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In the first anthology of its kind, Thomas O'Brien and Scott Paeth have gathered unique pieces from across religious perspectives to illustrate the growing influence and contribution of religion to the field of business ethics. Events in the recent past make it clear that people in business urgently need to focus on the moral dimension of practices and behaviors. Courses in business ethics are increasingly prevalent in business schools and in departments of philosophy and religious studies, and yet texts for these courses normally pay scant attention to the much-needed religious perspective on what constitutes ethical practice and behavior. O'Brien and Paeth now fill that need with this text. (From book's back cover)

Review: "Finally, a well-annotated abthology that address the spiritual dimension of business ethics. This is for students who elect business not merely as a career but as a vocation." Dennis Moberg, president, Society for Business Ethics (2004-2006)

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"The purpose of the present volume, the first in a series on the topic of business ethics from a religious perspective, is to bring together in one book a number of excellent, recently published articles that incorporate religious perspectives into their discussion of business ethics. This reader was developed in order to simplify the process of supplementing secularized business ethics text-books with appropriate religiously oriented resources. Although we have tried to incorporate the perspectives of as many different traditions as we could, this collection of previously published articles is predominantly Christian. This apparent Christian bias is simply the result of the vast number of articles on business ethics published from this tradition, in relation to the relative dearth of materials from most other traditions. In future editions, we look forward to publishing more resources from a greater variety of traditions as these appear in the literature." (From the Preface, p. xi)