

Climate, Religion and Responsibility

As a co-founder of the *International Journal on Responsibility (IJR)*, Dr. Calvin Redekop, along with scholar Norman Kraus, Ph.D., actively debated the role that religion plays in addressing injustice. Focusing on the notion of “upstream responsibility,” Redekop and Kraus (2017) argued that humankind is responsible for addressing various societal ills before these problems flow downstream and foster the destruction of society and the environment. To that end, this special issue is dedicated to the metaphor of upstream responsibility by examining how religion can be used to affect the global natural environment to promote environmental justice. Particular focus will be placed on responsibility surrounding climate change.

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