

## Life Issues

In life, there are issues on which each person  
Must take an individual stand,  
Adopt an individual attitude,  
And make a personal statement.

These life issues are all concerned with:  
How we interact with those around us and  
Why we choose to interact in the chosen manner;  
How we choose to understand our own selves and  
What is our own attitude toward ourselves;  
Who we choose for a mate and  
The nature of the loving and sexual relation  
We maintain with our mate.

The issues have to do with defining personal identity.  
They are the answers to the questions of  
Who and what we are,  
Who and what we have become,  
And will become,  
By our own explicit or implicit choices.

The issues define what we choose to touch and not touch,  
How we choose to touch, and  
Our attitude toward what we touch or do not touch.  
They define what we choose to hear or not hear, and  
Our attitude toward what we choose to hear and not hear.  
They define what we choose to see or not see, and  
Our attitude toward what we choose to see and not see.

Every creative act,  
Every life fulfilling action,  
Has as its essential being,  
A carrying out and stand taken on  
One or more of these life issues.

Every such action is a celebration of life.