In my diploma thesis, I describe the most important scopes investigating the problems of euthanasia. The historical development in the perception not only of the death itself but also of its meaning has a crucial impact on a contemporary attitude towards the basic questions of the end of human life. There is a considerable distance between a nowadays society on one hand and the death and dying people on the other hand and, therefore, the society determines the significance of dying in a rather simplified way and does not often comprehend the unique meaning of dying.