

someone like this to tell society, "I lost my father but I don't want his murderer to die."

PREJEAN: It sounds like you didn't love him enough to ask for the ultimate.

EDWARDS: It sounds like you're copping out. That's a difficult position for a person to be in.

PREJEAN: Back to the politics of the death penalty. It's the rage now to play it up big in campaigns. How many politicians do you know who are willing to say publically that they do not support the death penalty? Including President George Bush. It was an issue he hit hard in his campaign.

EDWARDS: But on the other hand, the governor of New York, Mario Cuomo, is opposed to the death penalty. And he ran against a person who made a big issue out of it, and everybody thought that with all the violence and crime, especially in a city like New York, that the issue would make a big difference, but he did very well and won. And then, in this most recent election, (1990) where it did not come up very much as an issue, he barely got elected.

It's just like abortion. You hear all this about abortion, abortion, abortion, yet 15 of the 32 candidates running in this last election (1990) who were against abortion lost; and 17, who were pro-choice, won. I'm not prepared to tell you of anyone that won or lost on that issue. Now you hear that the recently