



God's Signature

Understanding Paul Beauchamp on Creation in the First Testament

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DESCRIPTION:

This book consists of a theological hermeneutical reading of the meaning of creation in the First Testament as found in the writings of the Jesuit biblical scholar Paul Beauchamp. Out of his engagement in the contemporary dialogue between modern science and theology, Pambrun explores how a community's experience of creation, as expressed in the classical creation texts, represents a work of meaning that configures the Scriptures as a Book. This study examines how Beauchamp's methodological approach to the Law, the Prophets, and Wisdom as distinct classes of writings, each obedient to its own set of operations, permits an encounter to take place among the diverse creation texts. The result is an enriched understanding of the meaning of creation, a meaning governed at its core by a language of hope that, in a world scarred by suffering and violence, attests to the engendering of a new humanity.

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