

## **Giving Up Chocolate**

**I was walking down the street when I was accosted by a particularly dirty and shabby-looking homeless woman who asked me for a couple of dollars for dinner.**

**I took out my wallet, got out ten dollars and asked, 'If I give you this money, will you buy chocolate with it instead of dinner?'**

**'No, I had to stop eating chocolate years ago', the homeless woman told me.**

**'Will you use it to go shopping instead of buying food?' I asked.**

**'No, I don't waste time shopping,' the homeless woman said. 'I need to spend all my time trying to stay alive.'**

**'Will you spend this on a beauty salon instead of food?' I asked.**

**'Are you NUTS!' replied the homeless woman. I haven't had my hair done in 20 years!'**

**'Well, I said, 'I'm not going to give you the money. Instead, I'm going to take you out for dinner with my husband and me tonight.'**

**The homeless Woman was shocked. 'Won't your husband be furious with you for doing that? I know I'm dirty, and I probably smell pretty disgusting.'**

**I said, 'That's okay. It's important for him to see what a woman looks like after she has given up shopping, hair appointments, and chocolate.'**

