

## Christian Morality In The Breath Of God

Abortion. Euthanasia. Infanticide. Sexual promiscuity. Ideas and actions once unthinkable have become commonplace. We seem to live in a different moral universe than we occupied just a few decades ago. Consent and noncoercion seem to be the last vestiges of a morality long left behind. Christian moral tenets are now easily dismissed and have been replaced with what is curiously presented as a superior, more magnanimous, respectful and even humble morality. How did we end up so far away from where we began? Can the decline be stopped? Ben Wiker, in this provocative and insightful book, traces the amazing story that explains our present cultural situation. Wiker finds the roots of our moral slide reaching all the way back to the ethical theory and atheistic cosmology of the ancient Greek philosopher Epicurus. Christian teaching had been in contention with this worldview long before it reached its pinnacle with the rise and acceptance of Darwinism. But it was Darwinism, Wiker contends, that provided this ancient teaching with the seemingly modern and scientific basis that captured twentieth-century minds. Wiker demonstrates that this ancient atomistic and materialistic philosophy supplies the guiding force behind Darwinism and powerfully propels the hedonistic bent of our society while promoting itself under the guise of pure science. This book is a challenge not only to those who believe Darwinism to be purely scientific fact but to Christian who have at times inconsistently lived out their Christian moral convictions and so have failed to recognize and address the ancient corrosive underpinnings of our present moral and intellectual crisis. This updated survey of Christian ethics addresses major thinkers, movements, and issues from the early church to the present. A broad range of topics is discussed, including the biblical and

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philosophical legacies of Christian ethics and ethics through the early, medieval, Reformation, Enlightenment, and modern eras. This new edition contains more extensive discussions of ethics in the twentieth century, including Vatican II, ecumenical social ethics, and Orthodox Christian ethics. A new section, "Toward the Third Millennium," looks at the issues we will face in the coming decades, including medical, scientific, and political dilemmas, and issues of terrorism, war, and peace.

Adopting a unique approach among introductions to Christian ethics, Kyle Fedler's *Exploring Christian Ethics* guides students through the moral decision-making process by providing foundational material in both ethical theory and biblical ethics. First, Fedler introduces the reader to the discipline of ethics, then he explores the ways Scripture can be used responsibly in Christian ethics, and finally, he presents and analyzes the sections of Scripture that have been most influential in Christian morality and ethics.

Earth is changing in ways it hasn't for hundreds of thousands of years. At the same time, Christianity is breaking away from its millennium-long geographical and cultural center in the Euro-West. Its growth is in Asia, Africa, and Latin America, primarily in Pentecostal, evangelical, and independent churches. These dramatically changed planetary and ecclesial landscapes have led many to conclude that we need a new way of thinking about our collective existence: who are we and what is the nature of our responsibility in this deeply altered world? To address that question, biblical scholars Bruce C. Birch and Jacqueline E. Lapsley and Christian ethicists Larry L. Rasmussen and Cynthia Moe-Lobeda carry on "a new conversation" that engages how Christians are to understand the authority and use of Scripture, the basic elements of any full-bodied Christian ethic attuned to our circumstances,

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and the nature of our responsibility to our planetary neighbors and creation itself. Father Gelpi examines what Christians mean when they say that they believe in the Holy Spirit. By substituting the word "breath" for spirit, the reader gains a new appreciation of the image. Christian Ethics and Commonsense Morality goes against the grain of various postmodern approaches to morality in contemporary religious ethics. In this book, Jung seeks to provide a new framework in which the nature of common Christian moral beliefs and practices can be given a new meaning. He suggests that, once major philosophical assumptions behind postmodern theories of morality are called into question, we may look at Christian morality in quite a different light. On his account, Christian morality is a historical morality insofar as it is rooted in the rich historical traditions of the Christian church. Yet this kind of historical dependence does not entail the evidential dependence of all moral beliefs on historical traditions. It is possible to argue for the epistemic autonomy of moral beliefs, according to which Christian and other moral beliefs can be justified independently of their historical sources. The particularity of Christian morality lies not in its particular historical sources that also function as the grounds of justification, but rather in its explanatory and motivational capacity to further articulate the kind of moral knowledge that is readily available to most human beings and to enable people to act upon their moral knowledge. This ... faith formation program introduces young Catholic adolescents to Jesus Christ in a new way and inspires them to follow him. Fostering the faith of young adolescents involves helping them to make connections between the Catholic faith and everyday life. Principles of Catholic morality are presented with questions concerning everyday life. A Pastoral Series that offers an in-depth yet accessible understanding of the fundamentals of the

