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door and then the sound would slowly die down again. What's his father going to do with that wheelchair?

Brian was beating his illness. He was part of the "normal" community, his friends could walk, and run, and play sports. And Brian was able to overcome the borders and limitations of his condition. The year I graduated

Brian ran for Vice President of his class. He won.

Brian was always positive. He probably had everyday teenage problems, probably had a crush on some girl, wanted the Eagles to to to the Super Bowl, and the Flyers to finally win the playoffs. He didn't let the disease control his life.

So what's the sense in having

him die?

The older I get, the harder it is

freak accident of nature. But why is he doing the things He does?

Pete's Perspective

to actually believe all the nice things they told me about my God. I guess there is some kind of deity out there, some sort of controlling force; I can't picture all of us being the result of a

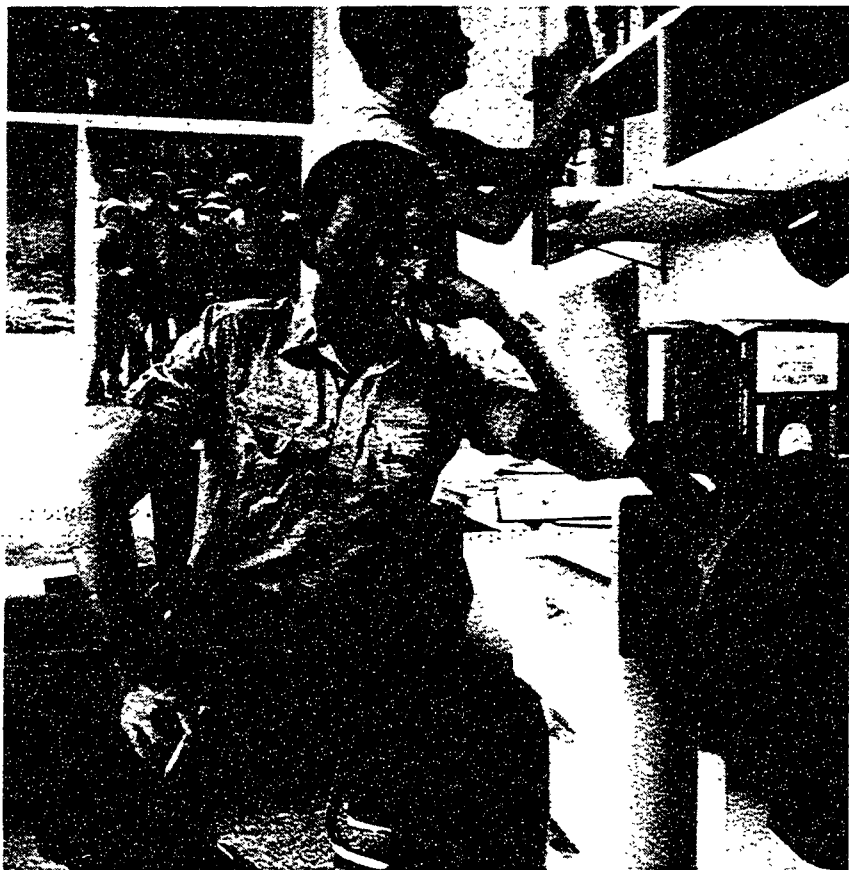
All the misery and pain he puts us through, just to test our faith?

Brian's father is a very religious man. He is very active in his church and is a respected member of his congregation. Isn't

it ironic that his strong belief in the institution which took his son will help him pull through this misery? I don't mean to ridicule religion.

I guess deep down I will never stop believing in the God whose actions I now question; but if these are the "mysterious ways" He works in to test our faith - I just wish he'd cut it out.

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