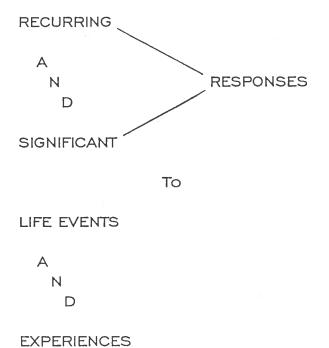
LIFE EVENTS & EXPERIENCES THAT EVOKE TRANSITIONS:

- * LOSSES OF RELATIONSHIPS (DEATH, SEPARATION, DIVORCE)
- * CHANGES IN HOME LIFE
- * WORK/FINANCIAL CHANGE
- * INNER CHANGE
- * GEOGRAPHICAL CHANGE
- * DISABILITY
- COPING WITH FAMILY MEMBERS
- * AGING PROCESS

FOUR RULES OF TRANSITION DYNAMICS:

- 1. THAT EVERY TRANSITION BEGINS WITH AN ENDING
- 2. RECOGNIZE RESISTANCE: YOU WILL REJECT THE PROCESS OF ENDING AND A PART OF YOU WILL AVOID MOVING FORWARD INTO THE TRANSITION PROCESS.
- 3. YOU WILL DISCOVER THAT YOU RETURN IN NEW WAYS TO "OLD ACTIVITIES".
- 4. EVERY TRANSITION INVOLVES THREE STATES IN THE DYNAMICS OF THE PROCESS:
 - I. AND ENDING FOLLOWED BY
 - II. A PERIOD OF CONFUSION AND DISTRESS
 LEADING TO
 - III. A NEW BEGINNING

TRANSITIONS



TRANSITIONS OCCUR:

WHEN AN EVENT (OR NON-EVENT) RESULTS IN NEW ASSUMPTIONS

OR AWARENESS ABOUT ONE'S SELF AND THE WORLD TO A DEGREE

SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH TO REQUIRE A CORRESPONDING CHANGE IN

ONE'S BEHAVIOR AND RELATIONSHIPS.

OR

WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCES A PERSONAL "DIS-CONTINUITY" IN HIS/HER LIFE, RESULTING IN A NEED TO DEVELOP NEW ASSUMPTIONS AND BEHAVIOR(S) BECAUSE THE NEW SITUATION REQUIRES NEW BEHAVIOR ADJUSTMENTS.