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## *Editor's Introduction*

In 1980, *Time Magazine* published an article entitled “Modernizing the Case for God” in which the writer gave a surface evaluation of the emerging trends in theistic philosophy. One argument that attracted *Time*'s attention was one that they called “The Mental Proof” which they said had found its modern restatement in the work of C. S. Lewis. Well the mental proof is getting another fresh look this time at the hands of Victor Reppert, and we are delighted to host a print symposium with some fine scholars on both sides of what we are now calling “the argument from reason.” I am grateful to all the participants but want to offer a special word of thanks to Prof. Reppert for initiating this discussion and to J. P. Moreland for coordinating the authors and essays.

As it turns out, we had a number of other related submissions having to do with the interface of reason and nature—and this was unplanned. I love it when theme issues emerge simply because philosophers from around the country are thinking, writing, and submitting essays on similar topics at the same time. We always have an eye out for emerging trends like these among our submissions and gather them up and publish them together. This has happened regularly enough now that we no longer think it is an isolated event. Indeed, our next issue will be devoted to philosophical reflection on the doctrine of the Trinity because several high quality papers arrived within just a couple of months of each other. If your subscription is about to lapse, you will want to re-up for the next issue. In addition to the Trinity theme, we will be featuring a major research article on theodicy by Stewart Goetz among other first-rank articles and book reviews galore.

With this issue we will be saying goodbye to my dear colleague J. P. Moreland as he steps aside from his duties as book review editor. If you are wondering how book reviews so quickly became such an important part of this publication, wonder no longer. Prof. Moreland did a masterful job of soliciting, coordinating, and editing reviews by writers from all over the world. On behalf of our readers, authors, and the executive committee of the Evangelical Philosophical Society, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your work, J. P., on establishing *Philosophia Christi* as a leading reviewer of academic books in philosophy.

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