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## Editor's Introduction

On behalf of the editorial team of *Philosophia Christi*, I am delighted to present the twentieth anniversary edition of the journal of the Evangelical Philosophical Society. From its humble roots as the photocopied and stapled *Bulletin of the Evangelical Philosophical Society*, the first volume of *Philosophia Christi* was published in 1999 with a fresh new cover and layout. Under the twenty-year editorial leadership of Craig Hazen, *Philosophia Christi* has since blossomed into a reputable academic journal devoted to philosophical issues from a broadly evangelical, Christian perspective. To commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the journal as well as the passing of the baton of editorial leadership, the editorial team has decided to once again give the journal a fresh new look and layout. I personally want to extend a special word of gratitude to Craig Hazen and all who served on his editorial team over the years. The journal and society are indebted to your enduring commitment to scholarly excellence; thank you for serving the EPS and the broader Christian philosophical community so well these past twenty years.

*Philosophia Christi* remains a scholarly journal that is committed to publishing original research in the core of areas of philosophy, including philosophy of religion, philosophical theology, and philosophical apologetics. Our vision of a slightly more focused editorial policy on the area of philosophy in particular highlights the fact that the journal primarily serves as the publishing arm of the EPS, an academic, philosophical society.

This twentieth anniversary issue of *Philosophia Christi* features reflection essays from five seasoned Christian philosophers, many of whom were original contributors to the journal's first issue in 1999. The reflection pieces by J. P. Moreland, Angus Menuge, Steven T. Davis, William Lane Craig, and Paul Copan highlight historical aspects while noting personal and professional influences of the EPS and *Philosophia Christi*. The essays consist of backward and forwarding looking reflections on the EPS and embody the significant contribution the society and the journal have had over the years in enriching the evangelical philosophical community and the Christian philosophical community at large.

In addition to the above reflection pieces, the twentieth anniversary issue includes a book symposium on Andrew Ter Ern Loke's *A Kryptic Model of the Incarnation* (C. Stephen Evans, Oliver Crisp, and a response by Loke) that originated as an American Academy of Religion panel discussion. The issue also includes work on topics as diverse as a defense of Pascal's Wager, a critique of metaethical naturalism, a defense of skeptical theism, the nature of faith, a nonstandard version of the moral argument, a philosophical defense of penal substitutionary atonement, the metaphysics of union with God in the eschaton, theism and the metaphysics of free will, and the project of natural theology and its critics.

As the new editor of *Philosophia Christi*, I am hopeful about the bright future of the journal and confident that the pages of *Philosophia Christi* will continue to be marked by exemplary philosophical scholarship. Your excellent contributions to the journal will continue to enliven and embolden the EPS and the wider Christian philosophical community for many years to come.

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