

Quotes: For the Death Penalty

Genesis 9:6	"Whoever sheds human blood, by human shall their blood be shed"
Exodus 21-23:24	"Life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth"

Quotes: Against the Death Penalty

Ezekiel 33:11	"I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn away from their ways and live"
Matthew 6:14	"If you have forgiven men who have sinned against you, your Heavenly Father will forgive"

Arguments For and Against Euthanasia

FOR	AGAINST
It allows the person to die in a gentle and pain free way.	It goes against the 'sanctity of life'.
The patient can die with dignity.	God created all human beings in his image so only he has the power to end a life.



Key Terms

Ethics	Moral Principles that govern a persons behaviour
Moral	Behaviour— right or wrong
Philosophy	An attitude or theory that guides a persons behaviour
Abortion	Ending a pregnancy by removing the foetus
Conception	When the sperm fertilises the egg
Sanctity of Life	Life is sacred and holy, created by God
Euthanasia	Deliberate administering of life-ending medication by a third party
Quality of Life	The value given to life depending on how far a person can find enjoyment and pleasure
Capital Punishment	Legally authorised killing of someone as a punishment for a crime
Deterrence	Discouraging/putting people off committing crimes
Rehabilitate	To restore someone to a normal life by training and therapy after imprisonment
War	Armed conflict between different countries or different groups within a country
Just War	The theory that explains when wars are justified
Pacifism	The belief that violence is never justifiable

Four Theories of Ethics

Utilitarianism Ethics	<p>A) Decide what action would bring the greatest happiness to the greatest number of people.</p> <p>B) Or what action would bring the least amount of unhappiness to the most people.</p> <p>C) Not take personal relationships into account.</p>
Kant's Ethics	<p>A) Act only out of duty, not for any ulterior motive.</p> <p>B) Only do something that you would be happy for everyone else to do in the same situation.</p>
Natural Law Ethics	<p>A) Use your reason.</p> <p>B) Follow the first precept (rule) which is to preserve life.</p> <p>C) As far as possible keep to what is natural, i.e. part of the natural scheme of things.</p>
Christian Ethics	<p>A) Love God.</p> <p>B) Love your neighbour.</p> <p>C) Love your enemy.</p> <p>D) Do not judge others.</p> <p>E) Treat others as you would like to be treated.</p>