Unit 3 Debate

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The natural cycle of life is a beginning and an end. None of us choose to be born that is a gift bestowed upon us by life itself. The same goes for all living things in the world. Now life is a difficult chore to keep us alive, but it is the same for all species. We must fight the atrocities of everyday life that will try to end us. But even while doing this we can still wind up with something that is going to kill us in a matter of time whether its tomorrow or five years down the road. The importance of this is that we do not choose when we go nature has the planned out on God’s timetable and to interrupt the plan is not for us to do. Yes, do we have the ability to make things comfortable for people who are dying and there is no stopping it yes, but it does not mean that we should be enabling them to die when they want to because they want to go out with dignity. That may not be part of the plan that was set up for them and this could be a purpose that them still being here could have but we would never know if we took that route and allowed this idea of taking life into our own hands and out of God’s timeline.

Allowing people to be able to end it with the help of a doctor to not have to suffer when they have a terminal illness leads to situations like what happened in the Netherlands. A 29-year-old who suffered with mental illness was given a poison to take that would end her life by doctors because of her psychiatric illness (Pressly *The Troubled 29-year-old Helped to Die by Dutch Doctors*). This is not a situation of where the person was going to die because of their illness they could have lived with treatment and could have eventually got better. Allowing for people to euthanasia because of one thing seems that it could lead to a solution that people suffering from forms of depression or other issues that are not going to kill them would be away for them to end their life to get out of the suffering. Sometimes some of the best things can come from our darkest moments and if this is allowed as a choice not just for people who have a disease that is actually killing them it would open the flood gates for all people to want to end whatever little suffering they may be going through at the time without properly thinking this through and seeking the proper help to get out of situations and seek to live life even if only for a few more days.

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