

Special Issue

Religion and Crime: Forgiveness and Punishment

Message from the Guest Editors

We are interested in your research contributions for a Special Edition of the journal *Religions* on the topic of “Religion and Crime: Forgiveness and Punishment”. The purpose of the Special Issue is to expand on the interdisciplinary research already being conducted in this field. The issue is focused on exploring religion as an independent and/or as a dependent variable with relation to crime and/or criminal justice. The scope of the issue will be broad to accommodate many perspectives. We are particularly interested in work that either reinforces or challenges conclusions that religion suppresses crime, such as was found by Sumter et al. in “Religion and Crime Studies: Assessing What Has Been Learned,” *Religions* 9: 6 (2018). This issue will supplement a rich literature that already exists on the connections between crime and religion.

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