# **BOOK SYMPOSIUM**

### **PRÉCIS TO**

## WHERE THE CONFLICT REALLY LIES: SCIENCE, RELIGION, AND NATURALISM

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In *Where the Conflict Really Lies* I argue for two essential theses: First, there is no serious conflict between current science and religious belief, specifically Christian belief. In particular, there is no conflict between Christian belief and evolution. There is conflict between Christian belief and *unguided* evolution, but the scientific evolutionary theory is neutral as between guided and unguided evolution. Second, there is essential conflict between naturalism, the thought that there is no such person as God or anything like God, and current science. That is because N&E, the conjunction of naturalism with current evolutionary theory, is self-defeating.