

Euthanasia - A Biblical View on a Hard Topic (Part #3)

We long for something better as we face the hardships of this fallen world. We desire freedom from pain, escape from suffering. In the last century, euthanasia has promised that release. But is it biblical? What does scripture have to say about end of life decisions?

What if your diagnosis is not your end?

A Quick Review of the Spheres of Value & Pain

A) Sphere of Value – Intrinsic vs. Extrinsic – we have value because we are created in the image of God. The gospel is a great argument for intrinsic value.

B) Sphere of Pain

- ~ Pain is not inherently _____.
- ~ Our sufferings are the result of our _____.
- ~ Our good God is _____ over suffering/pain. (Rom 8:28; Phil 1:6)
- ~ Pain can have a _____ quality. (Rom 5:3-5; Jas 1:2-4; 2 Cor 12)
- ~ Pain & suffering are not the _____ thing in life.

See Job 42:2

1) Sphere of Community - A Command to Support Each Other (Cont'd)

Galatians 6:2

- ~ We all have _____.
- ~ Self-sufficiency is a _____.
- ~ Mutuality is a _____.

See Eph 4:16

A) Study Jesus - Our Capacity to _____ Comes from Him (Jn 13:34; 1 Jn 4:19)

B) Be Willing to _____ Your Burden with Others (Gal 6:2; 1 Pt 4:10)

C) Communal Living Can Be a _____ Opportunity (Mt 5:16)

D) Be _____ & Sacrificial in Your Acts of Love (Phil 2:3-4; Eph 5:2)

E) Show Honor to the One Suffering Thru _____ Love (Rom 12:10)

Love –

What is true Christian fellowship? –

Putting Romans 12:10 into action...

- Don't try to _____ it. Don't compare. _____!

- Be _____ in your offers of help while giving them a choice.

- Have a go-to _____.
- Give a _____ gift.
- Think _____ the person.

2) End-of-Life Questions Explored

Do you have a question?

New Plan...

FINAL THOUGHTS...

~ The hope of heaven reminds us that one day all things will be new, sin will be eradicated, & brokenness will be healed.

~ If you haven't trusted in Christ as your Savior yet, that hope can be yours as well! God is calling you to a relationship with himself.

~ For believers, we look forward to the day of Christ's return. While we don't physically possess heaven yet, we can be confident that it is as good as ours because of Christ.