

Situation Ethics and the Right to a Child

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Teleological - Situation Ethics is not concerned with following rules but with bringing about good	
Situationist as opposed to legalistic or antinomian	
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".	
Four working principles:	
1. Pragmatism	
2. Relativism	
3. Positivism	
4. Personalism	

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 	