

Christian Scholarship: Knowledge, Reality, and Method

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Current Information

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We urge all (irrespective of your discipline) to read Alvin Plantinga's article entitled "[Advice to Christian Philosophers](#)," as preparatory to the meetings. See "Advice to Christian Philosophers" in *Faith and Philosophy* I, 3 (July 1984).

[Invited speakers](#) are listed on a separate page. A listing of [accepted abstracts](#) is also available.

General Conference Information

Conference Date	October 9-11, 1997
Keynote Speaker	Dr. Alvin Plantinga Dr. Plantinga is Director of the Center for Philosophy of Religion at Notre Dame University where he is also the John A. O'Brien Professor of Philosophy.
General Theme	Christian Scholarship Dr. Plantinga will address this theme on three plenary occasions. The conference will include concurrent sessions of submitted papers (student papers are also welcome). Additionally there will be several other invited speakers who will present papers relevant to their discipline.
Traveling and Housing Information	Please Call: Carefree Travel at (800) 444-8899
Conference Site	The University Memorial Center in beautiful Boulder, Colorado. Conference rooms, first floor.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The University of Colorado Theology Forum (Dr. Ed Miller, Director)• Christian Leadership Ministries (Mr. Jim Cook, West Regional Director)

Sponsorship

- **Christian Faculty-Staff Fellowship's Center for Christian Thought and Leadership** (Dr. George W. Morgenthaler, Chair), at the University of Colorado at Boulder
- **The Dayspring Center for Christian Studies**, web site: <http://ucsu.colorado.edu/~d-spring/Home.html>

Call for Papers

In order to accommodate the maximum number of papers and to allow time for discussion, we request that papers (including discussion) be limited to a presentation of approximately forty minutes. Presenters are urged to strive for informal presentations. However, if this cannot be done, we welcome your reading of the paper.

The deadline for submission of paper abstracts (not more than one page) is June 1, 1997. Notification of acceptance will be mailed by July 1, 1997. Abstracts can be submitted by either email to Jim Cook <jcook@clm.org> or mailed to **Professor Ed L. Miller, Theology Forum, University of Colorado, Campus Box 232, Boulder, CO 80309.**

The conference is designed to be an interdisciplinary conference and we encourage submission of papers from all the humanities, as well as the natural sciences. A large portion of the conference will be aimed at answering the question, what is it to do scholarship from a Christian perspective? It is not a conference of Christian scholars reporting on their current work in the disciplines; rather, it is a conference of Christian scholars reflecting upon what it is to be a Christian and do scholarship from that perspective in their discipline. The conference will especially examine the metaphysical and epistemological foundations of Christian scholarship, asking what specifically are the constituting factors of Christian scholarship and how do they reveal themselves within our work in the particular disciplines.

Here are some suggested topics:

- Are there epistemic and metaphysical foundations for scholarship in the humanities, as well as the natural sciences?
- What does it mean to be rational?
- Does the plausibility of naturalistic theories and paradigms in the humanities depend on a prior commitment to naturalism?
- Is there a demarcation between the humanities and science?
- What social, political, and educational factors influence the direction of research and presentation of the humanities to the public?
- Does the "method" of the humanities exclude appeals to supernatural agency?

Registration Form

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Conference Fees (Full Fee includes continental breakfast, reception and luncheon):

- \$75.00 full conference fee, paid by August 1, 1997
- \$85.00 full conference fee, paid after August 1, 1997
- \$30.00 Student Fee, including luncheon
- \$15.00 Student Fee, excluding luncheon

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Please enclose a check made payable to West Region (be sure to specify which conference fee

option you are taking)and send it by snail-mail to:

Theology Forum
University of Colorado
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Boulder, CO 80309

You will be notified that we have received your registration and conference fee when both are received.

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