

Special Issue

A Transformation in God: Change, Regret, and Inconsistency in the Deity of the Hebrew Bible

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The Special Issue, titled *A Transformation in God: Change, Regret, and Inconsistency in the Deity of the Hebrew Bible*, will examine textual evidence that conveys and rejects the idea of changes in the biblical deity. Submissions for this Issue are expected to shed light on the moral usages and theological inferences implied in the biblical text regarding the notion of divine transformation. Articles can discuss a variety of occurrences of the idea in various literary genres and textual sources of the Hebrew Bible and explore the theological and philosophical implications of this image, including the interdependent connections of divine modification and earthly affairs. Articles can examine the literary and historical backgrounds generating the variety of views within this thematic framework. Relevant narratives and accounts are to be assessed in their immediate textual settings or in their broader context, while considering intentional polemic, alongside reckless inconsistencies. The topic can also be explored through a linguistic lens, e.g., regarding the different verbs that describe or deny a divine transformation.

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