## Saint Kevorkian

Dr. Jack Kevorkian is a true saint. Kevorkian has been the primary advocate of doctor assisted suicide and euthanasia to allow people who are terminally ill to avoid a horrible, torturous death by providing life termination services to people who want to die with dignity in a manner and time of their own choosing. Kevorkian believes that humans should be given the same high quality care we give our pets when we put them out of their misery when they are dying. When we do it to animals it is considered the "humane" thing to do, to end suffering, and we do it out of compassion and love for the poor beast. We should have the same love and compassion for humans.

Opposition to Kevorkian comes from a society that fears death and is afraid to face the Reality of Death. We all will die, therefore death is a part of every life. But, as a society, we are afraid of death and therefore afraid of the Reality surrounding death. Fear of Reality is one of the most common barriers to seeing Reality the way it really is. When a person or a society is afraid of Reality, they will fail to see it. We can only see Reality the way it really is through courage. And it takes even more courage when the price of standing up for Reality is facing a murder charge and losing your freedom.

On Sunday, November 22nd 1998, Dr. Jack Kevorkian appeared on the TV show "60 Minutes" and aired a video tape of himself helping a patient, who was in the final stages of ALS, die. ALS is a disease with no cure where the person slowly suffocates by choking to death on their own saliva. By showing the world this tape, Dr. Kevorkian was forcing the issue of Reality on a public that is unwilling to face death and dying. He did this with the expectation that he would be charged with murder. Because of his extraordinary personal sacrifice in the name of bringing Reality into the real world in the face of adversity, Dr. Kevorkian has earned his rightful place as a saint in the Church of Reality.