

Situation Ethics and Euthanasia

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<p>Teleological - Situation Ethics is not concerned with following rules but with bringing about good</p>	
<p>Situationist as opposed to legalistic or antinomian</p>	
<p>Agape - "... goodwill at work in partnership with reason" in seeking the "neighbour's best interest with a careful eye to all the factors in the situation".</p>	
<p>Four working principles:</p>	
<p>1. Pragmatism</p>	
<p>2. Relativism</p>	
<p>3. Positivism</p>	
<p>4. Personalism</p>	

Six fundamental principles:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love only is always good <i>'Only one 'thing' is intrinsically good; namely, love: nothing else at all'</i> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love is the only norm (rule) <i>'The ruling norm of Christian decision is love: nothing else'</i> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love and justice are the same "Love and justice are the same, for justice is love distributed, nothing else." 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love is not liking "Love wills the neighbor's good whether we like him or not." 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love justifies the means "Only the end justifies the means; nothing else," 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love decides there and then 	