

# Introduction

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The papers in this volume are grouped under five headings, beginning with the essays on various social and political questions (Stith, Fox-Genovese, Beckwith, Pisciotta, and Reardon). There are two papers (Bowring, Collett) on highly technical perspectives on certain neo-natal issues, as well as two (Conley, Pruss) that bring special philosophical acumen to bear, and two (Moreland, Koloze) that range broadly over the problems of the life issues in relation to the Academy. The volume closes with papers on questions of theology and spirituality (Kurz, Fehring-McGraw, Sherrod, Fedoryka, Lowery, Strahan).

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