Whom to Leave Behind

Instructions: The twelve persons listed below have been selected as passengers on a spaceship for a flight to another planet because tomorrow the planet Earth is doomed for destruction. Due to changes in space limitations, it has now been determined that only eight persons may go.

Your task is to select the four passengers who will not make the trip. On your own, take a few minutes and rank the order of the passengers from one to twelve based on those who you feel are most deserving to make the trip with one being most deserving twelve being least deserving. Next, the entire group will come together and share the four passengers that they decided will be left behind.

Original passenger list:

_____ a militant African-American medical student
_____ an accountant with a substance abuse problem
_____ a 33-year-old female Native-American manager who does not speak English
_____ the accountant’s pregnant wife
_____ a famous novelist with a physical disability
_____ a gay man, professional athlete
_____ a Hispanic clergyman who is against homosexuality
_____ a female movie star who was recently the victim of a sexual assault
_____ a racist armed police officer who has been accused of using excessive force
_____ a 21-year-old female Muslim international student
_____ 60-year-old Jewish university administrator
_____ an Asian, orphaned 12-year-old boy