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Moral Ground: Ethical Action for a Planet in Peril brings together the testimony of over eighty visionaries—theologians and religious leaders, scientists, elected officials, business leaders, naturalists, activists, and writers—to present a compelling call to honor our individual and collective moral responsibility to our planet.

In the face of environmental degradation and global climate change, scientific knowledge alone does not tell us what we ought to do. The missing premise of the argument and much-needed centerpiece in the debate has been the need for ethical values, moral guidance, and principled reasons for doing the right thing for our planet and its inhabitants.

Contributors from around the world (including North America, Africa, Australia, Asia, and Europe) bring forth a rich variety of heritages and perspectives. Their contributions take many forms—from letters, poems, economic analyses, proclamations, essays, and stories—illustrating the rich variety of ways through which we express our moral beliefs.

Their voices affirm why we must move beyond scientific research and response and embrace an ongoing model of repair and sustainability. These writings demonstrate that scientific analysis and moral conviction can work successfully side-by-side. (Text adapted from Trinity University Press)

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