



To Cross Or Not To Cross

Look closely at this picture of a person caught on film while running a red light. What initially looks like a big trash bag flapping past the passenger window is actually a man in a white shirt being thrown through the air after being hit. You can see his briefcase flying a few feet in front of a pair of petrified pedestrians.

Aside from the obvious lesson about not running red lights and paying attention, which the driver doesn't seem to be doing at all, there's something more important to be learned from this poor fella's pummeling. It can be summarized in eight words: Look both ways before you cross the street. "Yeah, but there was a red light and he had a "walk" sign," you say? True enough, but that didn't do him much good, now did it?

Folks, just 'cause you have the right of way doesn't mean others are going to give it to you. If you're crossing the street, especially at an intersection, be extra alert. Make eye contact with drivers to make sure they know you're there. And if a vehicle looks like it's not slowing down ... it probably isn't.