

Ethics and the Old Testament

Is it right to shoot pigs and roos?

Main ethical propositions

Deontology – a duty to uphold and live by the laws

Virtue – what would a good person do in this situation?

Consequentialism – weighing up the consequences of your choices

Utilitarianism – doing what produces the most good for the most people

Hedonism – maximise pleasure, minimise pain

Ethics and Creation

The good in God's creation – order, purpose

Our part in God's good creation

- Gen 1:28 Be fruitful, increase, fill the earth, subdue it. Rule over creation.
- Gen 2:15 Work it and take care of it

Ethics and Sin

Creation worshipped instead of the creator

Ethics and Restoration

judgement – punishment – salvation – future hope

Whole of the Old Testament is designed to lead us to God's new creation