

Board of Governors and Jekyll
(Jekyll's plea to experiment on a volunteer)

JEKYLL
(passionately)

There are doomed, broken souls in a thousand asylums left there to rot for the lack of a plan! In the name of compassion and medical science, I can save many lives if you give me one man!

BISHOP OF BASINGSTOKE

I tell you now the church will never sanction it!

SIR ARCHIBALD PROOPS

You seem to be treading on dangerous ground. In legal terms I'd say extremely unsound!

BISHOP OF BASINGSTOKE

Your lack of humility strikes me as odd. What makes you think you have the right to play god?!

STRIDE

The Bishop speaks for all of us when he says you're playing god! There's such a thing as ethics over which you run rough-shod! You're a doctor not our savior, but I judge from your behavior you can't tell the two apart.

JEKYLL

Dear Mr. Stride, I am simply a scientist, I have a code to which I remain true! I don't presume to the stature of moralist. I leave pretension like that sir to you!

DANVERS

Henry, I've always encouraged your enterprise and been hopeful that you would succeed! But in the face of these powerful arguments, I see no choice but for you to concede.

JEKYLL

I know my fate is yours to choose, but if they win the world will lose! I am on the brink of great success! I beg of you governors. You have to say "Yes!"

LADY BEACONSFIELD

Doctor Jekyll, enough of your ranting, sir! This is a hospital here to save lives!

LORD SAVAGE

Do you think we would let you play havoc with all the high principles toward which it strives? Do you expect us to compromise all that we stand for indulging your dangerous games? How many rules should we break for your dubious aims?