

PHIL 308
ELEMENTARY
ETHICS



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OUR STORY-TELLER

- ◆ Dworkin was a liberal
- ◆ Classical liberalism
- ◆ Political liberalism
- ◆ Book's subtitle
- ◆ Dworkin's moral position
- ◆ Dworkin's political position
- ◆ Dworkin's constitutional position

EUTHANASIA

- ❖ The “good death”
- ❖ The right to die
- ❖ Active vs. passive euthanasia
- ❖ Euthanasia and pain
- ❖ Physical pain vs. psychological pain

CASE STUDIES

- ❖ Nancy B.
- ❖ Lillian Boyes
- ❖ Nancy Cruzan
- ❖ Janet Adkins

DWORKIN'S DISTINCTIONS

- ◆ Dworkin the distinction maker
- ◆ Conscious and competent
- ◆ Unconscious
- ◆ Conscious, but incompetent
 - ◆ Janet Akins
 - ◆ Chapter Eight

THREE MORTAL ISSUES

- ❖ More distinctions
- ❖ Autonomy
- ❖ Best interest
- ❖ Sanctity