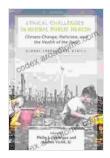
# Climate Change, Pollution, and the Health of the Poor: A Global Theological Ethics

Climate change and pollution are major threats to the health of the poor around the world. The World Health Organization estimates that air pollution alone causes 7 million premature deaths each year, and that climate change is responsible for an additional 150,000 deaths each year. These deaths are disproportionately borne by the poor, who are more likely to live in areas with high levels of pollution and who are more vulnerable to the effects of climate change.



Ethical Challenges in Global Public Health: Climate Change, Pollution, and the Health of the Poor (Global Theological Ethics) by Bill Hayton

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This book explores the ethical dimensions of these issues and offers a theological perspective on how to address them. The author argues that climate change and pollution are not simply environmental problems, but also social justice issues. He calls for a global response to these challenges that is based on solidarity with the poor and that prioritizes their health and well-being.

The book is divided into three parts. The first part provides an overview of the scientific evidence on climate change and pollution and their impacts on health. The second part explores the ethical dimensions of these issues, drawing on a variety of theological traditions. The third part offers a vision for a just and sustainable future, and outlines the steps that need to be taken to achieve it.

This book is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the ethical dimensions of climate change and pollution. It is essential reading for theologians, ethicists, and policymakers who are working to address these challenges.

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#### Part 1: The Science of Climate Change and Pollution

This part of the book provides an overview of the scientific evidence on climate change and pollution and their impacts on health. The author draws on a variety of sources, including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC),the World Health Organization (WHO),and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

The author begins by discussing the causes of climate change. He explains that climate change is caused by the release of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, primarily through the burning of fossil fuels. He then discusses the impacts of climate change on health, including extreme weather events, rising sea levels, and the spread of infectious diseases.

The author also discusses the causes and health impacts of pollution. He explains that pollution can come from a variety of sources, including factories, vehicles, and agriculture. He then discusses the health impacts of pollution, including respiratory problems, cardiovascular disease, and cancer.

#### Part 2: The Ethical Dimensions of Climate Change and Pollution

This part of the book explores the ethical dimensions of climate change and pollution. The author draws on a variety of theological traditions to argue that these issues are not simply environmental problems, but also social justice issues.

The author begins by discussing the ethical responsibilities of individuals and communities to protect the environment. He argues that we have a duty to care for the earth and its creatures, and that this duty extends to addressing the challenges of climate change and pollution.

The author also discusses the ethical responsibilities of governments and corporations to address climate change and pollution. He argues that governments have a duty to protect the health and well-being of their citizens, and that this duty includes taking action to address climate change and pollution.

The author concludes this part of the book by calling for a global response to climate change and pollution. He argues that this response must be based on solidarity with the poor and that it must prioritize their health and well-being.

#### Part 3: A Vision for a Just and Sustainable Future

This part of the book offers a vision for a just and sustainable future. The author outlines the steps that need to be taken to achieve this vision, including:

- Transitioning to a clean energy economy
- Reducing pollution
- Investing in public health
- Supporting sustainable agriculture
- Protecting biodiversity

The author concludes the book by calling for hope and action. He argues that we have a moral responsibility to create a just and sustainable future for all, and that we must work together to achieve this goal.

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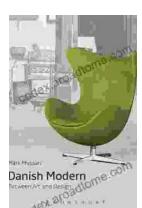
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