



Walker, A. *To Hell with Dying*



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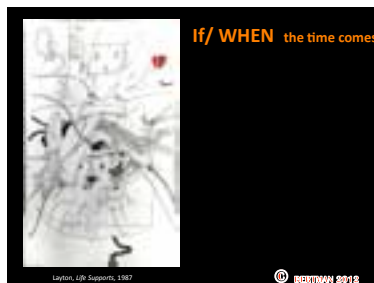
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Death is as much a reality as birth, growth, maturity and old age - it is the one certainty. I do not fear death as much as I fear the indignity of deterioration, dependence and hopeless pain. I ask that drugs be mercifully administered to me for terminal suffering even if they hasten the moment of death.



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Writing our own scripts . . .

"Last night my sister & I were sitting in the den & I said to her. . ."

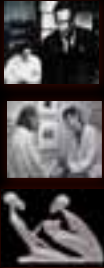
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see fig. 88 in Bertman, *Facing Death*, 74



In spite of our vast knowledge and our superior technology, there are times when all of us in medicine become the treatment — when what we have most to offer is ourselves.

Waller, 1995



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