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Editor's Introduction

This issue of the journal wanders far and wide on the landscape of philosophical topics. From angels to Muslim natural theology to pleasing people, there are many subjects at hand and many different approaches (“polymethodoodling all the day” as my old mentor Ninian Smart used to say).

But in the middle sixty-five pages things get rather focused. We print herein the edited proceedings of a panel, “Just War as Deterrence against Terrorism? Options from Theological Ethics,” that took place in Atlanta on November 21, 2015 as part of the annual EPS-sponsored gathering at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion. A big EPS thank you to former president Paul Copan for coordinating the panel and the papers submitted to *Philosophia Christi*. Also thanks to Paul for his helpful, balanced essay that frames the positions and the discussion. A big thank you also to our colleague J. Daryl Charles who wrote the wonderfully imbalanced final response. The guy takes a stand, and he does it with flair. And the four papers that are printed between Copan and Charles provide some very stimulating reading and highlight the diversity of evangelical Christian thought on an old topic with some decidedly new twists.

So find a comfortable chair, pour a big glass of iced tea (this is our warm-weather issue after all), and enjoy the symposium, the articles, the notes, and the reviews.

Hope to see you all in San Antonio at the annual meeting of the EPS in November.

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