samaritan would be Deontology. According to the video “What is the difference between...” deontology comes from the Greek work Deon which means duty. The Good Samaritan had a duty to the man beaten left for dead. Also, in the video it mentioned that deontology reminds us about the dignity of every person. Two other men walked on by him and did not look back. This man made it his duty to help this man get to a safe place and wanted to take care of any expenses that may have come up. In Matthew twenty-two verse thirty-seven Jesus gave a second command that “you should love other people as much as you love yourself”. This is command that was given to all of us and the Good Samaritan did just that.

We determine the limits of our responsibilities to strangers first by being aware but also by setting boundaries and limitations because sometimes our help is not helpful. We should be open

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to knowing the time and the place of when we should lend a helping hand. I also believe we should be in tuned with the Holy Spirit. We should first ask ourselves why we feel responsible to help this stranger. Is it for self-gratification or is it to give God the glory?