

# Categories of morality (3)

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## Death

- One of the conditions to evaluate your life: happy or not, free, moral, etc. or not?
- J. Derrida: life is always too short for a man;
- Connection to a human being;
- Modern and “old” civilizations: attitudes to death;

# Categories of morality

- S. Lem: “impersonalization of death” today;
  - Refusal from capital punishment;
  - Reason for this process is a fear and helplessness of people facing death;
  - M. Heidegger: death process is degraded in our mind;
  - We understand that “human” is mortal, but it is not me.

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- Science serves the purpose of “postponing” death: is it good? Or bad?
- Religious attitudes to death;
- Freedom to choose death;
- Looking at the world “through” death: what does it mean?
- Death as the highest level of responsibility.

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- Death inside of every moment;
- “Who learned to die, he learned not to be a slave” – M. Montenués;
- J. Derrida: “a gift to obtain yourself”;
- A need of studying of death (from ethical/philosophical view;

# Categories of morality

- Creativity
  - Often a synonym of happiness;
  - Perfection of oneself;
  - A way to avoid loneliness;
  - a way to contribute society;
  - A way to produce a masterpiece;
  - A genius way that force one to see and find

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- Faith
  - An ability of a super-sensual experience;
  - Religion as one of the ways;
  - A faith into a human being and oneself.

# Categories of morality

- Love:-
- - different types;
- A religious perception of another human;
- An ability to love;
- an instinct;
- Only a metaphysical basis;
- F. Dostoyevsky: another ability to love.



# Categories of morality

- Sense of life:
  - People were trying to find a universal idea to answer this question;
  - N. Berdyaev: all human intentions failed: from medieval up to the 20<sup>th</sup> c.'
  - Through tragic perception of life people move to creativity, mission, faith, etc.

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- Sense of life:
- We put different aims in order to perfect and complete life;
- Inside moral criteria of our life sense: to act good;
- Outside criteria of the sense of life: power, wealth, glory, etc.
- Sense of life is *not given*, but *settled*. It is a struggle against the senseless life (S. Frank, “*Sense of Life*”).

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- Sense of life:
  - ideas;
  - Love;
  - creativity;
  - Faith;
  - Children;
  - Mission.