

SUICIDE

A number of moral codes condemn suicide absolutely. However, suicide is justifiable under certain extreme circumstances, such as being terminally ill and in intense pain, being imprisoned for life in a jail deprived of the most elementary comfort, having no one left to love or be loved by, having become senile or physically incapacitated to the extent of living a totally unsatisfactory existence,

The only circumstances that make suicide morally reprehensible are: the suicide is still able and (a) leaves dependents in the lurch, or (b) ^{deserts} ~~leaves~~ a useful ^{post} ~~occupation~~ that cannot easily be ^{occupied} ~~performed~~ by someone else.

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