

Special Issue

Resilience: Orthodox Theology and Spirituality Engaging in Dialogue with Postmodern Society

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue will focus on the theme of resilience in current Orthodox theology and spirituality. The concept of resilience will be explored in the following ways:

1. As long-term care for the foundations of human personal and collective life, providing meaning and direction; 2. As a gift and ability to recover after encountering situations that challenge human faith, the desire for truth and justice, and well-being; 3. As mechanisms that help negotiate conflicts and crises, contributing to healing processes; 4. As a gift and task to adapt to new circumstances, integrate insights from dark times, and rediscover spiritual practices and their theological interpretations.

The focus will be on personal and communal life in its different dimensions. Authors are welcome to explore possibilities of ecclesial life that are sustaining and sustainable in times of institutional crisis, church authority abuse, sexual abuse, and entanglement in nationalism, xenophobia, racism, or sexism. Articles can address developments in current Orthodox political theologies, theological cultural anthropologies, or in different forms of liberative theologies.

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