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out a series of principles for carrying out some of the most important of these aims. His account of justification considers not only belief but

also other responses to religious claims and distinguishes the

justification of responses, propositions, and persons. Throughout Prolegomena to a Philosophy of Religion, Schellenberg is laying the groundwork for an elaboration of his own vision while at the same time suggesting how philosophers might rethink assumptions guiding most of today's work in analytic philosophy of religion.