

La vita umana e l'invenzione di sé

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Human Life and the Invention of Subjectivity

Abstract: The article responds to the comments on my book, *La vita umana in prima persona* (Laterza, 2012). They tackle my proposal to redescribe bioethical debates through the idea that in procreation, sexuality and dying new fields of experience are being opened and are in need of human resources, in order for individuals to make something of themselves in such circumstances. I go back to a conception of moral thought offered in the book, which I work out by learning from Wittgenstein how to elucidate the life with the concepts related to human life, and by exploring, with the help of both Mill and the later Foucault, the idea that an active exercise of one's freedom is seen in the capacity to give form to one's life, made possible by a society hospitable to such work of invention of individualities and styles of existence.

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