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## Spring 2023 Theme: *Vice, Virtue, & Conflict*

Taken narrowly, vice and virtue comprise both central considerations of virtue ethical theories and peripheral considerations of any sophisticated normative ethics—that is, all plausible normative ethics will comment on vice and virtue in some manner. Taken broadly, the terms relate to goodness and badness, righteousness and evil, morality and depravity, inculcation and elimination. In each of these conjunctions, conflict stands at the forefront. Similar tensions manifest across theory and lived experience, from disagreement and wars to schisms and debates on the very existence of God. The interplay of vice, virtue, and conflict, then, occasions inquiry into the facets of life in a broken world and faith in the One who alone is perfect.

With this topic in mind, we invite undergraduate and graduate students, as well as early-career post-docs, to submit to *Theophron's* spring 2023 issue. Scholarship from all fields, particularly philosophy, theology, history, and biblical studies, is welcome.

Possible topics include but are certainly not limited to:

- Epistemology of Religious or Moral Disagreement
- Virtue's Role in Christian Discipleship across Traditions
- Prophetic & Apostolic Responses to Political-Religious Tensions
- Moral Arguments for God's Existence
- Interpretations of Old Testament Conflict Narratives
- Just War Theory & Pacifism in World War II
- Early Church Understandings of Spiritual Conflict
- Historical Christian Responses to Global Strife
- Metaethics and Theories of Sin
- Protestant, Catholic, & Orthodox Views of Vice

## Submission Instructions

Submissions should be between **4,000–6,500 words** (not including abstract), conform to the *Chicago Manual of Style* (17<sup>th</sup> edition), and be original, unpublished works prepared for double-blind peer review. Please include an abstract of no more than 250 words, uploading the entire manuscript in both PDF and .docx formats at [www.theophron.org/submissions](http://www.theophron.org/submissions). **Do not place your name or any identifying information on the submitted manuscript**—author identities will remain anonymous to reviewers and editors until after final acceptance/rejection decisions.

Submissions received by **February 12, 2023**, will be considered for publication.

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