Centre for Theology & Ministry Public Lecture

**LOVE IN THE TIME OF RIGHTS:**
faith, reason and compassion in international relief and development

**Monday March 31st**
**7.30pm**
Centre for Theology & Ministry,
29 College Crescent, Parkville

In this lecture, Stephen Plant will explore the ways contemporary practices of development institutionally embody and express a deep philosophical confusion about why and how wealthy people and wealthy countries should engage with human need. Dr. Plant will propose that the Christian Gospel, in emphasising a love of neighbour that complements the love of God, makes uniquely possible an engagement with need in which feeling and reason, compassion and rationality, are one.

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Stephen Plant lectures on theology and ethics in the Cambridge Faculty of Divinity. He is among the emerging generation of younger experts on Dietrich Bonhoeffer. His extensive writings on Bonhoeffer include Bonhoeffer (Continuum, 2004) and Taking Stock of Bonhoeffer (Ashgate, 2014). He is presently writing a book on theology and international development. He has previously worked in Tanzania and as a Methodist minister in West London. He is in Australia as a Northey Lecturer within the Centre for Theology and Ministry

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