

Editorial

The seven articles in this final issue of our twenty-eighth volume present the reader with a plate of fare that is representative of what *Zygon* strives for in its overall editorial effort. On the one hand, the pieces are diverse, covering the range of disciplines—cosmology and astrophysics, anthropology, psychology, ecology, artificial intelligence, philosophy, and theology. A number of the articles draw out the ethical implications that derive from their fields of inquiry. On the other hand, all of the authors are wrestling with the natural world in which we live, attempting to understand it in ways that are relevant to the philosophical and religious quest for understanding. Each of the articles does also, in its own way, strike new ground, whether it be in environmental ethics, the processes of altruism, the understanding of mysticism, or the ways of relating scientific and theological statements.

In twelve months' time, the editors will be preparing the materials for this journal's thirtieth volume. We think that the volume should be special and appropriate to such a milestone. To that end, we are soliciting suggestions. We will be grateful for any ideas that readers send to us. Please write to us.

—Philip Hefner