Y13 Revision

RE – ETHICS THEME 3 - UTILITARIANISM / SITUATION ETHICS



AO1 – Situation Ethics

Fletcher's rejection of other forms of ethics - Agape love as basis for morality

Biblical evidence

A form of moral relativism as a consequentialist and teleological theory

The Boss principle

Four working principles

Six fundamental principles

Application to homosexual / polyamorous relationships

AO2

- The degree to which agape is the only intrinsic good.
- Whether Fletchers' Situation Ethics promotes immoral behaviour.
- The extent to which Situation Ethics promotes justice.
- The effectiveness of Situation Ethics in dealing with ethical issues.
- Whether agape should replace religious rules.
- The extent to which Situation Ethics provides a practical basis for making moral decisions for both religious believers and nonbelievers.