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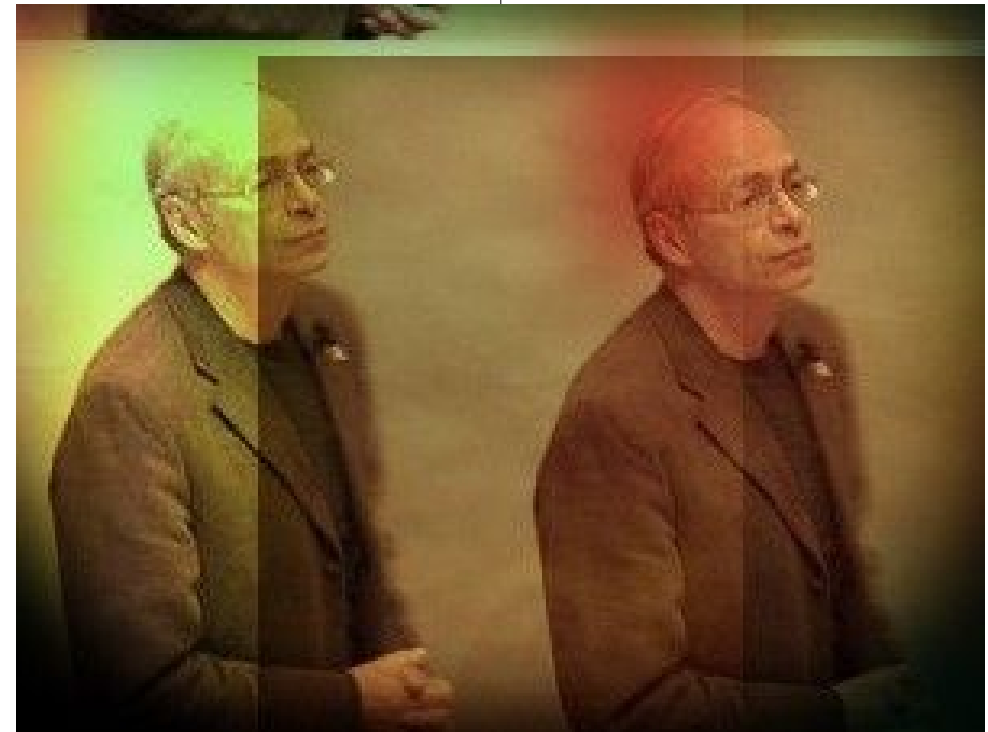
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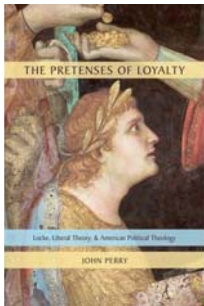
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## Coming from Oxford University Press



In *The Pretenses of Loyalty: Locke, Liberalism & Political Theology*, John Perry studies the origins of our thinking on religion's public place. From the story of Antigone to debates about homosexuality and bans on religious attire, liberalism's promise to solve all theo-political conflict has proved a false hope. In the overlooked early work of Locke, Perry discovers that liberalism's founder himself opposed toleration. Liberal toleration is thus more sophisticated, more theologically subtle, and ultimately more problematic than has been supposed.

Perry concludes by suggesting where we might turn next, looking beyond our usual boundaries to possibilities obscured by the liberalism we have inherited.

## Upcoming Events

24-25 May 2012: **Christianity & the Future of Higher Education**

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## CHRISTIAN ETHICS ENGAGES PETER SINGER

Utilitarians & Christians in Dialogue

Christ Church  
University of Oxford  
19-20 May 2011



## Speakers

### **Brenda Almond**

Emeritus Professor of Moral & Social Philosophy, University of Hull

### **Nigel Biggar**

Regius Professor of Moral & Pastoral Theology, University of Oxford

### **Lisa Sowle Cahill**

J. Donald Monan Professor of Theology, Boston College

### **Charles Camosy**

Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics, Fordham University

### **David Clough**

Professor of Theological Ethics, University of Chester

### **Eric Gregory**

Professor of Religion, Princeton University

### **John Haldane**

Professor of Philosophy, University of St Andrews

### **John Hare**

Noah Porter Professor of Philosophical Theology, Yale Divinity School

### **Brad Hooker**

Professor of Philosophy, University of Reading

### **Tim Mulgan**

Professor of Moral & Political Philosophy, University of St Andrews

### **Toby Ord**

British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Oxford

### **John Perry**

McDonald Postdoctoral Fellow for Ethics & Public Life, University of Oxford

### **Esther Reed**

Associate Professor of Theology, University of Exeter

### **Julian Savulescu**

Uehiro Professor of Practical Ethics, University of Oxford

### **Peter Singer**

Ira W. DeCamp Professor of Bioethics, Princeton University  
Laureate Professor, University of Melbourne

## CHRISTIAN ETHICS ENGAGES PETER SINGER

*Registration Opens* 0830

*Welcome & Opening Remarks* 0915

### **Utilitarians & Christians: Opening a Conversation** 0930

John Perry, *Chair*

Peter Singer, "Engaging with Christianity"

Charles Camosy, "Where Might a Conversation Start?"

*Coffee* 1100

### **Caring for Animals & The Environment** 1130

Steve Clark, *Chair*

David Clough, "Respecting Other Animals: Lessons for, and from, Peter Singer"

Tim Mulgan, "Climate Change: A Challenge to Utilitarianism & Christianity"

*Lunch* 1300

### **Utilitarianism, Christian Ethics & Moral Theory** 1415

Keith Ward, *Chair*

John Hare, "Consequentialism & Eudaimonism"

Brad Hooker, "Utilitarian Problems: Constraints, Loyalties & Prerogatives"

*Tea* 1545

### **Utilitarians in Church?** 1615

David Albert Jones, *Chair*

John Haldane, "Why Act Morally? Singer & Aquinas on Practical Reason"

Lisa Sowle Cahill, "Goods, Equality & Justice: Why Communities Matter"

### **Two 'Last' Words: Reflecting on the Day's Sessions** 1745

Julian Savulescu & Nigel Biggar

*Wine Reception, sponsored by Cambridge University Press* 1800

## FRIDAY

### **The Good Samaritan & the Shallow Pond: Global Poverty** 0900

Brenda Almond, *Chair*

Toby Ord, "Taking Charity Seriously"

Eric Gregory, "'Remember the Poor': Duties, Dilemmas & Vocation"

*Coffee* 1030

### **Closing Round-Table Discussion** 1100

Nigel Biggar, *Chair*

Peter Singer, Brenda Almond, Esther Reed

*Close* 1230