



## Beyond Secular Liberalism and Religious Traditionalism: Revisiting Jeffrey Stout's *Democracy and Tradition*

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The purpose of this Special Issue is to examine the interaction between philosophy and theology over the last two decades by revisiting Stout's argument about the role of religion in democratic movements. Contributions can be in response to, but not necessarily limited by, the following questions:

Since publication, how has Stout's book impacted discourses about secularism and religion in the US?

What philosophical and theological responses have there been to Stout's version of religious pragmatism?

Are there any significant examples of the religious Left as an alternative to the dominance of the religious Right in politics?

What other examples have there been in the last two decades of public religious engagement beyond secular liberalism and religious traditionalism?

How might religious or theological versions of postmodern critical theories complicate the dichotomy between secular liberalism and religious traditionalism?

Are postliberal and/or postsecular arguments necessarily aligned with conservative theologies and politics?

What are the limits to and/or potential for religion in democratic movements in the US and abroad?





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