

Resisting moral ambiguity: Youth, faith, and nuclear disarmament, by Jessica Wilbanks, Co-coordinator for the National Religious Partnership on the Nuclear Weapons Danger. **Abstract:** The majority of the world's religious traditions are in agreement: nuclear weapons are indiscriminate tools of mass destruction and must never be used. This paper argues that framing the elimination of nuclear weapons as a moral challenge helps to depoliticize the issue and opens up new opportunities for building consensus across partisan lines. Senator Barack Obama's explication of a healthy relationship between religion and the public sphere provides an excellent model for the disarmament movement's inclusion of the moral narrative in the struggle to reduce and eliminate weapons of mass destruction. Those who come to anti-nuclear work because of their religious beliefs do so because of their refusal to be compromised, and that refusal is at the heart of any vigorous response to nuclear weapons.