

Special Issue

The Concept of God: The Intersection of Classical Theism and Relational Theism

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This Issue focuses particularly on concepts of God that are sometimes referred to as neo-classical theism or moderate classical theism. Such concepts of God align with classical concepts in that they affirm some core tenets of classical theism (divine perfection, necessity, aseity, self-sufficiency, unity, eternity, immutability, omnipotence, omniscience, and omnipresence). Yet, such conceptions are relational in that they affirm God is genuinely related to the world and they depart from one or more attributes of (strict) classical theism such as divine timelessness, strict simplicity, strict immutability, and/or strict impassibility. Articles in this issue might consist of constructive proposals or discussion and analysis of existing proposals that focus on any aspect(s) of the nature and attributes of God, the God-world relationship, or discussions of the Trinity doctrine that relate to current debates at the intersection of classical theism and relational theism. Both original research articles and review articles along these lines would be welcome.

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