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In ethics and law, questions of right and wrong have some ultimate basis. The source of authority in a legal system would seem to be either divine and transcendent (God, or Gods) or temporal and earthly (man, or men). The contributions to this text discuss the link between religion and law.

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