Hasty decision but sin Hamon Ryu

Hasty decision often leads people to make mistakes. The short story “Identities” by W.D. Valgardson, is about a protagonist who lives in a high-class wealthy neighborhood, who decides to change his outfit and leave his place to a different area. However, while driving his expensive car in his inexpensive outfit, one rookie police officer misunderstood him as a car thief and shoots him before confirming his identity, ultimately making a hasty decision that lead to a mistake. Such premature action, nonetheless, when it leads to a sin or a crime, it can never be justified. First, although the police officer is trained to seek “an unshaven man in blue jeans as a potential thief,”(pg.2) as a police officer, he is obligated to re-confirm people’s identity before making an assumption. Therefore, the presumption made to a hasty decision that lead to a shooting that ultimately killed the protagonist. Regardless of the police officer’s intentions, his mistake in falsely identifying someone lead to a crime that can never be justified. Similar to the first point, the police officer is obligated act practical as possible. However, when he was faced with a difficult situation, he acted emotionally, ultimately shooting the man with the “pistol in his hand”(pg.2). Although it was the duty of the police officer to provide enough warnings; he made a premature decision that cannot be justified. By examining above points, one can conclude that the police officer’s hasty, but premature actions, when it leads to a crime such as the shooting, such acts can never be justified.