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Preview Response

IS FORGIVENESS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE?

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To what extent should forgiveness be considered a matter of public health and public policy? (VanderWeele, T.J. (2018). Is forgiveness a public health issue? *American Journal of Public Health*, 108:189-190.)

How do we structure policies and priorities in the face of multiple incommensurate goods and ends? (VanderWeele, T.J. (2017a). On the promotion of human flourishing. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 31:8148-8156).

What is the role of religious communities in contributing to human flourishing and how should societies and governments acknowledge and promote their role? (VanderWeele, T.J. (2017b). Religious communities and human flourishing. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, 26:476-481.)

Further comment on Justice Preview: It may be of interest that Aquinas argues (e.g the Summa Theologica II.II.Question 58, Article 1) for a certain equivalence of the two "first-order" definitions of justice from antiquity discussed by Wolterstorff.

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