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Catholic faith for adults, both those active in pastoral ministry and those preparing for ministry. The series helps readers explore the Catholic tradition and apply what they have learned to their lives and ministry situations. Includes study questions and suggestions for further reading. Talking about ethics tends to involve talking about what we should or, more often, shouldn't do. We talk about setting limits on actions that, for whatever reason, we think are either wrong or somehow harmful to ourselves or others. The aim of this book, however, is to explore Christian ethics within a wider, more positive framework – one that views Christianity's moral resources as part of the good news that it proclaims to all creation. Ethics, says Hovey, need not be characterized primarily by negative prohibitions, limits, and tiresome hand-wringing. Rather, it's about a joyful and worshipful way of living, which flows naturally out of the abundant goodness God's life and character, as revealed in Jesus. Contents Introduction Part 1 What Makes Christian Ethics Christian? 1. The Bible 2. Following Jesus 3. Some Key Theological Themes Part 2 What Makes Christian Ethics Ethics? 4. Classical Roots 5. Modern Options 6. Contemporary Challenges Part 3 The Stuff of Christian Ethics 7. Baptism and Identity 8. Mercy and Peace 9. Justice from Above (Order) 10. Justice from Below (Liberation) 11. Sexuality 12. Vulnerable Life 13. Challenges Posed by Science and Technology

This book explores how the Christian life is lived in a pluralistic situation where different contexts of belonging give rise to different moral challenges. While it is characteristic of modern life to exist in a postmodern situation where there is an erosion of comprehensive systems of meaning, we still live today in contexts of belonging. We still seek to gather out of the fragments of modern life the sustenance of a network of belonging, belief and practice which comprise a faithful life. The construction of such a life, not only for us, but for others,

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serves as the framework for our moral commitments. Furthermore, sustaining and transforming social frameworks which shape various aspects of human life form the life task of adult Christians.

This enlightening book steers readers through the challenges and moral issues, providing a clear and decisive history of the main figures and texts in Christian ethics. A short and lively history of Christian ethics, exploring how Christianity has always had to grapple with complex moral problems - from questions about the status of early Christians who renounced their religion under Roman torture, through to current debates about euthanasia Engages with the main texts and figures in Christian ethics, including Augustine, Benedict, Aquinas, Luther and Barth Considers questions such as human will, the proper form of Christian life, natural law, and whether human nature is at odds with Christian ethics Concludes with a thought-provoking chapter considering the role that Christian ethics can play in contemporary moral debates and ethical dilemmas

Primary Source Readings in Christian Morality presents the living words of the Catholic Church and the wisdom of everyday people addressing the moral issues that impact our lives. This book of primary source readings will help students realize the connection between behavior and character. Additionally, students will uncover that the road to authentic happiness and joy involves working on their relationship with God. Within this book you will find writings from Pope Benedict XVI The Second Vatican Council Richard Gula, SS Pope Paul VI Ronald Rohlheiser Erich Maria Remarque Pope John Paul II The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Should society care about Christian morality? Are Christians out of touch with complex moral

decision-making? *Christian Morality: An Interdisciplinary Framework for Thinking about Contemporary Moral Issues* provides readers with a framework for identifying and applying Christian moral principles to divisive issues. First, readers learn of the theological and philosophical foundations of Christian ethics. Two additional chapters explain how personal and social factors influence our capacity to think critically and Christianly about morality. Second, readers will learn about forming Christian moral judgments by seeing how different thinkers address six contemporary moral issues: abortion, same-sex relationships, equal treatment of men and women in the workplace, sex education, and racial bias in incarceration policies.

In 'Onversneden christendom' legt C.S. Lewis uit wat het hart is van het christelijk geloof. Een klassieker! Er is geen schrijver die zo helder en warm kan uitleggen wat het betekent om christen te zijn als C.S. Lewis. Hij blijft niet steken in een abstracte theologische uiteenzetting, maar maakt het Bijbelse verhaal op een persoonlijke manier tot een prachtig geschenk. Lewis blijft bij de kern van het geloof en hij verliest zich niet in details en morele kwesties. Wie toe is aan een verfrissing en verdieping van zijn of haar geloofsleven kan nog steeds het best bij C.S. Lewis terecht.

How religion, gender, and urban sociality are expressed in and mediated via television drama in Kinshasa is the focus of this ethnographic study. Influenced by Nigerian films and intimately related to the emergence of a charismatic Christian scene, these teleserials integrate melodrama, conversion narratives, Christian songs, sermons, testimonies, and deliverance rituals to produce commentaries on what it means to be an inhabitant of Kinshasa.

Four outstanding McGrath books are here in one volume that gives a clear,

thoughtful, and highly readable introduction to the basic doctrines of the Christian faith.

Christian Morality In the Breath of God Catholic Basics: A Pastoral Mi

In this truly seminal work, the Regius Professor of Moral and Pastoral Theology at Oxford University illuminates the distinctive nature of Christian ethics with profound thought and massive learning. By grounding Christian ethics in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, he avoids both a revealed ethics that has no contact with the created order and one that is purely naturalistic. For this second edition Professor O'Donovan has added a prologue in which he enters into dialogue with John Finnis, Martin Honecker, Karl Barth and Stanley Hauerwas. Essential reading for advanced students of theology and ethics and their teachers.

The editors, working with a team of 325 renowned authorities in the field of ethics, have revised, expanded and updated this classic encyclopedia. Along with the addition of 150 new entries, all of the original articles have been newly peer-reviewed and revised, bibliographies have been updated throughout, and the overall design of the work has been enhanced for easier access to cross-references and other reference features. New entries include \* Cheating \* Dirty hands \* Gay ethics \* Holocaust \* Journalism \* Political correctness \* and many more.

Excerpt from *The Path Towards Knowledge: Discourses on Some Difficulties of the Day* What guidance has the Christian Faith to give for actual nineteenth century social problems Much, as I believe: and I have tried to illustrate this belief by showing how Christian morality deals with suggestions which are being discussed in quiet corners and with bated breath, as well as with the proposals of more vehement agitators. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

Op zesendertigjarige leeftijd wordt de briljante en ambitieuze neurochirurg Paul Kalanithi gediagnosticeerd met stadium IV longkanker. Van de ene op de andere dag verandert hij van een arts die levens redt in een patiënt die moet vechten voor zijn eigen leven. De laatste 22 maanden van zijn leven besluit hij zijn grote ambitie waar te maken: een meesterlijk boek schrijven over zijn bijzondere levensloop. Wat maakt het

leven nog de moeite waard als je de dood in de ogen kijkt? Wat doe je als al je dromen over een toekomst plaats moeten maken voor een miserabel noodlot? Wat betekent het om een kind te krijgen en nieuw leven op aarde te zetten terwijl je eigen leven langzaam wegebt? Paul Kalanithi stierf in maart 2015, terwijl hij de laatste hand legde aan zijn memoires. Zijn wijze observaties en rijke inzichten in het leven zijn hartverscheurend. Als adem vervliegt is een onvergetelijk boek over een naderend einde en de relatie tussen arts en patiënt van een begenadigd schrijver, die helaas beide rollen moest vervullen.

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Patrick Nullens and Ronald T. Michener seek to revitalize Christian ethics through an integrative approach to classical ethics. Their matrix of consequential, principle, virtue and value ethics provides an alternative to postmodern situation ethics and brings the framework of biblical wisdom to bear on contemporary ethical questions.

A philosophical and theological treatise on what Christian ethics should be. Going throughout Christian history and the world of God, Wuttke determines what defines right and wrong within the context of the world he lives. Although Wuttke lived in a different

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time, the truths he based his ethics off of are timeless and makes the relevancy of these words go into all time.

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